

A YOUTH KILLS A MURDERER

The Pleasant Hill Slayer Meets Death at Hands of Brother of One of His Victims.

The man who murdered S. B. Nelson, a Pleasant Hill policeman, and who later evaded a lynching party after exchanging several shots with his pursuers, was shot and killed at Strasburg, six miles southeast of Pleasant Hill. He wounded another young man, probably fatally, before he was shot to death.

The murderer first broke into the Strasburg postoffice. Lee Wall, postmaster, who was sleeping on the floor above, scared him away before anything was taken. He then broke into the home of Mrs. M. J. Roush, and was in the dining room when the noise he made aroused Marion Roush, 25 years old, Mrs. Roush's grandson.

Roush fancied it was his grandmother and called. Receiving no answer, he opened the dining room door. He was greeted by the glare of a flashlight and five shots. All took effect, one striking him an inch below the heart and another passing through his stomach. Roush fell, and the murderer sprang on top of him, clubbing him on the head with a revolver. He then fled.

The grandmother was awakened by the shots, and telephoned Ward Roush, 21 years old, Marion Roush's brother, who was at the home of his father, a short distance away. The boy seized a double barreled shotgun and started for his grandmother's home.

Running along the street, he saw a man answering the description of Nelson's slayer, coming towards him. Roush sprang behind a clump of bushes and waited. As the man came near Roush ordered him to halt.

The man whirled and started firing. Roush shot twice, both charges passing through the man's head. The man died immediately.

Marion Roush was given emergency treatment by Strasburg physicians and rushed to Wesley hospital in Kansas City where he later died.

STILL NEED MEATLESS DAYS

Federal Food Administrator Hoover Denounces Unauthorized Statements Regarding Food Conservation.

Branding recent statements that there is no need for an observation of a "meatless day" as "malicious or coming from personal interest," Herbert Hoover, United States food administrator, has made a statement regarding the circulated reports through the federal food administration for Missouri. The reports regarding the meat supply were made in the Chicago papers and circulated by means of the press associations to all parts of the United States as coming from one of the larger packing officials.

"Statements appearing in the Chicago press which have found a wide circulation evidently emanating from parties interested in exploiting the sale of meat, and protests against the wheatless and meatless days are either malicious or come from personal interests obviously endeavoring to raise the price of meat," Mr. Hoover declares.

"The results of meatless days have for the first time created a sufficient visible supply of meat to allow us to partially comply with the quantities requested by the Allies for shipment during the month of December. This should be a matter of satisfaction to the entire American people that their devotion in this matter now enables us to resume our duties to the Allies in this respect and our endeavors should in no instance be relaxed.

Names Successor to Lynch.

Elmer B. Silvers of Butler has been appointed assistant United States district attorney to succeed William G. Lynch, who voluntarily resigned several weeks ago.

Piersol Wept at Charge.

When a warrant, charging Claude Piersol, already convicted of complicity in the plot to kidnap Lloyd Keet, with first degree murder in connection with the baby's death, was read to him recently at Marshfield, he broke down and wept for the first time since his arrest last spring, but emphatically denied any part in the crime.

Pony Express Rider Dead.

Michael Whelan, a contractor, who, before the Civil War, was a pony express rider between St. Joseph and Denver, died at his home in St. Joseph. He was 75 years old. He also was engaged in freighting before the days of railroads west of the Missouri river and later had contracts for grading for many of the railroads in this vicinity.

James Standley Dies at Carrollton.

James Standley, an old resident of Carroll county, is dead at his home at Columbia. He was 80 years old. His widow and eight children survive. Judge J. B. Standley of Carrollton is a brother.

A Murder at Pleasant Hill.

S. D. Nelson, a Pleasant Hill policeman, was killed recently by a man who was attempting to break into C. S. Bailey's grocery. The murderer escaped. Nelson was shot twice and died almost instantly. The city has offered a \$200 reward for his slayer.

Killed Through Open Window.

William Doont, a farmer living near Cabool was killed by an unknown assassin while reading near a window. A call was sent to Springfield for bloodhounds.

THE U. S. NAVY NEEDS YOU

Missouri Must Have 1,200 Naval Recruits Before Dec. 15.

The navy needs men, and needs them quickly.

Secretary Daniels has called upon the state of Missouri to enlist 1,200 men before Dec. 15.

Throughout the state efforts are being made to fill this new quota, that the state may show that it supports the navy as well as it did the army.

Under new regulations just issued by the Provost Marshal-General of the army, in charge of the army draft, any man, even though he may be registered and called for examination for service in the army, may enlist in the navy before Dec. 15, provided, of course, that he is physically fit.

The men of Missouri have always stood ready when their country called. Today, pledged to do its part in the greatest war the world has ever seen, the country calls on its sons to come to its assistance. Never in the history of the country has there been attempted a task of half the magnitude of that of building up the new navy. And here is no time to spare. Shipbuilders on the coasts are working day and night to turn out ships. In the training camps men are rapidly being trained in thousands of duties that go to make up the strength of the navy. More are urgently needed. Missouri has been called upon to furnish 1,200 men before Dec. 15. Will YOU be one of them? The draft law does not apply to the navy. All enlistments must be voluntary.

Every postmaster in the state is a naval recruiting officer. All you have to do is see the postmaster in your town, and he will give you all the advice necessary. Then your local doctor will look you over, and unless here is some serious physical defect you will be ordered to St. Louis. The postmaster will furnish you with your transportation, so that you will be at no expense. On arrival in St. Louis you will find a branch recruiting office directly opposite the Union Station, where you will report. From there you will be directed to the main recruiting station, at Seventh and Chestnut streets. There you will find the officers waiting for you. In case you are not physically qualified for enlistment your return fare to your home will be paid, so that you are not going to be out a cent. If you are accepted, as you probably will be, you will be sent at once to the Great Lakes Training Station, near Chicago, where you will go into actual training.

Within a short time you will be ordered into active service with the fleet. Your future will depend on yourself alone, as it does in any life you choose. There is plenty of chance for promotion, and there is no limit to the height a boy can reach if he tries. During the time you are in the service you will have absolutely no expenses. The government furnishes you with food and lodging, with clothes and with medical attendance if you are ill. You will receive from the day you are accepted and ordered to the training station a salary of \$32.50 a month. If you have dependents or those at home whom you care to help, allotments of your pay can be arranged. The government will insure your life. You will get a technical training that will greatly increase your earning power if you want to leave the navy when the war is over and will greatly increase your future opportunities.

And, above all else, you will be doing your bit for your country and your flag.

A MESSAGE TO YOU.

YOUR country needs YOU. YOUR country is calling YOU. YOUR Navy needs men now. YOUR country is in danger. YOUR help is needed. YOUR ships are on the roads of the seas protecting YOUR homes. YOU are needed to man these ships and their great guns. The Navy wants YOU now. Ask your postmaster today. He knows.

THE STEEL WALL THAT PROTECTS YOU.

The steel wall that protects YOUR mother, YOUR wife, YOUR daughter, YOUR sister, from the unthinkable fate of the women and girls of Belgium is the United States Navy. The ships are ready. The men are needed. Will you volunteer to be one? JOIN THE NAVY NOW. Ask your postmaster. He knows.

BOY.

Your brother and your sister are in danger. The Navy that is protecting them wants you now. Ask your postmaster. He knows.

YOUR NAVY NEEDS YOU NOW.

Ask your postmaster. He knows.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE LAW

Effective February 1, 1918. Some Essential Features of the Law.

Secretary of State Sullivan has given out the following information with reference to the new Motor Vehicle Law which will take effect February 1, 1918:

All certificates of registration, number plates and chauffeur badges issued for use during 1917, expire on January 31, 1918, and should be renewed on or before February 1.

1918 application blanks will be mailed to all who have registered during 1917. Should your blank fail to reach you, make application for same during January. It is not necessary that the application be sworn to.

Applications will be received on and after January 1, 1918, but not prior thereto.

By filling out your application and forwarding to the Secretary of State, Jefferson City, during the month of January, you can save money for the Good Road Fund, avoid congestion in the department, enabling you to receive your number plate during February.

Do not forget to give the motor number of your automobile.

The new law requires an index to be kept by this department according to motor numbers. This to aid in the location of stolen cars.

The legislature has doubled the registration fee. Such fee is prorated, however. To illustrate: The annual registration fee for a 22 horsepower car is \$6.00. If application for registration is made after August 1, one-half of the annual fee only shall be paid; if application is made after November 1, one-fourth of the annual fee shall be paid.

The registration fee for a dealer is \$10.00. Extra plates \$5.00 per set.

Two number plates will be issued during 1918; one for the front and one for the rear of each motor vehicle. Motorcycles and motortricycles shall display but one plate on the rear thereof.

The registration fee for a dealer-chauffeur is \$1.00.

All automobiles while in use on the public highways, shall carry on the front at least two lighted lamps, not exceeding 36 candlepower each, showing white lights visible under normal atmospheric conditions, at least five hundred feet in the direction towards which the car is facing. Such lights to produce sufficient light to reveal objects one hundred and fifty feet ahead and adjusted and directed so that on level ground the main shaft of clear condensed light shall be projected straight forward, no portion of it above the level of the lamp, nor more than forty-two inches above the ground; such adjustment and direction to be permanently maintained. Electric head-lights shall have the entire inside surface of their door glasses etched or ground to such a degree that the lights shall appear blurred, and the light emitted defused and free from brilliant or metallic lustre. One red light to be carried on rear of all automobiles.

Dirigible headlights shall not be used on the public highways within cities or towns, except in emergency, or when the headlights are inadequate, and then only providing the shaft of condensed light is directed downward below the middle of the lamp and at no time into the eyes of persons. Searchlights may be used on public highways outside the limits of towns or cities, provided the light is directed downward.

Muffler cut-outs shall not be used. Any cut-out or opening in the exhaust pipe, between the engine or muffler on any car, shall be completely closed and disconnected from its operating lever, and so arranged that it

cannot automatically open or be opened or operated while the car is in motion.

Before purchasing a used or second-hand automobile, require the owner or dealer to turn over to you, the certificate of registration and metal tag. Examine the factory or motor number on the car to see that its corresponds with the number given on the certificate of registration. If they do not correspond, do not purchase the car. If the owner of a second-hand car claims the registration certificate has been lost or misplaced, do not purchase such car until he procures from this department a duplicate certificate and turns the same over to you with metal tag when he delivers the car. Have nothing to do with a car which has the motor number chiseled off, obliterated or covered. Do not rely on the metal tag alone, because there are hundreds of lost and stolen tags in the State which have been switched to other cars.

If purchasers of second-hand cars will heed the advice given above by the Secretary of State, it will break the nefarious traffic in stolen cars, save the State thousands of dollars in registration fees and an incalculable amount of trouble and expense to innocent purchasers.

"CHAIN LETTER" FRAUDS. The exigencies of the times and the many calls made upon every one for subscriptions to benevolent enterprises, has been made occasion by unscrupulous persons to resort to the "chain letter" scheme to get some easy money. The chain letter business is a nuisance at all times, for any purpose, and ninety-nine times out of a hundred is a case of plain fraud. Chain letters are not mailable matter, and when one is received, it should be given no attention, and either turned over to the postal authorities or destroyed. Nearly everything to which we should be asked to donate, incident to the war, such as the Red Cross and the Y. W. C. A., are backed by the United States government, and reach every condition created by the war.

Don't be separated from your money through the agency of a "chain letter."

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Heilman who have been guests of their son, N. G. Heilman, returned Wednesday to their home in Enterprise, Kans.

Robert J. Simms went to Kansas City Wednesday to spend the day on business.

Mrs. F. L. Davis and son of St. Louis, arrived Tuesday to attend the wedding of her sister, Miss Marguerite Bates, which took place Wednesday evening at 6:30 o'clock at the M. E. church. Dr. Davis arrived Wednesday morning.

BUY-NOW

Do you realize that this country faces a candy famine until after the first of the new year?

Do you want the little folks to go without candy for the Holidays? We have a very limited supply on hand and will not be able to get additional stocks owing to the transportation facilities and the government taking sugar for France.

We have not raised our price on candy and will not until we are forced to. It will be first come first served and if you want Xmas candy you had better BUY NOW.

The same condition exists in the toys and novelties. Our demands are now greater than the supply we have been able to get, and we have been preparing all year for this Xmas.

By selecting now you avoid the rush and have more time to select and have the advantage of a better and more complete stock.

We have a large check room and will be pleased to keep your gifts until you will want them, saving you from having them in your home too early.

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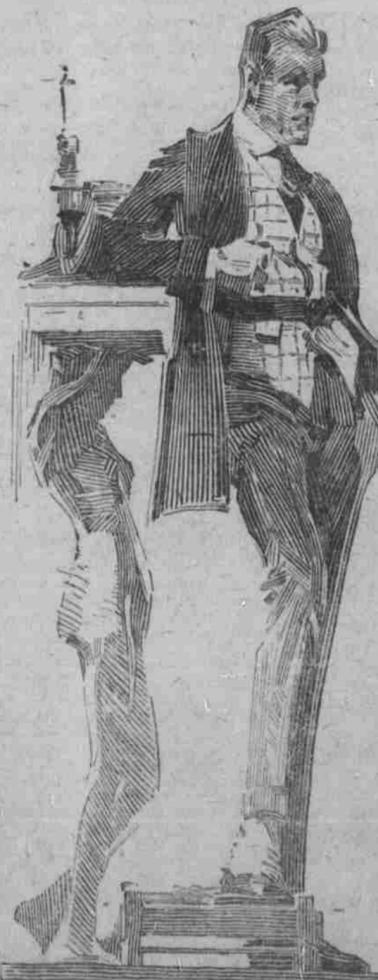
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