

MRS. MONTAGUE IS ON TRIAL FOR THE MURDER OF WOMAN

Asheville Nurse Went on Trial This Morning, Being Charged With Death of Mrs. Mary Cooper.

THOUSAND SEEK WAY INTO ROOM

Jury Will Be Chosen From Special Venire of 150.—Mrs. Montague Stoutly Denies Part in Crime.

Asheville, June 23.—(AP)—The puzzling case of Mrs. Annie K. Montague, 45-year-old nurse charged with brutally murdering Mrs. Mary R. Cooper, 61-year-old widow, whose companion Mrs. Montague had been for several months, was called for trial in Buncombe county court here this morning. A crowd of more than a thousand persons milled about the court house in an effort to push their way into the court room, packed long before court opened.

HAM AND EGGS ON SOUND BASIS

Get Government Sanction as Scientific Breakfast.

Washington, June 23.—There is a reason for ham and eggs. According to the Department of Agriculture, the great American breakfast, even if an accidental combination, has a sound scientific basis.

It has been discovered, for instance, that lean pork is rich in vitamin B, but low in the fat-soluble vitamin A. Eggs, however, are low in vitamin B and rich in vitamin A.

New spring dresses in latest designs and most seasonable materials from \$9.00 to \$12.90. Wash dresses at 88 cents.

Ladies' and misses' gowns also will be offered at greatly reduced prices as will children's dresses and ladies' shoes.

Read page ad. in this paper for further particulars.

THE STOCK MARKET

Table with columns for stock names and prices. Includes items like Atchison, American Tobacco, American Smelting, etc.

CRUISER STRENGTH DISCUSSED AT THE GENEVA CONFERENCE

Plan Submitted by United States Covering This Type of Craft May Be Accepted Without Delay

PROBLEMS ARE LESS SERIOUS

Delegates From America Do Not Want to Do Anything to Hinder Arms Conference in 1931.

Geneva, June 23.—(AP)—Cruiser strength has been emphasized by the American delegates to the tripartite naval conference, and from the private discussions that have been proceeding it appeared today that the Americans do not look for insurmountable difficulties in arriving at some arrangement with Japan for a proportionate strength in this type of warship between the two countries.

While Japan is adverse to application of a ratio system that would place their country in an inferior position, it is thought likely that Japan will accept a cruiser tonnage giving her only a slightly higher proportion than 5-5-3, that is, for the United States and 3.4 for Japan.

There were indications today that the problem of the conference was in the way of a settlement. A proposal for a reduction in the tonnage of future battleships and aircraft carriers, and the size of their guns. Agreements on the size of these types of aircraft were reached at the Washington naval conference in 1922, and the American delegation is unopposed to any direct reconsideration of these arrangements.

Consequently it is thought likely that as a conciliatory move the Americans will suggest adoption of a resolution that any agreement adopted by the present conference shall not prejudice the program of the second Washington conference, set for 1931.

The treaty of 1922 stipulated that the second Washington conference should be called to determine whether scientific developments justify modification of the agreements relating to the size of battleships, cruisers and aircraft carriers.

In discussing this phase some conference quarters have pointed out that the ocean flights of Lindbergh and Chamberlin raise the question as to the advisability of greater aircraft carrier strength to keep up with the developing speed of inter-continental air communication.

Special Values at Efrid's Chain Sale. On Friday morning, June 24th, the last 8 days of Efrid's Chain Sale will begin and a further cut in prices on all ladies' ready-to-wear will be offered.

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Some southern selling was reported here in the early trading, but there was trading buying of October and December on the decline of about 7 to 10 points from yesterday's closing quotations.

The early decline extended to 16.92 for October, or 15 points net lower, but offerings tapered off and there were rallies later on a little trade buying and covering.

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DECLARE SOUTHERN FREIGHT SERVICES HAVE BEEN SLOW

Business Men of Salisbury and Winston-Salem Testify at the Hearing in Charlotte.

DECLARE TRUCKS GET BUSINESS

Witness Says the Southern Has Been Especially Slow With Local Short Hauls.

Charlotte, June 23.—(AP)—Charges that the Southern Railway has been giving "very slow" freight service, and that completion of the electric Piedmont & Northern line would benefit were made here today by Salisbury and Winston-Salem business men testifying in the hearing on the petition of the electric line for permission to extend its tracks.

The hearing is being held by H. C. Davis, examiner for the Interstate Commerce Commission. The Southern Railway and other lines operating in the Piedmont Carolinas are opposing extension of the interurban.

The slowness of the Southern's service to Greensboro and points northward is such, W. P. Strachan, of Salisbury, said, that business houses have been "forced to private trucking" for interurban shipments.

On cross examination Mr. Strachan said he was "with the Southern Railway" at the time the Spencer transfer was established, and said that "at that time we thought it would be a great thing for shippers of less than car lots from the west." He said the present "unsatisfactory" service might be due to administrative failure.

R. M. Sigmon, a Salisbury real estate man, said the building of the P. & N. through his town would hasten the development of the municipality and contiguous territory.

John L. Gilmer, president of the Winston-Salem Chamber of Commerce read a statement advocating construction of the P. & N. extension. On cross examination he said that his statement expressed the opinion of the directors of the Chamber of Commerce. He emphasized the expectation that building the line will be "an important contribution" to general incentive for development of the territory it is proposed to serve.

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These prices will not last long so the public is advised to buy now. Sunburn Churns in large, large hair, small fella and ribbons at the Gray Shop. These are summer hats for summer wear and are being sold at unusually low prices when the quality is considered.

TWO OFFICERS AND THIEF DIE DURING CHICAGO GUN FIGHT

Two Officers Shot It Out With Auto Thief and All Three Were Mortally Wounded During Battle

GIRL ESCAPED DURING FIGHT

Deadly Accuracy of Aim Shown by Fact That Only One of Seven Shots Fired Missed Its Mark.

Chicago, June 23.—(AP)—Darkness mantled a triple slaying early today in a North Side alley, with no witness left to tell what happened, except a mystery girl who fled in horror before the roar of the last revolver shot had died away.

Two policemen shot it out with an automobile thief and the three were killed. The deadly accuracy of their aim was shown by the fact that all but one of the seven shots fired found its mark, the single wild shot being fired by the robber.

The policemen dead are: Sergeant Thomas Kehoe, 32 years old, and Officer James Farley, 32. The man they killed was identified as Dan Leathers, who in 1922 was sent to the Pontiac reformatory on a robbery charge.

The bodies of the policemen were found on a lawn in front of 4030 North Rockwell street. Kehoe was dead with a bullet under the temple, and another in his back. Farley had been shot in the stomach and chest, but was living and conscious when police reserves arrived.

CLAIMS ADVERTISING MATERIAL IS STOLEN

N. W. Ayer and Son State Preliminary Advertisements for Ford Car Have Been Taken From Offices.

Philadelphia, Pa., June 23.—N. W. Ayer & Son, advertising counsel for the Ford Motor Co., advise that a theft has taken place from their office in Philadelphia of certain preliminary and experimental advertisements in regard to the new Ford car and material used therein which in many particulars are fictitious and imaginative and has been issued as authentic news by a news agency.

N. W. Ayer and Son state that the car is not complete, therefore any alleged specifications have no warrant of truth.

You will find just the right birthday gift, no matter whose birthday at the Starnes-Miller-Parker Co. Simpson's Studio is offering photographs at unusually low prices for Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Why worry over a hot wood stove during hot weather? Ask the Yorke & Wadsworth Co. in new ad today. See the line of Florence Automatic Oil Cook Stoves at this company.

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First-quality goods low priced at the J. C. Penny Co. Tropical suits for \$9.90 and men's genuine Panama hats for \$3.98. Broadcloth shirts at only 98 cents and knitted union suits for 98 cents. Don't fail to read new ad. in this paper.

LEONARD WOOD ILL



Governor-General Leonard Wood, of the Philippines, is carrying on his work under the handicap of illness. Picture shows him being assisted to his office by attendants. Some of the business has been transacted from his bed.

NEWSPAPERS ELIGIBLE FOR SEPARK PRIZES

However, Few of the Papers Have Shown Much Interest in the Matter.

Raleigh, June 23.—Every newspaper in the state has an opportunity to win one or both of the two Separak prizes of \$250 each, one awarded to the paper that has performed the greatest public service during the year to its community, and the other to be awarded to the reporter or correspondent for the best piece of news writing.

But so far, the papers of the state have not seemed to be much interested in these prizes, according to B. Arp Lowrance, executive secretary of the North Carolina Press Association, and only a few newspapers have entered marked copies in the contest.

Lowrance urges that every paper in the state enter this competition, and send marked copies competing for both prizes, to the committee in charge of the award, which is headed by Dr. E. C. Branson, of Chapel Hill, and to whom the papers should be sent.

There is not a newspaper in the state that has not performed some outstanding service for its community during the past year, or who does not have someone on its staff that has written an outstanding story during the past year," said Mr. Lowrance. "Besides, these prizes are well worth working for, since \$250 will come in handy to any publisher or reporter at any time. But the publicity gained by any paper that wins either of these two prizes will also be worth while."

Hence publishers and editors are urged to go over their files between June 1, 1926, and May 31, 1927, and select from them the issues containing the article, editorials or news stories which they consider the best, and send them before July 2, the date when the entries in the contest must close. It would be well to write a letter to Dr. Branson at the same time the papers are sent, calling attention to the papers, and indicating in what contest they are being entered.

Mr. Lowrance hopes that more papers than ever will be entered and that there will be real competition in the contests this year.

EARL CARROLL BETTER

Can Talk to Other Prisoners, But Not About Bathubs.

Atlanta, Ga., June 23.—Earl Carroll is responding rapidly to the rest cure, says Warden Snook of the Federal penitentiary here, where the New York theatrical producer is spending a year and a day for perjury.

Snook announced today that Carroll is beginning to take his meals with regularity, often topping them off with ice cream, his favorite delicacy. According to the officer rest is what he is getting.

"There is no mistake about Carroll's nervous breakdown," the Warden declared. "But his stay in Greenville didn't help matters any. We hear he often was kept awake late at night by sympathetic friends and relatives. A man suffering from a nervous breakdown needs rest."

Carroll spent nearly a month in a Greenville (S. C.) hospital following a collapse aboard the train en route to the prison here.

Other prisoners at the penitentiary are allowed to indulge in conversation with Carroll whenever they like, with only one restriction. Warden Snook has issued orders forbidding them to discuss the theater with him, or to mention even a bathtub in his presence.

Southern Publishers Invite Colonel Lindbergh.

Atlanta, June 23.—Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh was invited today to attend the annual convention of the Southern Newspaper Publishers' Association in Atlanta, July 4. The invitation was extended in a letter sent by John A. Park, president of the association and publisher of The Raleigh Times in behalf of both the organization and city officials.

It was recently reported that Sanford Neal, of Concord, was to receive this honor, but this is false, according to State DeMolay Deputy Alan S. O'Neal, of Winston-Salem.

ESCAPES DEATH FROM SNAKEBITE

Scientist Is Saved by Serum He Was Studying.

Washington, June 23.—A dramatic story of panic at a meeting of scientists at the National Zoological Park here and of the saving of the life of Prof. Maurice Kirby Brady through the use of a package of antivenin, a new snakebite serum, was unfolded today when Prof. Kirby returned from the university fully recovered from the bite of a European sand viper.

A meeting of the Vivarium Society was held on last Thursday night at the headquarters of Dr. William M. Mann, primarily for a discussion of antivenin, the first shipment of which had just been received in Washington. The society was told of the development of the serum in Brazil for use as an antidote against the bite of the poisonous snakes indigenous to that country and of its successful use in Texas.

There were about twenty-five members present, men and women. When the lecture was completed one of the members brought out a crate to display the first European sand viper received here. It had been shipped from Delmatia. When he opened the bag one of the vipers popped out. There was immediate consternation, as the snake, which is of a very poisonous variety, flashed under chairs and about the room.

The owner appearing to have no ambition to recover the creature, Prof. Brady, who occupies the chair of herpetology and biology at George Washington, volunteered to make the capture. He had a pair of forceps with which snakes are usually handled by those who get familiar with them. It is customary, however, to pad the forceps with raw cotton so that the snake can not strike through or wriggle away.

Prof. Brady grabbed some paper and getting the viper in a corner seized him with the forceps. The viper wriggled and pulled himself sufficiently to strike viciously into the index finger of the scientist's left hand. Several women screamed when they saw the viper strike.

Prof. Brady returned him to the bag and reached quickly for a tube of the new serum. It was in sterilized containers. He started to give himself an injection on the spot and it required some disarming—the further consternation of the women members. He was persuaded to have the injection made by a doctor and he was rushed to the office of his family physician, Dr. Elliott Campbell, who made the injection into the intravenous muscles of the right side of the stomach.

The next day Prof. Brady had a fever of 103 and was severely ill. It was not known whether it was from the bite or the serum.

On Saturday the fever broke and he recovered rapidly. The injection was given on a chance, as it was not known whether it would be effective against the bite of a European snake.

The meeting of herpetologists, biologists, immunologists and students of public health was adjourned rather summarily. Prof. Brady is the son of Major Edward J. Brady, army reserve officer and Washington attorney.

Frederick Will Be Honored.

Gastonia, June 23.—The DeMolay Legion of Honor, the highest recognition for service, will be conferred upon John N. Frederick, of Gastonia, at the DeMolay State Conclave to be held in High Point on July 4-5. Frederick is the first and only DeMolay in North Carolina to be designated for this honor, the highest that can be given by the Grand Council.

Since becoming a member of the local chapter, Frederick has held more offices than any other Gastonia DeMolay, having been master counselor of the chapter, secretary of the state council, and courier of the order in this state. He was a representative DeMolay at the DeMolay Leader's Training Camp in the Ozark Mountains recently and is now chaplain of the state council.

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PRISONERS IN MINE HAVE NO FOOD BUT CAN TALK IN SILENCE

If They Have Had Anything for 45 Hours It Was Oats Sent to Mules Which Are With Them.

WANT "SMOKES" WITH LABORS

Several Prison Guards Are Also in the Mine, Having Been Captured by Prisoners When They Rioted

Lansing, Kans., June 23.—(AP)—Oats issued as ration for mules today constituted the only food known to be available to 328 convicts and their fourteen captive guards barricaded in the prison coal mine here since 11 o'clock Tuesday morning.

As the mutineers passed their 45th hour underground there was nothing to indicate they wish to withdraw their ultimatum "No cigarettes, no coal."

Prison authorities said the noon meal sent down the 720-foot shaft shortly before the strikers blocked the cage would have been exhausted last night at the latest. This would leave only thirty bushels of oats intended for the seventeen mules used in the mines. The possibility that the men would butcher the mules as they threatened during a previous mutiny, was scouted by Deputy Warden R. H. Hudspeth, in charge.

A telephone call from a spokesman for the strikers last night requested that the wives of the captive guards be allowed to talk to their husbands was the last word heard from the mine. When this was refused, negotiations ceased.

Hudspeth said today that any further negotiations would have to be started by the convicts and he was willing to allow the "hunger cure" to continue.

ELEVEN CONVICTS ARE BACK IN PRISON

Guards Are Trying to Locate Other 24 Who Escaped Tuesday Night.

Winston-Salem, June 23.—(AP)—With eleven of the 35 convicts who escaped from the Ferguson prison farm near here Tuesday night captured, guards and volunteers today continued to follow bloodhounds through muddy Trinity River bottoms in an effort to round up the others.

Evidence of the difficulties encountered by the posse were shown in the mud-spattered group returning here with the eleven convicts. They told of hours spent in the soggy "gumbo" soil which taxed the strength of dogs as well as men. The eleven were captured within a radius of five miles of the farm. They were found in thickets and were unarmed.

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South Dakota Names Mountain After Cal.

Pierre, S. D., June 23.—By concurrent resolution adopted as its first legislative act, the South Dakota legislature today named the mountain which towers over the state game lodge, President Calvin Coolidge's summer white house, "Mount Coolidge."

Joe Hauser, loaned by Connie Mack to the Kansas City team, has found a new road to riches in the city on the Kaw. One day recently Joe performed the difficult feat of hitting the ball over the right field fence and was rewarded by the enthusiastic fans with a shower of good dollars. The very next day he repeated the trick and \$125 more was added to his bank account.

OFFICERS NOT YET ABLE TO IDENTIFY NEGRO BEING HELD

Negro Was Arrested in Connection With Death of Morganton Girl But Denies He is One Sought

2,500 MEN IN THE MAN HUNT

Number of Negroes Have Been Held But Officers Not Able to Identify Any of Them as Miller.

Morganton, N. C., June 23.—(AP)—A crowd fagged out by more than 20 hours of steady searching for Broadway Miller, negro slayer of Gladys Kinnard, rested around the Burke county court house this morning. Through the long man hunt there has been no demonstration of mob rule, though a price of \$500 has been placed upon the head of the negro who has successfully evaded a party of searchers that at one time numbered more than 2,500.

The funeral of the young girl, a pretty 15-year-old daughter of a prominent family in this county, was held at 11 o'clock from the Catawba Valley Baptist Church, and a new wave of resentment surged over the crowd then.

Members of the sheriff's party have been speeding back and forth over the foothill section of North Carolina in an effort to quickly identify the many captures that have been made, but it is not believed that the right negro is being held at any of these places.

Asheville, Marion, Lenoir, Hickory and other sections of this county have captured and held tall "gingeralls" negroes until the Burke officers could identify them. The only one who is now being held is a slender light-colored negro who was taken off a freight train in Hickory. Burke officials saw him late yesterday afternoon, and doubt that he is the man, but he is being held for further identification. He says his name is Lucius Livingston, of Asheville, and that he worked for a Mr. Wooten until Tuesday afternoon.

Needless Honking Held Unlawful. Unnecessary Noises By Drivers of Automobiles Are Expressly Forbidden.

Greensboro, June 23.—Irate citizens, nettled by promiscuous horn blowing by motorists, were remembered by the recent General Assembly, which was pointed out here today by C. W. Roberts, vice-president of the Carolina Motor Club, in calling attention to Section 43 of the Uniform Motor vehicle code regulating operation of vehicles.

The section provides that every motor vehicle must be equipped with a horn in good working order, and adds "it shall be unlawful for any person at any time to use a horn otherwise than as a reasonable warning, or to make any unnecessary or unreasonable loud or harsh sound by means of a horn or other warning device."

"Much complaint has been registered against drivers who begin a continuous honk-honk racket with their horns every time they are caught in a traffic jam," Mr. Roberts said. "This is entirely unnecessary, and instead of speeding up traffic it often has the opposite effect, particularly if the car at which the honks are directed is in the hands of inexperienced or nervous motorists, how frequently stall their engines in a frenzied effort to change gears and get going in order to stop the horn blowing that is speedily taken up by most cars in the traffic line."

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Rallying Tendencies Developed in Market After Bears Found Weak Spots.

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Man Sought for Robbing Mother and Wife. Winston-Salem, June 22.—Police are looking for J. Roy Taylor, of this city, who is alleged to have embezzled funds of his mother, and deserted his family, consisting of his wife and small children.

He is said to have disappeared from his home last Saturday. It is said that he is the only support of his family.

WEATHER Partly cloudy tonight, Friday thundershowers. Moderate southerly and west winds.

Twelve Pages Today Two Sections