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GIRL WAS VICTIM OF CRUEL MURDER

Lured From Her Home by Decoy Offer and Burned to Death.

Man Charged With Her Abduction Arrested-Police Are Tracking the Murderer-Horrible Tragedy Revealed.

New York, March 26 .- The body of Ruth Wheeler, the little girl graduate, who was lured from her widowed mother on Thursday last by a decoy offer of employment, was found late this afternoon, huddled in a gunny sack on a fire escape otuside the apartment of Albert Wolter, the mancharged with her abduction.

She had been strangled with a short end of three eights rope, hacked with a knife, burned beyond recognition, and thrust carelessly out of doors like so much rubbish.

Identification was only possible by shreds of clothing and fragments of jewelry, but there was abundant evi dence of how the murder had been done. Around the neck were the charred fibres of manila burnt into the flesh. The apartment reeked with the odor of kerosene. There were oil stains in front of the newly painted fire board that hid an open grate. Fully dressed, the girl's clothing and hair had been saturated with kerosene, the fire

burned like a torch. of an atrocious murder. Both fled for far, and that is to be called Senator.

Ruth Wheeler, was 15 years old, the youngest of three sisters bred by their WOMEN CALLEGE PRESIDENTS mother, a dressmaker, to self-support. Both the elder sisters were stenogra phers and Ruth had just graduated from a business college, eager for employment and proud of her diploma. An employment agency for graduates is conducted by the college and Ruth called there often to look for a situation. Thursday morning she left home of her usual errand and never return-

The girl had been carefully brought up. She was never on the streets at for 24 hours without explanation meant more than a caprice. The next morning her sisters, Pearl and Aadelaide in card had been turned over to her:

"Dear Madam: Please call in reference to position of stenographer at residence of the secretary.

"A. WOLTER, '224 East Seventy-Fifth street." clothes and elaborately curled hair, had left the apartment where he lived with his wife, earlier in the same day. He received many calls from young

addressed to him at various house educators who will be here. numbers he admitted the correspond-

She has not been arrested.

to court.

WANTS TO BE SENATOR FROM STATE OF VIRGINIA.



tune Ryan, one of America's greatest millionaires, is in a fair way to reach board had been removed and the body the goal he has long wanted, and that thrust up the chimney standing. When is to be a member of the United the match was touched to her, she States Senate. While head of the American tobacco trust and stockhold-Probably the murderer had hoped er in many of the largest trusts in the for an opportunity to remove the body country, Mr. Ryan his kept his legal under cover of night, but when girl's residence in Virginia and has been disappearance raised such an uproar quietly at work for year's paving the and he began to suspect he was shad- way for a seat in the Senate. The owed, ae had packed and ..ed in terror. long illness of Senator Daniel started This afternoon a neighbor living on the Ryan agents pulling the proper the same floor of an adjoining house strings for him. Mrs. Ryan is credited had noticed the lumpy bundle outside with giving away \$1,000,000 a year to his window and, thinking it refuse, had charities, and Ryan has been cutting poked it off the fire escape into the off the active management of his back yard with a broom handle. The many interests with the one idea, his bundle moved obstinately and fell with friends declare, of some day being a a crash. His curlosity, more than his United States Senator. If he can se suspicions aroused, the neighbor hur- cure this post, his friends say, he will ried down stairs for the janitor to in- be content. With the huge fortune vestigate. When the men cat the at his command Mr. Ryan is in a posistrings that bound the sacking there tion to gratify most any wish, but he rolled out before them the full horror has been balked in his one hobby 'so

RYAN

Will Meet in Raleigh This Week-Charters Issued Yesterday-Police Officer on Trial-Shemwell Case...

(Special Star Correspondence.) Raleigh, N. C., March 26.-Governor night and her failure to come home Kitchin is to deliver the address of the public domain which he believed of the session." serious concern, went to the college men's Colleges of North and South it was an error for which the good of it. and learned that the following post Carolina to be held with Meredith faith of his official action should be College, March 30th to April 1st, this being the third annual session. There are 17 colleges in North Carolina and nine in South Carolina, members of the association, the officers of which have done so had he been minded to soon showed that Wolter, whom his are Dr. R. T. Vann, Raleigh, president; landlady described as a sickly, white- Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, Greensboro, and thwarting where he was." faced youth of about 20 with flashy secretary, and Rev. Geo. W. Lay, Raleigh, chairman of the committee on

girls, said the landlady, and she had livered Wednesday evening when and upright citizen and official. Ail particularly noticed that the one who there will also be an address of wet along the line a general denial of called yesterday was fresher of face come by Mayor Wynne. Mrs. W. N. and better dressed than the ordinary Hutt, president of the Raleigh Chapter Southern Association of College With Wolter gone, the detectives Women, will make an address on walted for his wife and when she ap- "What We as Women Desire and Need these things so clear, so undeniable peared they trailed her to a corner in Education." President C. G. Var- and so plain, that this committee will where she met a man answering Wol- dell, of Red Springs Seminary, will ter's description. He was immediately also deliver an address at this time. men who knew as much of the truth arrested, taken back to the rooms he Thursday and Friday there will be ex- as Pinchot and Glavis and Garfield. had vacated and searched. At first he ecutive sessions of the association, and Davis, and Newell knew, could ing statement for Secretary Ballinger denied writing post cards to business On Thursday evening there will be an have had the daring to present them, at the inquiry yesterday and asserted Garden of Shepherds Hotel, many of ration at once by an order in council, limitations as are now imposed on the schools, but when the detectives turn- especially elaborate concert for the selves as sincere, honest harborers of that he will prove the testimony of whom were personal acquaintances of which is flikely to be the course fol- use of hands on an opponent will ap-

The United Order of Noble Bereans, of inculpatory facts. once, but could not explain it. Before Greensboro, received a charter today magistrate he had nothing to say with J. C. Waddy, Smith Donnell and to others he admitted that the wo- others, incorporators for fraternal in- torneys Vertrees and Brandeis mani tions will be more severe in the future Khedive in the Abdin palace. Then countries. his wife. He met her shortly after were J. E. Twine Co., Edenton, capital es. oming to this country from Germany \$50,000 authorized and \$10,500 sub-

bert had been arrested, the mother Dock Haywood, a small dealer. The it likewse was denied. Justice of the Peace H. H. Roberts' stood 8 to 4 and was taken to indicate kets: Money on call nominal; flour When Albert was neld in \$5,000 ball, court and was moved to the Separks by many how hopelessly the commit quiet and steady; wheat quiet No. 2 charged with abduction, and the case court. The police say the magistrates, tee is divided and as presaging in the red 1.25 nominal elevator, No. 1 north-

AGAINST ATTACKS

Attorney Vertrees Would Scheme to Depose Speaker Prove Glavis' Testimony to be False.

WITNESS AT INQUIRY

Opening Statement in Behalf of Secretary of the Interior-Committee Think Vertrees Made References to Roosevelt.

Ballinger-Pinchot Investigating Com- who last Saturday voted to retain mittee had twice declined to grant the Speaker Cannon in the chair are "hearrequest of Attorney Brandeis, repre-ing from home" according to reports senting Louis R. Glavis and others, in circulation about the capitol. The to compel the immediate attendance advices are said to be not all reassurof Secretary Ballinger as a witness, ing. John J. Vertrees late today made the Following close upon this informaopening statement in Mr. Ballinger's tion come statements from several that behalf and began the presentation of the war against "Cannonism" is to go testimony. Mr. Vertrees declared that on to the extent of ultimately causing it is possible to ascribe an unworthy Speaker and the taking away from the motive or improper purpose otherwise Speakership of all power to influence than through the suspicion of a per. legislation unduly are aimed at. Some verted mind, or the resentment of a of the Insurgents discussed these sugdischarged public servant, or the pro gestions freely today. intrigue."

administration the attorney said:

ith, 1909, came the reign of law." Although Mr. Vertrees was particu-Pinchot, some members of the committee, after adjournment were inclined to construe the statement as a fling Poindexter, of Washington, and others themselves.

share of Mr. Vertrees' attention. "Glavis, suspicious by nature, became perverted by detective service." known to be capable."

service" as he chose to designate the "Mr. Pinchot, vain and flattered by

is own publicity bureau." "Pinchot ceased to be the departnent of agriculture."

"He was exposed and Mr. Ballinger had committed the unpardonable sin of defeating the ambition of a selfexaggerated man."

spirit of resentment and revenge \* \* President of the United States, who dismissed Mr. Pinchot."

Of Mr. Ballinger, the attorney said: 'Mr. Ballinger holds that conservation is not a thing of caprice, but of law." supporter than he."

"In restoring to entry vast areas of welcome for the annual session of the to have been wrongfully withdrawn, Mr. Ballinger still believes he was Association of Presidents of the Wo- right, but if he erred he denies that ment from those who were made aware today. They set out that as the ped- dian minister of finance; George P. will create a need for the exercise of questioned by those who would substitute opinion for law."

"Not a site was lost." "He could have transferred Mr. Glavis at any time, and obviously would bring about improper official action, which 'Patriot' Glavis was preventing

that as regards the Cunningham claims and in all other matters Mr. Ballinwas entered.

"The evidence now to be offered," said Mr. Vertrees, "will" make all of cast about to discover how it is that ed up answers from business schools entertainment of the distinguished a suspicion, much less as persons real. Glavis and others to be "grossly false" the former President, who expressed lowed. It is understood that the ary believing than they had knowledge

FIGHTING CANNON

With Aid of Democratic Vote.

Desire to See President's Legislation Out of the Way Before Hostilities Are Renewed-Insurgent's Statements.

Washington, March 26 .- Many of the Washington, Mch. 26 .- After the Insurgent Republicans of the House,

the testimony of Glavis and others the dethronement of Speaker Cannon, would be shown to be "grossly false." the election of his successor and the There is not an act of Mr. Ballin-complete reformation of the rules of ger," asserted the attorney, "to which the House. The overthrow of the

gramme of an unscrupulous political A proposition to remove Speaker Cannon by means of the combined vote ring to the acts of officers of the last parliamentaryian of the House, is one "There was the reign of men. March advocated today. The idea of placing in the Speaker's chair a pure parliamentarian not a member of the House was pointed out by Representative at Mr. Roosevelt and so expressed as the logical and proper course. Under the constitution, the House may "Patriot Glavis" came in for a large choose a speaker who is not a member

one of the prominent members of the "Glavis believed to be honest and Insurgent body said: "When the House adopted the Norris resolution, Mr. Vertrees also dwelt at length the other day it was a vote of "no ipon Gifford Pinchot and the "Pinchot confidence" in Speaker Cannon and he shrould have resigned, as he did not do has been declared by the administra- announcement made today that an so, we should depose him.

of the body.

With that accomplished. I think we should elect Mr. Hinds. I believe a these forms of the liquor traffic are ed between the officials representing ber of the committee at his own colmajority of the House would vote for to be dealt with much more drasti- the Canadian government and the lege and on the result of these experi-

It is certain that a number of the leaders of the Insurgents have in mind at least two things for this session: Here was the birthplace of that non, unless he voluntarily retires; sec- country, where local enactments proond, the establishment of a committee hibit dealing in liquor. Loud comto assassinate the good name of Mr. on committees. All of the insurgents plaints had come to President Taft the use of his name, said:

will depose him before this session ures, he directed that steps be taken on a considerable number of articles corporated virtually as decided upon "True conservation has no sturdier ends. He is a part of this system and to stop the practices so far as lay in which exporters from the United today. must go. If it doesn't happen before, within the Federal power. I look for it to come about the last day

gress from New England.

WILL VOTE AT DANVILLE.

To Determine Whether the Sale of Liquor Shaff be Licensed.

M. Aiken, of the Corporation Court, Mr. Vertrees said it would be shown today issued an order calling for a special election to be held on April two enough necessary to assure the revenue violations. election. Danville was voted dry two years ago by 45 majority.

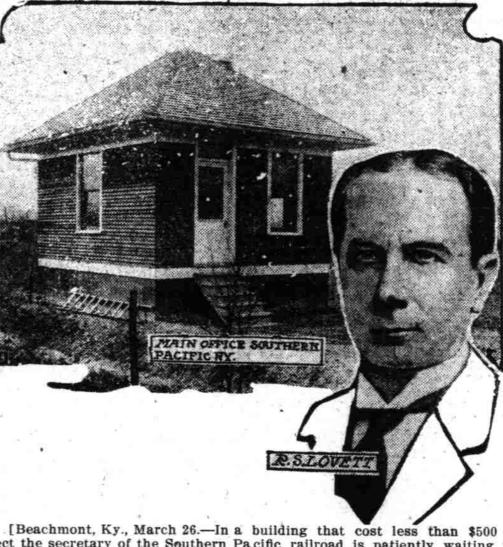
OUTLINES.

Attorney Vertrees made the openwar on "Blind Tigers," and will assist for a year past. The day was replete with interest. The States in enforcing the internal

man with whom he was living is not surance. business. Other charters fested itself in several sharp exchang -- The Insurgents, from statements accompanied by the director general issued, will continue their fight against of antiquities in the Department of The demands of Mr. Brandeis, first, Speaker Cannon until they remove him Public Works he spent some time in wo years ago, he said. They fell in scribed by J. E. Twine and others, and that Mr. Ballinger appear as a wit- from office. They hope to depose him the museum of Arab art in love and set up housekeeping. Last The Fountain Truck Farm Co., Eliza- ness to be examined as a part of the by the aid of the Democratic vote in he showed the deepest interest. Summer he and she had worked at Irv- beth City, capital \$30,000 by A. E. Al- case for the "prosecution," and later the House Congressman Scott in an Among those who called on Col. that he be required to appear as the address to the Republican Club, of Robsevelt today were Wu Ting Fang. ington-On-The-Hudson at a boarding len, A. E. Thompson and others.

They came to this city last A hearing is in progress before a first witness for the "defense," called New York, declared that speculative teh Chinese diplomat and former minmonth and since then the woman had justice of the peace, Chas. Separks, out lively discussions between coun- evils must be eliminated from ex-Supported him by working in a laundry. here in a case against H. L. Denning, sel and among members of the com changes or exchanges will go—It is was given at the American agency ment within the volcano is subsiding. The sixth change prescribes that police officer, charged with forcible mittee. The first request was unani- generally understood that a tariff this evening, at which the ex President She knew that he had set up house trespass on the premises of Mary mously denied. The second request, agreement with Canada was arranged received the diplomatic representative vancing very slowly, moving only a 20 yards from the line of scrimmage. keeping with a woman to whom he was Allen, whose house he searched, look- made during the afternoon was con- at a conference with President Taft tives of the nations and various dis- few yards in the last 12 hours. Unless That is, if the ball strikes the ground not married and yesterday, when the ing for a box of tobacco that her son sidered in executive session for 40 yesterday—Col. Roosevelt was greet-tinguished Americans and foreigners. woman came to her with news that Al- was accused of having stolen from minutes at the end of which time ed by 400 Americans at a reception in Mrs. Roosevelt spent the day in restthe Garden of Shepherds Hotel, in ing, while Miss Ethel and Kermit did theless detachments of soldiers and mass plays. It is felt that under a 20recognized her and accompanied her indictment of the police officer was in The vote on the second proposition Cairo, yesterday—New York mar- a large amount of shopping.

INSCUGENTS STILL Southern Pacific Railway And Novel Main Office



[Beachmont, Ky., March 26 .- In a building that cost less than \$500 to erect the secretary of the Southern Pacific railroad is patiently waiting for the arrival of the stockholders and some of the wealthiest men in the United States to attend the annual meeting of the road. Judge R. S. Lovett, chairman of the board of directors of the so called Harriman roads, will plow through the mud of Beachmont, which is a suburb of Louisville, to attend the annual meeting. Owing to the fact that the business is conducted through proxies, the little building, which is famous as he central office of one of the greatest roads in the world, will not be overcrowded. The dozen men who will attend the meeting April 6 cannot all find seats, the road being satisfied to supply seven chairs for the stockholders, who are numbered by the thouwith epigrams. In one of these, refer stitute in his place Asher C. Hinds, the sand. Business representing scores of millions of dollars will be voted upon, and then the little building will be locked for another year, with only a visit now and then from a clerk to see that the pictures are hanging straight upon

## larly referring to Messrs. Garfield and who would be entirely uninfluenced by Pinchot, some members of the com-

in "Dry" Country in the Future-Penalty For Violations More

Washington, March 26.-War on

tion. Hereafter persons engaging in agreement practically has been reachcally than heretofore.

particular reference to violations of the tariff of Canada and the United First, the deposition of Speaker Can- the internal revenue laws in "dry" States,

The proposal to elect Asher C. Commissioner of Internal Revenue, ference today participated in by Pres-Hinds, as Speaker, elicited much com- and approved by Secretary MacVeagh ident Taft, W. S. Fielding, the Cana- opportunity for quicker plays and dling of liquors is not contemplated Graham, the Canadian minister of rail- more strategy. Mr. Hinds is a Republican and is a by the internal revenue laws and no ways; Secretary Knox and Charles N. candidate for a nomination for Con- provision is made for the issuance of Pepper, of the Bureau of Trade Relaany stamp legalizing such practice, tions of the State Department. peddlers of liquors or "boot-leggers," The tariff experts, who have are not to be regarded as coming cessfully concluded this large work,

Danville, Va., Mch. 26.-Judge A. selling liquor in such manner.

lations of the law. ger was "clean handed" and that his 28th to determine whether the sale sistance to the States in the enforce or because they could not be produced mine the physical condition of play-The Governor's address will be de- actions had been those of an honest of liquor shall be licensed. The order ment of their prohibition laws, a outside of America. method has been provided by which, was in response to a petition signed they may obtain information gathered breach in tariff relations with Canada division directs that a player compell-"charges, inferences and insinuations" by 300 voters constituting more than by the Federal government of internal owing to the expiration next Thurs- ed to leave the game, may return dur-

> AMERICANS GREET ROOSEVELT. 400 Attend Reception in Hotel in Cairo

Yesterday. Cairo, March 26.-Col. Roosevelt shook hands today with upwards of vitality by legislative enactment for 400 Americans at a reception in the the reason that it can/be put into ope- the ball is to be allowed. The same

After a visit to Al-Azhar University, the United States and Canada for a The growing bitterness between At revenue laws. The penalty for viola- Col. Roosevelt had luncheon with the general trade treaty between the two past the team mates of the man with

April 2nd. Is the beginning of a Regular Inter- colosi.

Conference With President Taft. Concessions Granted to the United States.

Washington, March 26.-General President and Secretary of State ments depends the plan which shall This stand of the government has Knox, respecting the adjustment of prevail.

No one in authority here is willing the substitution of open plays. In to discuss the details, but there is Ballinger and bring reproach on the xpressed themselves as desiring to see from various "dry" districts, notably good ground for the belief that matethe President's legislation out of the in the South and West, that the pro- rial concessions have been granted by of less avail. had not retained Mr. Garfield and had way before hostilities broke out again. hibition laws were negative through Canada and that the United States One Insurgent who would not allow the operations of the "blind tigers" will receive in return for its minimum by formal votes, and while minor varand the "boot-leggers," and in re- the intermediate rates given by Cana-"Unless Speaker Cannon, resigns, we sponse to demands for remedial meas- da to France and 12 other countries pected that these changes will be in-

> States are especially interested. New regulations were drawn under The understanding is said to have ion of the committee will give the the supervision of Mr. Cabell, the been reached after a prolonged con-

The tariff experts, who have sucported for prosecution whenever found enjoys the minimum tariff rates of all ment or both are prescribed for vio maimum rates, and have had to force minute quarters. their way into foreign markets solely As a supplemental measure of as on the basis of their superior merits

regarded as very close. basis of future negotiations between plan of breaking up mass plays.

ERUPTION OF MOUNT ETNA.

olence of Movement in Volcand siding-Loss Heavy. Catania, Mch. 26.—Reports from all ries to players, the committee found

points in the district directly affected that the diving tackle and the repeby the eruption of Mount Etna indi-tition of massed attacks alone to a The various lava streams are now ad- an on-side kick must advance the ball a new eruption occurs, there is little short of 20 yards, the offense becomes further danger to be feared. Never off-side. This rule is also aimed at firemen are held in readiness. They yard requirement the secondary ofhave already constructed a strong fense can come up sufficiently to pro-wall around the threatened side of NI- tect the tackles with reasonable safe-

but over for a further hearing, Mrs. Wolter had asked the girl if she was going back to the apartment Albert (Continued on Page Eight.)

Having made these six changes to Secretary Ballinger probably will not basis; oats spot dull, mixed nominal; and you will get your interest in three grate to America.

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## CHANGE FOOTBALL TO LESSEN DANGER

WHOLE NUMBER 13,253.

Committee Decides Against Mass Plays and the Flying Tackle.

## MATERIALLY AFFECTS GAME

New Rules Will Make Injuries Fewer. Rules Committee Held Two Days' Session-Other Changes Recommended.

New York, March 26.-Six far-reaching changes in the game of football were decided upon today by the Inter-Collegiate Football Rules Committee at the close of two days' session in this city, the changes in outline are: 1-Removal of the requirement that

the snap back, run five yards to either side before advancing. 2-A requirement that seven men be maintained by the offense on the line

the player who receives the ball from

of scrimmage. 3-Prohibition of the flying tackle. 4-Division of the game into four

periods of 15 minutes each. 5-No pushing or pulling of the runner to be allowed. Onside kick, must strike the ground at least 20 yards beyond the line of scrimmage, failing which the members of the team kick-

ing the ball are offside. was to eliminate so far as possible the dangers which in the past have attended the game while preserving its fascination as a spectacle and its disciplinary and educative elements to young men of strength and courage. It was felt that the next season will be crucial. Either injuries must be fewer or there would be serious hazard of a widespread movement to abol-

ish football altogether. The steps decided upon to effect necessary reforms will result in weakening the power of the offense; materially that it was necessary to devise means to offset the acquired strength of the defense. In this purpose two general plays are under consideration. In the interval before the "blind tigers," and on "boot leggers," satisfaction to expressed here at the next meeting of the committee which will be held at the University Club in Philadelphia, on April 29th, experimens will be carried on by each mem-

> Briefly stated, the changes so far adopted will result in the elimination to a large extent of mass plays, and the revised game a greater premium will be placed on speed and strategy. and mere bulk and strength will be

> The committee adopted six changes, iations may be made later, it is ex-

> The first change adopted in the opinquarterback much larger opportunities to make good runs; will offer an

The second change will prevent the drawing back of linesmen for offensive plays and is a direct blow at mass plays.

The third change, or the prohibition within the class of unintentional vio- take particular pride in the fact that of the flying tackle, has been the lators and should be arrested and re- for the first time the United States cause of many injuries and the committee were agreed that it must go. important nations. Heretofore Ameri- As a result of the fourth change the Heavy penalties of fine or imprison- can goods have generally paid the game hereafter will consist of four 15

> This change is made so that there may be better opportunity to deter-

The possibility of a temporary Another clause under this fourth day of the period allowed by the ing a subsequent quarter, if he recov-Payne-Aldrich Act for the making of ers sufficiently. With this opportunity such arrangements was at one time of returning to the field, it is felt that players will not tax their strength as But it is now said that it will not under the old system of barring a consume much time in the Canadian player entirely when he is off the field. Parliament to giving the arrangement | The fifth change provides that no

pushing or pulling of the runner with The administration has declared himself as feeling nearer home than rangement was concluded upon the mate. This is the committee's chief It means that, whereas, as in the

the ball might lock arms with him. pull or drag him along, or provide interference by running before him with locked arms, in the future such tactics will be pronibited.

In analyzing the source of the inju-