

MOB SPIRIT BURSTS IN CAIRO, ILL., STREETS SCENES OF BLOOD ORGY

Negro and White Man Killed; the Latter, After Being Hanged and Shot, Is Burned.

STATE DISGRACED, SAYS GOV. DENEEN

Before Body Was Burned, Head Was Cut Off, Heart Cut Out and Divided as Souvenirs—Street Crowd of 10,000 Included Many Women—Women Pulled Rope That Hanged Negro—Town Quiet Under Military Guards.

CAIRO, Ill., Nov. 12.—Cairo is quiet under guard of the military this morning, after the worst night of mob rule in the city's history, when two men, a negro and a white man, were lynched by citizens. Will James, the negro, was hanged, riddled, and burned for murdering Miss Anna Pelley. The lynching of Henry Salzer was for the brutal murder of his wife three months ago to rebuke delayed justice. A great crowd of women helped to execute Salzer.

Arthur Alexander, a negro implicated by James in the Pelley crime, was safely jailed this morning. He was put in a policeman's uniform and thereby escaped the mob's detection. The mob learned he was in the jail, but no effort has yet been made to take him out.

The negro, James, was captured at Belknap, and confessed while the rope was around his neck. The rope was pulled by women. The body was hanged a mile through the streets and then burned. Pieces of the rope were handed out as souvenirs. The negro's head was cut off, his heart was taken out and pieces for souvenirs.

Governor Deneen says the affair is a disgrace to Illinois. Mayor Parsons, speaking of the mob spirit, asserts that a majority of the citizens are pleased over the lynching. While the disgrace to the city is deplored he believes the result will be salutary.

Mob Spirit Cowed. The arrival of five companies of the militia before noon apparently cowed the spirit of the lynchers, and no further attempts to storm the jail where Alexander is confined is expected. Soldiers line the streets, and another outbreak is improbable.

No effort has been made to learn the names of the lynchers. State Guard Ordered Out. The governor, who is in Chicago, ordered 11 companies of the state guard to Cairo at once. James Salzer a chance to confess after the rope was around his neck, but he was so frightened that he could only mumble that his sisters had killed his wife.

The mob became furious at this and it was hard work to keep them from Salzer long enough to give him a chance to pray. The mob finally subsided and a short service was held, after which he was strung up, the rope being placed over a telegraph pole at Twenty-first and Washington streets.

The Cage Broken. The mob found some difficulty in breaking the cage, as it was an entirely steel structure, but after a half hour of telling blows upon the door, it gave way and Salzer was secured. The mob rushed him out of the back door of the jail, which is in the basement of the court house, around the building, through the yard and out into Washington avenue and up to Twenty-first street, which is a prominent corner and has a public square.

He cried and begged piteously for his life and was met by cries and blows from the mob. When Salzer was asked for his last statement, a man, a stranger in the crowd, stepped forward and said he believed Salzer was innocent, whereupon the mob fell upon him and kicked him and finally knocked him down, and it was only the pleas of cooler persons that saved his life. He was compelled to beg for mercy of the mob and announced in a loud voice that Salzer should be lynched, after which he was driven from the mob and all attention was given to Salzer.

After Salzer was hanged and while the body was being riddled with bullets, the rope broke and the body fell to the ground, the mob going away and leaving it. Salzer was born and reared here. He had been married about two years last July when his wife was found at her home with her skull fractured. A bloody axe was found under the bed. Two babies were playing in the mother's blood. Salzer was found at the home of his mother, where he often slept at night. Before Mrs. Salzer died, she recovered enough to accuse her husband of attacking her.

Fearing against him had been bitter, and after the lynching of James when some one suggested Salzer, the mob rushed for the county jail, got Salzer and lynched him. James Is Lynched. Will James, the negro suspected of being the murderer of Miss Anna Pelley, was strung up to the public arch, the rope broke and at least 500 shots were poured into his body. He made a partial confession and implicated another negro, Arthur Alexander, whom the mob began search for.

CHARGES AGAINST TOBACCO TRUST THE MORSE JURY NOW UNDER FIRE

Counsel for the Ice King Declares That the Jury Was Permitted to Indulge in Liquors. Agents of Treasury Investigating Affairs of Tobacco Company, and of Arbuckle Brothers.

ONE MEMBER, HE SAYS, WAS MENTALLY INCOMPETENT WRAPPER TOBACCO FOUND IN BALES OF FILLERS

New York, Nov. 12.—Charges were made yesterday by Martin W. Littleton, as counsel for Charles W. Morse, that the jury which convicted Morse was permitted to indulge in liquors to an inordinate extent while considering his case, and that at least one of the members was mentally incompetent to act as a juror. These charges were embraced in affidavits submitted by Mr. Littleton to the Circuit Court of Appeals on a motion for a new trial, and are contained in printed papers served yesterday on United States District Attorney Wise.

The charges made by Morse and his counsel also cast grave reflections on the attitude and actions of some of the special United States deputy marshals who were detailed to watch the jury during the trial. This broad statement is contained in the affidavit of Mr. Morse.

"On information and belief that the members of the jury generally were aware of the fact that the greater number of the men who had been placed in charge of them were brought on, solely for the purposes of the trial, from the Street Service Department of the United States government, and that some of the jurors were impressed with the fact that the United States Government was profoundly interested in the prosecution and conviction of Charles W. Morse."

Talked to Officers About Case. At the outset of the Morse trial, the affidavit sets forth, Judge Hough declared that the jury should be held together under the supervision of United States Marshal Henkel during the trial "free from and independent of all extraneous influences and with a mind single and devoted to the solution of the intricate questions presented on the trial."

Such a condition of mind on the part of the jurors was rendered impossible, according to Morse and Mr. Littleton, under the treatment accorded to the jurors by those in charge of them.

Morse charges in his affidavit that some of the jurors on several occasions talked to some of the officers in charge of them during the progress of the trial about the merits of the case, and the frequently comments were made at meal times and in their rooms and around the corridors of the Astor House, the hotel in which they were domiciled during the trial, as to their opinion of Morse's guilt.

It is also charged that some of the jurors openly and angrily discussed the fact that they were locked up, while Morse, "the thief," was out on bail, sitting in the courtroom and smiling at them.

The affidavit sets forth that the jury consisted of the following twelve men: John F. Elder, Edward C. Burgess, John H. Friend, C. Alfred Capen, C. Wilson Atkins, Edward J. Dewey, George Endicott, Isidor Elbe, Gordon Wendell, Charles F. Shirk, Fred B. Williams and Andrew Brand.

Juror Once in Asylum? Though no juror's name is mentioned it is charged that on Nov. 5, 1909, the day he was sentenced to serve fifteen years in Atlanta prison, Irving C. Sauter, the special agent of the Department of Justice in charge of the guarding of the jury, was informed that one of the jurors had twice been in an asylum with paresis.

THE WEATHER. Forecasts until 8 p. m. Saturday, for Asheville and vicinity: Fair and slightly warmer tonight; Saturday increasing cloudiness.

Atlanta, Nov. 12.—A Pope-Toledo motor car exploded, in practice on the back stretch of the motor track today. Driver Kilpatrick and Mechanician Church were thrown 150 feet over the outer embankments and slightly injured. The car burned. Kilpatrick and Church had a remarkable escape from death. The car had completed the second turn when the cylinder exploded. The machine was going 70 miles an hour and a sheet of flames 20 feet in length shot back. In the fraction of a second before the flames shot back the men were hurled out on a pile of brush. This saved them.

MR. TAFT IS AT MIDDLETON TODAY

The President, Clad in Cap and Gown, Delivers an Address at the Wesleyan University.

Middleton, Conn., Nov. 12.—After spending a month in the south, and a day in Washington, President Taft came to New England to find another demonstrative welcome. His visit primarily was to attend the installation of President Franklin of Wesleyan University. The university bestowed on the president the degree of Doctor of Laws.

This city taking to itself a large share of the honor, prepared an elaborate military and civic parade, Mr. Taft participating. Vice President Sherman accompanied the president on the train, reaching here at 8:20. The installation ceremonies were attended by eminent educators and university presidents of all sections.

Mr. Taft appeared in cap and gown, and delivered his address extemporaneously. He leaves at 6 o'clock this evening for Hartford, to dedicate the new State armory, and lead the state ball tonight.

THE PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS

Announcement Is Made from National Headquarters That Many N. C. Physicians Are Interested in Work.

New York, Nov. 12.—From the headquarters of the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis announcement is made that the campaign against tuberculosis following the holidays will be helped along by a number of physicians and others who are members of the National association. Among those who are thus interested are the following: Dr. J. J. Archer, Grafton, Grafton and Royal League, and Dr. Clyde E. Cotton, The Pines, both of Black Mountain.

Dr. Montgomery A. Briggs, Rutherfordton. Dr. J. L. Egerton and Dr. William Reda Kirk, Hendersonville. Dr. Earle Grady, Tryon.

Dr. Richard H. Lewis, Raleigh. Dr. W. C. Mulcott, Southern Pines. Dr. S. Westray Battle, Dr. Henry Harrison Briggs, Dr. W. G. Brownson, Dr. James A. Burroughs, Dr. Arthur W. Calloway, Dr. Thomas P. Cheesebrough, Dr. W. L. Dunn, Dr. J. Webster Horton, Dr. Charles C. Orr, Dr. Paul Paquin, Mrs. W. M. Perkins, Dr. Paul Ringer, Dr. Martin L. Stevens, Dr. Karl von Ruck, Dr. Silvio von Ruck, Dr. H. B. Weaver, all of Asheville.

STUDENTS ARE ILL; INSTITUTE CLOSES

Owing to Prevalence of Some Disease the Brevard Institute Was Today Forced to Close Its Doors.

Special to The Gazette-News. Brevard, Nov. 12.—The Brevard Institute of this place, the educational institution under control of the Western North Carolina Methodist conference, was forced to close this morning on account of the illness of several students, and the fear of further sickness.

The news that the school had been forced to close was greatly regretted. It seems that several cases of sickness have resulted during the past two weeks, and a quiet investigation has been made. It is found that the water in Brevard, which is used by the people of Brevard, as well as by the school, is absolutely pure, and that the sickness is not due to that cause. It is feared, however, that it is due to unsanitary plumbing conditions, and it was deemed best by the school management to suspend school until a thorough examination and investigation could be made. An experienced plumber from Asheville will be here today to make an examination of the plumbing.

The school had about 70 pupils, all boarding pupils from different sections of the south. Those pupils, many of them at least, left for their homes today. It is expected that the school will resume its work after the Christmas holidays.

BAXTER SHEWELL MUST SERVE A TERM IN JAIL. Raleigh, Nov. 12.—That Baxter Shewell, member of a prominent family in Lexington who shot to death Dr. Payne, in that town, a number of years ago, must serve five months in Guilford county jail for drawing two revolvers on a Southern railway conductor, who refused to violate orders and stop a through Southern train at Lexington for him to get off, is the effect of the action of the State Supreme court yesterday afternoon, in affirming trial, conviction and sentence of the lower court.

"A COLD, CALCULATING FIEND" LAWYER CALLS MME. STEINHEIL



A LATE PORTRAIT OF MME. STEINHEIL. Great Crowd of Fashionably Dressed Women in Court to Hear Final Argument in Sensational Trial—Under Bitter Arraignment Woman Lifts Hands in Mute Appeal—Scene of the Crime Is Reconstructed.

TO SHOW HER COMPLICITY IS NOW STATE'S PURPOSE, APPARENTLY, ABANDONING THE POSITION FIRST TAKEN

A Radical Change of Plan—Murder of Stepmother, Asserted Prosecutor, Was Necessary to Set up an Alibi—Theory Is That She Wished to Wed Rich Man, and Be Rid of Harrassing Money Difficulties With Which She Was Confronted.

PARIS, Nov. 12.—The court room was thronged today with fashionably dressed women to hear the concluding arguments in the trial of Madame Steinheil.

The accused woman, deathly pale, sat in the prisoner's dock as in a dream when the red-robed judge addressed her. She resumed her meretricious arrangement, shouting at the prisoner: "We will live again that tragic night."

The prosecutor, summing up, undertook to reconstruct the scenes at the Steinheil home on the night of the tragedy. He marshalled the testimony to establish that the burglary story was a fabrication, and the pretended gagging of Madame Steinheil farcical. He asserted that the money claimed to have been stolen never existed, and that the jewels she claimed the robbers stole, were afterwards found in Madame's possession.

The prosecutor dwelt on the tell-tale ink stains found on Madame's knee by the physicians after the tragedy and asserted that in blinding Madame Japy, the instand overturned, the fluid spattering the bedding of the accused. He insisted that the evidence proved that the illness of Madame Steinheil after the crime was simulated, and that subsequent developments confirmed the suspicion that she acted with hypocrisy. It was when the police rejected her story about the burglars, and she saw her lover, Bordere, slipping away from her, that Madame Steinheil began to accuse innocent persons of the crime.

Lifts Her Hands in Protest. Madame Steinheil, pale and limp, heard herself described as "a cold, calculating fiend with a soft exterior." As Judge Advocate Bloch proceeded with this increasingly severe denunciation, Madame bit her lips, frequently raising her clenched hands in mute protest. At the conclusion of the prosecutor's description of the night scene, when the widow made a false statement to a journalist, he shouted: "she can't tell the truth because she's guilty," whereupon the defendant arose from her seat, then sank back, burying her hands. The murder of the step-mother was necessary to prove the alibi the accused expected to establish, said the prosecutor. He characterized as nonsense rumors of political personages being comprised in the present case.

More Drama. A dramatic incident occurred as the prosecutor concluded. M. Aubin, Madame's counsel, jumped to his feet and exclaimed: "Dare you upon your conscience name any accomplice you have been hinting at throughout your argument? Were they Marieta and Alexander Wolf?" The spectators burst forth with applause. When quiet was restored Judge Advocate Biello said: "I decline to answer."

State's New Contentions. That Madame Steinheil, aided by some unknown accomplice, murdered her husband so as to obtain her freedom to wed the wealthy and infatuated Maurice Bordere, but that the killing of her step-mother was unpremeditated and merely an incident to the tragedy, is the theory of the state as outlined by the Judge Advocate in opening his argument. Driven to desperation by her financial and domestic situation, the judge advocate contended, Madame Steinheil saw in Bordere a savior with whom, once rid of her husband, she could live in luxury as wife, if possible, or mistress. Seeking to simulate in a graphic manner that her husband had been assassinated by burglars, who had bound and gagged herself and her stepmother, he argued, the defendant had brought Madame Japy to her home, but in the feverish haste the binding of the mother had been overdone and the murderers found her dead when the slaying of Steinheil had been accomplished.

The Judge Advocate admitted that the crime of perjury did not appear to be sufficiently established, but he was convinced that the prisoner had called her husband and had assisted in his murder. The prosecutor joined in the earlier declaration of M. de Valles, the presiding judge, that he would raise before the jury the general question of the complicity of the accused. This was interpreted as an acknowledgement that the evidence was not sufficient to maintain the charge that Madame Steinheil was the principal and that therefore he would ask for her conviction as an accomplice.

SUGAR CO. MAN INDICTED BY FEDERAL GRAND JURY. Presentment Is Made of Superintendent Hendergall of Williamsburg Plant of the Trust. New York, Nov. 12.—James F. Bennenagel, superintendent of the Williamsburg plant of the American Sugar Refining company, is indicted by a federal grand jury, in connection with the alleged sugar weighing frauds.

YOUNG BANDIT TELLS HOW HE CAME TO COMMIT MURDER. Planned the Bank Hold Up, After Learning Details of a Similar Deed in Chicago. New Albany, Nov. 12.—The young bandit who held up the officials of a local national bank here and killed the cashier, injuring the president, now admits that he planned the deed after the recent Chicago bank robbery.

TROPIC STORM NOT EXPECTED TO REACH ATLANTIC COAST. Weather Sharpers Say Disturbance in Caribbean Will Cause No Trouble Here. Washington, Nov. 12.—Weather bureau meteorological experts declare that no trouble is expected along the Atlantic coast from the tropical disturbance in the Caribbean sea, north-east of Jamaica. Killed by a Girl. Detroit, Mich., Nov. 12.—Samuel F. Morley, a farmer, was shot today through his abdomen and killed by Miss Bertha Leisner, upon the farmer's refusal to marry her.