

GUARD DEVIL'S DEN APPROACH

Supposed Refuge of Carroll Court Officials' Murders an Almost Impregnable Fastness. ONE WOUNDED OUTLAW CUT OFF FROM CLAN Possemen Making Efforts to Locate Sidna Edwards, Wounded and Alone in Mountains.

Hillsville, March 18.—The authorities of two states are surrounding the region where the Allen clan are supposedly hiding. A large posse of North Carolina sheriff's deputies are closing in from the North Carolina mountains. Another large force is pushing its way from Hillsville southward. Definite developments are not expected before tomorrow night. The officers are going far into the mountains, remote from telegraph and telephone stations, and will be cut off from communication with the outside world. Circulars containing descriptions of the Allens are being distributed along the North Carolina border, through the mountain section and over a strip 100 miles wide, 50 miles and in Virginia and 50 miles in North Carolina. These circulars are sent to every postoffice and sheriff, and Captain Davant of the state military, in charge of the guards here, received word at 1 o'clock this morning that the Allens had passed Devil's Den hiding, but saw no trace of the outlaws. Posse at this time had not attempted to explore the cave. Floyd Prays, Asks for Preacher and Lawyer.

Roanoke, March 18.—Floyd Allen, the wounded leader of the Allen clan, in jail here, prayed aloud his cell yesterday and asked several times to see a preacher. He asked for a lawyer. No one is allowed to approach him.

Hillsville are in separate parts of the jail, heavily guarded. Judge Massie's Successor.

Richmond, March 18.—Archibald A. Campbell of Wytheville is appointed by Gov. Mann to fill the unexpired term of Judge Massie as presiding judge of the Twenty-first judicial district, which includes Hillsville. Judge Campbell will accept and proceed to Hillsville immediately.

Hillsville, Va., March 18.—Search began in earnest today for members of the Allen clan, the murderers of five Carroll county citizens, including three court officers. Eight picked men remained in the mountains throughout the night guarding the approaches to Devil's den stronghold, where the fugitive outlaws are believed to be hiding, prepared for their last stand. Early this morning a detachment of 75 detectives and citizens joined them, after resting overnight after an exhaustive day yesterday. Every effort is being made to run down Sidna Edwards, a nephew of the older Allens, who, with a wounded foot, is supposedly alone in the mountains trying to join his relatives. The officers believe that when he is taken they can learn with certainty the whereabouts of the rest of the gang. If it is true the outlaws are entrenched in Devil's Den, supplied with ammunition and provisions, it would mean certain death to anyone attempting openly to reach them and the place will be laid under a systematic siege. That dynamite will be used to rout the outlaws has been suggested.

May Send Troops to Hillsville. Richmond, March 18.—An important conference involving the probable sending of troops to Hillsville to aid in the search for the court room assassins was held in Governor Mann's office today. Judge Walter Staples of Roanoke, who has been occupying the Hillsville bench since Judge Massie's death, came here from Hillsville unannounced and went immediately into conference with the governor. The chief of the detective agency engaged in the manhunt also attended the conference.

POLICE AND HOLD-UP MEN IN STREET FIGHT

Thugs Attack Girl Messenger in New York and Are Quickly Apprehended.

New York, March 18.—There was a recurrence Saturday of New York's recent epidemic of hold-ups, when thugs attacked a girl messenger at the door of a Broadway bank and assaulted and robbed a jeweler of \$1000 on a Harlem roof. Both crimes were accompanied by desperate fights between the alleged robbers and the police, which resulted in five arrests.

Disguised as push cart men and street cleaners a score of detectives saw four men seize Miss Ella C. Nichol, messenger for a supply concern, as she was leaving the Germania bank with a payroll in her muff. The money was wrenched from her grasp and the robbers fled. The men were quickly cornered and surrendered after hand to hand fights with the detectives. Two of the men, one of whom had the money in his possession, have criminal records, the police say.

M'HARG IN CHARGE FOR T. R. IN DIXIE

Man Who Organized for Taft Now Lining up Roosevelt Forces.

Washington, March 18.—Ormsby M'Hardy, former assistant secretary of commerce and labor, who organized the southern states for Taft four years ago, today took charge of Roosevelt's interests in the southern states.

BOMB MEANT FOR JUDGE WOUNDS POLICE OFFICER

Explosive Sent Rosalsky Through Mails—Detectives Have Important Clues.

New York, March 18.—The city's detectives are searching for the man who attempted to slay Judge Otto Rosalsky Saturday night with an incendiary bomb sent through the mails. No definite clue has been found to the would-be assassin.

New York, March 18.—The home of Judge Otto A. Rosalsky of the Court of General Sessions, where a bomb delivered to him exploded Saturday night, was the scene yesterday of renewed excitement, caused by the appearance of a man who wildly kicked at the door and demanded admittance.

The stranger, who was shabbily dressed, forced his way past the hall attendants in the apartment building on Riverside drive, and climbed six flights of stairs to see Judge Rosalsky, about some fancied grievance of "persecution by the tobacco trust." Police were called and the man was taken to Bellevue for observation as to his sanity. He gave his name as Wolf Herman, and his business as that of a sign-maker.

ASQUITH TO INTRODUCE A MINIMUM WAGE BILL

London, March 18.—Premier Asquith today announced in the house of commons that the government would introduce a minimum wage bill for miners tomorrow.

OCEAN FREIGHT RATES GIVEN BIG BOOST

Increase Made at Hamburg and Bremen Because of British and German Strikes.

New York, March 18.—Trans-Atlantic freight rates will be heavily increased as a result of the British and German coal strikes. Berlin dispatches say the Hamburg and Bremen shipping interests have decided to increase rates to distant points 10 percent, with a 15 per cent increase for the coasting service.

Supreme Court Recesses.

Washington, March 18.—The Supreme court today took a recess until April 1.

PRESIDENT TAFT FAVORS PRIMARIES

Makes His First Personal Reply to Senator Dixon's Challenge.

Boston, March 18.—President Taft today declared himself in favor of preferential primaries surrounded by certain conditions, for the coming campaign.

"Wherever full and fair notices of the election can be given, wherever adequate election safeguards can be thrown around to protect a preferential primary for the presidency, wherever the state constitution permits its being made applicable to the present election, I favor it and welcome it."

CLEVELAND'S MEMORY HONORED AT MEETING

Taft and Other Distinguished Men Pay Tribute to Former President.

New York, March 18.—Grover Cleveland's memory was honored yesterday at a public meeting in the City college, commemorating his 75th birthday anniversary, at which tributes from President Taft, Governor Dix of New York and Governor Harmon of Ohio were read and eulogistic addresses delivered by men with whom Mr. Cleveland was associated.

The exercises were attended by Mrs. Frances Folsom Cleveland, widow of the former president, and Mrs. Daniel S. Lamont, widow of the secretary of war in one of the Cleveland cabinets. "Grover Cleveland earned the sincere gratitude of his countrymen and justified recurring memorial occasions like the one in which we are taking part," President Taft wrote. "He was a great president, not because he was a great lawyer; not because he was a brilliant orator; not because he was a statesman of profound learning, but because he was a patriot with the highest sense of public duty, because he was a statesman of clear perceptions of the utmost courage of his convictions, and of great plainness of speech; because he was a man of the highest character, father and husband of the best type because throughout his political life he showed those rugged virtues of the public servant and citizen, the emulation of which by those who follow him will render progress our political life toward better things a certainty."

CHINA'S OUTLOOK DARK IS LEGATIONS' OPINION

Believe Reorganization Cannot Be Effected Without Serious Political Struggle.

Peking, March 18.—Anarchy and famine prevail throughout the country. The nation's finances are in a chaotic condition and China is divided into several parts. The legations do not fear any immediate or widespread risings, or anti-foreign attacks, but they do not believe that the country will be reunited, the army disbanded and re-organization and progressive development accomplished without long and intense suffering and serious political struggles.

Premier Tang Shao-Yi has left here for Nanjing. The southern delegates with whom he came to Peking departed several days ago. Certain foreign ministers who have met Tang consider him something of a visionary. The "four powers" group of financiers, though perhaps with some bias, are of the opinion that his financial policy is dangerous and accuse him of trickiness in negotiating the present loans with which he was entrusted.

The southern delegation generally has disappointed the diplomatic representatives, as with one exception they were apparently without experience. They have been ardent workers for the cause, but seemingly do not realize that the republic was achieved with few sacrifices and largely because the Manchus did not seriously combat the delegates.

Boston, Mass., March 18.—President Taft reached Boston this morning on a visit to Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

MRS. B. LORILLARD DIES BY SUICIDE

Hangs Herself With Trunk Strap in Bath Room in Hotel in New York.

NO CAUSE IS KNOWN FOR SELF DESTRUCTION

Had Suffered from Neuroasthenia, and Is Supposed to Have Lost Mental Balance.

New York Herald Syndicate.

New York, March 18.—Mrs. Beekman Lorillard, wife of Beekman Lorillard, a nephew of Pierre Lorillard, committed suicide by hanging in the bathroom of her apartment in Holland House Saturday afternoon. The only reason that can be ascribed for her act was that she had been extremely nervous and had been suffering several years with neuroasthenia.

Mrs. Lorillard, who had come from Asheville to meet her husband, who had been away several months on a journey around the earth, arrived at the hotel last Thursday, two days after her husband engaged a suite of rooms there. It was the intention of the couple to return to their home in Newport in a few days.

Her husband told her about 3:20 Saturday afternoon, that he was going down to get an automobile in which they were to ride through Central Park and along Riverside Drive. Mrs. Lorillard was almost ready to go out. She had arranged her hair, and her husband helped her to put on a coat. Just as he left her to get the machine she said: "I'll be ready when you come back."

"These were the last words that Mr. Lorillard heard his wife utter. He had been gone barely 15 minutes when he returned and found her hanging in the bathroom. She had torn a canvas strap from the inside of a trunk, tied a knot to a pipe and then put the noose around her neck. It was evident that she then had let herself drop from the edge of the bathtub.

Mr. Lorillard, who had first called to his wife as he entered the room, was so shocked on finding his wife dead that for a few minutes he was overcome. Recovering himself, he cut the strap above his wife's head and carried the body to the bed.

Calling the house telephone operator, he said: "Get a doctor at once." Sebastian Summers, manager of the hotel, rushed to the elevator and went to the eighth floor. He encountered Mr. Lorillard in the passageway, pale and trembling. "For God's sake get a doctor, quick," cried Mr. Lorillard. Mr. Summers entered the room and used the telephone to call up Dr. A. A. Moore, of No. 43 East Thirty-third street. Dr. Moore soon appeared in the hotel.

Dr. Moore worked over the body for more than an hour, thinking that perhaps with the aid of artificial respiration, life might be discovered. Dr. Moore said afterwards that in cases of strangulation or drowning it often was the case that life might still linger and that by working over the body the heart's action might be renewed.

While the physician worked in vain over the body Mr. Lorillard paced up and down the room. He telephoned to his mother, Mrs. Louis Lorillard, whose husband died a year ago. Miss Beekman, an aunt of young Mrs. Lorillard, also came to the hotel.

Coroner Feinberg finally was notified when Dr. Moore was certain life was extinct. He said that it was a clear case of suicide on the impulse of the moment. Coroner Feinberg asserted that there was not a sign of a letter or note from Mrs. Lorillard, and that she evidently had decided to kill herself the moment her husband left, as no preparations had been made previously.

Mrs. Lorillard was Miss Kathleen Leslie Doyle, whose mother was Mrs. Anna Beyster Doyle. Before her marriage to Beekman Lorillard she was noted in Kentucky for her beauty. Besides being an accomplished horsewoman she excelled at tennis and golf. She ran away and was married to Mr. Lorillard when he was a freshman at Harvard, on January 20, 1903. The marriage was a surprise to society. Although their engagement had been reported it had always been denied. Miss Doyle then was nineteen years old, and Mr. Lorillard was only a few months her senior.

On October 31, 1911, Mrs. Lorillard was thrown from a trap she was driving in Asheville. Physicians said last night that possibly the shock might have been responsible for her taking her life.

The body was taken to Leon T. Stowe's undertaking rooms, No. 207 West Fifty-first street. Mr. Lorillard and his mother left the hotel and it is said they had gone to the home of relatives in the city.

STORIES OF FLOOD IN OLD DOMINION

Mr. Swan Finally Gets Back from Richmond, "Walking Part of the Way."

J. E. Swan has just returned from Richmond, where he went on business several days ago and where he had to remain a day or two longer than he intended by reason of the fact that no trains were running in this direction until yesterday. Mr. Swan came home on the first train that left Richmond, and he stated that he "had to walk part of the way."

According to Mr. Swan most of the county around Richmond and Danville that he saw from the railroad track was submerged with several feet of water. In some places, he said, only a few feet of the telephone and telegraph poles could be seen and in many places the fences were entirely under water; on the sides of the track in places where the land seemed to be swampy the water was up to the limbs of trees.

The high water from the rains of Thursday night and Friday caused much damage in that part of the country he said; he noticed several small buildings floating about and lodged against trees.

That rain on which Mr. Swan started carried a through sleeper but this only came as far as Danville and this was where the passengers had to do the walking, transferring to another train.

At South Boston Mr. Swan stated that the water was only a foot or two below the floor of a bridge and both approaches were covered. So far as he knew, he stated, the railroad track was not submerged anywhere, as it was on a high embankment.

Mr. Swan also stated that the people of Richmond are very much wrought up over the tragedy at Hillsville and some of the Richmond papers get out extras every hour or two.

COL. ROOSEVELT'S PLANS FOR COMING CAMPAIGN

Will Make Several Political Speeches in the Next Few Weeks.

Oyster Bay, March 18.—The first information concerning the plan of campaign mapped out by the Roosevelt leaders in their conferences in New York Friday and Saturday was given yesterday by Colonel Roosevelt. He said he had decided definitely to make a number of speeches in various parts of the country in the near future.

The speech before the civic forum in New York Wednesday night is first on the program. Later this week Colonel Roosevelt will talk somewhere on the East Side in New York if a hall can be obtained. Early next week he will start on a short tour of the middle west. Three speeches have been decided upon, to be made at Chicago, St. Paul or Minneapolis and St. Louis. Other stops may be arranged later.

In the week beginning March 21 Colonel Roosevelt will go into New England. Speeches are to be made in Boston and Concord, N. H., with possibly one in Portland, Me. A trip to Philadelphia and Newark is to be made during the week of April 7.

The colonel said that he did not believe the Roosevelt forces would have a committee and that all he wanted was a square deal.

SPECIAL CLASSIFIED PAGE IS IN ITS LAST WEEK

This is the last week of the Special Classified Page and a number of names will be run in the advertisements which will be run in the advertisement and see if you can't find your name and get one of the new one dollar bills that will be given to each of those who have their name marked when the manager of this page calls.

The manager of this page has found less than half a dozen people who failed to mark their names and get the dollar, since this feature was first started.

Warships Sent East. United States to Have Powerful Fleet in Touch with Chinese Waters.

25 MEN KILLED IN EXPLOSION

MANY DANGEROUS WIRES ARE FOUND

Electrical Installation That May Cause Fire—Some Defective Flues, Etc.

Deputy Insurance Commissioners Scott and Jordan have already partly completed an inspection of the fire district of the city which is made to see if the owners of the buildings are conforming to the requirements of the fire insurance laws and to warn them where violations are found. They began this inspection Friday and they expect to finish it about the middle of the week. They are accompanied by City Building Inspector Caleb Leonard, who is also fire waste inspector.

The inspectors stated this morning that they are finding a good many electric wires that are not installed properly and drop cords being looped over iron hooks, gas pipes, etc., which is likely to cause fire at any time. They have also found some defective flues and not a little rubbish. They have found that several buildings need fire escapes, some where the owners have already been notified to put them up. They referred to some buildings that have been provided with wire ladders and they say that these will not meet the requirements of the law, that a standard fire escape must have steps and platforms, so that the inmates of the house can descend in safety. If the fire escapes are not installed at once, they say that the violations in this regard and others will be brought to the attention of the grand jury. They stated that there is a penalty of so much per day where the violations are not abated after warning.

The deputies said that in most cases the people are showing an interest in the inspections and seemed to be glad to receive the warnings that may be the means of preventing fires.

DROWNED IN TRYING TO SAVE HIS TEAM

James Brodgen, Farmer, Frees Horses But Loses His Life in the Neuse River.

Gazette-News Bureau. Raleigh, March 18. James Brodgen, a young married farmer, was drowned in the Neuse river today while trying to save a team which walked off an approach to a bridge into the swollen current. Brodgen failed to heed the warnings of persons near and continued cutting the harness loose. One animal swam ashore but Brodgen was overcome and swept down the stream. The body has not been found.

DR. WALKER VERY ILL

Physician in Serious Condition from Nervous Breakdown.

New York, March 18.—Dr. Mary E. Walker, widely known as an advocate of woman's rights and "dress reform," in which she set an example by wearing male attire, is in the Presbyterian hospital here dangerously ill. Dr. Walker is suffering from a nervous breakdown. Because of her advanced age—she is an octogenarian—her friends fear her illness will prove a critical one.

40 KILLED IN BATTLE

Bullets Fired by Warring Forces Strike Hull of United States Monitor Monterey.

Swatow, China, March 18.—Forty natives were killed in battle between Hakka tribesmen and Canton troops. Several bullets from the scene of battle struck the hull of the United States monitor Monterey.

BOMBS KILL ARABS

Missiles Dropped from Aeroplanes Into Turkish Camp Are Fatal to Few.

Benghazi, Tripoli, March 18.—Bombs from the aeroplanes of an Italian expeditionary force today killed 10 Arabs in a Turkish camp.

Locomotive Boiler in Southern Pacific Round House at San Antonio, Tex., Is Blown Up.

MANY ARE INJURED; SHOPS ARE WRECKED

Most of The Dead and Maimed Strike-Breakers—Several Bodies Fearfully Mangled.

San Antonio, Tex., March 18.—Twenty-five men were killed, many more were injured and several buildings were wrecked when a locomotive boiler exploded in the Southern Pacific roundhouse here today. The roundhouse and car repair shops were demolished and many men working in them were hurt by falling walls. So mangled were the victims that there seemed no hope of piecing the fragments of bodies together sufficiently to identify them.

The victims were largely men who were employed as strike-breakers. Strike-breakers have been working at the Southern Pacific shops since the shopmen's strike began several months ago.

After the explosion rumors were circulated that dynamite was the cause of the explosion. The locomotive was standing in the yard near the shops. The explosion came without warning. Parts of the roundhouse collapsed and several small buildings in the shop enclosure were wrecked. The half-ton jacket of the exploded locomotive boiler dropped several blocks distant while the tender was catapulted several hundred feet. The majority of the victims were from northern and western states.

SITUATION IN SOUTHERN MEXICO AGAIN SERIOUS

Federal Troops Withdraw, Raiders Are Devastating the Country.

Mexico City, March 18.—Reports from the south indicate that the comparative peace established by the government's army in the state of Guerrero has given place to a state of affairs about as unsatisfactory as ever. The reports of the extensive damage done at Ometepe and nearby towns by raiders are well authenticated and it is believed that the rebels aim at the capture of Chilpancingo, the capital of the state. Save for a few small garrisons the government has withdrawn its soldiers for service in the north.

Salgado, still operating despite official reports of his capture and death, is now said to be taking advantage of the withdrawal of soldiers to reorganize his own forces, scattered by Gen. Figueroa, whose army in turn is said to be badly weakened by desertions.

MILLS RAISING WAGES

Increases Offered by the Managements Aggregate More Than 10 Millions Annually.

Boston, March 18.—Wage increases aggregating more than \$10,000,000 will go into the pockets of New England textile workers during the next 12 months, according to authoritative estimates of the result of the present upward trend of wages in cotton and woolen mills. On the basis of an annual payroll of \$75,000,000 in the woolen mills, the increase there will amount to \$5,000,000, while cotton mill operatives will receive an advance of \$5,000,000.

SETTLEMENT REMOTE

British Coal War Continues to Paralyze Industry—Much Distress in Britain.

London, March 18.—The British coal war continues to paralyze industry. Coal owners and miners remain obstinate and a settlement soon is improbable. Increased prices for necessities cause much distress everywhere.

MY CHOICE FOR PRESIDENT. If I could select the man I would name. Name: Address: Cut this ticket out and mail it to The Gazette-News, or hand it in at this office. If you do not care to write your name on the ballot, you can write it in a registry book provided at the office. Results will be published from time to time and in no case will the name of the voter be given out unless so requested.