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FORD FOR PRESIDENT CLUB IS LAUNCHED

ENRY ASKED TO RUN AS INDEPENDENT

ass Meeting at Dearborn Tonight to Organize Club

ETROIT, May 23.—A public meeting to organize a "Henord for President" club will eld tonight in Dearborn, pe- suburb and the home of the nobile manufacturer.

e basic idea back of the meet t was said by leaders in the ment is to bring about the uary of Mr. Ford on an ndent ticket at the next general on.

tative plans for the meeting announced by a group of ord's fellow townsmen, announcing the meeting are e in public places in Dearoday.

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liam T. Kelleg, editor of a born newspaper, declared an would be made to induce ord to run for the presidency platform of which "honest ncy" would be one of the s.

of Missing in Steamer Collision Officially Is 102

HAVRE, France, May 23 (By Associated Press)—The Britce consul here today anced that 102 of those who on board the British steamEgypt sunk off the Island hant Saturday night are miof whom sixteen were passeand 86 members of the crew. ty-eight passengers were together with 294 sailors M. L. Bibley and Miss V. M. American missionaries are ng and presumably lost. of the dead brought in were ng life belts; they evidently ed from exhaustion.

fog was so thick off Ushant at the time of the collision en the Egypt and the French ter Seine that inhabitants arby islands had been using hree days to total darkness all outdoor work suspended. ounts of the disaster indicate ss of life would have been smaller had not the fog been ck as to hamper the rescuSailors on the French steamclare they observed several ies between survivors for of safety on pieces of age.

fessed Slayer Gets Life Term

ATELLO, Ida., May 23.—Welton, 20, confessed murof George Lane, prominent are dealer of Shoshone, Ida., l weeks ago, was sentenced imprisonment in the Idaho penitentiary by District Judge Ensign at Shoshone yesterWelton shot Lane when the refused to accept an alleged us check in payment for a y outfit and revolver.

ing Promoter dicted in St. Louis

LOUIS, May 23.—An indictmade today was returned against Dunphy, at present said to iding in Los Angeles, Calif., arges of obtaining money unalse pretenses. Complainclared, it was said, that a ago Dunphy obtained about from them, representing had $10,000,000 of mining rties in Alaska, which he elling to sell for $5,000,000 et a quick turn over.

Weather

At the University, r 24 hours ending 6 a. m.

Highest temperature, 59; lowest temperature, 55; daily range temperature, 65; relatively temperature, 69; relative humidity, 6 p. m., 16; relative humidity, 6 a. m., 44; precipitation, none; maximum velocity of wind, miles hour, 36; prevailing direction, east; character of the day, ear.

State Weather

w Mexico: Fair in west, unsd in east portion tonight Wednesday probably showin northeast portion; little ge in temperature.

ona: Fair tonight and nesday; not much change in erature.

Ex-Criminals Get Postal Jobs To Rob Mails; 49 In New York Office Are Fired

WASHINGTON, May 23.—(By the Associated Press)—Discovery through "finger printing" that 49 of the 480 employes of the registry division of the New York post office had criminal records was reported to President Harding today by Acting Postmaster General Bartlett upon his return from an investigation of the New York office. All of the 49 have been dropped from the service, Mr. Bartlett said.

The Acting Postmaster General told the president the discovery came during his inquiry into the arrest last Thursday of seven employes of the New York office, which arrest, post office officials assert cleared up postal robberies extending over the last six months and involving approximately $2,000,000. The arrests also are said to have thwarted a gigantic robbery planned for last Friday night in the registry division itself.

Mr. Bartlett declared that the men arrested had admitted that they had secured employment in the registry division for the purpose of robbing the mails. Mr. Bartlett said he had ordered that all of the 15,000 employes of the New York office be required to have finger prints impressions made.

Both postmaster Morgan and himself he added, "were finger printed" and he was of the opinion that such a step would be of benefit to the service, eliminating the untrustworthy and protecting the great bulk of honest employes.

Mr. Bartlett will return to New York the latter part of the week to continue his investigations after which, it is said, he will likely visit the Chicago post office where numerous thefts have occurred recently in the registry and mail order divisions.

'Big Emma,' Chicago's Million Dollar Shoplifter, Found Dead In Room With Her Companion

CHICAGO, May 23.—The final chapter in the career of Mrs. Emma Weir—"Big Emma"—known by a score of aliases in police circles, was being written today by the police who discovered the 65 year old woman dead, with a gas tube in her mouth, in the attic of a frame cottage which had been her home since she "retired" 20 years ago.

Murder and suicide are believed by the authorities to have played the final roles in "Big Emma's" life. In another room of the house, Mrs Rickey Gunther, 65, Mrs. Weir's inseparable companion, was found dead with two ribs broken and numerous body bruises. Threats on Mrs. Gunther's life by "Big Emma" were recounted by several persons today.

"Big Emma" was credited with the most spectacular career of any woman in Chicago police annals, listed as one of the city's most daring and successful shop lifters she came to be known as the "Million Dollar Lifter." For many years she headed the "Weir gang" which practiced systematic thievery in large stores with such cleverness that members of the band were seldom caught. In the gang were her husband, two sisters and three brothers.

Comparatively little of "Emma's" story is in police records. Her light fingered cleverness, police said, saved her from detection time after time, until in 1919 police had estimated her plunder at $500,000. They said she had undoubtedly annexed another half million since then.

It was Mrs. Weir who first introduced the "split skirt" in Chicago but not for style. "Big Emma" used the split to reach an under skirt provided with ample pockets to store away her booty as she extracted it from store counters.

In her palmier days, she was said to have driven up to State street stores in a "four-in-hand" with a team of blooded horses and a driver in livery. After loading her voluminous skirts with pilfered articles—"Big Emma" was a connoisseur of quality—as well as a plunderer of quantity—she would rustle out in her waiting carriage and drive serenely away.

300 SINN FEINERS ARRESTED IN ULSTER IN THE GREATEST RAIDS IN RECENT HISTORY

BELFAST, May 23.—(By the Associated Press)—The greatest raid in the recent history of Ireland was carried out early today when swarms of police swept through Ulster and rounded up 300 Sinn Feiners, the majority of whom were Irish republican army officers. They will be interned.

The northern government's action was taken, it was stated, in an effort to suppress not only the Irish republican army and the Irish republican brotherhood but all other Sinn Fein organizations in the six county areas.

The government's move follows swiftly upon Irish republican army raids and burnings of buildings in the counties of Down and Antrim and the intensified hostilities in Belfast recently, culminating in the murder yesterday of W. J. Twaddell, member of the Ulster parliament.

Nearly every town and village in Ulster was visited but the bulk of the prisoners was taken in the country districts, from farm houses. Comparatively few captures were made in Belfast, as most of the Irish republican army living in the Sinn Fein districts of Belfast, anticipating action by the police as a result of the Twaddell assassination had gone "on the run."

The captured include some of the most prominent Sinn Feiners in the Ulster area.

Mansion Burned

Garron Tower, the County Antrim mansion of Lord Londonderry, recently converted into a hotel, was burned last night by incendiaries.

The officers of the Irish republican army reported arrested today by Ulster authorities were captured during a big encircling movement embracing the six Ulster counties. The movement was begun at four o'clock this morning and the work of visiting the various houses, town and country, was rapidly carried out. Several hundred members of the constabulary and a large staff of officers had been on duty from midnight completing the arrangements.

Most of those wanted were surprised and in most instances were aroused from sleep.

As part of the comprehensive scheme, special police were active in Fermanagh all night and early morning arresting every Sinn Feiner known to be an officer or to have authority in the Irish republican army. Only about sixty Irish republican army officers were captured in Fermanagh but it is learned the authorities are making a fairly clean sweep of the men who exercised influence in the army in that part of Ulster.

Prominent Men Held

Among those arrested in Enniskillen were Cupal Healy a member of the Fermanagh county council and well known leader of the Sinn Fein party; W. J. Nethercot, a member of the Enniskillen urban council, and Thomas Corrigan, accountant for the Fermanagh county council.

While the raids were proceeding, tenders were busy conveying the special police and their prisoners from the outlying districts.

In Belfast 32 were arrested but these did not include any well known party leaders, while the Falls road section, with its big republican population was unrepresented.

Absence of the republicans from their homes is ascribed to anticipation of reprisals for the assassination of W. J. Twaddell member of the Ulster parliament.

In county Londonderry, 14 arrests were made, those taken including several members of the irregular forces operating in the eastern part of county Donegal.

PROHIBITION IN U. S. A BENEFIT, LADY ASTOR SAYS

Thinks Good Done More Than Offsets the Evil

NEW YORK, May 23.—Declaring that prohibition in the United States and several Canadian provinces has been a "big contribution to the spiritual regeneration of the world" Lady Astor today issued a farewell statement summing up her opinions on the dry question. She is scheduled to sail for home today.

Special workers had told her, she said, that the Salvation Army social societies and churches now had a greatly reduced task as a result of the dry laws.

"When I balance the result, offset the uplifting of the poor and struggling and the salvation which prohibition has brought to many wives and children against the alleged degradation of some of the rich, well, I have no doubt the net result for the country has been good," she continued.

Lady Astor declared that the only anti-American propaganda she has seen in England was engendered by liquor interests which have gone into politics over the liquor question. She said prohibition has shown itself not only a problem of social welfare but of clean politics as well.

MAN SLAIN, ONE SHOT IN BOOTLEG WAR

Fight in Barber Shop When Officer Attempts Arrests

STERLING, Colo., May 23.—B. G. Wilson, for several weeks employed as a special deputy sheriff in apprehension of "bootleggers" and "moonshiners" died this morning about 5 o'clock while being brought to Sterling from Merino, where he was shot twice while attempting to arrest a number of men in a barber shop, supposedly for possession of liquor.

Clarence Walters, a barber of Merino, is in the Sterling hospital with three gunshot wounds said to have been inflicted by Wilson in the struggle that proved fatal to Wilson. Two other men are held in local jails for inquiry in connection with the shooting, and a third is being sought by the officers.

The sheriff's office today had not closely questioned the men arrested early this morning, and the account obtained by the officers is thus far largely hearsay. From the story given there immediately after their arrival at the scene of the shooting it appears that Wilson joined two of the men in the rear part of the barber shop at Merino shortly after 10 o'clock Monday night and that when he attempted to make the arrests, telling one of the pair to search the other, the others entered the room and sprang upon him, wrenching his gun from his hand and firing one shot into his body.

Wilson is believed then to have drawn a second gun, a small automatic, and to have fired two shots which entered Walters' body. The officers were told that while Wilson lay on the floor, growing weak from the first wound, one of the men stood over him and fired a second shot into his body. He was hit in the face and in the chest above the heart.

Charles Kaiser, a deputy sheriff at Merino, is said to have hurried to the shop, where he was met by Guy Gray, who held two guns to Kaiser's face, finally surrendering his guns. Gray was not arrested, however, until eight police at Sterling found him at the local hospital, where he had accompanied Walters, making the trip on a train. Lile Thompson was arrested by sheriff J. F. Whittier at Merino and is thought to have been in the room when the shooting occurred.

3 Dead in Storms Hitting Oklahoma

OKLAHOMA CITY, May 23.—Three dead and property damage amounting to several hundred thousands of dollars was the toll taken by storms that swept Oklahoma Sunday night, a survey showed today. At various towns a number of persons received slight injuries.

The dead are:

Mrs. Marvin Kilman, killed at Shawnee.

Wm. Harshfield and Gilbert Daugherty, engine crew on a Missouri, Kansas and Texas passenger train, derailed near Vinita during a cloudburst.

The most extensive damage was done at Shawnee.

Doctors Ask U. S. To Dole Out Whisky For Medical Use

ST. LOUIS, May 23 (By the Associated Press)—The resolution presented yesterday to the house of delegates of the American Medical association appealing to congress for relief from the "present unsatisfactory conditions" as to the distribution of whisky was adopted by an overwhelming vote today.

The resolution asks governmental distribution of whisky for medical purposes only, in sealed packages of eight, sixteen and thirty two ounces.

Gypsy Musicians At War With Jazz Artists

BUDAPEST, May 23. — War has broken out between the Gypsy musicians of Hungary and the Negro jazz band artists, many of whom are Americans. The Gypsies who have furnished Hungary its music, ballads and laughter for a thousand years, assert that the jazz instrumentalists are invading their precincts, and have organized to drive them out.

The Gypsies have issued a manifesto condemning the "noise and crazy music" of the jazz band performers and the municipal councils of seven Hungarian towns have decreed that jazz and the "shimmy" must go.

The Hungarian guild of jazz band artists, whose leader is a Southern negro, has accepted the challenge of the Gypsies and says it will fight to the last.

To Circle Globe

Major Wilfred T. Blake, British flyer, is completing preparations for a flight around the world. He will cross part of the United States.

AVIATORS LEAVE TOMORROW TO FLY AROUND WORLD

Britons to Go East and Pass Through U. S. From Alaska

LONDON, May 23 (By the Associated Press)—In an attempt to fly around the world by air, two British aviators plan to hop off from the flying field at Croydon at noon tomorrow.

The airmen, Major W. T. Blake of the royal air force and Captain Norman MacMillan, expect to complete their trip in two months.

The route lies through France, Italy, Greece, Egypt, Mesopotamia, India, Eastern China, Japan, thence via the Aleutian islands to Alaska, through the United States to New York to Newfoundland and across the Atlantic via Greenland and Iceland to Scotland.

The record making trip was first visualized by Sir Ross and Sir Keith Smith of Australia but the latter abandoned his plans when his brother was killed recently in a preparatory flight.

Grand Jury Being Chosen to Probe War Contracts

WASHINGTON, May 23.—Selection of the special grand jury to consider alleged frauds in connection with government war contracts, provision for which was made in the bill recently passed by congress appropriating $500,000 to cover costs of prosecuting persons alleged to have been involved in the frauds, was begun today with the prospect that the jury would be completed by tomorrow night.

In that case, District Attorney Gordon announced that he hoped to have the jury ready to consider evidence which already has been placed in his hand, by the last of this week.

The jury will devote itself entirely to consideration of war fraud cases, and every means have been taken, the district attorney said, to expedite its action, with trial speedily to follow any indictment brought.

Seventh Day Adventists Elect New Officers

SAN FRANCISCO, May 23.—Election dissensions, which for a time threatened the peace of the world conference of Seventh Day Adventists here, were settled amicably last night with the selection of Wm. A. Spicer as candidate for the presidency of the denomination and Arthur G. Daniells, former president, as candidate for secretary, the position that Spicer has held for twenty years.

The report including these two nominations was made by the nominating committee and unanimously adopted by the convention. Daniells had held the presidency since 1903.

Charges of practice of political methods in the effort to unseat him were made during heated arguments which preceded the compromise.

Gov. Olcott's Lead Is Increasing

PORTLAND, Ore., May 23.—Over night reports from belated precincts of the vote cast in last Friday's primary election further increased the lead of Gov. Ben W. Olcott for the republican nomination for governor over Charles Hall. Complete returns from 39 counties with a few precincts missing from the remaining six counties of the state gave Olcott 42,758; Hall 42,448, a lead for Olcott of 302. The figures from ten counties were official and the other unofficial.

BARES CAUSE OF KILLING OF POWERS

Mrs. Solderman Testifies Husband Learned of Her Wrongdoing

DALLAS, Texas, May 23.—(By the Associated Press)—Mrs. D. E. Sodderman, wife of Dave E. Sodderman, on trial for the alleged murder of J. Clay Powers, April 18, took the witness stand in her husband's defense late today. She testified that Powers had gained her affections and that the friendship finally culminated in their being intimate.

Mrs. Sodderman said that a few days before Powers was shot, her husband learned from her of the alleged relationship between herself and Powers.

Twenty-five witnesses subpoenaed by the state from Fort Worth El Paso and Dallas, were ordered to be in court today when taking of testimony was begun. Sodderman of Fort Worth is charged with the fatally shooting of J. Clay Powers, prominent actor, playwright and army officer, in the latter's hotel here on April 18.

The trial opened in district court here yesterday and the jury was completed and sworn last night.

Sodderman has maintained absolute silence since the killing and the motive has been a mystery.

Man Now Denies He Had Part in O'Connor's Escape

SACRAMENTO, Calif., May 23.—John Dretel, who surrendered himself at the Sacramento city jail last night and asserted he had been implicated in the escape of Tommy O'Connor, gun man, from the Cook county jail at Chicago last December, today repudiated his story and declared he knew nothing of the escape of the condemned murderer. He also denied knowledge of any robbery at Evanston, or of any Texas bank.

Dretel declared that his story of last night was inspired by a series of fantastic dreams caused by a "doped" cigarette given him by a stranger in a hotel here.

He declared that the man afterwards robbed him of $27, all he had.

The O'Connor "yarn" came to his mind, he asserted, because of the vivid impression the story of the escape had made upon him at the time.

Yacht Carrying Gen. Wood and a Party Missing

MANILA, P. I., May 23 (By the Associated Press)—Wireless queries to the Yacht Apo on which Governor General Leonard Wood and his wife and daughter sailed Saturday for Mindoro have not been answered and the typhoon which raged yesterday is believed responsible for the delay in their return.

The Apo is believed to have sought refuge in some port of Mindoro. General Wood planned a brief visit of inspection on the island. No serious damage from the typhoon has been reported.

PRESIDENT ONLY HOPEFUL OF CUT IN RAIL RATES

Obstacles in Way of Voluntary Action Desired

WASHINGTON, May 23.—President Harding was represented at the White House today as merely hopeful that voluntary reductions in transportation rates would result from last Saturday night's white house dinner conference attended by nineteen of the leading railroad executives of the country.

Obstacles in the way of obtaining voluntary action by the railroads in the way of rate reductions on the thorough going basis desired by the administration were described at the White House as somewhat formidable.

Former State Bank Examiner in North Dakota Indicted

FARGO, N. D., May 23.—A. E. Lofthus former state bank examiner of North Dakota, has been notified that he was indicted on a perjury charge by the recent Cass county grand jury investigating affairs of the defunct Scandinavian-American Bank, it was announced today at the sheriff's office.

Newlyweds

First picture of Rudolph Valentino and his wife, formerly Miss Winifred Hudnut, whom Valentino married in Mexico. California authorities are investigating the marriage.

ARTHUR B. REEVE HAS NEW STORY FOR THE HERALD

'On Wings of Wireless,' Mystery King's Latest Product

Arthur B. Reeve, king of modern day detective story writers, creator of Craig Kennedy—scientific detective—is writing a new story for The Herald under special commission by the Newspaper Enterprise Association.

The title of Reeve's new Herald serial is "On Wings of Wireless." It is a gripping radio mystery story, the plot of which hinges on the wireless telephone—a modern agency for evil but also the means by which a baffling criminal is solved.

Radio holds the nation in its grip at its beginning. Nearly a million Radio receiving sets are returning sets; thousands of amateurs have constructed their own outfits and are listening in every night and everyone is taking radio.

Can you imagine any better inspiration for a mystery story? Now what a combination romance, mystery, suspense, humanity and punch.

No writer, perhaps, is better known to Herald readers than Reeve. The aggregate circulation of 100 Craig Kennedy stories was 100,000,000, the newspaper circulation, 100,000,000. Three publishers are now turning out his mystery novels in various editions, one moving picture serials—The Exploits of Elaine, "The Hidden Law," etc.—have reached as many as magazine and newspaper circulations combined.

Reeve's followers will want to read "On Wings of Wireless" in The Herald. It begins Monday, June 5. Don't miss the first installment.

Five Killed at Motorcycle Race

BARCELONA, May 23. — Five persons, including two children, were killed and thirteen injured at a motorcycle race today over the Tarragona circuit.

LIONS ELECT

TRINIDAD, Colo., May 23.—Judge George H. Bradfield of Greeley was this morning elected district governor of Colorado Lions club at the closing business session of the district convention which opened here yesterday morning. He succeeds Harry E. Niven of Longmont, who was also nominated and who withdrew to make the election of Judge Bradfield unanimous. Glenwood Springs was chosen for the 1923 convention.

Lady Astor Gets A Cabled Rhyme From 6 Children

NEW YORK, May 23.—Lady Nancy Astor slipped out of the dignified role of stateswoman and feminist leader last night, and was just plain mother for a few minutes. A few minutes before she was due to address a throng of admirers at her farewell dinner, she was handed a cablegram. It read:

"Lady Bug, Lady Bug, Fly away home,
"Your house is on fire,
"And your children all gone."

(Signed) Bobby, Billy, Winnie, David, Michael, Jakie.

"There," she explained, "are my children. Evidently I shall have as warm a welcome at home as I have had here."

2 MEN HUNTED IN BLACKMAIL PLOT SLAYING

Gang Member Killed After $75,000 Demand, Is Claim

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., May 23.—Search for two men known only as "Ross" and "Jack" declared by Walter S. Ward of New Rochelle, N. Y., to have been present when he shot Clarence Peters of Haverhill, Mass., near here the night of May 15 was continued by Westchester county officials today.

Ward, after confessing he had killed a member of a gang that had blackmailed him for $30,000 and then attempted to get $75,000 more went to New York last night with officers and visited several resorts where he declared the men wanted might be found. It was an unsuccessful quest. Ward, who is the son of the president of the Ward baking company, is at liberty under bond of $50,000.

Using a list made up by Ward, the party went into cabarets, restaurants and cafes in the White light district and scrutinized every man present. When the search along Broadway and its side streets failed, Ward and the others spent several hours on the Lower East side, but no men fitting the descriptions of the two men sought could be found.

Letters Withheld

Sheriff George Werner, who accompanied Ward, said Ross was a confidence man, while Jack, the only name the other of the trio is known by, is more of the type of a chauffeur.

The basis for the blackmail plot remains unrevealed as the lawyers representing Ward decline to make public any of the bundle of letters given them by Ward, which he received in the six weeks he was being threatened.

The telephone call which resulted in the meeting by Ward of the men on the day of the killing was said to have been the threat by Peters, "we want $75,000 or your life will pay." This is the threat in the only letter disclosed. Sheriff Werner said that he had read a threatening letter with a demand for that sum.

When Elwood M. Rabenold, counsel for Ward, was asked if there was a woman in the case he answered:

"The threats were aimed at his family."

Allen R. Campbell, another of the lawyers, was asked if the blackmail plot involved a woman and answered:

"I don't think I should answer that question."

"Did it start, as reported, at a race track?"

"I think it did."

"Did it involve Ward's war record?"

"I can assure you that it did not" answered Mr. Campbell.

Wife Sticks by Him

Mrs. Ward said that she had not known of the plot for very long and added:

"I'm with my husband and I want to do everything I can for him. I have the utmost confidence in him. I am sorry that I cannot answer any further questions."

Much surprise is displayed in New Rochelle that Ward waited almost a week before surrendering himself especially as he was known as a strict disciplinarian in his position as chairman of the police commission. Ward came to New Rochelle in 1911 from Pittsburgh. He was appointed head of the police commission in 1919 and two weeks ago was reelected.

District Attorney Weeks said that the case would be submitted to the grand jury next week.

MOB STORMS JAIL AND TAKES NEGRO

Put in Auto With Rope Around Neck; No Trace of Him

IRWINTON, Ga., May 23.—A mob of 50 or 60 persons stormed the Wilkinson county jail early today and after a fight in which one of the guards and a member of the mob were slightly wounded, seized Jim Denson a negro sentenced to hang June 16 for attacking a white woman.

The mob placed a rope around the negro's neck and took him away in an automobile. No trace of him had been found early today by the sheriff and his deputies.

Denson was convicted in the superior court here more than two years ago on a charge of attacking a 72 years old white woman. His execution was postponed several times and the United States supreme court finally ruled on the verdict of the lower court, affirming his conviction.

Denson was removed some time ago to Macon for safe keeping but yesterday he was brought back to Irwinton to be resentenced.