

IS THIRD VICTIM OF AN ASSASSIN

Attorney in Celebrated Dodge Case Is Found Murdered in Law Office.

MADE HARD FIGHT FOR LIFE

Condition of Office Indicates Desperate Struggle—Gets Threatening Letters.

McRae, Ga., April 7. — That Pope Hill, a prominent attorney of Macon, is the third victim of an assassin in the now celebrated Dodge case, is the belief of the authorities of this county. Hill was found dead in the offices of a local attorney at 7 a. m. yesterday, a bullet in his brain and a revolver with one chamber discharged grasped in his right hand. The condition of the office indicated a desperate struggle. The stove had been turned over, the coal scuttle was crushed and the furniture was broken. On the floor lay an unfinished court motion in the Dodge case, drafted by the dead lawyer, which he came here to file yesterday.

Got Threatening Letters.

Hill arrived here at noon Sunday and went into a friend's law office to work on the case. Later he went to the home of the proprietor of a hardware store and said he had received some threatening letters and wanted a revolver. He was so insistent that the hardware man opened the store and sold Hill the revolver which was found clasped in his hand. When his body was searched a note addressed to him at Macon was found. It was written in a childish hand and said:

"Pope Hill: The next time you interfere with our settlement you will be broke."

Instead of a signature there were a rudely drawn skull and crossbones. The authorities believe that Hill received other threats after he arrived here Sunday, which impelled him to buy the revolver.

Trail of Deaths

The trail of deaths and injuries in the Dodge case began in 1891. In that year Capt. John C. Forsythe, who represented the N. P. W. Dodge estate, was assassinated. After a six weeks' trial five men were sent to prison for life for the crime. Soon after this, Lucius Williams, one of the claimant's attorneys, was killed. Since then there have been numerous encounters growing out of the case, in which the participants received severe gunshot or stab wounds.

The Dodge lands cover some 400,000 acres in Pulaski, Dodge, Telfar and Lawrence counties. The titles rested on ancient land grants and since 1882 there has been continuous litigation over their ownership.

AFTER CRAZY SNAKE.

Federal Officials Will Try to Induce Chief to Surrender.

Muskogee, Okla., April 7. — The United States government is taking a hand in the search for Crazy Snake, William Martin, United States deputy marshal, left Muskogee late yesterday with Deputy Sheriff Frank Jones for Camp Hickory. From there it is believed he will go to Crazy Snake's hiding place, guided by the latter's son, and try to induce the chief to surrender. The militia will remain in the field until Crazy Snake is captured.

KRUPP HEIRESS NOT UNHAPPY.

Mrs. Bohlen und Halbach Denies Rumor of a Divorce.

Berlin, April 7.—Herr von Bohlen und Halbach, whose wife was formerly Bertha Krupp, has had notices posted throughout the Essen works, which are owned by Mrs. von Bohlen und Halbach, declaring on behalf of himself and his wife that the report of the probability of a divorce between them is a baseless invention.

WILL WAR ON TONNAGE TAX.

Range Towns Will Co-operate With Duluth in Delegation to St. Paul.

Duluth, April 7. — The Commercial club yesterday perfected plans for a move on the state senate next Wednesday evening, when Northeastern Minnesota will protest against the tonnage tax. Mayors of all range towns will be asked to co-operate.

Loss for Estherville.

Estherville, Iowa, April 7. — The Minneapolis & St. Louis railroad has commenced to take down its roundhouse in this city, preparatory to moving it to Spencer, Iowa, using that place as a division instead of Estherville.

WOMAN IN SHACKLES ESCAPES

Was Forced to Work on Chain Gang for Violation of Suspended Sentence.

Athens, Ga., April 7. — Kate O'Dwyer, a young woman who was shackled and forced to work on the chain gang, made her escape here last night.

The woman, who is said to be pretty, had been sentenced to the gang for twelve months for disorderly conduct. The sentence was suspended on condition that she leave the country and never return. She returned a month ago, was arrested and was ordered shackled and chained day and night, as desperate men convicts were. Her treatment became public when an attorney asked a writ of habeas corpus on the ground that no one can be condemned to infamous punishment except by a jury. The case attracted so much attention that Gov. Smith took it up and the prison commission issued an order that no woman prisoner, no matter what her offense, was ever to be shackled.

The O'Dwyer woman escaped by cutting the bars on her cell. It is believed she had outside assistance. She was convicted of a misdemeanor and her case will go to the supreme court.

NICARAGUA READY TO SETTLE.

Will Send Special Commissioner to Fix Up Emery Claim.

Washington, April 7.—The gratifying information was conveyed to Secretary Knox yesterday that the Nicaraguan government would make an early effort to settle, either by compromise or by arbitration, the claim for damages of the G. D. Emery company, whose concession for cutting mahogany was cancelled two years and a half ago for alleged violation of the terms.

RIOT LEADER SURRENDERS.

Kentuckian Gives Up After Eluding Troops for Four Months.

Cincinnati, April 7.—After roaming about the country and through the wilds of the Kentucky mountains for nearly four months, during which five scores of United States deputy marshals and several companies of soldiers had searched in vain for him, Berry Simpson, alleged leader of the rioters at Stearns, Ky., surrendered.

NEW HIGH RECORD FOR COTTON

Dry Weather Reports Force Price Up From 50 to 60 Points.

New York, April 7.—New high records were made for the season in the cotton market yesterday on active general buying, with May contracts selling at 9.79 cents and October at 9.55 cents, or 50 to 60 points above the low level of two weeks ago. The market held a net gain of 4 and 5 points at midday.

BODY FOUND AT LA CROSSE.

"Kelly the Disturber" Was Drowned at Homer, Minn., Last Fall.

La Crosse, Wis., April 7.—The body of John Kelly, known as "Kelly the Disturber," drowned last fall at Homer, Minn., was found by fishermen here. Kelly was a non-believer and was known all along the river because of the religious arguments he entered into. He was forty-eight.

MAN WANDERED TO DEATH.

Mystery in Disappearance of Janesville, Wis., Cleared Away.

Janesville, Wis., April 7.—The mystery surrounding the disappearance of Thomas McLaughlin, aged ninety years, on Jan. 22 was cleared up yesterday by the discovery of his body in Rock river by carp fishermen. The man, who was partially blind, had evidently wandered into the river.

Killed by Wife's Sister.

Buena Vista, Va., April 7.—Henry W. Amos was yesterday shot and killed by his sister-in-law, Mrs. William Campbell. Amos' wife recently left him and went to the Campbell home to live with her sister. Amos called yesterday and sought a reconciliation with his wife. The latter refused to go with him and a quarrel followed.

"Broke" Broker Collapses.

Chicago, April 7.—John Dickinson, who traded on the Consolidated Stock exchange of New York and the Chicago board of trade as John Dickinson & Co., and whose company was placed in the hands of a receiver here yesterday, is said by his attorney, G. W. Plummer, to have collapsed physically last Saturday.

March Out of Burning School.

Pittsburg, April 7. — Between 600 and 700 pupils were safely marched out of the McKees Rocks public school, in a suburb, yesterday when the building was found to be on fire. Not one of the children was injured. The building was practically destroyed.

CONGRESS

Resume of the Week's Proceedings.

Washington, April 2.—Dragging itself tediously along, general debate on the tariff was continued in the house yesterday and last night. The Payne bill came in for its usual condemnation from the Democrats, the reductions being characterized as pretexes and shams, and the bill as a whole as "a huge Mephistophelean joker."

Washington, April 3. — That the Payne bill was filled with riotous imperfections, was a false pretense, was designed to cover up the extravagances of the Republican administration, that it did not redeem party pledges, and that it sounded the death knell of the dominant party, were some of the criticisms passed upon the measure by the Democrats in the house yesterday.

Washington, April 7.—Wrangling, confusion, captious objections, personalities and language bordering on vituperation marked the first day's discussion of the Payne tariff bill for amendment in the house of representatives yesterday. With practically a full attendance, the members were wrought up to a high tension and were prepared to fight to the last ditch for those things which their constituencies were demanding.

The entire day practically was consumed in discussing the lumber and hides schedules. Led by Mr. Tawney of Minnesota, the advocates of free lumber in the house went down to defeat by the narrow margin of six votes, following the striking out of the countervailing duty on lumber.

Hides on Free List.

An overwhelming majority was mustered against an amendment by Mr. Scott of Kansas taking hides from the free list and fixing a duty upon them of 10 per cent ad valorem.

The barley schedule came in for a lively discussion, and when the bill was laid aside for the day there were pending two amendments, one raising the rate in the Payne bill from 15 cents to 25 cents a bushel, and the other fixing the rate at 10 per cent ad valorem.

The sum total of the day's work, with the exception of the elimination of the countervailing duty on lumber, which was a committee amendment, was to leave the bill in identically the condition on which the committee reported it. This grants free hides and a duty of \$1 per thousand on sawed lumber.

DEFENDS THE OIL TRUST.

Standard's Attorney Begins Presentation of His Case.

St. Louis, April 8.—John G. Milburn of New York and the Standard Oil company's chief counsel of record, late yesterday afternoon commenced the presentation of the defendant's side of the case in the government's suit to dissolve the Standard Oil company.

The federal attorney, Mr. Kellogg, concluded his opening address for the government shortly after noon. Then C. B. Morrison, formerly United States attorney in Chicago, and Mr. Kellogg's chief associate, finished the government's opening of the argument by a two-hour discussion of the alleged unfair competition.

VOTES HEALTH TAX.

Chicago Passes Levy to Fight White Plague.

Chicago, April 7.—In the city election held yesterday the "little ballot" containing a proposition for a tax levy to erect a tuberculosis sanitarium carried by a large plurality.

The town of Evanston annulled annexation by voting against it. The town of Cicero also defeated the plan.

Fight for Gov. Haskell.

Tulsa, Okla., April 8. — In the trial of Gov. Charles N. Haskell for alleged land fraud, testimony designed to uphold charges of improper conduct by Special Prosecutor Rush in obtaining the indictments was completed yesterday. The defense immediately resumed argument on the motion to quash the indictments. Arguments were in progress when court adjourned for the day.

Must Enlist or Go to Prison.

Des Moines, April 8.—Johnny Flood, eighteen, indicted on two counts, charging forgery, must enlist in the navy today or be sentenced to the reformatory. Judge Brennan declares the training in the navy will make a man of the lad.

Ousts Slot Machines.

San Francisco, April 8. — Under pressure from the Civic league and other good government organizations, including the clergy of the city, the board of supervisors yesterday passed an ordinance banishing slot machines, effective July 1.

IN THE SCANDINAVIAN NORTH

Gleanings of Important News of Norway, Sweden and Denmark, with Occasional Comments.

By MARTIN W. ODLAND.

NORWAY.

P. A. B. Opsion, of Ibbestad, has been awarded the silver medal for good citizenship, in recognition of his long faithful service as a "lensmand."

Complete statistics show that only 8,600 persons emigrated from Norway in 1908, while in 1907 the number was 22,135. About half of those who left last year sailed from Christiania.

Dr. Johan Nicolayson has been appointed professor of chirurgy in the University of Christiania. He is a son of former Prof. Julius Finlayson, and is forty-nine years of age. He is a specialist of high rank.

The authorities of Vestre Gausdal (West Gausdal) have bought the Forseth estate and will convert it into a home for the aged. The estate embraces about 1,400 roods (Maal) of rich land, most of which is covered with timber.

A new experiment station for forestry has been established at Ovre Solberg under the direction of Thv. Kjaer, the forester. Various methods of cultivating timber will be taken up in the hope of saving expense and labor in reforestation.

The city of Stavanger is having a healthy little building boom. Forty houses are in process of construction, and a large number of other buildings will be started soon. The Stavanger Sardine Co. is increasing its plant by erecting a two-story factory. The growth of the Stavanger has been about as brisk as that of any city in Norway the past few years.

Gustav Jensen, chairman of the Gynnsal committee—the committee preparing a new national hymn book—has declared in favor of adopting a number of popular Norwegian melodies for use in the churches. He believes that many of these melodies are entirely appropriate—"Den Store Lyvide Flok" for instance—and believes that much good would result from their adoption, as they appeal to the hearts of the churchgoers and are sung with delight.

Hollandsvandet (the Highland lake) of Jaederen was recently drained, and in the bottom a number of interesting remains have been found, one of them being the antlers and a portion of the skull of an elk that lived during prehistoric times. The length of the antlers is eighty centimeters, but it must have been about ten centimeters longer before a part decayed. What makes the antlers especially remarkable is the thickness of the main horn or stem, which has twice the diameter found on elks today. This interesting find has been placed in the Stavanger museum.

The new soldiers' home at Vaernesmoen will be ready in May, before the annual military drill begins. This home is being erected by the Trondhjem branch of the Young People's Christian Association of Norway. Similar homes will soon be erected for the district of Osterdalen at Terningmoen and for Vestagder at Christiansand. The Sogn branch of the Young People's Christian association has collected 1,700 crowns toward a home at Bomoen, near Voss, and a number of other homes are under consideration. These institutions will serve a useful purpose, tending to keep the young soldiers of Norway contented and to inspire them with higher ideals.

A new telephone line is to be built across the romantic and picturesque Jotunheimen—the Jotunheimen immortalized by Aasmund Olafson Vinje. It is to start from Skogstad; will pass through Framnes and along Tyn to Tynholm and Eldsbugaren. At this point the line will be divided, one arm passing over the mountain to Gjendeboden and the other along Bygdin to Fagerstrand, when it will continue across Valdresfjell to Gjendesheim. Under this arrangement it will be possible for most of the people of Jotunheimen to obtain telephonic communications with the outside world. Who would have dreamed of such a miracle fifty years ago?

SWEDEN.

Wireless telegraph system are being installed in Sweden, and the line has now reached Stockholm, so that messages can now be sent from the Swedish capitol to Gotland and other sea points.

A case of "gift of tongues" has attracted a great deal of attention at Munkedal. The man claiming to speak in tongues soon became so violent that he had to be locked up. At the Munkedal factory he broke several windows in an attempt to get into the building. After his imprisonment he attempted to throw himself head first from the window, but luckily was caught in time. Since being locked up and treated he has calmed down, and the prospects are that he will be more circumspect in the future. Several women, however, have become interested in the gift of tongues, and the end of the agitation is not yet in sight.

Riksdogman Sjocrona has in the first chamber introduced the following resolution: "No change of the arms or flag of the country may be made, and no changes in the Swedish written language or its spelling changed without the consent of the riksdog." In the motion it is explained that the spelling reform of April, 1906, according to this was a complete innovation. This important change was made by a minor educational gathering, although it affected the whole Swedish literature and the whole language. The motion in question aims to make any future changes impossible except after proper deliberation on the part of legally constituted authorities.

Nils Axel Palmstierna, the superintendent of the Jonkoping district, died suddenly at his home at Stockholm recently after a day's illness. The cause of death was heart failure. Frecholder Palmstierna was born in Stockholm, and was almost seventy-three years of age at the time of his death. In his early life he entered the army and rose to the rank of second lieutenant of Vendes artillery regiment. Ten years later he became lieutenant and in four years more captain. His advancement continued and he became major of the Gota artillery regiment, and finally major general in 1882, the position he held until his death. At the meeting of the riksdag the chairman, Chr. Lundberg, paid the deceased a fitting tribute in a short address, which the members heard standing out of respect for the dead.

The donations provided for in the will of the wholesale dealer, Winquist, concerning whose death we wrote last week, provides for the following donations: To Fritsla congregation 100,000 crowns; to the workmen's donation fund of the Fritsla woolen mills, 100,000 crowns; to M. Nordberg and K. A. Meljer, 50,000 crowns each; to the factory superintendent, J. W. Andren, 15,000 crowns; to his six bookkeepers, 5,000 crowns each; to his shipping clerk, 5,000 crowns. The relatives are also remembered. The total donations amount to over 505,000 crowns. The value of the estate is over 5,000,000 crowns, the bulk of it going to the nephew of the deceased, a young man not yet out of school.

holm, has decided to open five of the local schools to the wives of laborers for the study of domestic science. The courses of instruction proposed have been arranged by the local branch of the Domestic Science Instructor society. The society has made a study of the courses of weakness among the school children, and finds that it is due to insufficient nutrition and improper preparation of food. For this reason these courses aim to teach the housewives how to prepare good food economically, the instruction for the proper women costing them nothing. Those who are able to pay will furnish their own materials. The Patriotic society has donated 500 crowns to assist the work of the Domestic Science society, and the work has already commenced.

DENMARK.

Einar Mikkelsen, the Arctic explorer, who headed the duchess of Bedford expedition, will sail for Greenland next June to search for the bodies of Mylius Erichsen, Lieut. Hoeg-Hagen and Jorgen Broulund, who perished there in 1907 during the Denmark-Greenland expedition, as related in these columns. There has been a great deal of discussion in Denmark in reference to the recovery of the bodies of these men, who have become heroes in the eyes of the people, and the quest of Explorer Mikkelsen will be watched with intense interest.

The crops of Denmark in 1908 were valued at 587,000,000 crowns, according to recently published government statistics.