

Gertrude Patterson's Story Discredited On Cross - Examination

State Introduces Letters She Wrote to Her Husband Containing Endearing Terms to Refute Her Account of Suffering and Brutal Treatment.

Haze of Romance Which Has Colored Picture of a Beautiful Woman's Frailty Dispelled—Woman Writes Under Questioning.

By Associated Press. Denver, Colo., Nov. 25.—When Gertrude Patterson, accused of murdering her husband, resumed the stand today to face the continuation of the cross examination of special prosecutor, Horace G. Benson, more than a little of that haze of romance and suffering that has colored the picture in which she is the most prominent figure had been dispelled.

Until yesterday afternoon she had been to most of those watching the progress of her trial, a frail woman of appealing beauty, who had been made the pawn of two men, the one being her girlhood and the other being her widowhood.

On direct examination she had told a story of abuse and cruelty on the part of her husband. She had told of his incessant demands that she get money for him from the millionaire admirer of her girlhood and of the brutal beatings that followed her refusals.

Today when she resumed the stand to face the pitiless questioning under which she writhed for three hours yesterday, the story of her husband's brutality had lost much of its force. Against her own testimony had introduced her own letters, written to her husband on dates subsequent by only a few days to those on which she had testified she had administered beatings so severe that she was confined to her bed. Those letters, full of love and adoration, told him that he was the only cure for her unhappiness, declared that they must never be separated and spoke of the bungalow she had fitted up for him with the little stopping porch "just off my room."

"Just be happy, Charlie," she wrote, "and the way to be happy is to know that you have got the best little loving wife in the whole world."

These letters raised the unspoken question "How could she write in such a strain with the bruises of his beatings still upon her body?" and that question loomed large in the minds of many of those who watched her on the witness stand today.

In his effort to tear down Mrs. Patterson's testimony, prosecutor Benson has at his command letters from the witness to her husband, letters from Patterson to his brother in Chicago, in which the dead man freely discussed the affairs and Patterson's diary and other papers found among his effects.

On much of her story she still awaits cross-examination, particularly on the events immediately preceding the shooting and on the shooting itself, phases of the case on which prosecution and defense differ widely.

WILL CONSIDER GENERAL PRIMARY IN TENNESSEE.

By Associated Press. Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 25.—The independent democratic state committee will be in session here this afternoon to take further steps toward a general primary next spring on every office from president to state committeeman, or to postpone action, which ever seems advisable to the leaders.

The meeting is the culmination of a week of political activity such as the capital of Tennessee has not seen since the legislature adjourned five months ago. Almost all the candidates for political preferment in Tennessee have rallied to the scene and numerous conferences have occurred this week.

Denies Statement of C. H. Mortz

By Associated Press. Duluth, Minn., Nov. 25.—Nov. 25.—Denying as an unqualified and malicious falsehood, the testimony given recently by C. H. Mortz, before the congressional committee investigating the United States Steel Corporation, Joseph B. Cotton, of Duluth, attorney for the Rockefeller interests on the iron range and former attorney for the United States Steel Corporation, today telegraphed a statement to Augustus O. Stanley, chairman of the investigating committee.

Tiger Hill Fort Was Captured

By Associated Press. Nanking, Nov. 25.—(Wireless to Shanghai)—The revolutionary forces today captured Tiger Hill fort, outside the walls of the city and which commands the city and river. Several big guns were taken. A number of imperialists have joined the rebels.

SCANDALS FROM GAMBLING IN DENMARK

Special to The News. Copenhagen, Denmark, Nov. 25.—Scandals arising from racetrack and lottery gambling have been growing to such an extent in Denmark for the past few years that the movement for the abolition of the practices is becoming strong. Although the number of lotteries has steadily increased the demand for tickets continues to grow and on both the running and trotting tracks enormous sums are wagered.

It is believed that the growth in speculation and similar crimes is directly due to this fever for gambling. Several cashiers of labor unions have lately been arrested for embezzling funds entrusted to their care and the causes of their peculations have been traced to the betting mania.

The movement for the control of lotteries and betting is growing, but there is no immediate prospect of its success. The government gains a considerable income from both lotteries and racetrack betting, and as there has been a deficiency in the state budget for the last few years, any attempt to sweep away this source of revenue will meet with strong opposition.

Never before in the history of the Danish theatre has business been so bad as during the last main season. Lately the old Casino theatre was obliged to close and the new manager was compelled to resign. The staff is trying to continue the season by playing on a co-operative basis. The other theatres with the exception of the Royal Opera and the Norrebro Theatre, which is managed by the popular parody actor, Frederik Jensen, would also be playing on empty seats did they not give out large numbers of complimentary tickets every night.

The managers ascribe the lack of attendance to the new tax on theatre tickets, but the real reason probably lies deeper. A large number of former theatre patrons cannot afford to attend on account of the prevailing hard times and the increased cost of living. Another reason is the class of dramas lately supplied to Danish audiences. The people are growing weary of plays which contain interminable discussions about socialism, strikes and woman suffrage. The theatre patrons get enough of these discussions in their newspapers and at meetings.

The most successful plays of the season have their settings sixty or seventy years back, when the nervous tension was not so great as it is today. The final reason is one which has caused world-wide losses to the theatre and that is the growing popularity of the moving picture shows.

G. A. O'Reilly, who is an official of the government of the Philippine islands, has just finished a six week tour of Denmark which he made for the purpose of studying agricultural and industrial conditions. He was especially impressed with the agricultural progress of Denmark and expressed his surprise that in this country there is no question that farming pays. The investigator expressed the belief that this result had been brought about by the co-operative system among farmers, the sympathy between these co-operative unions and the department of agriculture, and the scientific handling of agricultural problems by the department.

Another feature of agriculture which impressed Mr. O'Reilly was the regulation and control of the milk, butter and egg supply of the country. He considers in a large measure responsible for the health of the Danish people and for the high reputation of these products in the foreign markets.

The poverty of Danish orchards and the lack of handicrafts in the country were the only points which seem to have impressed the investigator unfavorably.

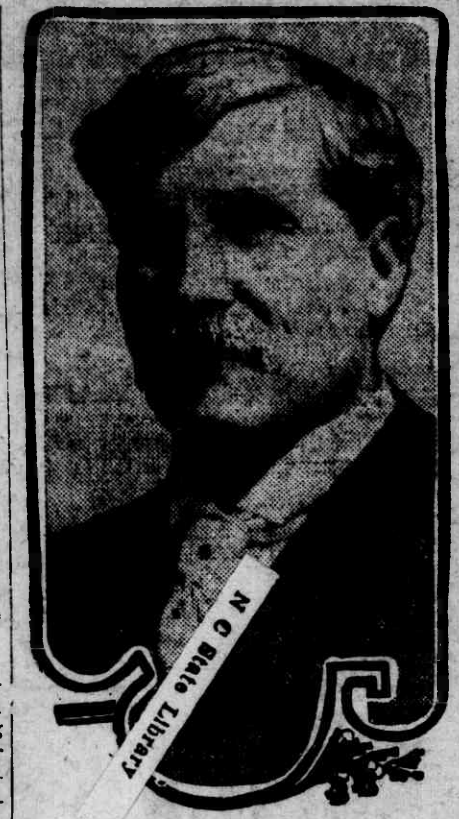
Mr. O'Reilly will visit other countries in Europe and on his return to the Philippines he will endeavor to make practical use of some of his observations for the improvement of agricultural and industrial methods there.

The vocal journalist is the latest novelty in Copenhagen and he is becoming a popular feature at festivals, exhibitions, and other entertainments. He is also seen and heard at fashionable cafes and restaurants where he delivers the news with comments during the band pauses.

The owner of one of the largest hotels here has developed the idea further, and in the palm court of the hotel after each theatrical first night, the vocal journalist will criticize the performance.

Pope Pius Gives Private Audience to Archbishop Farley

Rome, Nov. 25.—Pope Pius gave a private audience today to Archbishop Farley, of New York. The pontiff said it had long been his desire to recognize the loyalty of the Catholic church in America and the merit of the archbishop of New York.



REV. FRANK T. GATES.

The Rev. Frank T. Gates, the official almoner of John D. Rockefeller, who was prominently mentioned in the testimony of Leonidas Merritt, of Minnesota, while on the witness stand before the Stanley Steel Investigating Committee. Mr. Merritt accused the Rev. Mr. Gates and John D. Rockefeller in stripping him and his brothers of more than \$6,000,000 in three months and that Gates then told him to "walk the ties to Duluth."

LONE BANDIT ROBBED TRAIN NEAR COLUMBIA

By Associated Press. Columbia, S. C., Nov. 25.—A masked white man late last night robbed the mail car of Atlantic Coast Line train No. 55 between Roysters and this city, took the registered letters, stopped the train and jumping off just before the train reached the city limits.

The value of the registered mail stolen is not known but the letters are said to contain several thousand dollars. There is no clue to the identity of the robber.

The train, westbound from Wilmington, reached the Roysters block house, 2 miles from Columbia, at 11:20. It stopped there a moment, then proceeded toward the city. The robber is supposed to have boarded the train at Roysters.

Within a few minutes after the train started, he made his appearance in the mail car, held up the two mail clerks at the point of a pistol and took the registered letters. He then pulled the bell cord and leaped off as the train stopped. In the darkness there was no use to pursue and the train continued on its way to this city where the robbery was reported.

Detectives are now on the hunt for the robber but have found no trace of him.

McNamara Defense Won't Have Collins's

By Associated Press. Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 25.—More reasons why the defense of the McNamara trial did not want Calvin D. Collins a Chicagoan who has lived most of his life in Wilkesbarre, Pa., as a juror, was developed today in an examination conducted by LeCompte Davis of counsel for the defense.

Questions put under the law developed Collins's state of mind, placed him quickly in the class of men who, whether or not they are eventually adjudged fair jurors, are likely to be excused peremptorily from trying James E. McNamara for murder.

Following the discovery yesterday that Collins had had a strike called against him in his cigar factory in Wilkesbarre, Attorney Davis found that he had been a juror over a year ago in what are known locally as "the picketing cases." These were jury trials conducted under a city ordinance which prohibits any kind of strike picketing in the city of Los Angeles.

Collins said the jury on which he served disagreed but that from his service on it and from other things he had formed an unfavorable impression of unions. The views of the Los Angeles Times he pronounced more radical than his own.

Counsel's examination of the eleven jurors was expected to start Monday, there being one or two holdovers from the tenth when court opened today. The state faces this venire with five preemptory challenges left out of its original ten as against seven preemptory challenges left out of the 20 with which the defense started.

Birmingham Suffers Heavy Fire Loss

By Associated Press. Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 25.—A conflagration which broke out in the heart of the business section at midnight and raged until early this morning in this city resulted in an estimated damage of \$200,000. Fireman J. M. Massey, who with Captain Johnson, of Company 7, and two other firemen was carried down into the burning structure when the second story of the Roberts and Son printing plant fell in under the weight of the heavy press, is missing and believed to be dead. Captain Johnson and the two firemen are said to be seriously injured.

The fire originated in the printing plant of Roberts and Son on Third avenue and quickly spread to the majestic theater on the west and the warehouse of Loveman, Joseph and Loeb on the east. A number of other buildings including a well known hotel were threatened but after rushing all of its available fire-fighting forces to the scene the blaze finally was gotten under control.

Suffragettes Can Raise Children

By Associated Press. Chicago, Nov. 25.—To prove to ridiculing men that suffragettes can raise children, as one of their main purposes, members of the Illinois equal suffrage association have planned a "county fair" at one of the leading hotels at which the main feature will be a baby show. A prize of \$50 will be awarded the prettiest baby.

ONE "LOST" AD IN THE NEWS WAS ENOUGH

Read the ad:

LOST—Ladies' gold watch and fob. Initials outside, full name inside case. Reward if left at News office.

Read the result:

The papers left The News office at 4:15. At a few minutes past five a lady on East Seventh street phoned the Want Ad Man that she had the watch and had been watching the Want Ad Page in The News since Tuesday—the day the watch was found—for a "Lost" ad. The lady who lost the watch was phoned immediately and today it is back with the owner and two more people are more forcibly impressed that The News Want and Lost Ads "turn the trick." 'Nuf Ced.

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Mrs. Vermilya Objects to Cell

By Associated Press. Chicago, Nov. 25.—Mrs. Louise Vermilya, accused of the murder of Policeman Arthur Bissonette, in the opinion of county jail officials, is decidedly opposed to being locked up in a cell. Since she has been a prisoner Mrs. Vermilya has enjoyed a comfortable bed in the hospital of the jail and yesterday when Dr. Thomas Hogan reported to Jailer Davis that the patient was in condition to be placed in a cell there was a sudden change in her condition.

According to Dr. Hogan Mrs. Vermilya has repeatedly said that she would never occupy a cell in the jail and he gave it as his opinion that she is feigning illness now to avoid it.

With the inquest set for Monday into the death of her alleged victim, it is the opinion of the officials that Mrs. Vermilya is desirous of escaping the ordeal of attending the hearing.

Labor Leaders Act

By Associated Press. Atlanta, Nov. 25.—Openly declaring that the time has come when there is not room in this country for two organizations of labor engaged in the same industry the American Federation of Labor today unanimously adopted a resolution instructing the president and the executive council to carry into effect the sentiment of "one craft, one organization." In taking this action on the recommendation of the adjustment committee the convention held that by this means alone can factional disputes in the various crafts be eliminated.

Joseph Brown Interested in Campaign

Atlanta, Nov. 25.—Hon. Joseph M. Brown is still taking an active personal interest in his campaign for governor, appearing nearly every morning at the campaign headquarters, and shaking hands with hundreds of friends.

Manager J. R. Smith points with pride to the fact that a visitor can stroll into the Joe Brown headquarters at almost any hour of the day and find more men, representing more sections of Georgia, than in both the other headquarters put together.

The Millionaires' Train

By Associated Press. New Orleans, Nov. 25.—A special train which has been dubbed "The Millionaires' Train" carrying members of the organization to the convention of the Southern Cypress Association at Savannah will leave here tomorrow morning. The party, most of whom are millionaires, will be composed of men from Louisiana and Texas.

THE WEATHER.

By Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 25.—Forecast: North Carolina, fair tonight and Sunday, freezing temperature tonight slowly rising temperature Sunday; moderate west winds. South Carolina and Georgia, fair tonight and Sunday, freezing temperature tonight, rising temperature Sunday; moderate west winds.



LEONIDAS MERRITT.

Leonidas Merritt, of Minnesota, a witness before the Stanley Steel Investigating Committee, at Washington, who told a remarkable story on the witness stand, revealing the business methods of John D. Rockefeller, and telling how the head of the Standard Oil Company was the means of his losing a fortune.

MUCH BUSINESS BEFORE LABORERS ON LAST DAY

By Associated Press. Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 25.—Confronted with a vast amount of unfinished business the American Federation of Labor today entered into the last day of its session of the 31st annual convention in this city. Before adjournment Friday the convention decided to continue in session today until all work was cleared up and the hour for convening was set at 8 o'clock this morning.

One of the most important matters for consideration today is the election of a meeting place for next year. It is expected that President Grimes and most of the present administration of the Federation will be elected without serious opposition.

A number of bids for the next annual convention of the Federation have been entered but apparently Richmond Va., Seattle, and Rochester will be most seriously considered.

GAME WARDEN OFF TO REEL FOOT LAKE.

By Associated Press. Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 25.—Joseph H. Acklen, state game warden, left Nashville at a late hour last night for Reel Foot lake, the great fishing and game resort in west Tennessee, going with the hope of preventing trouble between the native fishermen and the West Tennessee Land Company, which claims title to the lake.

In 1908 trouble at Reel Foot resulted in the midnight lynching of Quentin Rankin, a prominent attorney, his companion R. Z. Taylor, escaping by plunging into a bayou.

RUSSIA SENDS NOTE TO FRANCE.

By Associated Press. Paris, Nov. 25.—Russia today informed France and the other powers that she insists upon the neutrality of the Dardanelles as provided in the treaty of London in 1871. This notification follows the report that Italy is furthering the war against Turkey intended to blockade the Dardanelles.

Milady's Powder Puff Endorsed

By Associated Press. New York, Nov. 25.—Endorsement of Milady's powder puff and rouge pot has come from unexpected source. Today's issue of the New York Medical Journal, the most staid professional periodical of the physicians in the East, says:

"The use of face cream and make-ups is universal and the moral aspect of the question is becoming settled. Our women now fearlessly and scientifically handle the complexion brush, the face cream and the powder puff."

"Why is the face of a country woman of the same age frequently so smooth on account of protection against the elements. The city woman has been using her cream and powder for forty years and has yet to experience any deleterious effects."

"The idea that the faces of actresses are old looking off the stage is pure superstition. Many an actress courted of our faiths has complexion the envy of our daughters. Any cream that will give rise to no burning or irritation need not be feared on account of invisible or inappreciable ravages. These are things the physician should know and not be afraid to say so."

Report On Supply And Distribution Of Cotton Crop

AUTO ACCIDENTS IN ATLANTA YESTERDAY.

Atlanta, Nov. 25.—Within the past 24 hours in Atlanta the weather has turned, sharply, briskly cold; and within the past 24 hours in Atlanta there have been five serious auto accidents.

The thing has happened before. The police no longer look on it as a coincidence. They are prepared to uphold the theory that the cold weather is the actual cause of the increased accidents, and though nothing has ever been said about it, they are inclined to believe the principle holds good in every part of the country.

Conversation with a half dozen auto drivers today, men who have never been in accidents, elicits the information that they believe they always drive faster when it has turned suddenly cold; some of them say it is exhilaration in the air; others think it is merely the desire to get where they are going and be out of the hill. Traffic policemen declare that the movement on the streets is always brisker in cold weather.

Not only do people walk faster, but they drive faster, whether in buggies or autos.

The accidents that come with this present change in weather began Thursday night when Mrs. A. E. Nelson and Charlie Griffin were killed when a big National swerved and threw them against a telegraph pole; then they came in quick succession; during the day yesterday John Herner, a young machinist in a big car belonging to the Consolidated Motor Company was pinned beneath a wreck and seriously injured; a speeding auto truck knocked down Miss Myrtle Maner, on Marietta street; Farrow Hall, a deacon of the Baptist Tabernacle, was knocked down and probably fatally injured by Dr. O. H. Morris's machine; later in the afternoon a boy whose name is not known was struck by a flying car and had his leg broken—all that the record of less than 24 hours.

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HISTORICAL OLD VOLUME ON DISPLAY.

Lineback & Elam have in their window today a very interesting old volume belonging to Mr. J. F. Ferriss of this city. It is a copy of the 1819 reprint of John Smith's history of his adventures.

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By manufacturers. 783,105 635,524
In cotton states. 417,373 355,476
In all other states 355,732 340,048
In independent warehouses ... 2,744,538 5,291,945

Elsewhere ... 3,846,881 2,168,285
The statistics are in running bales, including linters, except foreign cotton and exports have been reduced to 500 bales.

Returns of cotton consumed and of stocks held at mills and in independent warehouses and public storage places were collected through canvases by agents and by mail. The stocks shown under the classification "Elsewhere" were not secured through actual canvases but by deduction, this quantity being the difference between the total supply and the sum of the exports and that consumed during the period and held by manufacturers and warehousemen at the close of the period.

Premier's Position Becomes Intolerable

By Associated Press. Peking, Nov. 25.—Premier Yuan Shi Kai's position is becoming more intolerable daily. Neither the Manchus nor the Chinese trust him and the Manchus are becoming more suspicious all the time.

The moderates do not hesitate to say that if Yuan had remained at Chang Te Fu, the rebellion would now be at Jehol and the rebellion ended. Many Chinese believe that while Yuan is reassuring foreigners with a view to obtaining a loan and placing the moderates with pretended pacific measures he is in reality intent upon strenuously crushing the rebellion with force. The continued fighting at Hankow and in the vicinity of Nanking is taken as lending color to this belief. The imperialists after an attack upon Hankow that lasted for 36 hours were repulsed last Thursday and driven back across the Han river with great loss.

WOLVERTON MAY SUCCEED HAL CHASE.

By Associated Press. New York, Nov. 25.—Harry S. Wolverton, manager of the Oakland club of the Pacific Coast league, is here today to confer with Frank Farrell, president of the New York Americans, on the questioning of membership of the Highlanders. Wolverton was said to be slated for manager of Mr. Farrell's club to succeed Hal Chase, who recently resigned.

Mr. Hudson at Presbyterian College. Mr. W. H. Hudson, the returned missionary from China, who is to speak at the Y. M. C. A. tomorrow, has been procured to speak to the students of the Presbyterian College on the Women of China. Mr. Hudson has lived in China for years and he knows the customs and manners of the people thoroughly and is prepared to give a most interesting lecture to the young ladies tonight.