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TEN CENTS A WEEK

SEVEN STAGES

Act of Lone Bandit in Yellowstone Park.

SECURED ABOUT \$1,000

No Assistance, a Robber Stops Passengers in the Park and at Point of Compels Passengers to Give Valuables.

Mont., Aug. 26.—One highwayman wearing a black mask held up the passengers of seven coaches in Yellowstone Park at only a few miles distant from Old Faithful Inn, near the upper end of the park, according to telephonic advices received Monday afternoon. The bandit left the hotel in the usual way at intervals of a few minutes, and was held up one after the other as they came in sight.

The highwayman was stationed at a point on the road, where he was invisible from each direction. At the point where he lined up the passengers after relieving them of money and valuables, allowed them to enter the coaches and resume their journey. This bandit act was enacted seven times. It is understood that he collected a large sum estimated at \$1,000.

The fact that tourists in the park are not permitted to carry weapons makes it impossible for any of the passengers to offer resistance. After getting up the last coach the robber disappeared into the hills, and it was afterward found that he had made his escape on a horse belonging to the transportation company.

FLEET AT SYDNEY.

Divisions Planned for Officers and Men.

Sydney, N. S. W., Aug. 26.—Although it was cold and showery Tuesday morning, 400 American officers and men were entertained with an excursion going in two special trains to Hawarra district.

Near Hawarra, a beautiful landscaped coastal lake, 50 miles from Sydney, was visited and the excursionists were given an opportunity to enjoy the delightful rural surroundings and the splendid coal-bearing country.

Another party of 300 was entertained at a public picnic in the Great National park, which lies 17 miles from Sydney and contains 36,000 acres and is noted for its beautiful scenery, typical of Australia.

At the agricultural show grounds hundreds of officers and men and great numbers of women, headed by Admiral Sir Harry Rawson, the lieutenant-governor, attended a gymkhana made up of distinctly Australian sports.

The Brazilian consul general held a reception for the officers of the fleet and officials and prominent people of Sydney.

YOUNG TURK MOVEMENT.

Administrative Autonomy for Macedonia.

London, Aug. 26.—A special dispatch from Constantinople to the Times says that a member of the Young Turkey committee is authorized to say that the Young Turks are ready to go some way in the direction of administrative autonomy for Macedonia, but will refuse to admit it to the enjoyment of privileges denied to other provinces.

The committee, he said, desires to have education compulsory, leaving the question of language to be settled by the inhabitants of each locality. In making the study of the Turkish language as the official language, in general, the committee is willing to discuss matters with the Macedonian committees in a friendly spirit.

"Bryce and Brown" the Slogan.

Charleston, Va., August 26.—"Bryce and Brown" is the slogan of Congressman W. C. Adams and Hon. J. B. Burkin, of Carrollton, Democrat, for the fourth district, who are stamping the district in behalf of the Democratic nominees for president and governor.

GEORGIA CONVICTS.

Governor Smith Presents Plan for Their Handling.

Atlanta, Aug. 26.—Governor Hoke Smith sent a message to the general assembly dealing with the convict question. His suggestions in part, follow.

First—Submit a constitutional amendment to the people which will name the time beyond which the leasing of convicts in Georgia shall cease. This amendment should be advertised on Wednesday, Sept. 2nd, so no time can be lost in its passage.

Second—Pass a bill to raise additional revenue for your penitentiary system.

Third—Encourage each county to work its misdemeanor and felony convicts upon the public roads and upon other public improvements in the county. I have heard from the ordinarys of many of the counties of the state, and their letters indicate a general disposition by the counties to use the convicts along the line I have suggested.

Fourth—Where the quota of convicts, misdemeanors and felones, going to a particular county is too small in number to justify their economic use by the county to receive them, permit any two or more counties to join together consolidating their convicts and allow them to work part of the time in each county, the amount of work in each county to be apportioned according to the number of convicts each county has in the combined force. This plan of exchanging convicts should be enlarged as far as possible.

Fifth—The state would retain charge of the balance of the convicts. The state should have two or more farms as a basis of operation. It might buy one or more iron or coal mines.

Those convicts whose dangerous character might render it advisable that they be not worked upon the public roads should be retained by the state and worked on the farms or in the mines.

Sixth—All the money derived from this time on from the hire of convicts should be used to prepare to handle those convicts which the state must retain.

Seventh—Take some action providing at least for the investigation and report to the next legislature upon the extension of the Western and Atlantic railroad by the use of convicts.

PRISON COMMISSION BLAMED.

Atlanta, Aug. 26.—In a comprehensive and unanimous report, submitted to the called session of the legislature by the joint legislative investigating committee, the state prison commission is condemned for its grave neglect of duty and the responsibility for the abuses of the convict lease system is placed upon the shoulders of the commissioners.

The report declares that while the commissioners cannot escape the heavy weight of responsibility for failure to carefully attend to their duties instead of delegating important responsibilities to subordinate officers, there is no evidence of wilful wrongdoing nor of financial profit out of the system to any member of the commission.

May Call Off Strike.

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 26.—There is a feeling in Birmingham that some important developments in the strike situation are imminent. It is even said to be probable that the strike may be called off this week. Vice President John P. White, of the United Mine Workers, who has been in this district for several weeks, left Sunday morning for Cincinnati and has been in conference with President T. L. Lewis, of the national organization, about the Alabama situation.

Big Apartment House Planned.

Atlanta, Aug. 26.—The Ponce de Leon is the name of the latest apartment house planned for Atlanta, which is to be erected at the corner of Ponce de Leon avenue and the Boulevard, containing fifty apartments and to cost, when completed, between \$150,000 and \$200,000. It is claimed that this will be the largest apartment house south of Washington, and the specifications will call for a fireproof building with all of the modern conveniences and improvements.

REPLY OF MR. HEARST

To Request for Resignation by Iroquois Club.

HEARST SAYS HE IS PLEASED

Independence Party Leader in His Communication Asks the Club Number of Questions—No Democratic Party, He Says.

San Francisco, Aug. 26.—William Randolph Hearst has given out the contents of a letter he addressed to the Iroquois Club of San Francisco, a democratic organization, replying to the request of the club that he tender his resignation as a member.

Mr. Hearst says in his letter that he is both pleased and surprised to receive the letter from the club—pleased that he has been asked to resign and surprised to learn that the club is still in existence.

Mr. Hearst continues: "You imply that I am not a democrat, and I strongly suspect that I am not, according to democratic standards of today. You imply further that you are democrats and I cannot help



WILLIAM R. HEARST.

wondering what kind of democrats you think you are. Are you 1892 democrats or 1906 democrats, or 1904 democrats, or are you 1908 democrats? Are you Cleveland democrats, believing in tariff reform that we did not get, and the suppression of labor unions, that we did get? Are you Parker democrats, supporting the trusts if they contribute, and opposing them if they don't? Are you Bryan democrats believing in free silver sometimes, and government ownership sometimes, and in the initiative and referendum sometimes? If you are Bryan democrats, do you also believe in a Bryan platform that contains none of these things?

"Friends and ex-brothers of the Iroquois Club, there is no democratic party. There is only a Bryan party, and the followers of that party don't know when they go to bed at night what they will be called upon to believe when they awake. And so I received your communication with pleasure and gratitude, and so I withdraw from your club with pleasure and without the slightest hard feeling. Good luck and God bless you, and may you be able to keep up with your rule."

Child's Head Blown Off.

Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 26.—Pointing an old shotgun at Frank Gossell, aged five years, his cousin, a lad of fifteen, said, "I will show you how to shoot." The child's head was literally torn from his body by the discharge that followed. The gun was supposed to have not been loaded. The tragedy occurred at Frazier station, a suburb of Memphis.

Five Reported Killed.

Chelsea, Mass., Aug. 26.—Five persons are reported killed and many injured by the collapse of a three story brick building occupied temporarily as a postoffice.

BANK CASHIER SUICIDES.

Alonzo Walters, of the Ellaville, Ga., Bank Takes His Life.

Americus, Ga., Aug. 26.—With a bullet hole centrally through his forehead and already cold in death, Alonzo Walters, cashier of the Bank of Ellaville, at Ellaville, Ga., was found Monday night in the avatory of the Windsor hotel in Americus. Beside him was the automatic revolver which had ended his life.

Walters was seen in the lavatory late in the afternoon repeatedly and evidently was attempting to conceal himself. Persons in neighboring business houses recalled having heard a pistol shot about 5 o'clock, but paid little attention thereto. Walters had evidently been dead three or four hours when discovered.

Reports current refer to an alleged discrepancy in accounts of his bank of about \$4,000. A warrant for Walters' detention is reported to have been issued early about an hour previous to the finding of his dead body in the closet. He was sitting down with his clothing intact and hat pushed backward, a trickling stream of blood telling the tale of the gruesome tragedy.

Cashier Walters was fifty-five years old and one of Ellaville's most respected citizens, with a large family, including grandchildren.

MOTHER DIES TO SAVE SON.

Mrs. Meacham Shot by Son-in-Law as She Gave Own Son Warning.

LaPorte, Ind., Aug. 26.—While trying to warn her son, Edward Meacham, that his life was in danger, Mrs. Sarah M. Meacham, forty-eight years of age, was shot to death by her son-in-law, William Delph, who emptied the contents of a shotgun into her back.

The tragedy took place in the farm yard of Englebert Topper, south of Westville, Ind. A quarrel between the men ended in Delph starting for his house with the avowed intention, it is said, of getting a gun with which to shoot Meacham. Mrs. Meacham, hearing Delph's threat, hurried to the Topper house to warn her son.

As she was about to enter the house Delph came up behind, it is said, leveled a shotgun at the house door, and fired. The charge entered Mrs. Meacham's heart and lungs.

Delph defied those on the farm to take the gun from him until Deputy Sheriff Anstis arrived. He refused to say anything of the shooting.

AS AN OBJECT LESSON.

London Times Comments on Late Reception of American Fleet.

London, Aug. 26.—The Times in an editorial on the reception of the American fleet in Australia says:

"By the echoes of this meeting which vibrates to the farthest corners of both the United States and Australia, these two peoples may be said to be passing from a distant acquaintance to what may be expected to prove a lasting friendship."

Proceeding to disengage the presence of the Americans as an object lesson likely to quicken Australia's desire to undertake more fully its national self-defense, the Times thinks that this will remain as the one lasting effect of the enthusiastic welcome accorded to Admiral Sperry's fine fleet.

Identifies His Writing.

Chicago, Aug. 26.—Captain Thos. I. Porter, of the government secret service, has revealed that he had identified as in the handwriting of George W. Fitzgerald, the notation \$173 on a \$10 bank note that was sent to the sub-treasury and by the Commercial National bank. All trail of the bill is lost in the bank, but the officials are certain that it was the top bill of the package of \$173,000 for the alleged theft of which Fitzgerald was arrested, and that it establishes that the stolen money is being circulated in Chicago.

New Alabama Corporations.

Montgomery, Ala., Aug. 26.—The following new corporations have been reported to the secretary of state: Max Dry Goods company, Uniontown, capital \$25,000; Oremaker Manufacturing company, Montgomery, capital \$2,500,000; Rhodex Mountain Land company, Birmingham, capital \$50,000.

BODY FOUND IN TRUNK

Gruesome Mystery Being Solved by Baltimore Police.

FATHER KILLED BY HIS SON

According to the Police Mrs. Rosenbloom Has Confessed that the Body Found in Trunk Near Camden is that of Her Husband.

Baltimore, Md., Aug. 26.—According to the detective authorities of this city, Mrs. Bonnie Rosenbloom and her daughter, Eva, confessed that the body found in the trunk near Camden, N. J., on August 18, was that of Samuel J. Rosenbloom, of Windber, Pa., husband of the elder woman, and he was killed by his son, Alexander Rosenbloom, at their home at Windber, Pa., on or about November 12, last. The woman said the cause of the murder was that her husband had beaten them.

The detectives tried to secure an admission from the women that they helped conceal the body, but their questions along this line met with positive denials from both mother and daughter. They declared that they had no part in placing the corpse in the trunk, and that they did not know where the receptacle and its gruesome contents were hidden prior to removal to Bell Mawr by Alexander.

Eva Rosenbloom told practically the same story as that related by her mother, but went more into details regarding her father's alleged quarrelsome disposition and his habit of beating her mother, her brother and herself.

AMERICAN BARR ASSOCIATION.

Four Hundred Delegates in Attendance at Seattle, Wash.

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 26.—With nearly 400 delegates in the city and others arriving on every incoming train, the annual meeting of the American Barr association had its opening session at the New Washington hotel Tuesday.

It is the first meeting of the association to be held in the Pacific northwest, and delegates are present from every section of the country.

The feature of the morning session was the address of President J. M. Dickinson, of Chicago, on recent changes in statutes of the various states and congress.

WIFE OF GEN. LUARD SLAIN.

Motive of the Murderer Was Evidently Robbery.

London, Aug. 26.—The wife of Major General Charles Edward Luard was mysteriously murdered Monday afternoon in a desolate woods near Seven Oaks, which is a short distance outside London.

No trace of the murderer has been found, but the motive apparently was robbery, valuable rings having been taken from the woman's fingers.

Major General Luard is a retired officer of the royal engineers. He entered the army in 1857, and was executive officer in London during the Fenian disturbance of 1867.

Panic Seized Mother.

New York, Aug. 26.—Panic seized Mrs. Mary Abruzzo, of Brooklyn, when her gas stove exploded and set fire to the clothing of her three-year-old son, Joseph, and a baby carriage in which was her infant son, Mrs. Abruzzo threw the baby from the third story window and then leaped after it. The boy Joseph, left in the apartment, was burned to death, and Mrs. Abruzzo and her baby were fatally injured by the fall. Firemen promptly extinguished the flames.

Preacher Dies Going to Funeral.

Frankfort, Ky., Aug. 26.—ev. T. N. Arnold, one of the most prominent ministers of the Christian church in the south, died Sunday while enroute to Versailles to preach a funeral. He was a classmate of U. S. Grant at school. During the stormy period preceding the Civil war he was one of two ministers who attended the sessions of the state senate. He was eighty-four years old.