

Coroner's Jury Not Able to Fix Guilt For Shelby Murder

Two Thousand Cleveland County Citizens Pack in And Around Court House to Hear Verdict -- Lawyers Plead Against Mob Violence.

John Ross' Confession That Will Ross Killed the Dixons on Account of a Mortgage Not Believed -- Extra Term of Court Ordered.

Shelby, Dec. 15.—More than two thousand of Cleveland county's good citizens were here today to attend the further hearing of the coroner's jury in the double murder of the Dixon family. The court house was packed. John Schenk, the acting coroner, announced that the jury could not fix the guilt definitely, but they were sure that all the negroes held, they had among them the guilty parties. In a confession of yesterday evening, John Ross says that Will Ross, a cousin, told him that he killed Mr. and Mrs. Dixon because Dixon held a mortgage on his home for one hundred dollars, and he wanted to get possession of the mortgage so that it would not be against his crop; that he waylaid Mr. Dixon as he went to his barn and killed him, but did not find the mortgage in his pockets, and then he went to the house and killed Mrs. Dixon, and hunted there for the mortgage. Will Ross is now in jail and also Pig Ross, stepson of Hack, is held as a witness. This story is not believed but it is thought that Will Ross will now turn state's evidence on John and Hack.

Toy Mame Blown Up Before Taft

Washington, Dec. 15.—President Taft and his cabinet were shown today just how the battleship Maine was blown up in Havana harbor. Rear Admiral Vreeland and his chief constructor Watt, of the navy, both members of the Maine investigating board, staged the show.

Ultimatum To Mamla Insurgents

Manila, Dec. 15.—An ultimatum has been issued to the island of Jolo by Brigadier General John J. Pershing, ordering the Moros who have been creating so much disorder recently and who refused a severe defeat yesterday, to deliver up all their arms by Saturday. The commander of the department of Mindanao is determined to enforce the complete disarmament of the natives in the Jolo district.

AMERICAN PACKERS EXCLUDED FROM BRITISH TRADE

London, Dec. 15.—The British government has decided to exclude all American meat packers against whom prosecutions have been instituted in the United States from tendering for contracts for the supply of meat to the British army and navy, pending the settlement of the suits.

Extreme Feeling Against Foreigners

Amoy, China, Dec. 15.—Extreme anti-foreign feeling prevails at Chang Pu where the English and Roman Catholic mission buildings were burned in February, 1906, by a Boxer mob. A large number of placards threatening foreigners have been posted all over the town.

SATURDAY ENTRIES COLUMBIA RACES.

By Associated Press.
Columbia, S. C., Dec. 15.—Entries at Fair Grounds Saturday:
First race, 3 year olds and up, selling, 6 furlongs: Woodlander, Dr. Burch, Elizabeth O. Outpost, Catroque 125; Tennessee Boy, Hibernica, Brandolyne, Lady Hapsburg 120; xLeon B. 118.
Second race, 2 year olds, selling, six furlongs: Col. Brown 110; xQueen Bee, xMamita 104; xSarg Kirk 101; Jawbone 114; xOrpith 100; Silas Grump 109.
Third race, 3 year olds and up, selling, 6 furlongs: xFarney, Dust, Starboard 120; Joe Rose, Sir Edward, 128; Dick Moss, xHorace E. 125; Billy Barnes, 123; xChilton Squaw, 115.
Fourth race, 3 year olds and up, selling, mile: Dolly Bullman, Otolo, Sasque 108; xHaldeman, xSemi Quaver 98; xMarkham 103.
Fifth race, 3 year olds and up, selling, 5 furlongs: Western Bell, xCenter-shot 107; Sabo Blend, Galvesca, Sir Mincematt, Black Branch 112; xHorton, 110; Sea Swell 115.
Sixth race, 3 year olds and up, selling, 1-2 furlongs: xEagle Bird, xTom Massie, xAakley, xGerendia, 110; xWest Uint, 113; Joe Stein, Hibb Plover 115; Uncle Jimmie Gray 121; xLove Watches 116; Paul Davis, 118. x-apprentice allowance claimed.

HEROIC POLICEMAN RESCUED PARROT.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 15.—A uniformed policeman went down with a crowd last night by ascending three flights of stairs into a smoke-filled building, going, as he thought, to the rescue of a woman. A few moments later he lost his popularity with the same audience by coming out of the building with a cage containing a parrot, placing it on the sidewalk and kicking the bird, cage and all into the street.

REPORT THAT STEAMER HAS FOUNDERED AT SEA.

New York, Dec. 15.—The New York maritime exchange is investigating a rumor today that the British steamer East Point, which sailed from London on December 2, with a cargo of freight for Philadelphia, has foundered at sea.

CHARLES W ELIOT PROGRESSING FAVORABLY.

Colombo, Ceylon, Dec. 15.—The physicians in charge of Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus of Harvard, who recently was operated on for appendicitis, report that his condition continues about the same. The last report said that he was progressing favorably and was more comfortable.

MINE GIVES UP BODIES OF SIX MORE VICTIMS

Bricewille, Tenn., Dec. 15.—Bodies of six more miners who lost their lives in the explosion in Cross Mountain mine, which occurred last Saturday morning, were taken from the mine this morning about 5 o'clock by a mine rescue party. They are:
Jeff Lester, age 45, widow and six children.
James Marlin, 42, widow and one child.
Charles Marlin, 18, single.
Phil Hudson, 32, widow and four children.
Roy Peters, 28, single, mother and father dependent on his support.
Patrick Calley, 32, widow and four children.

Mayor Killed by Live Wire.

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 15.—Mayor Thomas Watts, of Coal Creek, was instantly killed there this morning by coming in contact with a live wire strung across a tin roof on which Mayor Watts was standing while fighting a fire which consumed an undertaking establishment.
Mayor Watts had been very active in the relief work for the Bricewille mine disaster sufferers. Coal Creek is six miles from Bricewille.



DR BENNETT CLARKE HYDE.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 15.—Latest photo of Dr. Bennett Clark Hyde, whose second trial ended in a mistrial when one of the jurors escaped and was away four days, and his wife. The doctor was on trial for the alleged murder of aged Col. Thomas H. Swope, whom the state contended he killed by injecting germs into the system of the millionaire, and thereby causing his death. Mrs. Hyde, a relative of the colonel, has stuck to her husband throughout his first trial, the appeal, and the present proceedings.

Ninety-Five Members of A Japanese Torpedo Boat Crew Die Singing National Anthem

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 15.—Going to death singing the national anthem and shouting "Banzais" for their Emperor, 95 members of the crew of the Japanese torpedo boat destroyer Harusamo went down with the war vessel on December 24, according to tidbits brought by the steamer Panama Maru yesterday.

Southern League Opens Its Session

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 15.—Southern League baseball magnates opened a two-days' session in Nashville today with the salary limit, appointment of a schedule committee and election of officers and directors for the live topics of discussion.

Insurgent Jurors Refuse a Verdict

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 15.—"Insurgent" jurors in the McDermott will case who have refused to return a verdict in compliance with the peremptory instructions of Circuit Judge Withrow were non-committal when they entered the jury room today. They have been "deliberating" 68 hours. When they first refused to return the verdict which Judge Withrow ordered they announced they would stand on their rights as American citizens.

TWELVE RACE HORSES BURNED.

Augusta, Ga., Dec. 15.—At 4 o'clock this morning a racing stable full of horses, at the Georgia-Carolina fair grounds, was destroyed by fire. The loss will reach fully \$10,000. There were 12 horses burned. Eleven of them were the thoroughbreds of George W. Burke, a prominent racing man of Williamsport, Pa. Burke left Augusta yesterday for Williamsport to spend the Christmas holidays with his family. He had never left the horses before, except for a few hours at a time. The cause of the fire is unknown. Insurance partly covers the loss.

TODAY IN CONGRESS.

By Associated Press.
Washington, Dec. 15.
SENATE.
Not in session; will meet at 2 p. m. Monday.
Edward Hines and "Manny" Abraham were witnesses at the Lorimer inquiry.
Louis D. Brandeis, Boston attorney, continued criticism of United States Steel Corporation before the interstate commerce committee.
Railroad counsel discussed with employers liability commission various suggestions for a liability bill.
Foreign relations committee members consulted on Jewish passport legislation plans.
Agreement with Russia was rumored.
Met at noon.
Agreed to adjourn today until Monday, making Saturday the first idle week day since congress met.
Steel investigation continued.
General Crozier urged on military committee a war basis supply of ammunition for the army.
Republican minority report on Controller Bay inquiry arranged democrats for alleged unfairness.
Agreement to adjourn over tomorrow set aside. Recessed from 1:10 p. m. to 4:30 p. m. to receive and consider urgent deficiency appropriation bill carrying \$2,000,000.
Representative Mondell (Wyoming) spoke in opposition to the repeal of the Sherman anti-trust law.
"Sugar trust" investing committee began inquiry into sugar increase of several cents a pound last summer.
Labor committee authorized to visit Philadelphia and Stamford, Conn., to investigate a scientific system of shop management.

BICYCLE RIDERS BREAK RECORDS IN FIFTH DAY

New York, Dec. 15.—Earnest sprinting to steal a lap or regain a lost one, from four to seven o'clock this morning resulted in new records for the 101st, 102d and 103d hours in the six day bicycle race but no changes in position. Twelve teams remain on the track, the Galvin-Wiley combination having quit during the night.

CHORUS GIRLS CONFIDENT OF ACQUITTAL

New York, Dec. 15.—Although the case of Lillian Graham and Ethel Conrad, charged with shooting W. E. D. Stokes, will go to the jury today, it is possible the girls will not know their fate until tonight and perhaps not until tomorrow.

REPORTS OF FIGHT BETWEEN MEXICAN TROOPS AND REBELS

Mexico City, Dec. 15.—Reports of a three hour fight between federal troops and rebels near Mier on the border of the United States have reached here. A small force from the United States, whether composed of Reylas or Vasquezistas is unknown, was routed by the 17th regiment of federal troops.

FEARS FOR SAFETY OF THREE FISHING LUGGERS

Emden, Germany, Dec. 15.—It is feared that three fishing luggers belonging to this port and carrying crews totalling forty-men foundered during the recent storms in the North sea. The crafts are all long overdue.

Wild Excitement In London on Report of King's Assassination

Grand Jury Ready For Witnesses

By Associated Press.
London, Dec. 15.—A vague rumor that King George had been assassinated at Delhi, India, spread like wild fire through London this morning. Nobody knew where it originated but it created immense excitement in the city and West End.
This was only allayed when a dispatch from Delhi timed 11:45 midday, was received, simply announcing the carrying out of the royal program and not mentioning any untoward incident.
The reports of fires in the Delhi durbar camp have been grossly exaggerated and the disaffection among a small section of the Indian natives has been brought promptly to public notice in the newspapers.
Officials at the India office could not account for the rumor.
They had had no intimation of an incident of any kind and declare that the fire which occurred last night in a tent close to that of the king was of slight importance and was of a purely accidental nature.
King Lays Cornerstone.
Delhi, India, Dec. 15.—The king-emperor and queen-empress today laid the first stone of the new capitol of India, which was proclaimed after the durbar, is to be at Delhi. There was a brilliant assemblage of ruling princes, governors and state officials.
The foundation stone simply bore the date, 12-15-11.
The majesties both are enjoying splendid health in spite of the great fatigue they have undergone during the length of the durbar.
Local Telegram Stated Report.
As far as it is possible to ascertain, the totally unfounded rumor of the assassination of King George at Delhi was started by a local telegram sent to a newspaper office late last night inquiring if there was any truth in a report that the sender had heard of the assassination of the King. The contents of the telegram spread and eventually became king own throughout the city.
New York Denies Report.
New York, Dec. 15.—That the London rumors of the king's assassination are baseless is indicated by a dispatch received by The Associated Press this morning from Delhi and filed in that city shortly before noon today. At that hour the king was alive and well and was proceeding with the official program in connection with the laying of the cornerstone of the new capitol.
SHOE MACHINERY COMPANY NOT DISTURBED BY SUIT.
By Associated Press.
Boston, Mass., Dec. 15.—It was stated semi-officially today that the officers of the United Shoe Machinery Company regard the civil suit of the civil suit of the government to dissolve the company as practically a repetition of the pending criminal proceedings for alleged violation of the Sherman law.
The company already has announced its intention in the first suit, namely that it is not operating in violation of the law.

ENGLAND'S NATIONAL INSURANCE PASSED.

London, Dec. 15.—The House of lords today passed the national insurance bill providing for compulsory insurance against sickness and unemployment of the working classes through its third and final reading.

SIX-DAY WINNERS.

1899—Miller-Waller.
1900—Eakes-McFarland.
1901—Walshour-McEachern.
1902—Lesander-Krebs.
1903—Walshour-Monroe.
1904—Root-Dorlon.
1905—Root-Folger.
1906—Root-Folger.
1907—Rutt-Stol.
1908—MacFarland-Moran.
1909—Rutt-Clarke.
1910—Root-Moran.

THE WEATHER.

Rain tonight and Saturday; colder tonight in east portion; moderate northeast winds.