

REV. RICHESON MUST MEET DEATH IN ELECTRIC CHAIR

Preacher Who Confessed to Cowardly Murder of Young Woman is Sentenced Today at Boston, Mass.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 9.—Today the Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, with his counsel, appeared before the judge of the superior court and asked that he be allowed to withdraw his plea of not guilty to the indictment charging him with the murder of his former sweetheart, Miss Alvis Linnell, of Hyannis, Mass., and that he plead guilty to the indictment.

District Attorney Pelletier stated to the court that he had no objection to the withdrawal of the plea "not guilty" and the substitution of "guilty." The order was made by the presiding judge and entered upon the court record. The judge then stated that the statutes allowed him the privilege of naming a day for sentence or he was privileged then and there to pronounce sentence, and ordered the self-confessed murderer, Clarence V. T. Richeson to stand up and receive his sentence. The prisoner slowly arose from his seat, pale and emaciated, and as he did so, his counsel, William A. Morse, stood up alongside of Richeson and made a plea for leniency, owing to the confession having been made voluntarily and pleaded for a prison life sentence and also stated that he honestly believed his client to be insane and was insane when the poison was given to Miss Linnell. His plea was eloquent and very pathetic, and as his attorney took his seat, Richeson slowly arose from his chair, having taken his seat when his counsel began his plea for mercy, and with appealing eyes to the judge, heard the words

pronounced "that on the 19th day of May, 1912, you be electrocuted. The prisoner, pale and trembling with emotion, took his seat and shortly afterward was taken to the state's prison to await his day of execution. The condemned man stated on his way to the prison that he had expected to receive a life sentence for his crime, that he might atone to his God for the horrible deed he had committed.

BOSTON, Jan. 9.—The Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson confessed to the murder of his former sweetheart, Avis Linnell of Hyannis, in a document made public by his counsel recently. The confession declares that the accused is guilty of the offense of which he is indicted, which is murder in the first degree.

The confession was as follows: "Boston, Jan. 3, 1912. John L. Lee, Esq., Wm. A. Morse, Esq., Philip R. Dunbar, Esq., Gentlemen: Deeply, penitent for my sin and earnestly desiring, as far as in my power lies, to make atonement, I hereby confess that I am guilty of the offense of which I stand indicted.

"I am moved to this course by no inducement of self-benefit or leniency. Heinous as is my crime, God has not wholly abandoned me, and my conscience and manhood, however depraved and blighted, will not admit of my still further wronging by a public trial for whose pure life I have destroyed. Under (Continued on Page Four.)

FIRE DESTROYS EQUITABLE LIFE BUILDING OF N. Y.

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—This morning a fire broke out in the lower floor of the Equitable Life Insurance company's thirteen-story building, which spread to the upper stories through the elevator shaft, causing a total destruction of one of the best and handsomest buildings in this city. The loss is estimated at \$6,000,000; fully covered by insurance. Three lives are reported lost and the death rate may increase, as many occupants of the building are missing and relatives are unable to find them.

DEMOCRATS NEARLY COME TO BLOWS AT "LOVE FEAST"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The lie was passed in the Democratic national committee late this afternoon and Wm. J. Bryan made a threat to "appeal to the people" if overridden by the committee in his fight to unseat Colonel James Guffey, the national committeeman from Pennsylvania. This threat, coming immediately after the Bryan-LaFollette conference of yesterday, renewed gossip as to the possibility of a third party. Colonel Guffey hurled the charge of "liar" at Congressman A. Mitchell Palmer, who is contesting his seat. The latter replied that he had spoken the truth and that only Guffey's age

prevented him from making a personal matter of the affair. Mr. Palmer had freely charged in his speech to the committee that Colonel Guffey had affiliated with Senator Penrose, the Republican leader of Pennsylvania and that he had been disloyal to his party. Mr. Bryan took up the argument in Mr. Palmer's behalf. He declared that he had thrice been the candidate of his party for the presidency and that many millions of people had expressed their confidence in him. If the national committee declined to listen to him, he would appeal to the people, he said. The private secretary of Senator Cummins, of the Republican insurgent leaders, was at the hotel where the committee met and talked with several of the members.

DEMOCRATIC NAT. CONVENTION TO BE HELD AT BALTIMORE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 9.—3:30 p. m.—The democratic national committee meeting which has been in session in this city for the past three days, after a bitter fight naming a city in which will be held the next democratic national convention, after many ballots had been taken Baltimore carried off the honors. The convention will convene in that city on June 25, 1912, to nominate a candidate for president and vice president of the United States. The meeting has been anything but harmonious, several factions having sprung up during its session.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF STATE BANK CONDITIONS

A comparison of the condition of the nineteen state banks in Nevada made January 7, 1911, before the passage of the new banking act which became a law March 22, 1911, with the last call for the report of condition of December 5, 1911, of the said nineteen banks, gives the following summarized figures:

	Jan. 7, 1911.	Dec. 5, 1911.	Inc. & Dec.
Loans and discounts	\$ 5,598,021.76	\$ 5,875,873.64	*\$277,850.88
Overdrafts	485,218.15	168,074.46	**317,143.69
Cash on hand	815,638.32	774,310.91	**41,327.41
Due from banks	2,261,413.36	2,682,044.79	*420,631.43
Due to banks	153,248.75	108,798.02	**44,450.73
Deposits	7,939,630.37	8,933,892.79	*994,262.42
Reserve in cash	10 3-10 pct.	8 7-10 pct.	*1 6-10 pct.
Reserve in banks	25 4-10 pct.	28 8-10 pct.	**2 4-10 pct.
Total reserve	36 7-10 pct.	37 5-10 pct.	** 8-10 pct.

Total resources and liabilities	\$10,338,817.17	\$11,138,032.52	\$799,215.35
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* Increase. ** Decrease.

SUMMARY.		
Individual deposits Jan. 7, 1911		\$ 7,939,630.37
Individual deposits Dec. 5, 1911		8,933,892.79
Gain in deposits since Jan. 7, 1911		\$ 994,262.42
Loans and discounts Jan. 7, 1911		5,598,021.76
Loans and discounts Dec. 5, 1911		5,875,873.64
Increase in loans since Jan. 7, 1911		\$ 277,850.88
Overdrafts Jan. 7, 1911		485,218.15
Overdrafts Dec. 5, 1911		168,074.46
Decrease in overdrafts since Jan. 7, 1911		\$ 317,143.69
Cash on hand Jan. 7, 1911		815,638.32
Cash on hand Dec. 5, 1911		774,310.91
Decrease in cash since Jan. 7, 1911		\$ 41,327.41
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Increase in cash in banks since Jan. 7, 1911		\$ 420,631.43
Due to banks Jan. 7, 1911		153,248.75
Due to banks Dec. 5, 1911		108,798.02
Decrease in balances due to banks since Jan. 7, 1911		\$ 44,450.73
Total reserve Jan. 7, 1911		36 7-10 pct.
Total reserve Dec. 5, 1911		37 5-10 pct.
Increase in reserve since Jan. 7, 1911		8-10 pct.
Total resources Jan. 7, 1911		10,338,817.17
Total resources Dec. 5, 1911		11,138,032.52
Increase in resources since Jan. 7, 1911		\$ 799,215.35

NEVADA STATE BANKING BOARD.
EUGENE HOWELL, Secretary.
GOVERNOR T. L. ODDIE, Chairman.

This all goes to show the present healthy condition of all the banks in their entirety in the state coming under the jurisdiction of the State Banking Board. These figures are compiled in the office of the Banking Board and are correct.

It will be seen that the new banking law has had its effect in many instances. By way of illustration, overdrafts amounting to \$485,218.15 which were carried by the banks in January have now been reduced to \$168,074.46, or a decrease of \$317,143.69; and the Banking Board feels that by the end of the present year the overdraft column will be further decreased by at least one-half.

It is apparent that the present Banking act is a good and strong one, and is gradually making itself felt throughout the state; and had we a banking law of this kind for the banks to live up to prior to 1907, the prediction is, there would have been no bank failures in Nevada.

Another thing not to be overlooked is the fact that the state is getting on a more prosperous basis, and her great resources are being taken hold of in a stronger way. Confidence is being restored, money is easier, and more of it in the banks, as is shown by the above bank statement, which is an index to the situation and conditions as they really exist. Figures speak louder than words, as evidenced by the following fact: Loans have increased \$277,850.88; cash on hand and in banks amounts to \$2,456,253.70, showing an increase of \$379,204.02. Deposits have increased \$994,262.42.

There are eleven National banks in this state, and the official figures, as soon as they can be obtained, will undoubtedly show the same increase proportionately as has been demonstrated in the State banks.

When the national committee went into session this afternoon, Wm. J. Bryan at once became the storm center in an attempt to have James M. Guffey of Pennsylvania thrown off the committee.

The roll call of the states had only started when the trouble broke. James A. Weatherly of Alabama was recently selected by the Alabama state committee to succeed John T. Tomlinson, deceased. When his name was called today, Mr. Bryan asked if there was a protest. None being received, the Nebraskan, who had been given an ovation when he entered the room, moved that the selection be approved.

Committeeman Brown of Vermont declared that affirmative action by the national committee was not necessary; that the matter lay entirely in the hands of the state committee. Chairman Mack sustained this point of order.

"I appeal from the decision of the chair," shouted Mr. Bryan. He declared that it was plain there was a (Continued on Page Four.)

AYLESWORTH SELLS HIS HOLDINGS IN SOUTHERN NEV.

Today a deal was consummated whereby Arthur J. Aylesworth, the Nevada theatrical magnate, sells and conveys his Nevada Theater building in Tonopah and his lease on the Exchange theater at Goldfield and the Overland hotel in that city, and all of his theatrical bookings for Southern Nevada to Jake Goodfriend, of the Butler theater, of this city. The reason of Mr. Aylesworth disposing of his property and leases in this section is his desire to take the management of his company, now upon the road, playing the "Chorus Lady," and which is meeting with great success with Mrs. Aylesworth as the leading lady. Nevada will not lose entirely Mr. Aylesworth from its theatrical field, as he still retains an interest in the Majestic theater at Reno. Mr. Goodfriend has made a great success in the theatrical line in Tonopah and Goldfield and it goes without saying success will follow him in his new venture of playing road shows to the theatrical public.

TRAIN WRECK CAUSES DEATH OF THREE PEOPLE

MONTREAL, Jan. 9.—Three persons were killed in a railway collision yesterday at Terrebonne, Quebec. Two Canadian Pacific trains came together traveling at full speed. Terrebonne is about thirty miles from Montreal.

One train was coming from Quebec and the other from Montreal. Both were crowded with passengers bound for their homes in the country district after attending the special services in the two cities.

Coaches of both trains were thrown from the track and most of the lives were lost at the initial impact.

A hospital train was sent to Terrebonne with a full complement of doctors and nurses. A special train will bring the injured to the Montreal hospitals.

HE WOULD READ NAMES FROM PULPIT IN THE CHURCH

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 9.—"If I could learn the names of the society women of Los Angeles who indulge in gambling, I would read them from the pulpit," declared Rev. Arthur S. Phelps, in a sermon at the Central Baptist church last night.

In a discourse devoted to the evil of gambling, the minister charged that many drawing-rooms were gambling dens and that society women were known to entice men to their homes in order to win their money. He said this was true of society in the large cities and by inference intimated that it was likewise true of some fashionable local clubs.

ARRESTED FOR BANK ROBBERY

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—Private detectives arrested here yesterday afternoon a man who said he was John McNamara of this city, on a warrant charging him with having dynamited and robbed the Bank of Montreal, Canada, at Westminster, B. C., of \$375,000, September 14 last.

McNamara was arrested on a warrant issued by Chief Magistrate McAdoo and was held for the Montreal authorities. The police declare that McNamara was once proprietor of the Green Turtle, a San Francisco resort. He is charged with having bound and gagged a Chinese watchman in the dynamited bank and is said to have escaped with his confederates in a motor car and a steam launch.

WORST STORM OF SEASON NOW RAGING ON COAST

Traffic Tied Up On Many Lines--Weather Is Clear and Cold in Middle West, and as Far West as Salt Lake City.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 9.—The heaviest snowfall in the history of railroading in the Pacific northwest has played havoc with traffic on the Oregon-Washington Railroad and Navigation and the Spokane, Portland and Seattle railroads, whose rights of way through the Columbia river gorge are blocked today with snow drifts from 20 to 40 feet in depth and extending for many miles. Numerous westbound trains from the east are stalled on both sides and east-bound traffic might almost be said to have been abandoned, only one train on each road being dispatched from this city since yesterday morning.

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 8.—Clear, cold weather has followed the storm which delayed traffic yesterday in Utah, Idaho, Montana and western Wyoming. Severe winds drifted the snow badly in northern and central Montana and train service north of Salt Lake still is delayed. Street car traffic was interrupted at Helena, and trains still are bucking heavy drifts on the divide south of Pocatello, Idaho. Temperatures are moderating throughout Montana today.

East bound trains out of Butte are not greatly delayed but west-bound trains are from one to 24 hours late. Helena reports Great Northern and Northern Pacific trains 24 hours behind schedule.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 9.—With thermometers still registering below the freezing point there are no indications of an immediate relief from the "silver thaw" which set in Saturday afternoon, covering Portland and vicinity with a coating of ice several inches thick and resulting in a financial loss which may reach \$300,000.

East of Portland and throughout the central Oregon region and the vast inland empire there is a depth of snow ranging from one to four feet on the level and all trains into Portland from the east are from 12

to 24 hours late. Zero weather generally prevails.

In the Willamette valley freezing weather and a light snow in several localities have succeeded a warm rain and the indications are that southern Oregon will soon experience real winter weather.

Crops in eastern Oregon and the inland empire will not suffer damage, the snow acting as a protection against the extreme cold. In the fruit belts in the vicinity of Portland, however, young fruit trees have suffered considerably.

In this city wires were torn down in all directions, whole districts being without light or telephone connections last night. It is stated that 5500 telephones in this vicinity are not working today because of the fallen wires.

Shade trees and gardens, for which the city is noted, suffered severely. Thousands of trees were destroyed.

DULUTH, Minn., Jan. 9.—It has been the hardest seven days in the history of northwestern railroading, even as it has been a record breaking period for continuous low temperature. The operating departments of the various railroads report conditions unprecedented. Loss of locomotive power has been fully 50 per cent. The inability to keep steam to a high working pressure and the freezing of lubricants on bearings combined to reduce efficiency.

Nearly all the passenger trains are running behind schedule from 30 minutes to several hours. Orders prohibiting "making up time" have been issued by several railroads.

LACROSSE, Wis., Jan. 9.—After yesterday recording the lowest temperature since 1888, 38 degrees below zero, the cold wave was broken today and the thermometer has risen to the zero mark.

D. H. Chambers, subscription manager of the Goldfield Tribune, is in Tonopah today.