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INITIAL POSTAL FRAUD TRIAL FAILS

D. V. Miller, Former Assistant Attorney General of the United States, and Joseph M. Johns Are Acquitted of the Charge of Conspiracy to Extort a Bribe From John J. Ryan—Their Second Trial.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Nov. 20.—D. V. Miller, of Terre Haute, ex-assistant United States attorney general, and Joseph M. Johns, of Rockville, Ind., were tonight acquitted of the charge of conspiracy to extort a bribe from John J. Ryan, made by the postoffice department. The verdict of "not guilty" was received by the crowd with demonstrations that could not be suppressed by the court officers.

Jury reported at the first trial last month that it was unable to agree. The present trial has continued since Monday morning. The jury retired shortly before 2 p. m. and rendered its verdict in six hours. It is understood that doubt was expressed in the jury room as to Miller's connection with the transactions between Johns and Ryan. The charge of Judge Thompson during the afternoon occupied an hour in its delivery and was very strong.



THE WHIRLIGIG OF TIME.

MAFIA MYSTERY IS NEARER SOLUTION

Street Car Conductor Says That Salvatore Battalia Boarded Minnehaha Car Wednesday Night With Two Other Italians, One of Them the Suspect, Antonio Calderone, Whom He Identifies by Photograph.

Antonio Calderone, suspected of the murder of Salvatore Battalia, spent three hours Thursday in Branka's saloon, 315 East Seventh street, St. Paul. While there he told the saloonkeeper that Battalia had been murdered, and added: "The man who done it has not been arrested." Police find two knives and a bloody rag near the scene of the murder.

Alvia D. Souci, conductor of a Minnehaha street car, was shown the body of Salvatore Battalia, the murdered man, shortly before midnight and at once identified it as that of one of three Italians who boarded his car at 8:45 p. m. Wednesday, at First avenue south and Washington avenue, and left it at 9:11 p. m. at Franklin avenue. Souci was also shown a picture of Antonio Calderone, which he identified as that of a second member of the trio. Souci says the three Italians, after leaving the car, walked along Franklin avenue in the direction of the bridge.

That Antonio Calderone, the man wanted by the police for the murder of Salvatore Battalia, is in St. Paul, and that he is being sheltered by friends, is the opinion of the police of this city. They are untiring in their search for the man. That another man, either an accomplice of the murderer or a friend of Battalia, is also in St. Paul, and that this latter is also concealed, is another theory on which the police are working. Proof has been obtained that two men connected with the mysterious Franklin street bridge murder sought refuge in St. Paul after the crime was committed, and as one was severely wounded, and as the other was seen in a saloon, where he spent several hours Thursday afternoon, the police conclude that both men are in the city. Whether the long trail of blood on University avenue, from Minneapolis to Dale street, was made by one of Battalia's slayers or by a friend who escaped his fate, is not known. It is supposed that, if the man was a friend of the victim, he is hiding and fears to divulge the information he possesses on account of the curse of the Mafia which would descend upon his head. Calderone was seen in St. Paul and spent three hours in Branka's saloon, 315 East Seventh street, Thursday, but no trace has been found of him after leaving that place, about 2 o'clock. Calderone is known to Branka, who formerly kept a saloon in Minneapolis and is well acquainted in the Italian colony in that city. Branka is Continued on Second Page.



DANIEL VOORHEES MILLER

Who Was Acquitted Last Night on His Trial for Alleged Postal Frauds.

GETS AFTER GEN. WOOD VERY HARD

Senate Committee Subpoenas Witnesses in Matter of Rathbone's Charges.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 20.—Summons issued by the senate military affairs committee were served tonight on Ernest Lee Conant, of the New York law firm of Page & Conant, citing him to appear before the committee in connection with the investigation of Brig. Gen. Wood, whose confirmation as major general is opposed. The subpoena was issued at the request of Maj. Rathbone. Mr. Conant will be expected to give testimony as to the Jai Alai, the alleged gambling establishment, which Gen. Wood is charged with having given a ten-year concession to operate in Havana. Mr. Conant went to Cuba as an attaché of the exaction commission, and while there he acted as the legal adviser of Gen. Ludlow, in command of the department of Havana. Later he served Gen. Wood in the same capacity, and it is declared he is competent to give some inside facts relating to the manner in which the concession to the Jai Alai was obtained. One witness subpoenaed by the military affairs committee is Herbert J. Brown, a newspaper man, who was in Cuba during the American occupation. He is said to have made an inquiry into the Jai Alai. Maj. James E. Runcie, now practicing law in Havana, has sent a cablegram to the committee, stating that he will be in Washington Tuesday. He will be examined by the committee in reference to his statement that Gen. Wood inspired an article in the North American Review reflecting on the administration of Maj. Gen. John Brooke. Maj. Rathbone filed specific written charges with the committee today. He alleged that Gen. Wood, while military governor of Cuba, had accepted money from the Jai Alai, and asserted that he had made a personal friend and boon companion of an ex-convict. He charged him with giving instructions of an entirely unconstitutional and un-American character to the courts. With reference to the charge that Gov. Gen. Wood had exceeded his authority in giving instructions to the courts, Maj. Rathbone said that the general had pursued this course in the Cuban postal case, when he (Rathbone) was under prosecution.

MOTHER ATTEMPTS TERRIBLE DEED

While Despondent She Tries to Kill Herself and Two Children With Poison.

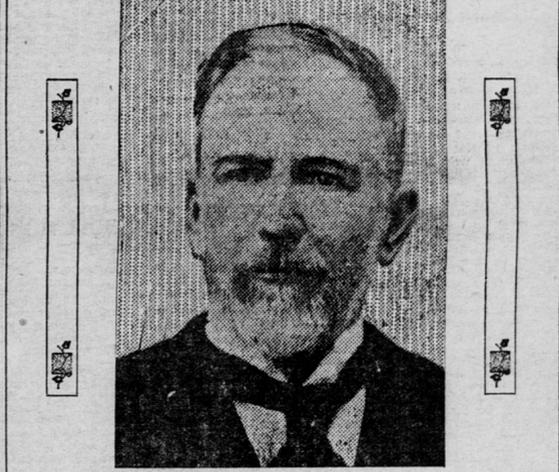
The woman is at the city hospital in a very critical condition. She had not recovered consciousness early this morning, and the physicians have little hope of her recovery. Neither of the children swallowed much of the poison, and although they were badly burned by the acid, both responded quickly when antidotes were applied and were out of danger last night. Soon after the mother arrived at the hospital she became the mother of a full grown babe by the Caesarian operation. The child, it is believed by physicians, will live. Little Daughter Discovers the Tragedy. Mrs. Kovark was found lying on her bed at home unconscious, while her two little children were suffering from the poison. Her daughter, Mary, a girl twelve years of age, made the discovery when she returned from school shortly after 3:30 o'clock. The girl was badly frightened, but after trying in vain to rouse her mother rushed to the drug store of Dr. W. J. Hovorka, half a mile away, to summon a physician. She also telephoned for her father, who is employed as a laborer at the St. Paul foundry. When Dr. Hovorka arrived he found the woman in a critical condition and immediately had her removed to the hospital. The children recovered sufficiently within an hour to tell of the terrible deed which their despondent and half-crazed mother had attempted. According to their story the mother went to J. P. Jelinek's drug store, Seventh and James streets, about 2 o'clock.

CUBAN TREATY BILL MAY GO OVER

Likelihood of the Adjournment of the Extra Session Next Wednesday.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 20.—The Democratic senators, at a caucus held this afternoon, decided to consider the Cuban bill on its merits and confine the discussion to the bill itself without bringing in collateral questions. This means that no tariff amendments will be offered and that the tariff question will not be discussed. The conclusion was reached at the end of a long discussion. The session was said to be quite harmonious and the decision reached was practically unanimous. It was stated that the Democrats want it understood that in reaching this agreement they have not abandoned the fight on the tariff, but that they believe they can reach the tariff in some other way. The attitude of the Democrats means early action on the Cuban bill and the prospects are for the final adjournment of the extra session on Wednesday, with an agreement to vote after a week of debate in the regular session if the Republicans make the minority such a proposition. The whole time in the senate today was devoted to debating a motion to refer the Cuban treaty to the committee on foreign relations. The party line was sharply drawn in the discussion, the Republicans advocating such reference and the Democrats contending the measure should go to the committee on finance. The motion prevailed without division. The debate served to bring out some incidental references to the merits of the bill. Mr. Allison denied that there was any purpose of revising the tariff by reciprocity treaties. Strong opposition has developed in the house to an adjournment of the special session prior to the passage of the bill to make the Cuban treaty effective. Leaders of the house base their opposition to the programme suggested on the ground that a special session having been convoked by the president for a specific purpose it would not be courteous to adjourn until action is had, and also contend that speedy legislation is needed in order to accomplish the purpose for which congress was called together.

LOOKS BAD FOR GRIGSBY.



Col. Melvin Grigsby, Rough Rider, Is Turned Down by the President.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 20.—Col. Melvin Grigsby, of South Dakota, accompanied by Senators McCumber and Gamble, called on the president today. Col. Grigsby came here under orders from the department of justice, sent by direction of the president, to answer questions as to his conduct as district attorney at Nome, Alaska. He wished to talk with the president about the matter today, but Mr. Roosevelt declined to go into the details of the question. He said that was a matter for the attorney general to decide, and advised Mr. Grigsby and the senators to go to the department of justice. Mr. Grigsby and Senator McCumber went to the department this afternoon, and the district attorney made his statement in defense to Mr. Knox. He declared the charges against him were not supported by affidavits or sworn testimony, and therefore should not be accepted as true. The attorney general did not express an opinion on the case. President Roosevelt allowed Grigsby to return to Alaska last spring despite the fact that the district attorney had highly offended the attorney general by insubordination in leaving his post when ordered not to do so. Under the circumstances, the president is not disposed to show much leniency, now that further charges have been filed against Grigsby. The allegations were investigated by special agents and sustained. —Walter E. Clark.

RULE IS RELAXED

Relating to Burning of Timber Refuse on Reservation.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 20.—The interior department has telegraphed instructions to its representatives at the Leech Lake Indian reservation in Minnesota to give wide publicity to the fact that Rule 8, of the regulations governing the sale of the timber there for the benefit of the Indians, in so far as it relates to the removal and burning of refuse, will be reasonably construed and liberally administered by the department and no further removals or burnings will be required than are actually necessary to prevent forest fires. Rule 8 provides that all chunks, knotty sections or other utilized portions of trees, as well as branches, must be piled and as much as possible piled together to insure clean burning. Many of the agents of lumber companies are objecting to this rule and say if the rules were strictly enforced it would greatly diminish the amount to be received from the pine. The department, however, is of the opinion it is its duty to prevent tops and refuse endangering standing timber, but has issued instructions to the superintendent of logging at Cass Lake, which, while making the regulations flexible, will permit the matter to be controlled by the department and not by the purchaser of logs.

WOULD POISON CZAR

Attempt Is Made to Kill Entire Royal Family.

Special to The Globe. NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—World's Berlin cable: Report says the lives of the czar, czarina and the whole Russian royal family were recently attempted, and sinister reports come of the sudden death of the little Duchess of Hesse. It is rumored that she was poisoned. The attempt to poison the whole family was made at Skiernewice at a family reunion.

FORTY MILLION FOR PANAMA CANAL

Standard Oil Company and New York Bank Prepare to Pay the Amount.

Special to The Globe. NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—The World says the Standard Oil company and National City bank are preparing to pay \$40,000,000 for the Panama canal, in accordance with an agreement with the government.

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