

American Principles and Ideals

It has been said that patriotism must be an intelligent patriotism; there is much that passes for it that is not intelligent, and some that falls within Dr. Johnson's definition: "Patriotism is the last refuge of a scoundrel." Nothing is easier than to be patriotic when it is simply a question of going with the crowd. But more than this is required—disinterested service, a full discharge of the duties of citizenship (even to the honest paying of taxes), independence and courage in the exercise of the right to vote, obedience to the law, etc. There must be service by outward act and deed, and not mere lip service, asserts a writer in the Indianapolis News. But service implies knowledge. The apostle said:

"For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day."

"I know whom I have believed." One who believes in America must know America, and the more one knows her the more intense will be one's faith and the more devoted one's service. America, after all, is nothing more than the people who call themselves Americans, for ideas and ideals do not merely float in the air—they are incarnated in men and women, and by men and women they are applied to life. Principles are of no value till they are acted on, and they must be acted on by people. The memories and traditions of which something has been said all attach to people, and the history of the country which is a part of it today was made by people. It is into the labors of very real people that we of the present time have entered. The problem, therefore, is one of keeping Americans true, not solely to the flag, but to the flag as the symbol of a great national life. Into that life it is necessary to enter, in that life it is necessary to enter, in that life it is necessary to enter. The more complete their participation the greater will be their love of their country—and their love of it for what it really is, and of all that it stands for. A patriotism thus enlightened and inspired will, as has been said, be close of kin to religion.

Preserve Faith and Hope.

It is not boasting to magnify one's blessings, or to dwell lovingly and proudly on the principles and ideals which are American. It is necessary indeed to do this, since there are some unhappy souls who see nothing good in America, and who are even yet looking to Russia for inspiration and salvation. Nothing can be done with or for such; but it may be possible to prevent others from being led astray through ignorance of what America truly is. The American people have been impervious to the incursions of Bolshevism, not because they are dull and stupid, but rather because they are satisfied, and have reason to be. They know their America well enough to know that there is no country in the world in which opportunity is more freely offered, none which comes so ways. The views through the arches of the room of the Supreme court, into and across the Hall of the Signing, defined by those three pilastered arches, is astonishingly effective.

At the foot of the wonderful stairs now stands the Liberty bell, upon which may still be read the Bible verse which long before the Revolution was cast upon it by its makers: "Proclaim liberty throughout all the land, upon all the inhabitants thereof."

Many Lovely Vistas.

The stair mounts, ramp by ramp, within the great tower; a broad stair with broad treads and low risers; and on the second floor, as on the first, there are everywhere long and lovely vistas of distinction. And on the second floor is a great banqueting hall, entered through a delicately bell-flowered doorway topped by a beautiful fanlight, occupying the entire length of the building; and at each end of the great room is a broad fireplace, with the intent that the two shall flicker at each other with fineness of effect.

A tang of especial distinction is given to the admirable Chestnut street face of the State house by the unusually high keystones, of marble, which center the brick above each of the ample windows and rise into a band of dark gray marble that extends across the entire one hundred and seven feet of the building's front; and by a line, above this band, of nine panels of marble, beneath the windows of the second floor. The quoins on the corners, and the fine wooden cornice and balustrade, add still further distinction; and in all it is a noble and distinguished building, rich in noble and distinguished memories.—Robert Shackleton in "The Book of Philadelphia."

Gluten.

Gluten is the main nutritive element in all flour made from grain, though it exists in larger proportion in some varieties of wheat than in others, and in hard wheat more than in soft. Gluten flour is flour from which the starch element has been wholly or partly removed, thereby bettering it for the use of diabetic patients.

BANK ROBBERS KILL MERCHANT AT MICHIGAN

Michigan, N. D., June 28.—Yeggs who murdered Bred Borgen, 29, of Whitman, N. D., before he could give an alarm after he had surprised them in the act of robbing the Lambs' National bank here early Thursday morning, escaped with \$5,000 in cash and bonds apparently without leaving a single clue to their identity.

A finger print expert from Fargo, is to examine the interior of the bank and the door of the vault which was blown by a charge of nitroglycerine. It is not expected, however, that the examination will yield any clues to the identity of the bandit-murderers as the crime was evidently committed by experts who would hardly be expected to neglect to wear rubber gloves.

The bank robbers had nearly four hours in which to make their escape, Mr. Borgen's body lying on the sidewalk near an alley which runs behind the bank was mute evidence of the crime. It was discovered at about 6 a. m., while a check of details shows that he must have been shot shortly after 2 a. m.

The ruthless regularity of desperate manner in which the robbery was carried to completion is evidently that the work was done by experts. The entire city was isolated by the cutting of all telephone and telegraph connections except those into the Great Northern depot. Some of the wires were cut about a half mile from the town, and in several places.

Surprises Bandits

Mr. Borgen was manager of a mercantile establishment of Whitman and this firm owns the Michigan Mercantile Co., here. He had attended a party until after midnight, and then secured a key to the store from Albert Steen a clerk. He said he was going to secure some goods needed at the home establishment. The Lambs' bank is located next to the Michigan Mercantile Co., store which is on a corner. Mr. Borgen's car was found parked on the side street close to the crossing.

It is believed that as he stepped around the corner to enter the front door of the store he spied one of the thugs guarding the front door of the bank. Later incidents would indicate that refusing to obey a demand to put his hands up, Borgen ducked around the corner and set off on a run to give the alarm.

At the alley he was met by a second guard who possibly ordered him to halt and then fired two shots, the first of which missed and the second of which hit Borgen's left breast just above the heart. He was found lying on his face in a pool of blood. The fact that the palms of his hands were badly scratched on the cement walk and that the bullet emerged from the lower part of his back would indicate that he must have been leaning forward and running straight toward one of the gunmen.

Shots Were Heard

Holes made by the two bullets were found in buildings nearly a block from where his body lay. One bullet had entered the door of a garage and lodged in the back of an automobile. The shots were fired from a .38 calibre pistol.

Physicians believe that Mr. Borgen probably lived for fifteen minutes after being hit but was too weak or stunned to give an alarm. His body had not been touched by the slayer so far as could be ascertained.

Fully a dozen people recall having heard two shots which at the time they believed were blasts from the exhausts of automobiles, a number of which were passing through the town at all hours of the late night and early morning. Many also recall having heard a dull sound which must have been the explosion in the bank. None, however, attached any significance to the sound at the time which was shortly after 2 a. m.

The accomplices of the murder must have succeeded in blowing the vault in the bank just before the shooting. After being warned of the possible alarm caused by the shots, it is believed they coolly sorted the papers in the vault taking only those they were sure were valuable. No attempt was made to open safety deposit boxes or to enter the store next door to the bank.

Yeggs Were Experts

Their escape must have been made in automobiles. It is thought that the gang numbered not less than four or five men. Authorities believe the band divided immediately after the robbery and escaped in two automobiles.

Although dozens of telegrams calling for their arrest were sent to surrounding towns immediately after the robbery and killing were discovered, absolutely no trace of the desperadoes has been found.

All things connected with the raid that has left citizens of Michigan City in a state of excitement, indignation and surprise that none should have been surprised by the shots and dull explosion indicate the expertness with which the crime was committed. One of the strongest points in this connection is the fact that the amount of nitroglycerine used in blowing open the vault had evidently been very carefully applied in the cracks and covered with soap, just the right quantity being used.

That the yeggs were old hands, cool and desperate is evidenced by the fact that they did not think it necessary to take the precaution of padding the door of the vault with blankets in order to deaden the sound of the explosion and the break the fall of the door to the floor.

The handle to the combination was blown to the front of the bank and broke a window. Aside from that and the wrecking of the vault no damage was done in the bank. None of the fixtures were damaged by the falling door and little damage was done inside of the vault.

Reward Offered
Rewards of more than \$1,000 have been offered for the capture or information leading to the apprehension of the raiders. The bank has offered \$500 and Michigan Mercantile Co. has offered another \$500. These rewards are in addition to standing offers of the American and State Bankers' associations.

Officials of the bank said that about \$2,000 of the loot was in cash and bonds that may easily be disposed of. The remainder is in bonds and securities that might lead to discovery of the robbers made to dispose of them. The entire loss to the bank was well covered by burgular insurance.

Funeral Service

Funeral services for Mr. Borgen were held at the Great Northern depot in Michigan at 9:30 o'clock Thursday night. The body was taken to Thief River Falls, Minn., on Great Northern Train No. 30. Mr. Borgen formerly lived at Thief River Falls with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Borgen.

Besides his parents the bandits' victim is survived by a son nearly two years old and seven brothers, John of East Grand Forks; Ben of Grand Forks; William, Lawrence, Edward, Joseph and Marvin, all of Thief River Falls and four sisters, Mrs. Otto Geske, Bertha, Stella and Florence Borgen, all of who reside at Thief River Falls.

Mr. Borgen had served for fifteen months with the U. S. army during the World war. He had resided at Whitman for the last three years.

Lack of any description of the desperadoes is greatly hindering the manhunt which is being conducted. Authorities over a territory ranging from the Twin Cities to the Canadian border have thrown out a drag net which may possibly catch some or all of the bandits-murderers.

An unsuccessful attempt to rob the Lamb's bank was made a year ago but the bandits were unable to get the first door of the vault open.

Murder Charge Against Farmer

Medora, N. D., June 28.—Nick Strichynski, a farmer living near Gorham, 45 miles northwest of Dickinson, was to be arraigned here today on a charge of murder following the shooting Saturday night of John Sabitura a neighbor.

The shooting, in which Sabitura was almost instantly killed, was said to have followed a quarrel. After the shooting Strichynski went to Gorham, and surrendered.

The dead man leaves a widow.

ACCUSES BLOOM, HOGUE IN SUIT ON LAND BOUGHT

Bismarck, N. D., June 28.—North Dakota as a state has commenced civil action against John H. Bloom former fish commissioner, George M. Hogue, Secretary of the Fish and Game Commission and Lee C. Pettibone of Dawson asking the return to the state of \$13,600, which the suit petition declares the defendants spent for land in Kidder county, title for which has never been turned over to the state.

The petition alleges that the defendants purchased the land from the original vendor for \$6 per acre and then charged the state \$10 per acre for the land, which the state alleges is worthless for either a game preserve or a place to propagate fish. It charges that the difference of \$5,440 was retained by Pettibone, Bloom and Hogue for their own personal use.

Although the voucher for the purchase of the land was approved by the auditing board, the charge is also made the authority was not given by any board in authority, for the purchase of the land. The state alleges that the emergency commission, which approved the purchase is not a board of such power.

Indian Rentals Being Collected BY U. S. Attorney

Fargo, N. D., June 28.—Collecting thousands of dollars in rentals for some of North Dakota's 7,000 Indians is one of the duties just now of the attorney's office of the district of North Dakota, according to M. A. Hildreth, U. S. District attorney.

Many of the Indians, who were allotted lands under the law of 1897 lease these lands and in some cases the tenants have been slow about paying the rentals, according to Mr. Hildreth. In such cases the superintendents of the various reservations notify Mr. Hildreth's office and action is begun to collect.

Another activity, not necessary in some of the other district attorney's offices throughout the country, is that of checking up on revenues for matter shipped across the international boundary line between this state and Canada.

Six railroads cross the border between this state and the Dominion and a number of lines run so close that cities on one side of the border are distributing points to people on the other side, this being true of both lines in North Dakota and lines in Canada. The most important of these lines is the one running to Winnipeg, on which much of the material shipped from the middle west to north and west Canada points makes its entry into the Dominion.

USE THE WORLD WANT ADS.

Crippled Lad Throws Away Crutch And Saves Girl From Drowning

New England, N. D., June 28.—Although permanently crippled since boyhood with a leg shriveled from infantile paralysis, Henry Martin, aged 15, threw away his crutches and dove into the Cannon Ball river near here and rescued Alice Hillestad, 17, from drowning.

A group of school girls were in bathing in the Cannon Ball river when Miss Hillestad got beyond her depth. She cried for help and she sank, and Martin, not stopping to tear of more than his coat and throw his crutches aside dove into her aid and after a hard battle brought her to safety.

HAIL LOSSES ABOVE 1921

While losses by hail thus far reported to the State hail insurance department are far in excess of the losses reported at this time last year officials of the hail insurance say this is no definite indication that there will be an unusual amount of hail during the summer. A total of 2,281 losses had been reported up to June 20 this year while there were 641 losses reported up to June 20 last year.

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