

MRS. GOULD WINS DIVORCE SUIT; GETS \$3,000 A MONTH

Murderer Is Shot to Death in Duel With Officers

Rich Young Woman's Slayer Is Run to Earth by Posse and Killed

Body of His Victim, Mrs. Edith Woodill, Is Found Horribly Mutilated—Her Skull Crushed Beyond Recognition.

(BULLETIN.) (By United Press Leased Wire.) ST. MICHAELS, Md., June 25.—Mrs. Edith Thompson Woodill was killed by a woman who hit her over the head with a champagne bottle, according to revelations said to be contained in a letter found in a pocket of Emmet Roberts, who was slain by a posse early today at McDaniel.

(By United Press Leased Wire.) ST. MICHAELS, Md., June 25.—Emmet Roberts, slayer of Mrs. Edith Thompson Woodill, was shot to death by a sheriff's posse while resisting arrest at 4 o'clock this morning. Roberts was killed by the posse in a revolver duel near the wharf at McDaniel, Maryland, the home of Mrs. Woodill's father, Captain Charles H. Thompson. He was approaching the wharf in a small boat when the officers sprang from places of concealment on shore and ordered him to surrender. Instead of giving himself up the fugitive opened fire on his pursuers and they shot him dead.

Pursued in a Boat. Shortly after midnight a small boat was seen moving up Back river, a stream along whose shores the house of Captain Thompson and the bungalow of Roberts are situated. Sheriff Mortimer and Magistrate Willy assembled an armed posse of six men and started for the river shore. They arrived about 1 o'clock in the morning. Creeping along the water's edge they watched the boatman but could not make out his features. The posse agreed to follow the boatman along the bank and Sheriff Mortimer and a companion named Hopper secured a small boat in which they took up the pursuit by water. Roberts' evident haste when he heard another boat making its way up the river, convinced the posse that they were on the right trail. For three miles the boats proceeded up stream, the river narrowing all the while.

"Throw Up Your Hands." Near the scene of the crime the shores were close enough to recognize the features of Roberts. When he got abreast of the landing and was about 100 feet from shore, Magistrate Willy, who was leading the posse, and two deputies stepped into the open and shouted "Hello, Roberts, throw up your hands." Without speaking a word Roberts rose in the boat and leveling a big revolver in his right hand at the party, fired. Several shots fired. Almost simultaneously with Roberts' shot, Deputies Meyer and Brown opened fire on the white-haired figure in the boat. Willy got into action and fired several shots and finally, after a number of bullets had been exchanged, Roberts dropped back into the boat, dead.

The deputies waded out to the boat and pulled it ashore. Roberts was shot through the mouth and died instantly. He had a bottle of poison and a number of letters in his pockets. The body was brought to St. Michaels.

BOSTON, Mass., June 25.—Mrs. Edith Woodill, the victim of Emmet Roberts, was the divorced wife of Walter L. Caswell, a Boston osteopath, at the time she married Gilbert Woodill, the Los Angeles automobile dealer, a little more than a year ago. She was a friend of Mrs. Katherine Sledge, the woman who was charged with the murder of Woodill's secretary.

Identification was made by a dentist who had placed gold fillings in the woman's teeth. Little is known about Roberts, who came here a few months ago from Baltimore. May Be Fugitive Broker. NEW YORK, June 25.—The police suspect that possibly the "Roberts" connected with the St. Michaels tragedy was Robert E. Eastman, a former Wall street broker, who has been a fugitive from justice, having jumped his bail after being arrested at Chicago last August with \$50,000 on his person. It is alleged that Eastman had liabilities of over \$50,000.

A WASHINGTON GIRL

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., June 25.—Court records here indicate that Mrs. Edith Thompson-Woodill, victim of Emmet Roberts, was Ann Pearl Witz, her adoption by Captain Charles H. Thompson. They show that Thompson adopted a girl of that name October 13, 1890. The girl was the daughter of Ann Zetella Witz, widow of Matthew Witz, and was born at Asotin, Wash., November 30, 1886.

TACOMA MAN HEADS THE BANKERS

A. E. ALBERTSON ELECTED PRESIDENT OF WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION—P. C. KAUFMAN IS SECRETARY.

SEATTLE, June 25.—The last of the special sessions of the Tri-State Bankers' association was held today, and closed with the election of officers. Tomorrow morning, at the joint meeting, the officers will be installed. The officers elected by the Washington State Bankers' association are as follows: President, A. E. Albertson, Tacoma; vice president, J. D. Bassett, Ritzville; secretary, P. C. Kaufman, Tacoma; treasurer, Charles A. McLean, Spokane; executive committee: J. W. Maxwell, Seattle; H. W. Wymans, Walla Walla; H. W. Smith, Olympia; W. J. Patterson, Aberdeen; J. B. Brady, Pomeroy.

2,639 BIG SHIPS RIDE UP CITY WATERWAY

During the last year 2,639 vessels requiring the swinging of the drawbridge passed up the city waterway, according to the records dug up today by Commissioner McGregor for Engineer Ricksecker of the United States government. Uncle Sam is investigating the city waterway to determine what the traffic is and also to find out what damage is being done to the city waterway by the city sewer, which empties into the water at Fifteenth street.

HUGHES' STANDING HERE DECLARED TO BE GOOD

It is declared that Thomas Hughes, the private detective who was arrested last week for carrying concealed weapons, has no reputation here for questionable or shady dealings as was reported at the time of his arrest. His standing here both as a detective and as a citizen is good and aside from the little affair which led to his arrest he has had no trouble with the police.

COLLIER LOSES HIS TURKEYS

Harry Collier, 5425 South L street, the well known enthusiastic chicken raiser and poultry judge, reported to the police this morning that some person with a keen eye for good birds entered his pen last night and wandered off with three of his choicest young turkeys. The turkeys were but one month old, and were of a rare and valuable breed. Collier had purchased the eggs at a fancy high price and had raised the birds for next year's poultry show. None of the other fancy birds were taken.

TAKAHIRA NOT RECALLED

TOKYO, June 25.—Ambassador Takahira is coming home from Washington, P. C., this summer but is not to be recalled from his post, according to a statement made today to a representative of Nippon-dempo, who interviewed the government authority on behalf of the United Press. The statement was made in reply to the rumor that the ambassador was to be recalled.

FINES WOMAN SHOPLIFTER

Birdie Cowan, colored, who was arrested a week ago on a charge of shoplifting in local department stores, was fined \$100 and costs in police court yesterday afternoon. The police found several stolen shirt waists in her possession.

50 DEAD IN HEAT WAVE

List of Victims of the Sultry Weather in New York Reaches Grew-some Total—Many in Hospitals.

(By United Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, June 25.—More than 50 persons are dead as the result of the hot wave which has attacked New York City with merciless fury during the past few days and as yet there have been no signs of abatement.

Early today it was indicated that the suffering would be more intense than on any previous day since the hot period began. Mercury Still Climbing. This morning the mercury had reached 82 degrees and was still climbing. Yesterday it reached 92 degrees and it will probably be hotter than that today.

The hospitals are overflowing with heat victims, and it is probable that the death list will be much larger unless the weather changes quickly. Many Sleep Out Doors. Thousands of persons sleep out doors nightly in a vain attempt to relieve themselves of the terrific heat. The temperature at night is high and there is little relief for the sufferers. Coney Island and the parks are crowded with sufferers every night and many persons continue to sleep in the streets on the East Side.

MOVE TO IMPEACH SCHIVELY

(BULLETIN.) (By United Press Leased Wire.) OLYMPIA, June 25.—By unanimous vote, the house this afternoon passed the resolution impeaching State Insurance Commissioner Schively.

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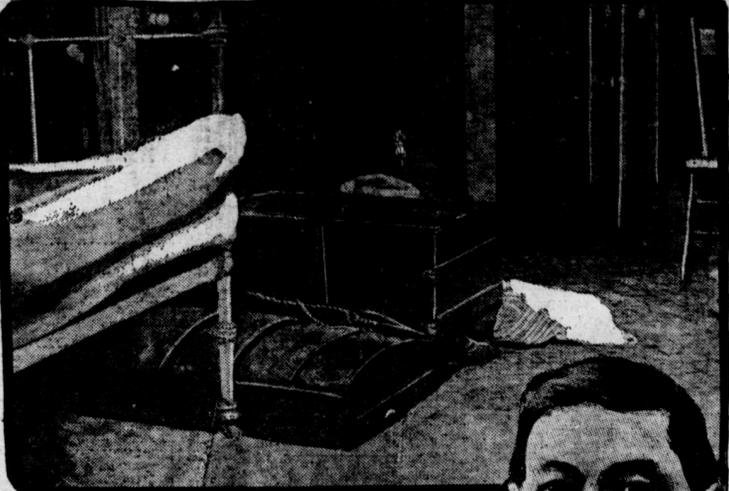
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FIRST PICTURES OF THE PRINCIPALS AND THE SCENE OF SIGEL MURDER



This picture shows the bedroom of Leon Ling, the Chinese man, where Elsie Sigel was strangled to death. The trunk into which the body was jammed is seen back of the bed.



Elsie Sigel, granddaughter of the famous general, who was victim of foul murder.

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Charge Against Her Disproved; Alimony Is Cut

Millionaire's Wife Scores Great Victory in Action for Separation—Justice Clears Her Name of Guilt—Richly Gowned, She Appears in Court on Last Day of Trial to Declare That Witnesses Testified Falsely Against Her.

(By United Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, June 26.—Justice Dowling this afternoon completely exonerated Mrs. Catherine Clemons Gould of all the charges made against her by her husband, Howard, granting her a separation and alimony of \$3,000 a month. Charges Unproven, Says Judge. In his decision Justice Dowling said:

"The charges against Mrs. Gould are not only unproven but the plaintiff has gone beyond what was required of her and the testimony is vastly in her favor. "The episodes charged as attributable to a drunken condition might readily be charged to excitement, but not to intoxication. "The episodes in charging Impropriety when Dustin Farnum all took place after 1906, when Gould had deserted his wife and therefore may not be brought up as extenuating his assertion. "In fixing the alimony the court referred to the income of Gould and said:

"Taking into consideration that \$57,000 worth of jewels bought by Mrs. Gould were charged to her husband after their separation and the other things he has given her since then, I fix the alimony at \$3,000 a month. "Mrs. Gould Glad. Mrs. Gould declared she regarded the verdict as complete vindication and worth more than all the money in the world. Gould declined to make a statement. Denying that she had any affection for Dustin Farnum and charging that every witness who had testified to the contrary was intoxicated swore falsely, Mrs. Gould resumed her story on the witness stand today. Richly Gowned. Mrs. Gould was gowned in a rich black dress and wore costly pearls. She made a good appearance on the witness stand and was perfect in self-possession under cross-examination. "These witnesses swore falsely in every detail," charged Mrs. Gould when the subject of her appetite for liquor was introduced. Met Farnum Many Times. Attorney Gould, representing Dustin Farnum, conducted the examination. He grilled the plaintiff unmercifully on the subject of her relations with Farnum but she proved a match for him in a battle of wits. She admitted meeting Farnum upwards of nineteen times on various occasions but upheld her contention that Farnum was "an acquaintance," and not an admirer, but consistently evaded Nicol's questions. The lawyer was unsuccessful in the attempt to have her tell the color of Farnum's eyes, how broad his shoulders were, whether he was clean shaven or whether his hair was long or curly. She carried his questions cleverly and Nicol appeared far from satisfied with his attempt. Mrs. Gould swore that her talks with Farnum were of a business nature, connected with a proposed marriage. Nicol suggested that the topic of business must have been exhausted during their ten-hour auto trip but Mrs. Gould replied: "The theatrical business as a topic of discussion is practically inexhaustible. \$10,000 Not Much. In reply to the plaintiff's statement that she felt wretched, had nothing to do and no money, Nicol referred to the fact that she had been receiving from \$5,000 to \$10,000 a month besides having had her hotel bills paid. Mrs. Gould admitted this, but said: "That isn't much money. It is not near enough for what I wanted." When Mrs. Gould left the stand a number of unimportant witnesses were called.

SIGEL GIRL IN DUAL ROLE

Victim of Foul New York Murder Duped Her Two Chinese Friends Into Believing Each Her Lover

(By United Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, June 25.—That Elsie Sigel, the young woman whose dead body was found in a trunk in Chinatown, wrote to Chu Gain and Leon Ling, her suspected slayer, with terms of affection and that she tried to make each believe he was her true lover, is indicated by two letters found in Ling's trunk. Both letters are dated June 7, the day before the girl was murdered. The one addressed to Chu Gain reads:

"I don't want you to feel badly because Willie was here tonight. You know that I love you and you always. Don't mind Willie. Although he is nothing to me I had to see him. I did not send for him. Your ever loving Elsie." Ling's note reads:

"I am writing this while mother is away. She would not let me if she knew it. Don't think Willie, that I will give you up for anybody. I will always remember the dear times we had together. I will see you soon. With love, Elsie." Two New Suspects Found. Two new suspects were found today in the search for Leon Ling. One was at Newton, Long Island, and the other aboard the steamer Arizona, which was en route from Hampton Roads to San Francisco. The Chinese at Newton answered the description of the fugitive and he will be brought to the city for identification. The other "Ling" was found through the roll of the Arizona's crew. He shipped on the vessel a few days ago and succeeded in getting out of port without attracting any notice. There is no wireless aboard the vessel and unless she is overtaken by a government tug nothing further will be heard of the Chinese until the Arizona puts into port. Police are today investigating the theory that Leon Ling was killed at the same time Elsie Sigel, his supposed victim, was murdered. The contradictory stories told by Chung Sin, who told the police he saw Leon murder the girl, have aroused the suspicion that he is hiding a deeper and more significant version of the tragedy. The police have discovered a telegram which is purported to have been sent by Elsie from Washington. It was received by the girl's father on the night of June 9, the day following the one on which she is supposed to have been murdered. The message was delivered to Paul Sigel by Arthur Yung, a close friend of Chu Gain, Leon's rival for the affections of the girl, and said he had received the message at No. 9 Mott street, which is the address of Gain's restaurant. Since then nothing has been seen of Yung. Gain denies any knowledge of Yung's whereabouts. Gain has always posed as a sympathetic friend of the Sigel family, and throughout the time between the girl's disappearance and the finding of her body he was busy searching for her. He was at the Sigel home a number of times and always assured her parents that she would be found.

BURIES HIS BROTHER ALIVE

(By United Press Leased Wire.) MODESTA, Cal., June 25.—That he buried his six-year-old brother Theodore alive in the hog pen on his father's ranch, was confessed today by 12-year-old Frank Hopkins, son of a rancher of this place. "The body of the boy was found yesterday. The back was torn literally to shreds by a charge of No. 4 shot, fired by the older boy. Frank admitted the crime when questioned by the officers. The discovery of particles of sand and mud in the nostrils and through of the dead child led to a further investigation by Coroner Bowker today. Under the questioning of the coroner, Frank horrified the officers by announcing that his baby brother was alive when he dragged him to the hog pen and covered him with the filthy earth. "He wiggled while I was throwing the dirt over him," the small child calmly remarked. After this horrible admission, Sheriff Dingley led the boy to tell the other revolting details of the crime. Prompted and drawn out by the examining officers, Frank told the following story: "When we were eating lunch my brother wanted to put egg and sugar on his bread. I did not want him to, so I hit him in the head with a knife. "When he went out of the door, I got the gun and shot him. I carried him back of the house and buried him. He wiggled while I was throwing the dirt over him."

Eight Killed

Loss Lives in Attempt to Recover Salvage From Wreck of Steamer Dakota. WALLA WALLA, June 25.—Daniel Carvey, who trimmed a corn too close, was operated on today, his leg being removed at the thigh because of blood poisoning. He is in a precarious condition.

MAY HOLD UP R.R. FRANCHISE

Is the Milwaukee railway trying to slip its intended franchise through the council without consideration for the viaduct proposition? Judge Reynolds has succeeded in getting the council to meet Monday night to take up the franchise again and he will try to have it passed at that time. If the franchise goes through in its present form, the proposition will be made for the railway to bear any portion of the expense of the viaduct. Councilman Lyles fought for a viaduct clause in the franchise when it was up before and he will do so again Monday night, when it comes up. Other councilmen also are expected to line up for it unless the railway officials succeed in glossing over the situation without it. The next meeting of the viaduct committee was yesterday set for Tuesday. This will be after the council meeting and there will be no guarantee that this committee will have anything started to produce the viaduct when the council meets. Some of the councilmen are inclined to go a little slow on franchises on Eleventh street just now until it is known what the city is going to do with the tide-gate streets.

CUTTING SOUND NERD IN COURT

R. W. Chandler, a colored waiter arrested June 15, charged with assaulting William Covington, a fellow waiter, with a big butcher knife, is on trial in police court this afternoon. The case was continued on June 15 in order to give Covington time to recover from his wounds. The fight occurred in the kitchen of the Tacoma hotel owned by the Covington family. As a result of the cutting Covington nearly lost his life. The charge will be against the second degree, punishable by a sentence not more than 10 years.

TREASURY STATEMENT

(By United Press Leased Wire.) WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25.—The treasury report shows receipts, \$1,470,000, and disbursements, \$1,470,000.