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IN A FIT OF JEALOUS RAGE HUSBAND FATALLY SHOOTS HIS WIFE AND THEN KILLS HIMSELF

Sensational and Awful Tragedy is Enacted at the Home of Criss D. Kennedy in Point Comfort Sunday Evening. Jacob L. Tice, a Laborer. Shooting His Wife and Then Committing Suicide.

The Double Crime Was Caused by the Jealousy and Despondency of the Husband Who Claimed Another Man Had Become too Intimate With His Wife—Woman Lies in a Hospital in a Dying Condition—Coroner's Jury Impanned and Verdict of Suicide Returned.

While in a fit of drunken jealous rage, Jacob L. Tice, a city laborer, shot his wife in the head with a revolver and then killed himself with the same weapon Sunday evening about 6:30 o'clock at the home of Criss D. Kennedy, in Point Comfort, near the old Point mills. The tragedy was witnessed by several persons and it occurred after Tice had been searching for his wife all over the city throughout the day with the avowed intention of killing her and then himself. He claimed he was going to commit the crime because some man had had too intimate relations with his wife. Mrs. Tice had been working at the home of Dr. T. M. Hood, on West Main street. She had separated from her husband on account of their marital troubles about three weeks ago. Saturday evening Mrs. Tice and Sallie Musgrove, a young woman whose home is in Wallace and who has been working in one of the local steam laundries, obtained lodging at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Criss D. Kennedy, in Point Comfort. Sunday both women came to the central part of the city upon several errands, Mrs. Tice going to a place on Monticello avenue where her husband had sent their children. The Musgrove woman went with her and from there they went to the residence of Peter Core, in the Wine addition to get some of Mrs. Tice's clothes she had left when she quit working there a few weeks ago. From there they went to the Hood residence. While there Tice in a half drunken condition came to the Hood residence and asked for his wife but he was told that she was not there. Mrs. Tice and Miss Musgrove then went on out to Mrs. Kennedy's to get their supper.

Tice was still alive in an ambulance was summoned and she was removed to the City hospital, where she now lies in a dying condition. After the arrival of Coroner W. P. Camp the body of Tice was removed to the Clifford Osborne undertaking company's parlors to be prepared for burial. The bullet which struck Mrs. Tice entered the face just below the right eye. The bullet which ended the life of her husband entered to right side of the head behind the ear and passed clear through the brain coming out on the left side over the top of the ear. Monday morning Coroner Camp empaneled a jury to investigate into the cause of the death of Tice. The following were sworn in as jurors: W. H. Cole, O. P. Boughner, William L. Gephart, Edward Doyle, Silas Ash and Amos Payne. After viewing the body and taking the testimony of Criss Kennedy and his wife, Mr. Leonard and Sallie Musgrove, they returned the verdict that Tice came to his death by a pistol shot inflicted by his own hand with suicidal intent. In the testimony it was brought out that Tice had made several threats to kill himself and his wife. He had made the threat to several persons and it was because of these threats that Mrs. Kennedy's asked Mrs. Tice to leave their house. All were afraid of the man as they did not know what he would do while in his drunken condition. It was also brought out in the testimony that Tice had made the remark that a man had become too intimate with his wife and that he was going to kill the man, his wife and then himself. He did not mention the man's name further than that his first name was Lawrence. Mrs. Tice was lingering in a critical condition at the City hospital at the time this issue of the Telegram went to press. The doctors there say there is very slight hope for her recovery and that her death is expected almost at any moment. Tice had been working for W. B. Virgie & Company, contractors, at times but had not been working steady. His home is in Netrop, Washington county, Ohio. Mrs. Tice was Miss Myrtle Peters before her marriage. Her father's name is Frank G. Peters, and he resides in Marietta, Ohio. He has been sent for and is expected here this evening. Three young children survive. They are staying with a friend of the dead man's on Monticello avenue. No arrangements have been made for the funeral of Mr. Tice.

FISKE DEAD

Who Died Twenty Years Ago Left Two Million Dollars to Cornell University.

By Associated Press.
Ithaca, N. Y., Sept. 19.—Daniel Willard Fiske, formerly professor here, is dead. His wife, Mrs. Jennie McGraw Fiske, died twenty years ago, leaving two million dollars to Cornell University.

WEDDING INVITATION

The following is a copy of wedding invitations, which have just been issued:

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Owens request the pleasure of your presence at the marriage of their daughter
Essie
to
Mr. Charles Williams Donally
on Monday evening, October 18th, at eight o'clock.
First Presbyterian Church,
Clarksburg, West Virginia.
They will be "at home" at Glenclyn Va., after November 1.

WORLD WAS CRUEL

To Them, They Thought, and Man and Woman Suicide by Asphyxiation.

By Associated Press.
York, Pa., Sept. 19.—Michael Schalk, unmarried, at the head of the Keystone foundry, and Miss Nellie Gatenacht, also of York, suicided in her apartments this morning by asphyxiation, both leaving notes complaining of this cruel world.

STARTLING CONFESSIONS ARE MADE

WERE MADE BY RILEY CHRISTNER, ACCORDING TO THE STORY THAT IS BEING TOLD.

ON THE SCAFFOLD IN PENNSYLVANIA TO BE HANGED FOR DROWNING OF BOY HE TELLS ALL

Murdered His Father and Placed Body On Railroad and Also Murdered George Swiger and Likewise Placed His Body Along Railroad Track.

The story goes that Riley Christner, formerly of Adamston, and later living down in Pennsylvania for a few days ago in Pennsylvania for drowning a boy thirteen years of age. The sensational part of the story is that he made a startling confession on the scaffold, admitting that he killed his father, Jacob Christner, several years ago, and then laid him on the railroad track at the bridge crossing the West Fork river at Adamston, where he was found dead, so as to make it appear that he had been killed by a train. Some years later he was acquitted on the charge of murdering George Swiger, near Glen Falls. It is stated that he also confessed to the murder of Swiger, and that he told about various other crimes he had committed. It is stated that the reason he drowns the boy was that the latter was the only one who saw him kill his father and he was afraid he would "peach" or lift some time. If the story be true, Riley certainly had a mania for murdering men and placing their bodies on railroad tracks, as that of Swiger was along the track just as was Riley's father.

STRUCK BY ENGINE

Was a Stranger Sunday Morning in the Yards But He Was Not Much Hurt.

A message was received at two o'clock Sunday morning for the coroner and the dead wagon to go to the Junction house at the West End, as a man had been struck by a train and killed. The coroner made due haste to get there and upon his arrival he found a man sitting upright, apparently unhurt. But he had been struck by the cylinder of a freight engine at the lower house and picked up and carried to the junction. His only injury was a scratch on one of his legs. The fellow refused to give his name, and being a stranger in this section he was not identified.

WILLS FILED FOR PROBATE

In the County Clerk's Office—Strother Leaves One-Fourth to Son and Rest to Others—Mrs. Noy Gives Property to Brothers.

The will of the late Thomas J. Strother, of Katylick, was filed here Monday for probate in the proper office. It was written January 9 last. After the payment of the funeral expenses, one-fourth of his entire estate is bequeathed to his son, Emory Sherman Strother, Herman, Ethel, Art, Dando, Clara Fay, all children of his, and a grandchild Ocie Rice, are each given \$100. The residue of the estate is to go equally to Ella May Adeok, Anna Bell Strother, Harry Strother and Ethel Strother. In the event his son, Sherman Strother, attempts to break the will, he forfeits what is bequeathed to him and that part of the estate will go to the other legatees. Sherman C. Denham and M. G. Sperry are named as executors. They qualified under bond of \$5,000, and Edward Pittro, John T. Williamson and M. J. Francis were appointed appraisers. Another will filed for probate was that of Mrs. Amanda Noy, who died at Shingston last week. She provides for her husband, John Noy, during his life time gives three-fifths of the remainder of the estate to her brother, Abner L. Jarrett, and one-fifth each to two other brothers, M. J. Jarrett and M. C. Jarrett. M. J. Jarrett is named as executor without bond.

WEDDING

Of Mr. Walter C. Sullivan and Miss Bertie Halpenny Occurs Sunday Evening at Bride's Home in Adamston.

Miss Bertie Halpenny and Mr. Walter C. Sullivan were united in marriage in the presence of a few friends at the home of the bride's father in Adamston Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Mr. Sullivan is a son of Enoch B. Sullivan of Adamston. He is employed as a clerk in the store of the Fairmount & Baltimore Coal Co., at Adamston, and is a worthy young man. Mrs. Sullivan is a daughter of James Halpenny, of Adamston, and is a very popular and handsome young lady. Many friends extend best wishes to the happy couple for a happy and prosperous married life.

DEMOCRATS OPEN ILLINOIS CAMPAIGN

By Associated Press.
Chicago, Ill., Sept. 19.—Chairman Thomas Tammert is in conference here today with Democratic leaders from all parts of the state formally opening the Democratic campaign in Illinois. Tammert is not favorable to the establishment of branch headquarters. He returns to New York tonight. No headquarters are expected in Chicago.

EXCELLENT ATTRACTIONS

Have Been Booked For Appearance at the Traders Grand Opera House for the Coming Theatrical Season.

A fine line of attractions have been booked for appearance at the Traders Grand opera house during the coming theatrical season. Manager Shields has allowed the Telegram to glance over his book of bookings and the following are the attractions booked thus far for appearance before November 1:

Sept. 21—"Hottest Coon in Dixie."
Sept. 28—John Griffith in "Macbeth."
Oct. 5—"Along the Kamelec."
Oct. 7—"At the Old Cross Roads."
Oct. 7—"Over Niagara Falls."
Oct. 12—Edward Wallman in "The Merchant of Venice."
Oct. 19—Vogels Minstrels.
Oct. 24—Paul Gilmore.

Among the prominent shows that have been booked for appearance here during the season are "The Wizard of Oz," "The Beauty Doctor," "Her Majesty and the Maid," "Miss Bob White," "The Strollers," "Devil's Auction," "The Trip to Egypt" and "Way Down East."

CRAP GAME MURDERERS

Six Killed in a Race Fight Over a Crap Game and Several White Men Injured.

By Associated Press.
Cairo, Ill., Sept. 19.—At Bryan's Landing during a crap game it is reported six were killed—three whites and three negroes. Several white men were injured. They lost their money, went away and returned with friends waging a fight between the races ensued. The fight was between white farmers and negroes working on the levee, the latter having been driven away.

MURDERERS ORGANIZE

Among the Negroes at Prattville, Alabama, and One Body is Found On Highway.

By Associated Press.
Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 19.—At Prattville, just across the Alabama river, negroes organized before day-break a club that stopped whites on the highways. The body of William Boyd was found mutilated. He had been murdered.

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FATAL STABBING AFFRAY

FOREIGN COAL MINER PLUNGES UGLY KNIFE INTO FELLOW WORKMAN AT ENTERPRISE.

LAYS VICTIM'S LEFT BREAST WIDE OPEN, EXPOSING THE LUNG AS WELL AS PIERCING IT.

Victim Lies in Precarious Condition and Will Die—Assailant Arrested, Given Hearing and Brought to Jail to Await Action of Grand Jury.

A fatal stabbing affray occurred at Enterprise Sunday evening between two Austrian coal miners. Ande Pitrovsk was the victim. He lies in a precarious condition and the attending physician says he cannot recover. It was the intention to take him Monday morning to the Miners' hospital at Fairmont, but his condition was so serious that it was thought best not to remove him to that place. As the result of the affray Mike Benywik is in jail here. He was the one who did the stabbing and he was arrested shortly after the stabbing took place. Justice A. M. Sturm, at Enterprise, committed him to jail without privilege of giving bond and he was brought here Monday morning by Constable Warden Stewart, who placed him in jail. The warrant was issued at the instance of John Denko, a foreigner, who witnessed the stabbing. It appears that the man who was the victim of Benywik's wrath, was sitting on the floor steps of his home, when the other fellow approached him, suddenly drew out an ugly looking knife and pierced his left breast with it. The blade laid his breast wide open, exposing the lung, and inflicting the fatal wound.

SPEAKEASIES ARE CLOSED

At Salem By Order of the Mayor and the Chief of Police and They Will Remain Closed.

There is to be considerable change in the moral atmosphere at Salem. Monday morning the mayor and chief of police issued orders to close the speakeasies and keep them closed. It is stated that these officers have expressed the determination to rid the town of them the remainder of their term of office which will expire about February 1 next. Information from that place is to the effect that Salem is now a dry town and that liquor can not be had anywhere in the town.

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COURT RECONVENES

Young Zollers Gets Jail Sentence of Four Months—Other Court News.

Circuit court reconvened Monday with Judge Mason presiding. Edward Zollers, aged 19 years, was convicted of stealing a watch at the Robey boarding house at Sainnston and sentenced to serve four months in jail in addition to the two months he has already been in that institution. A. A. Hall was ordered released from jail, no indictment having been returned against him. The bonds of Richard Criss, Fred Anderson, Grover Golden and John Lowry were forfeited, they all failing to appear for trial. Parker Gower was discharged from jail, no indictment having been returned against him. A motion was made to quash the indictment against Harley Robinson. The default of the bond of Samuel Bunch was noted, he having failed to appear for trial. The case against James W. Butcher was continued and he gave bond of \$1,000. The cause of Lee Stout against David T. Cahill and John F. Jones was dismissed at plaintiff's costs. A decree of partition was entered in the cause of John I. Alexander vs. James Latham, Jr., et al. Monday afternoon James Faulkner pleaded guilty to unlawfully assaulting Sheridan Coffman with a bolt and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$10 and serve one month in jail. Irvin Anderson gave bond of \$1,000 to appear for trial at the next term. A. C. Kunkle was released from jail no indictment having been found against him.

COL. SHINN IS DEAD

At His Home at Shinnston From Complication of Diseases—Was a Prominent Citizen There.

Col. Luther C. Shinn died at his home at Shinnston Sunday night from a complication of diseases, at the age of about 65 years. He was the father of thirteen children, most of whom are living. The deceased was also a brother of David M. Shinn and Mrs. Joan Walker Monroe, both of Shinnston. The funeral will occur Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock and interment will be in the Masonic cemetery.

SUPT. SOWERS IN CITY

In the Interest of the Children's Home Society of West Virginia, Located at Charleston.

The above named society was organized and incorporated under the laws of West Virginia in 1896 in the interest of the orphan and homeless children of West Virginia. The home is on Washington street, in Charleston, into which we have gathered about 300 such children. We began by taking them in at the rate of three per month. Now we are gathering them in at the rate of six per month. This ever enlarging work calls for enlarged giving by our patriotic people. It has no franchise support save the generosity of our people who have kept us supplied so far. With our most confidence in the patriotism of our people for continued support we now in turn come to Clarksburg for a donation for 1904. We earnestly appeal to the good people of Clarksburg for \$100. Please help us. We will try to call upon you soon.

N. O. SOWERS,
State Superintendent

TO ADVERTISE CLARKSBURG

Anthony Bowen Will Do Some Good Work While On a Trip to World's Fair at St. Louis.

BADLY BURNED

By Explosion of Gas in a Bake Oven at Swiger House Was C. A. Jones, Colored, While on Duty as Chef.

C. A. Jones, colored, has his head in bandages as the result of being very badly burned by a gas explosion while at work at the Swiger hotel a day or so ago. He has been working as chef at the place for a short time past during the absence of Claude Johnston, who has been away on a vacation. Some one left the gas burner in the bake oven turned on and when he light a match to ignite the burner the explosion occurred. He received very painful burns about the face and head.

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