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RUSSEL'S STORY ABOUT MORGAN IS CORRECTED

Telephone Conversation Was With Harriman, Not With Roosevelt.

MacVEAGH TOLD STORY FOR PUBLICATION

Crane Explains His Contribution of \$36,000 to La Follette and Wilson Campaigns.

By JOHN SNURE.

The most important testimony before the Clapp committee today was offered by Judson C. Welliver, of this city, and Charles Edward Russell, Socialist candidate for governor of New York.

The testimony seemed definitely to settle just what happened in the office of J. Pierpont Morgan late in October, 1904, at the time when Wayne MacVeagh is alleged to have been present while Mr. Morgan talked with another party over the telephone with reference to campaign funds.

Mr. Welliver told the committee that Mr. MacVeagh had related the occurrence to him personally and that he said Mr. Morgan's conversation was with E. H. Harriman, not with Roosevelt. The story which Mr. Russell is credited with having told in his campaign speeches is that Colonel Roosevelt called Morgan over the phone and asked for money.

Mr. Russell's Story. Mr. Russell was called to tell what he knew of the story which he related in the opening of his campaign, in which he said that late in October, 1904, Wayne MacVeagh, of Pennsylvania, was in the office of J. Pierpont Morgan when Mr. Morgan was called up over the phone, and was asked by Mr. Roosevelt for a contribution.

This story has been in wide circulation in the present campaign, and has been much discussed. Mr. Russell said the story as given in the newspapers had been embellished, but he told the committee he had told the essentials of it. He said his authority was a representative of Hampton's Magazine, who, at the request of Mr. MacVeagh, in 1910, had visited him, and to whom Mr. MacVeagh told the story. Mr. Russell was at that time associate editor of Hampton's Magazine, and learned of what Mr. MacVeagh had told the representative for that reason.

Names Mr. Welliver. Mr. Russell was asked the name of the man who had the talk with Mr. MacVeagh, and protested against giving it. The committee insisted on it being stated, and Mr. Russell replied that it was Judson C. Welliver.

Following the speech in which he had narrated the incident as he recollected it, Mr. Russell was confronted by a general denial from Mr. MacVeagh. He then wrote to Mr. MacVeagh, recounting the statement as he had made it in the speech and explaining that he had no purpose of misrepresenting Mr. MacVeagh and indicating that he would be glad to have his recollection corrected. Mr. MacVeagh replied with a courteous letter, but did not give any details of the facts.

Mr. Russell admitted his version of the story might contain some errors in detail, and admitted he did not know that it was Mr. Roosevelt with whom Mr. Morgan was alleged to have had the conversation. Mr. Russell named Judson C. Welliver as the representative of the magazine who had, at the request of Mr. MacVeagh, gone to see the latter.

Asks to Be Called. When Mr. Russell was dismissed from the stand Mr. Welliver, who was in the room, walked over to Chairman Clapp and asked if he might be summoned immediately. The committee acquiesced, and Mr. Welliver at once took the oath.

"In the summer of 1910," he said, "I was employed on Hampton's Magazine, which published an article by me on Colonel Roosevelt. A few days afterward, Mr. Wayne MacVeagh wrote asking me to come and see him at his home. Noon afterward I did so, spending an afternoon with him at his country home at Bryn Mawr, Pa.

"Mr. MacVeagh's purpose seemed to be to interest me in writing a biography of Mr. Roosevelt. He talked for the latter at some length. Mr. MacVeagh made plain that he had been for a long time a friend, even an adviser, of Mr. Roosevelt."

Today—High tide, 4:47 a. m. and 5:15 p. m. Low tide, 11:21 a. m. and 11:55 p. m.

Tomorrow—High tide, 5:50 a. m. and 6:14 p. m. Low tide, 12:35 a. m.

SUN TABLE. Sun rises.....5:01 Sun sets.....5:55

JEALOUS WOMAN ACCUSES GIBSON

His Alleged Accomplice in Szabo Case Tells of Confidences.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—Jealousy and a desire for revenge, it was decided today, prompted the confession of Jose Guerra, in the case of Burton W. Gibson, who is charged with the murder of Countess Szabo.

Twenty years ago, when the Guerra woman was a girl of seventeen, she met Gibson and fell in love with him. It is said, posed to the girl as a single man, and for twenty years they were on intimate terms.

It was not until after the tragedy that the woman who was herself, Mrs. Guerra, and, who it is believed, posed as Mrs. Pertonella Menachik, mother of the countess, when the waiver of citation was signed, learned that the lawyer had a wife.

FAIL TO REQUEST ETTOR'S RELEASE

District Attorney Refuses to Deny That Labor Leader's Case Will Be Dropped.

SALEM, Mass., Oct. 7.—Contrary to plans which were expected to be carried through up to noon today, attorneys for Ettor, Giovannitti, and Caruso, Lawrence strike leaders, did not formally ask for the release of the prisoners on bail today.

When Judge Quinn, of the superior court, who is presiding in the case, reached the court house, he immediately went into secret conference with District Attorney Attwill, in charge of the prosecution. Defense attorneys also held a secret conference. They refused to discuss the situation, even to deny the persistent rumor that the prosecution is considering dropping the case and freeing the defendants.

ROOSEVELT LEAVES TODAY FOR WEST

Swing Around Inner Circle Will Include Big Cities of Central States.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—Colonel Roosevelt was ready today to leave or the 4:08 o'clock express for Grand Rapids, Mich. Several long conferences with Senator Dixon, his campaign manager; George W. Perkins, Oscar S. Straus, Bull Moose candidate for governor of New York, preceded the colonel's departure.

In his "swing around the inner circle of States," Roosevelt will speak at Detroit, Saginaw, Houghton, Duluth, Oshkosh, Milwaukee, Indianapolis, Louisville, and a dozen other cities. It has been planned to eliminate the rear platform talks, as the Bull Moose candidate wishes to preserve his strength for his set speeches. The trip will last about eighteen days.

FORCED BY WOMAN TO CONFESS THEFT

Australian Fugitive Surrenders and Faces Charge of Stealing \$75,000 From Government.

OAKLAND, Cal., Oct. 7.—Forced to confess the theft of \$70,000 by a woman friend who threatened to turn informer, Robert Holt, formerly of Sydney, N. S., is under arrest here today pending extradition to Australia to face the charge of stealing from the Australian government.

Holt was in the royal artillery when the alleged thefts were committed last February. He came to San Francisco last March and several days ago met a woman named Rose Miller, whom he had known in Sydney, on the street. She threatened to expose Holt and he fled here. The woman followed and then Holt gave himself up.

WILSON WILL HAVE STRENUOUS HOURS

Four Receptions, a Dinner, and One Address Scheduled in Denver.

DENVER, Oct. 7.—Gov. Woodrow Wilson will spend five strenuous hours here tonight. He arrives at 8:15 o'clock and departs at 10:20, after attending four receptions and one formal dinner, and delivering an address in the Auditorium.

Wilson's special train crossed the Kansas line into Colorado early today and reached Pueblo at 9:45 a. m. Wilson is scheduled to speak on the relations of capital and labor there. At noon he will continue northward to Colorado Springs, where he will speak to the people of the Pike's Peak region at 1 o'clock. He leaves there for Denver at 2:30.

In Denver arrangements have been completed for a parade to escort the governor from the depot to his hotel.

BADLY WOUNDED FT. MYER MAN RUSHED HERE

Gun Explosion on Artillery Range Injures Eight Men.

BATTERY F RIFLE WRECKED BY SHELL

Two Others Sustain Serious Hurts From Flying Bits of Steel.

Speeding on a train to Washington, where he will be placed in the Walter Reed General Hospital, is Private William E. Erbeck, Battery F, Third Field Artillery, one of the eight men injured by the premature explosion of a shell in one of the three-inch field guns on the Tobyhanna, Pa., target range, Saturday afternoon. Erbeck was the most seriously injured artilleryman, and it is understood he probably will be confined in the army hospital here for weeks as a result of the explosion.

Extent of Injuries. The others injured were: Private Fred F. McNamee, face severely torn, and badly shaken up. Corp. John Harach, leg broken. Fred L. Linehan, recently discharged from the hospital, several bruises. Private Andrew Miller, severely shaken up.

Private Foster Marion, slightly injured. Private Nelson D. Blossie, slightly injured. Private Charles A. Houchell, slightly injured.

The men were engaging in target practice on the Pennsylvania range when the accident occurred. Report of it did not reach Washington till last night. A formal report was made to the War Department this afternoon, and an investigation immediately ordered.

Gun Barrel Split. The exploding shell, according to advices received here, split the gun barrel from the chamber where it was inserted, to the muzzle, throwing small fragments of steel in all directions, and blowing the breech lock from its position, hurling it several feet away.

This struck a tall ladder upon which two of the artillerymen were stationed taking estimates of elevation and distance, and a dozen other things. They were severely bruised.

Major Charles F. Summerrall, commanding the Third Field Artillery, stationed at Fort Myer, has been directed by Brig. Gen. George Andrews, adjutant general of the army, to report immediately the details of the accident, and to explain the cause of the premature explosion.

Major Summerrall, in a preliminary report received at the War Department this afternoon, merely stated that a shell exploded Saturday, but made no mention of casualties.

Investigation Ordered. The department this afternoon also directed Major Hawkins, an expert ordnance officer, stationed at Frankfort Arsenal, near Philadelphia, to proceed to Tobyhanna to investigate the explosion. (Continued on Fifth Page.)

JAMES PUTS BRYAN IN NEXT CABINET

Kentucky Senator-Elect Confident That Wilson Will Be Elected President.

VINCENNES, Ind., Oct. 7.—William J. Bryan will be the next Attorney General of the United States. This was the prediction made by Senator-elect Ollie James of Kentucky at the opening of the Democratic campaign here.

This is the first time Bryan has been mentioned as the possible trust-buster of the confidently expected Wilson administration. James spoke to 500 persons from a platform erected on a wing of the Knox county courthouse. He was introduced by Congressman William A. Cullip and for an hour and fifteen minutes excoriated the records of Taft and Roosevelt. Roosevelt was denounced as a "trust builder."

"It is left-handed in not hands," said James. "He has furnished the most melancholy administration in the history of the American people. He is the only President of this great republic that ever vetoed a bill that cheapened clothes to the shivering poor."

Ralph De Palma's Condition Is Same

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 7.—The condition of Ralph De Palma, injured Saturday at the finish of the Grand Prix race, shows no change. The physicians issued a statement saying that De Palma sustained a compound fracture of the leg and an abdominal puncture. They add that unless infection sets in the patient will recover. Meanwhile he is not being allowed to receive any callers.

Caleb Bragg issued a signed statement saying it was impossible for him to have allowed De Palma to pass him, as the road was so narrow that only one car could hold the road at a time.

GUNMEN OUSTED FROM COURT AS LIEUT. BECKER'S TRIAL ON CHARGE OF MURDER BEGINS



TWO KILLED AND FIVE INJURED IN HEAD-ON COLLISION

Fire Follows Crash of Passenger and Freight in Pennsylvania.

HAGERSTOWN, Md., Oct. 7.—Two trainmen were killed and five persons injured in a head-on collision early today between a westbound Western Maryland passenger train and a Philadelphia and Reading eastbound freight at Koben, near Shippensburg, Pa.

The dead: C. B. GORDON, of Hagerstown, brakeman on the passenger train. J. B. FREDERICK, of Harrisburg, Pa., fireman on the freight train. The following were injured: C. M. McClain, Hagerstown, cut and bruised. C. D. Copeland, Harrisburg, Pa., bruised.

Conductor Krouse, of the Philadelphia and Reading, bruised. Engineer M. Breen, Harrisburg, of the Philadelphia and Reading, cut and bruised. Brakeman on freight train, name unknown.

The passenger train carried six coaches, and was running on fast schedule. The freight train was a heavy one. The passenger engine was completely demolished by the impact of the collision, and fire set in. Many of the passengers were bruised, but none seriously injured. Those unable to proceed on their journey were taken to Chambersburg.

Goes to Complete Leases of Lands

Van H. Manning, assistant director of the Bureau of Mines, left Washington this morning for Lander, Wyo., where he will complete the details for the leasing by the Government of 2,400 acres of coal lands to a private corporation. The leasing is in the nature of an experiment by the Government, and if a successful venture will work a revolution. It is predicted, in the Government's policy in dealing with mineral wealth in the public domain.

The corporation which takes over the ground will pay \$1 for each acre in the tract and a royalty of 95 cents a ton for each ton mined during the first five years. For the second five years 8 cents a ton will be paid. After that the royalty will be determined by the Secretary of the Interior, the corporation having lease renewal rights up to twenty years.

CHOIR BOY-PAINTER DROPS NINETY FEET TO INSTANT DEATH

William F. Smith Fails to Heed Warning of Fellow-Workmen.

Disregarding a warning which had been given him a short time before, William F. Smith, a choir boy of Trinity Church and a painter, this morning climbed over the iron railing of a fire-escape platform in the rear of the seventh floor of the Hotel Bellevue, Fifteenth and I streets northwest, stood for a moment on an improvised scaffold, then fell ninety feet to his death.

Smith, who was twenty-four years old and married, lived at 619 I street northwest. The following were injured: C. M. McClain, Hagerstown, cut and bruised. C. D. Copeland, Harrisburg, Pa., bruised.

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Smith Plunged Head First.

According to other workmen on the building, which is the old Normandie, now being remodeled for Peter Taylor, jr., who has renamed it the Bellevue, Smith had been warned about standing outside the railing of the iron platform until a substantial scaffold had been put in place.

The plank from which Smith fell extended less than two feet beyond the side of the platform. It is believed that as Smith reached out with one hand to paint a window frame, his foot slipped, and that he did not have sufficient hold on the railing with his other hand. No one witnessed the accident. Edward S. Davis, of 717 Rhode Island avenue northwest, was working on the roof just above Smith.

Smith Had Been Warned. Hearing some one yell, "Oh, my God!" Davis looked over the edge of the roof in time to see Smith plunging headfirst through the air. The man landed with great force on a horizontal iron ladder, attached to the bottom platform of the fire-escape. The ladder works on hinges, and as Smith struck it the free end balanced with weights was knocked to the ground. Some of the iron ladder rungs were bent by the impact of the man's body, and landed on the brick pavement of the alley in the rear of the hotel. A hurry call was sent to the Emergency Hospital, but when the ambulance arrived the surgeon said the man had been killed instantly. His skull was crushed, and almost every bone in his body was broken. His body was taken to the morgue.

SLAYING OF ZELIG CALLED BIG BLOW TO ACCUSED MAN

Police Lieutenant's Attorneys Are Refused Postponement.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—With both the prosecution and the defense claiming the murder of "Big Jack" Zelig was a blow to them, as he would have been a material witness for their side, the trial of Police Lieutenant Charles Becker for the murder of Gambler Herman Rosenthal got under way today.

The actual calling of Becker to the bar was delayed several hours while a special grand jury was examined and sworn. This inquisitorial body will sit simultaneously with the trial of Becker, and witnesses called in the Becker trial will be sent directly to the grand jury room when they have finished talking, should their evidence throw light on the relations between the underworld and the New York police.

A score of police and fully as many plain clothes men were on duty in the corridors, and they drove into the street a number of East Side gunmen and hangers-on who tried to get into the court room to watch the proceedings.

Justice Goff Held Up. Among those held up en route to the court was Justice Goff himself, who was shoved back into the crowd by a new policeman who failed to recognize him. Later, however, the justice was vouched for and passed.

Attorney McIntyre was going to ask a delay because of the illness of his associate, John W. Hart, Becker's original counsel, but Justice Goff declared no delay would be tolerated. Nothing but the empanelling of the grand jury was accomplished at the morning session.

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The court then heard excuses of members of the struck panel called for by Becker's trial. Few were excused.

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CLARK ADMITS PART TAKEN IN DYNAMITE PLOTS

Springs Surprise by Changing Plea to That of "Guilty."

OTHERS EXPECTED TO FOLLOW SUIT

Iron Workers' Agent Acts After Grilling by the District Attorney.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Oct. 7.—Admission that he took an active part in a number of dynamiting outrages came today from Edward Clark, Cincinnati business agent of the Iron Workers' Union, and one of the forty-eight defendants in the dynamite case now on trial here.

Clark, after bombardment by District Attorney Miller with a chain of circumstantial evidence, changed his plea from not guilty to guilty. His action caused great excitement among the other defendants, and Government attorneys expected it would force other confessions of guilt.

Change Causes Surprise. The change in plea was a complete surprise to the defense, and Miller smiled at the counsel for the accused men with a distinct air of having "put one over."

When court opened Clark took a seat beside Marshal Schmidt at the right of Judge Anderson instead of sitting with his fellows, and there was an air of expectancy among the defendants. "A defendant who has pleaded not guilty wishes to change his plea to guilty," District Attorney Miller said. A dropped pin could have been heard in the court room.

"Let him stand up," ordered Judge Anderson. Clark, with his gray head hanging and his hands convulsively clasping and unclasping, stood up. He was the target for a battery of scowls and mutterings from the other defendants.

"How do you plead?" the court demanded. "Guilty," said Clark in a trembling whisper. Sentence Deferred. Sentence was deferred, and Clark joined McClain in the marshal's office, leaving the forty-seven defendants in the court room.

The attorneys for the defense were positive that Clark's change of front was not brought about by Miller's denunciation of Hookin as a "double-crosser," but was the result of the district attorney's strong arraignment of Clark himself.

Miller told a circumstantial story of Clark's leadership in twelve dynamite explosions in and about Cleveland, Ohio. He also said that Clark, single-handed, blew up a nonunion-build bridge at Dayton, Ohio.

On that occasion an umbrella with "E. C." on its handle was found after the explosion. Miller said it was Edward Clark's umbrella, and that he had put it over the dynamite charge to protect it from the rain.

Flutter Among Defendants. The surrender of Clark caused such a flutter among the defendants that little attention was paid to Miller's continued statement. There was a report about the court room shortly after Clark confessed, that several of the defendants will change their plea to guilty, in the belief that they will fare better by turning State's evidence.

WILLIAM A. PFEFFER DIES IN KANSAS

TOPEKA, Kan., Oct. 7.—William A. Pfeffer, the only Populist United States Senator, and founder of the Populist party, died today at the home of his daughter at Grenola, Kan. He was elected to the Senate from this State. Mr. Pfeffer was born in Pennsylvania in 1831.

Public Health Board Will Inspect Trains

The Public Health Service will soon begin the sanitary inspection of all trains and vessels in interstate traffic. Reports of their condition are to be made public. When traveling under official orders, all commissioned medical officers of the service will make inspection of the conveyances on which they travel, and of the stations and wharves. Prompt reports of conditions will be made to headquarters in this city.

Six Killed When Motor Crashes Into Interurban

FORT WORTH, Tex., Oct. 7.—Six persons are dead as the result of a collision between an automobile and a car on the Dallas-Fort Worth interurban line, fourteen miles east of here, late last night. The victims are Mr. and Mrs. Rufus C. Cornhus, their three children, and a young woman guest of Mrs. Cornhus. Cornhus lost control of his car while traveling thirty miles an hour.