

CHEEK NEGRO WITH ASSAULTED GIRL

GOLD PENCIL MAY FURNISH POLICE CLEW

Girl Attacked on Vance Avenue Near Second—Hit With Brick, Assaulted and Robbed—Two Suspects Held.

Arrest of the negro fiend who assaulted Myrtle Morris, age 16, shortly before midnight Friday, may come by means of a gold pencil and a small pocket mirror that were dropped during the struggle.

Police held two suspects, arrested about noon Saturday, but neither had formally been charged with the crime. Their detention resulted from tips received from civilian sources and from additional clues picked up after daylight when practically the entire detective force went to work on the case.

The Morris girl, who lives with her mother, Mrs. Fannie Morris, at 68 Vance avenue, was attacked, beaten and assaulted by a negro in Vance avenue vacant lot just east of South Second street. Saturday she was lying in a bed at St. Joseph's hospital in a dangerous condition.

Information coming from a lumber firm located in South Memphis resulted in the arrest of Bud Davis, negro, at 244 Rayburn, near by Detectives Goswick and Palmer. Davis maintained his innocence. The lumber firm says he did not report to work Saturday.

The second suspect was arrested by Detectives Carter and York at 1 o'clock. He was taken to headquarters and there questioned by the arresting officers and Detective Joe Highon. It was said that nothing would be given out until Inspector Griffin returned.

The second black was wearing a brown suit and brown soft hat when brought to the station. He is rather tall, of medium build.

Get Bloodhounds

Bloodhounds put on the trail Saturday in the crime was reported to headquarters trailed the assailant east on Vance to Fourth street and then in a northerly course to Beale avenue, where the dog halted. Police say the negro took a taxicab there. The dogs ran to a certain auto at this corner owned by a taxi company. The owner and driver said he had driven several parties during the night, three or four of whom answered the description of the brown-suited, fedora-hatted negro described by the Morris girl.

Reporters for The News-Scimitar Saturday morning discovered the mirror together with a girl's hair comb, a Lincoln penny, dated 1920, a rough stick and a cigarette pack. This, too, was in hands of investigating detectives.

The gold pencil was found in the front of the lot, where evidently the girl had snatched it from the negro's pocket. Attached was a small receipt. This, too, was in hands of investigating detectives.

Knocked Down

The girl evidently was knocked down in the front of the lot which is about 75 feet in depth. Signs of a scuffle were evident in the front yard and lead by shoe steps to the rear. Disturbed condition of the ground and the articles showed plainly that the assault took place here.

Belle Simpson, negro, who resides just west of the lot, Saturday said she heard sounds of a fight about 11 o'clock.

Davis Says Freedom Given Army Negroes To Blame For Crime

"With one exception the assault on Myrtle Morris is the most brutal in this part of the South in recent years."

This was the statement Saturday of Ralph Davis, well-known Memphis criminal lawyer.

"The case, to my mind, has no parallel, with the exception of the Rappal assault and murder about five years ago," he said.

A girl named Antoinette Rappal was assaulted by a negro while on her way to school on the Macon road. He assaulted her, then chopped off her head. The negro was caught and burned to the stake. His name was Eli Person.

The facts in this case are revolting. It is terrible to think of this child, walking on a light, public street, being snatched from the street and the negro is apprehended."

Court Spectators Vote On Verdict

TOLEDO, O., Nov. 20.—For the first time, it is said, in the history of local courts, a police court judge today passed ballots through the courtroom and asked the spectators to write the verdict on the slips of paper.

CLEWS LEFT ON SCENE OF ASSAULT MAY LEAD TO ASSAILANT



In the center of the picture is the comb worn by the assault victim. Immediately above and to the left is a hair brush and above and to the right is a cigarette pack. The big white spot directly below the comb and at the intersection of the two large sticks is a small pocket mirror. Below the comb and a little to the right is a small lipstick. Directly above the lipstick is a hair brush and a piece of glass. Tracks of the victim's assailant are shown by the shadows among the weeds, which were trampled down.

NINE PERISH IN TENEMENT FIRE, CIGARET BLAMED

"Butts," Tossed Carelessly Into Baby Carriage, Said to Have Caused Disaster—Whole Family Dies.

(By International News Service.) NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Nine persons were suffocated and burned to death here early today when fire swept a six-story apartment house in West 146th street. Firemen are searching the ruins for more bodies. Five of the dead were children the rest were adults. At 8 a.m. the firemen had succeeded in controlling the flames and had removed nine bodies from the building.

The cause of the fire has not been determined. According to firemen, it started on the ground floor of the building and swept upward, shutting off from escape those who lived on the upper floors.

Find Family Dead

Firemen discovered five members of one family dead on the top floor, three children and the parents. They were huddled about the window leading to the fire escape and apparently had suffocated in their flight. The flames reached their bodies.

The fire started about 5.30 a.m. so rapidly did the flames spread that within a few minutes the lower floor was ablaze and those who lived on the upper floors were cut off from escape through the halls.

Scores of residents fled down the fire escape and carrying such personal belongings as they could hastily grab up in flight.

Firemen made many spectacular rescues, carrying unconscious children down the fire escapes to the street below.

The building itself was practically destroyed, along with the belongings of the occupants.

Starts in Baby Buggy

The fire is believed to have started from a cigarette stub carelessly tossed across the window ledge where the baby carriage occupied the building to find out if any more were missing.

Nearly all the fire fighting apparatus in Harlem was on the scene. The Gibbs family on the top floor was completely wiped out. Mrs. Gibbs' body was found by firemen lying across the window ledge where she had evidently fallen while trying to grope her way through the smoke to escape. Two of her children lay a few feet behind her. The other two children and the father were in the rear of the apartment.

WAKE UP, BOYS!

Get busy, boys! The girls of Memphis and surrounding territory are flooding The News-Scimitar office with essays on "Wakeup, Boys!" One of the 20 cash prizes offered by The News-Scimitar. (Remember any school child in the territory served by The News-Scimitar is eligible.)

"CRANK" GETS LIFE SENTENCE; ADMITS STEALING INFANT

NORRISTOWN, Pa., Nov. 20.—August Pascal, alias Pasquale, "the crank," in the Coughlin kidnaping case, was sentenced to life imprisonment today by Judge Swartz, in Norristown court. Pascal pleaded guilty to his trial to second degree murder and kidnaping for extortion. He stole Blakely Coughlin, the 13-month-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Coughlin, from their home near Norristown June 2, and smothered the infant under his coat. He was sentenced on the kidnaping charge, and sentence was suspended on the second degree murder charge.

Teacher Who Bans Patriotism Fired For Peace Day Act

CHICAGO, Nov. 20.—Miss Frances Lloyd, teacher in a local school, was suspended today by Superintendent Mortenson on charges preferred against her by Miss Mary Taylor, principal of the school, that Miss Lloyd ignored the instructions of the school board and caused the pupils of her room to be the only school children in Chicago who were deprived of the opportunity to pay tribute to the nation's dead when at 11 a.m. Nov. 11, the 266,000 pupils stood at attention for one minute in memory of the second anniversary of the signing of the armistice.

"Miss Lloyd did not deny that she failed to obey the orders for the observance of Armistice day, but defended her conduct on the ground that she did not believe in patriotism," Mr. Mortenson said.

Miss Lloyd will be tried before the school administration committee.

HARVARD PICKED TO HUMBLE YALE IN ANNUAL GAME

Crowd of Over 70,000 Will Watch Elevens in Yale Bowl—Illinois and Ohio State Meet for Conference Title.

BY JACK VEIOCK. (International News Service Editor.) NEW HAVEN, Conn., Nov. 20.—Enclosed by a colossal and colorful crowd of more than 70,000 wildly enthusiastic football fans, Yale and Harvard met here today in Yale's great bowl.

Rival tradition, always an object of country-wide interest and ranking as the blue-ribbon event of the football year, the annual clash between the Blue and the Crimson held the spotlight as the outstanding attraction of a dying season.

Harvard will go into the game today favored in the betting. The big lead from Cambridge has shown consistent power all season and the wisecrack figure that Coach Bob Fisher's proteges, with one of the sturdiest lines in the country and a backfield made up of speedy and versatile players will be able to ride to victory over the Bulldogs.

The game today will be the 39th between the rival colleges. The series was started in 1875, but unlike the Yale-Princeton series, it did not continue without interruption. There were breaks in 1877-1885 and 1888, but each time relations were renewed after one season. A disagreement growing out of the game of 1884 led to the calling off of games in the next two seasons, but after an agreement had been reached in the winter of 1896-97 the series was resumed and continued unbroken until the time of the world war. No games were played in 1917 or 1918.

Yale has a big lead over Harvard in victories, the count at the present time standing 23 victories for Yale and 19 for Harvard, and 5 tie games. In the early days of this series a Harvard victory was unusual, so much so that up to 1910 the Crimson had won only 5 games of 30 played. In 1910 and 1911, followed by 4 successive victories. Of the last 10 games Harvard has won 6, tied 2 and lost 2. Quite a difference from the old-fashioned days when the Yale was the winner, though the Elis failed to score. Under the rules prevailing that season "in a game otherwise a tie the team scoring more touchdowns is considered the winner."

The tide began to turn in 1908 after Yale had won 6 successive victories over the Crimson. Harvard won 1901 and 1902, and 5 tie games in 1910 and 1911, followed with 4 successive victories. Of the last 10 games Harvard has won 6, tied 2 and lost 2. Quite a difference from the old-fashioned days when the Yale was the winner, though the Elis failed to score. Under the rules prevailing that season "in a game otherwise a tie the team scoring more touchdowns is considered the winner."

The complete list of Yale-Harvard games to date follows: 1875—Harvard, 4 goals; Yale 0. 1876—No game. 1877—No game. 1878—Yale, 1 goal; Harvard 0. 1879—Yale, 1 goal; Harvard 0. 1880—Yale, 1 g., 1 td.; Harvard 0. 1881—Yale, 1 goal; Harvard 0. 1882—Yale, 1 g., 4 tds.; Harvard, 2 safeties. 1883—Yale, 23; Harvard 2. 1884—No game. 1885—No game. 1886—Yale, 20; Harvard, 4. 1887—Yale, 17; Harvard, 8. 1888—No game. 1889—Harvard, 12; Yale, 6. 1890—Yale, 10; Harvard, 0. 1891—Yale, 6; Harvard, 0. 1892—Yale, 6; Harvard, 0. 1893—Yale, 6; Harvard, 4. 1894—No game. 1895—No game. 1896—Harvard, 0; Yale, 0. 1897—Harvard, 0; Yale, 0. 1898—Yale, 0; Harvard, 0. 1899—Yale, 28; Harvard, 0. 1900—Harvard, 22; Yale, 0. 1901—Yale, 23; Harvard, 0. 1902—Yale, 16; Harvard, 0. 1903—Yale, 12; Harvard, 0. 1904—Yale, 12; Harvard, 0. 1905—Yale, 6; Harvard, 0. 1906—Yale, 6; Harvard, 0. 1907—Harvard, 12; Yale, 0. 1908—Harvard, 12; Yale, 0. 1909—Yale, 8; Harvard, 0. 1910—Harvard, 0; Yale, 0. 1911—Harvard, 15; Yale, 0. 1912—Harvard, 38; Yale, 0. 1913—Harvard, 41; Yale, 0. 1914—Yale, 6; Harvard, 3. 1915—No game. 1916—No game. 1917—No game. 1918—No game. 1919—Harvard, 10; Yale, 3. 1920—Yale, 23; Harvard, 10.

LEAGUE REVISION ASKED AT GENEVA BY DUTCH ENVOY

Reconsideration to Clarify Article Providing for Filing of All Treaties Sought in Resolution.

(By the Associated Press.) GENEVA, Nov. 20.—The first formal step looking toward the revision of the covenant of the league of nations was taken by the assembly of the league at today's session. The Dutch minister of foreign affairs, H. A. Van Karmabek, introduced a resolution for reconsideration of article 18, having to do with the registration of treaties.

The resolution provides that the reconsideration be conducted either by the assembly itself or by a committee, to make the meaning of the article clearer.

Jonkheer Van Karmabek first called attention to this article of the covenant at yesterday's session. He said there were several interpretations of the article, which in brief, provides that treaties between nations shall not be binding until they are registered with the league, and proposed that it be studied carefully with a view to its clarification.

(The text of article 18 reads: "Every treaty or international engagement entered into hereafter by any member of the league shall be forthwith registered with the secretariat and shall, as soon as possible, be published by it. No such treaty or international engagement shall be binding until so registered.")

(By International News Service.) LONDON, Nov. 20.—It is reported in Geneva that the French representatives to the league of nations assembly meeting have delivered an ultimatum threatening the withdrawal of France from the league if Germany is admitted at the present session, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Geneva today.

France, said the Exchange Telegraph correspondent, demands that Germany's admission to the league be delayed for at least six months in order to determine if Germany is acting in good faith. The French seek delay for the further purpose of ascertaining what action the United States intends to take following the inauguration of President-elect Harding in March.

France is reported to have agreed to the admission of Austria and Bulgaria to the league.

(By the Associated Press.) GENEVA, Nov. 20.—An international military force with an international staff was proposed to the assembly of the league of nations today by Senator Henri LaFontaine, of the Belgian delegation.

Senator LaFontaine had somewhat startled the assembly by declaring that the world was not yet ready for disarmament. "It is necessary to say frankly to the people," he said, "that the time for disarmament has not yet come. Before the world could disarm, he added, 'entirely different ideas than those that prevailed before the war must be indicated and applied.' He proposed that the armaments and armies be comprised in an international force with an international staff, ready to be used in the cause of right in such a case as arose from the present situation of Armenia.

NEGRO'S VICTIM SHUDDERS AS SHE REVIEWS BRUTAL CRIME

Girl Victim, Propped in Hospital Bed, Recites Events of Night of Horror—Describes Assault.

"I can see his face. "It is here now. "I know I will always see it. "I would know it anywhere."

Her left eye terribly bloodshot, and almost closed, the flesh about it blackened and swollen, and her tender neck and arms plainly showing marks of fingers and nails, pretty Myrtle Morris, 16, told the story of the brutal assault upon her by a negro Friday night, while she lay in a bed at St. Joseph's hospital Saturday morning.

Myrtle, black bobbed hair and dark eyes, smiled faintly from her bed as her visitor sat down, while Dr. S. F. Strain, St. Joseph's interne, and a nurse stood by.

The smile was but for an instant. She seemed afraid to look at other patients in the room who, however, were not acquainted with the facts in her case.

"The girl was not reluctant to tell the story when she was told that her description of the negro would materially aid the police. But she said, 'My memory is faulty.' She can't see him, any yet I can not tell you what his face looks like, although I know he had brown skin, and was not black, but never will I forget him, and if you could bring him here, I would know him."

As From Dream. Then Myrtle, in a low voice, seemed to recede back from a dream, as she told of the assault and the few terrible minutes which led up to it. The details are revolting. But part of the story can be seen.

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POSTOFFICE SAFE BLOWN BY YEGGS, BANK ROBBED, 00

(Special to The News-Scimitar.) DRESDEN, Tenn., Nov. 20.—Yeggs last night blew the safe in the Dresden postoffice and the vault in the People's bank, escaping with about \$200 in stamps and about \$50 in money. Yeggs, a negro, was believed to have come out here to stay last night. Several times the girl has stayed here all night.

The girl, in a statement to Detective Inspector Griffin, Saturday morning, declared that she knew she was going to be assaulted when the negro seized her, and that she desperately broke his watch chain in an attempt to furnish police a clew for identification later.

Detective Inspector Griffin obtained from the girl at St. Joseph's hospital, she told him she had gone to a barber shop at about 7 o'clock Friday night, to have her hair trimmed. She wears her hair bobbed.

From the barber shop she went to the home of her friend, Miss Nellie Stevens, 720 Mississippi avenue. After attending a picture show, the girls returned to Miss Stevens' home, and it was from there that Myrtle started walking to her home on Vance avenue.

Everyone but Chief Griffin was requested to leave the room while Myrtle told her story, which was said to have been given in detail to Griffin.

She said she was struck by a brick, but police are inclined to think that the negro struck the girl with his fist.

She told Griffin that her purpose in breaking the negro's watch chain was to permit it to fall on the ground so that he could be identified later, for she realized she said, that she would be assaulted.

FOUND DEAD IN BATH. WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—Congressman Manion M. Garland, of Pittsburgh, Republican representative at large from Pennsylvania, was found dead in the bathroom of his home here late today. Death was due to heart disease. Mr. Garland returned to Washington from Pittsburgh Wednesday.

TEXTILE MILLS CLOSING. CHARLOTTE, N. C., Nov. 20.—Announcement of the closing down of the Chadwick-Hoskins chain of cotton mills, four at Charlotte and one at Martinsville, Va., the largest chain of mills in this section, developed that the majority of the hundreds of textile mills in this section are idle, while the mills operating are running on only part time.

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