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BRIEF DENIAL THAT HE IS GUILTY

Did Not Kill His Wife and Does Not Know Where She Is, He Says—Believes She Will Yet Reappear Alive—Jury Fails to Agree, Declares Agreement Impossible and Is Discharged—Accused Man Will Try to Get Out on Bail.

Chicago, Oct. 22.—The Associated Press last night obtained the one great feature missing in the famous Luetgert trial—the sworn testimony of the defendant himself, Adolph L. Luetgert. Standing last night in the gloomy jail adjoining the grim-looking gray-stone court building in which his remarkable trial had at last been brought to a finish, the brawny sausage manufacturer capped the climax of the extraordinary series of events which began with his bankruptcy and alleged frightful diabolism of bolting his wife to death at midnight in a vat in his factory cellar. Closely following the final result of the trial which has attracted world-wide attention, Luetgert made under oath a statement concerning the fearful crime charged against him, the first sworn statement of such a kind ever known in newspaper annals.

Scene Was Unhappy and Dramatic. The affidavit was put in writing in due legal form, and is certified to by notary. Ek-Judge William A. Vincent, the leading counsel for the defendant in this celebrated case, the man to whose brain, skill and energy Luetgert beyond all doubt owes his great legal victory, gave consent to the affidavit being made. The scene in the jail when Luetgert took the oath was as dramatic as the circumstances were unique. In the dimly lighted jail corridor, Luetgert standing erect grasping the iron bars that still kept him from liberty, lifted his right hand solemnly as the notary administered the oath. The gruesome surroundings were a reminder in some degree of the midnight occurrences in the factory cellar that have become familiar to the hundreds of thousands who have followed the details of the great trial.

Pay if any of the curious prisoners and turnkeys who were spectators had any inkling of what was taking place. Luetgert, the notary and the representative of the Associated Press conferred together for a few moments and then Luetgert without hesitation made affidavit and signed it in ink with the hand that is alleged to have committed one of the most fiendish crimes on record.

"I Did Not Kill My Wife." The affidavit explicitly declares Luetgert's innocence. The document in full follows: "To Public: The result of my trial, ending today, is a victory for me because of the disproof of the charge against me. I am very much disappointed and very much surprised that the jury did not bring in a verdict of not guilty.

"I did not kill my wife, and do not know where she is, but I am sure that it is only a question of time until she comes home.

"I did not go upon the witness stand because my lawyer, Judge Vincent, was bitterly opposed my doing so, and because he advised me that it was not necessary.

"I am grateful for the tremendous change in public sentiment in my favor, and time will demonstrate that I am not only an innocent but very grievously wronged man.

"ADOLPH L. LUETGERT." Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of October, A. D. 1897. [Signed] M. F. SULLIVAN, Notary Public.

WRANGLING FOR SIXTY-SIX HOURS. Jury Tells the Court a Verdict Is Impossible and Is Discharged.

Chicago, Oct. 22.—After sixty-six hours of deliberation, argumentation, wrangling, and sullen settling down to a test of endurance, the Luetgert jury announced a disagreement at 10:10 yesterday morning and was discharged.

The twenty-second and last night stood nine to three for conviction. There was no change in the situation for the last thirty-eight hours the jury was out. An open quarrel between Franzen and Elster Wednesday night, in which the jury was pained, served to increase the bitterness between the two factions and make chances of agreement absolutely impossible.

The jurors said there were two sticking points which prevented their agreement. One was the Kennedy bill, and the other was the question as to the identity of the rings. The minority could not see any milled edge on the smaller ring, and believed it would not have been worn off first, whereas the small ring had a groove in it like it might have been worn by the edge of the other ring. This was despite the fact that the small ring was ten and the large one eighteen carats fine, making the small ring considerably the hardest. It seems that those two points were the ones the jury hung on.

The bones were dismissed early in the discussion. The three men who stood by the defense were Harlow, Holabird and Barber. All the jurymen agreed and told the court that a verdict was impossible. Preparations will be made for a new trial as soon as the state's attorney and his assistants have had a little rest. The counsel for the defense will appear before Judge Tutthill today and apply for bail for their client. The jury adopted a resolution complimenting the court and counsel and closing: "We wish to state that while the evi-

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dence was such that we were unable to agree upon a verdict, one thing we did agree about, and that is that the circumstances were such that the police had ample reason to prosecute on the showing without hearing the defense, and we commend them for having done their duty in the case.

After returning to the jail Luetgert said: "I expected an acquittal. I thought I would be able to sleep at home tonight. But we will try to get bail tomorrow. At any rate, the disagreement only forces me to wait for my liberty a little while. I will be acquitted when I am tried again." Luetgert went into his cell at 1 p. m., and lying down on his cot went to sleep.

ABBREVIATED TELEGRAMS.

The German government will shortly ask for a large increase in the army estimates.

The steamer Alameda, which arrived yesterday from Sydney, brought \$2,250,000 in English sovereigns from Australia.

Tuberculosis in an advanced stage has been found to exist in a herd of cattle owned by the Kansas State Agricultural college.

W. H. Lever, the great English soap manufacturer, has come to America to establish soap factories in the United States and Canada.

The president has appointed Medical Director W. K. Van Reppen to be surgeon general of the army to succeed Surgeon General Bates, deceased.

A call has been issued by H. W. Stein, secretary of the Building Trades council, of St. Louis, for a general convention of councils to be held in that city on Dec. 30.

Major Moses P. Handy, the special commissioner of the United States to the French International exposition of 1900, is so seriously ill at Paris that his friends are alarmed.

Directors of the Janesville, Wis., cotton mills have under consideration a proposition from a Canadian knitting company to rent the upper mill.

Incorporation papers have been sent to Springfield, Ill., for a new beneficial society, the American Fraternal League, whose membership consists of men who have withdrawn from the Royal League.

Fishing for whitefish and trout in Lake Michigan must cease for six weeks under the new Wisconsin law. Many fishermen along the shores will fish in Illinois waters during the prohibited term.

A fine sailboat on Lake Koshong, Wis., belonging to Albert Vinson, who took frequent cruises, thereby arousing the wrath of the duck hunters for frightening the fowl away, has suddenly disappeared.

The remains of an unknown man were found in the woods near Star Lake, Wis. A sketch of a little money, and a revolver still in his hand were all that was found on his person. A bullet hole in the head indicated that he had committed suicide.

Iron Brigade Reunion Chose. LaCrosse, Wis., Oct. 22.—The annual reunion of the Iron Brigade association closed yesterday. Everything was informal, the business being disposed of Wednesday. The headquarters for the reunion was the scene of a jollification. The veterans visited, told stories, sang, smoked and told experiences. The memorial in honor of the late Captain James D. Wood, company G, Second Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry, was adopted.

Alton Color Line Case in Court. Springfield, Ill., Oct. 22.—John M. Palmer yesterday filed in the Illinois supreme court a formal petition for a writ of habeas corpus for a colored man, mandamus in the Alton school cases. The petitioner is Scott Bibb, colored. The case grows out of the action of the Alton city council in setting apart two school houses—the Lovejoy and Douglas—for the exclusive use of colored pupils, and excluding such pupils from five other schools of the city.

Death of Dr. Newton Bateman. Galesburg, Ill., Oct. 22.—Dr. Newton Bateman, for seventeen years president of Knox college, and before that superintendent of public instruction for Illinois, died here at his home last night. His death was very sudden, the result of heart disease. As an educator he had a national reputation.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago Grain and Produce.

Chicago, Oct. 21. Following were the quotations on the Board of Trade today: Wheat—October, opened 94 1/2c, closed 94 1/2c; May, opened 95 1/2c, closed 95 1/2c; Corn—October, opened 25 1/2c, closed 25 1/2c; May, opened 26 1/2c, closed 26 1/2c; Oats—October, opened 17 1/2c, closed 17 1/2c; May, opened 18 1/2c, closed 18 1/2c; Pork—October, opened 10 1/2c, closed 10 1/2c; December, opened 10 1/2c, closed 10 1/2c; Lard—October, opened 14 1/2c, closed 14 1/2c; December, opened 14 1/2c, closed 14 1/2c.

Produce. Butter—Extra creamery, 22c per lb.; extra dairy, 18c; fresh packing stock, 11c. Eggs—Fresh stock, 14c per dozen. Live Poultry—Turkeys, 70c per lb.; chickens (dressed), 7c; spring chickens, 7 1/2c; ducks, 7 1/2c. Potatoes—Northwestern, 22 1/2c per bu.; Sweet Potatoes—Jersey, 15 1/2c per bu.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Oct. 21. Hogs—Estimated receipts for the day, 30,000; sales ranged at \$2.60 to \$2.80 for pigs, \$3.25 to \$3.45 for light, \$3.25 to \$3.45 for rough packing, \$3.60 to \$3.80 for mixed, and \$3.50 to \$3.60 for heavy packing and shipping lots. Cattle—Estimated receipts for the day, 8,000; quotations ranged at \$1.10 to \$1.20 for choice to extra shipping steers, \$1.00 to \$1.10 for good to choice do., \$1.00 to \$1.10 for fair to good, \$1.00 to \$1.10 for medium do., \$1.00 to \$1.10 for butchers' steers, \$1.00 to \$1.10 for stockers, \$1.00 to \$1.10 for feeders, \$1.00 to \$1.10 for cows, \$1.00 to \$1.10 for heifers, \$1.00 to \$1.10 for bulls, \$1.00 to \$1.10 for oxen, \$1.00 to \$1.10 for stags, \$1.00 to \$1.10 for Texas steers, \$1.00 to \$1.10 for western range, and \$1.00 to \$1.10 for sheep and lambs. Estimated receipts for the day, 15,000; quotations ranged at \$2.50 to \$2.70 for westerns, \$2.40 to \$2.60 for natives, and \$1.75 to \$1.85 for lambs.

Milwaukee Grain.

Milwaukee, Oct. 21. Wheat—Steady. No. 1 northern, 90 1/2c; No. 2 spring, 88c; December, nominal. Corn—Steady. No. 2 white, 24 1/2c; No. 3 white, 24 1/2c; No. 4 white, 24 1/2c.

Local Markets.

Corn—24 1/2c. Oats—17 1/2c. Hay—Timothy, 75c; clover, 70c; alfalfa, 60c. Butter—Fair to choice, 17c; fresh creamery, 22c. Eggs—14c. Chickens—14c. Cattle—Butchers' pay for corn fed steers, 10c; cows and heifers, 23 1/2c; calves, 40c. Sheep—15c.

GREAT STRIKE IN ENGLAND.

Board of Trade Wants to Intervene to Prevent Any Further Loss of Trade.

London, Oct. 22.—A new and important element has been introduced into the great engineering dispute by the official intervention of the board of trade. Right Hon. C. T. Ritchie, president of the board, proposes in an identical letter addressed to the masters and the men a conference, being held upon the following suggested arrangement: First, the federated employers, while disavowing all intention of interfering with the legitimate actions of the trades unions, will admit no right of interference in the management of their business. The trades unions, on their part, while maintaining the right of combination, will disavow any intention of interfering with the management of the business of the employers.

Second, the demand for a forty-eight hours work week made by the men's joint committee upon the federated employers of London, without a previous request for a conference with the employers, is withdrawn. Third, a conference between the representatives of the federated employers and the engineering unions shall be held forthwith to discuss and settle the hours of labor. Fourth, the constitution of the conference shall be arranged by its chairman or other selected representatives of both parties. The members of the employers' confederation at Glasgow say there is no prospect that the mediation of the board of trade in the dispute on the lines suggested by the identical letter of the board will be accepted.

The Times this morning in an editorial on the engineering dispute says: "It would be a very paying business for German or American artisans to supply tools to prolong a struggle which will drive the engineering business from Great Britain to foreign competitors."

IN HONOR OF THE CONSTITUTION.

Not the Document, but the Grand Old Ship.

Boston, Oct. 22.—Exercises were held in this city yesterday in honor of the anniversary of the launching of the frigate Constitution. Among the speakers was Theodore Roosevelt, assistant secretary of the navy. He said in part: "The moment of the Constitution's launching was the beginning of our navy as we know it today. It was fifteen years after the launching of the Constitution and her sister ships before that proud flag which menaced us was humbled, and during that fifteen years there were many people who objected to the maintenance of a navy."

"It was because we had the Constitution and her sister ships that we came out of the war with credit, and it is due to a policy contrary to that which prompted the introduction of such vessels that in recent years brought us to danger of the gravest national dishonor." At this point Major William H. Garland, of Boston, who was a powder boy on the Constitution, in her famous battle with the Guerriere, was presented to the audience, and Governor Wolcott himself led in three cheers for the veteran.

Quakers Want a Closer Union.

Indianapolis, Oct. 22.—At the Friends' national meeting yesterday the business committee of the conference was ordered to present a definite proposition on some plan for constant conference so that the discussion thereon could take definite range. The committee submitted a proposition that such a union of yearly meetings as would tend to protect them from common dangers and to strengthen their joint participation in Christian work, and that a committee be appointed to formulate a plan for closer union, to be submitted to the yearly meetings for their approval; also to appoint a committee to prepare a discipline for submission to the yearly meetings for their approval.

Times on the Yerkes Telescope.

London, Oct. 22.—The Times in a long article this morning, on the opening of the Yerkes observatory, expresses the hope that it will be free from "the great danger that seems to beset so many American institutions—an insufficiency of enough means to defray annual expenses." The Times adds: "The University of Chicago will not be established on a firm basis until an endowment sufficient to maintain it is secured; and the Yerkes observatory should have its share in such an endowment if it is to escape the danger of becoming a tombstone rather than a living monument to its generous donor."

Renominatized President Gates.

Minneapolis, Oct. 22.—The nominating committee of the American Missionary association effectively disposed of the story that President Gates was to be re-elected by renominating him for a sixth term yesterday morning. All the present officers were re-nominated with one minor exception.

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