

CLAIMS GRACE SHOT HIMSELF

Attorney for Defense Says Pistol Was Discharged During Scuffle with Atlantant's Wife.

ANOTHER WOMAN IN THE CASE, HE ASSERTS

Says Husband First Drew Revolver and Threatened Mrs. Grace as She Upbraided Him.

Atlanta, Aug. 1.—The trial of Mrs. Daisy Ople Grace, accused of shooting her husband, Eugene Grace, took a sensational turn today. In his opening statement, her attorney admitted that Grace was shot during an altercation with his wife, but claimed the shooting was accidental. It was the result of a quarrel between the husband and wife over another woman, he said.

When court convened he made the following statement, outlining the defense:

"We are going to show the whole miserable facts. The truth is that Grace wanted to get his wife out of town. Mrs. Grace suspected he had an engagement with another woman. She accused him of it and said she was going to take away the power of attorney she had given him to sell her property. Grace began scuffling with her to prevent her taking the document. He began swearing at her, threatening to kill her, grabbing up his revolver. Mrs. Grace grabbed Grace's hand in an effort to protect herself. The revolver was discharged and Grace was shot.

"Grace did not think he was badly shot and made his wife leave the house without calling a physician, first obtaining her promise to say nothing about the shooting. The alibi letters were written by Grace, himself, and his wife knew nothing about it."

Mrs. Grace is expected to take the stand late today.

Rebecca Sams, the mulatto seamstress, the most important witness for the defense at the morning session of court, testified that she had been sewing for Mrs. Grace on the night before the shooting and the night after the shooting she saw her in the hospital anteroom before Mrs. Grace was admitted to Grace's room, and told her she was sorry to hear of "this" and felt sure she was innocent. The prosecution has condemned no one and had not informed Mrs. Grace she was accused up to the time she saw Grace and confronted him with the words: "They tell me you say I shot you."

After forging the last link in the chain of circumstances which it claims connects Mrs. Daisy Grace with the shooting of her husband, the prosecution rested its case late yesterday. The state played its big card and won two important points. Two letters, which it claimed Mrs. Grace wrote to herself over her husband's name, "Gene," and mailed as she was leaving for Newnan, to establish an alibi, were offered in evidence and admitted by the court after a desperate battle between opposing counsel lasting more than two hours.

Mrs. Grace's words of greeting to her husband when they met in the hospital, which the defense had fought hard to keep from the jury, also were admitted. George C. Bullard, city detective, was the witness who was permitted to tell of the meeting.

"Who spoke first?" asked Solicitor Dorse.

"Mrs. Grace."

"What did she say?"

"She said: 'How did this happen, Gene? What have you been telling these people? They tell me you say I shot you.'"

"Did she kiss her husband?"

"No, she stood straight up beside the bed."

Judge Roan would not permit the witness to relate to the jury the subsequent conversation between husband and wife. He admitted her first statement because the prosecution claimed that it had been proven by witnesses, who were with Mrs. Grace from the time she heard the news until the meeting at the hospital that no one had told her she had been accused.

Although the prosecution attaches great weight to the "alibi letters" and contends that they show that the shooting of Grace was premeditated by his wife, the defense claims that Mrs. Grace had not been connected with them in any way by the evidence other than having written, mailed, or received them. By some strange trick of fate, Mrs. Grace did not receive the two letters, which were enclosed in two envelopes, through the mails. Postmarked Atlanta, 4:30 p. m. on the day of the shooting, they reached Newnan after she had returned to Atlanta. They were forwarded to her but fell into Grace's hands and were turned over to the attorneys by him. The handwriting on the envelope has been identified as that of Grace, by witnesses, but none of them was able to identify the handwriting of one of the letters, which was scribbled with a pencil.

The "Alibi" Letters.

me a day late in getting back. I am terribly sorry that it is going to keep me away a day longer. But I shall hurry back, dear girl, and bring you back something nice. My friend is here at the house with me now, and I have been telling him what a nice, sweet girl you are. I am awfully sorry for what I said and what happened Sunday and I know it will not happen again. I hope you are having a fine time in Newnan and that you will see lots of people. I shall think of you all the time I am away and be as good as I know how. Be a good, sweet girl and think of me lots. With all my love and a billion kisses. "GENE."

The other letter which the prosecution claims Mrs. Grace wrote on a typewriter weeks before the shooting reads:

"My Dear Wife, Daisy: "After saying good-bye to you at the station today, run into a fellow friend of mine from Charlotte, N. C., and Daisy, believe me, my heart went out to him completely. The chap is dead broke and he had such a pitiful story that I am going to try and get him a job. I am going to have him come out to 29 West Eleventh and make him take a bath and let him sleep all right with me, and in the morning I will give him a suit of clothes as he is very tall and I think my clothes will fit him if he pulls his suspenders up. Now, Daisy dear, I am a day late getting away so I will be one day late getting back to Atlanta, so instead of me coming to Newnan why you bring mother up along to Atlanta with you and I will send you a telegram when you may meet me at the station. Hope you wrote to your mother and told her I will be in Philadelphia and to have your satchel ready packed so I won't have to wait for it. All my love for you and a million kisses from your devoted husband. "GENE."

TENNESSEE ELECTION

Judges and County Officers Being Chosen—Democratic gubernatorial Primary Held.

Nashville, Aug. 1.—Tennessee today is electing supreme court judges, judges of the court of civil appeals and county officials, while the democrats are holding a gubernatorial primary and electing delegates to the state convention to be held August 15. A light vote is indicated. Managers of his competitors regard McMillin as the most formidable candidate.

A MURDER A DAY

That Was the Average in New York During July—Hot Weather Blamed.

New York, Aug. 1.—An average of one murder daily occurred during the month of July in this city, according to an official tabulation compiled by the police homicide bureau.

The records show hot weather always stirs murderers to action.

Woman Leaps from Eiffel Tower.

Paris, Aug. 1.—An elegantly dressed young woman jumped from the topmost platform of the Eiffel tower yesterday. Her body struck the iron work, as it fell and was almost torn in half. The limbs were severed before the body fell to the second platform, 525 feet below, where it was smashed beyond recognition.

Four hundred francs were found in a pocket of the woman and also the address of a hotel, where she was not known. The attendants say the woman was weeping before she jumped. She scribbled something in a notebook but afterward threw this up. The body has not been identified.

Kidnaped Boy Found in Cave.

Bristol, Va., Aug. 1.—A special from Duffield, Va., says that the eight years old son of Circuit Court Clerk J. B. Richmond, of Scott county, has just been recovered from a cave, where he was hidden by kidnapers. The child was kidnaped near the Richmond home by two men who took him to the cave, let him down by a rope and fled after leaving a quantity of food.

May Delay Canal Opening.

Washington, Aug. 1.—Unless congress takes action to provide for the operation of the Panama canal at the present session, President Taft and Secretary of War Stimson believe that it will be practically impossible for the army engineers to keep their promise and open the big ditch to the ships of the world next year.

Bill for Lincoln-Grant-Lee Memorial.

Washington, Aug. 1.—The construction of a Lincoln-Grant-Lee memorial at Washington at an expense of a million and a quarter dollars is proposed in a bill introduced by Representative Pou of North Carolina. Every state will be invited to furnish material in the event of its construction.

The Alliance in Control.

Washington, Aug. 1.—The senate today gave the democratic progressive tariff alliance complete control of the senate conference committee on wool sugar and excise bills. Regular republican leaders offered no objections.

In Race for Governor of Georgia.

Atlanta, Aug. 1.—Hopper Alexander of Dekalb county announces that he has entered the race for governor.

ELECTORS' CASE BEING HEARD

Supreme Justices to Decide Whether Roosevelt Men May Run in Kansas Republican Primary.

APPLICATION IS MADE FOR A WRIT OF ERROR

Plaintiffs in Action in New York Are the Taft Leaders in Sunflower State.

New York, Aug. 1.—The Kansas primary election case, involving a unique part of great importance in the machinery of national elections was heard before two justices of the United States Supreme court here today. Directly or indirectly the decision of these justices will settle whether eight candidates for presidential elector who have declared they will vote in the electoral college for Roosevelt may have their names on the ballot submitted to the people in a Kansas republican primary there on August 6. The plaintiffs are the Kansas Taft leaders and the action, which takes the form of an application for a writ of error, is defended by several attorneys representing the Roosevelt party.

Justices Pitney and Vandevanter are hearing the application.

RICHMOND MAN IS HELD ON ABANDONMENT CHARGE

Report of Greensboro Ice Shortage Denied—News of Gate City.

Gazette-News Bureau, Daily News Building, Greensboro, Aug. 1.

The Arctic Ice and Coal company of Greensboro, has made reply to the charge of Mr. West, a local ice cream dealer and confectioner, who last week, made a statement to the effect that he was unable to secure ice, in which the ice company denies that there has been a time this summer when they were unable to supply all the ice needed and that any impression that there is or has been anything like a shortage of ice here is erroneous. Replying to Mr. West, the management of the ice company intimates that the ice cream dealer is trying to fool the people as to the real cause; that the very day the West complaint was made ice was offered for delivery two distinct times and that "the same was refused for no apparent good reason except to give the ice company all the trouble possible."

A. T. Moore, a white man from Richmond, Va., who has been arrested a few nights ago charged with abandoning his family and subsequently released because requisition papers were not forwarded has been rearrested at the request of Richmond authorities and held pending the arrival of the necessary papers.

Relatives here were notified yesterday of the death Tuesday night at her home in Alamance county, 15 miles from Burlington, of Mrs. W. I. Maynard. Mrs. Maynard is remembered here as Miss Helen Jeffreys, a sister of Messrs. J. R. and M. S. Jeffreys and Mrs. J. C. Montgomery. The remains were brought to Greensboro last night for burial today in Green Hill cemetery.

The house party which Miss Maie Dorsett has been entertaining for the past several days has broken up after a delightful round of pleasure. The house guests of Miss Dorsett were Miss Ethel Glenn of Raleigh, Miss Mary Glenn Moore of Carthage, and Miss Mary Moore of Greenville. The young ladies left last night for their homes.

HADLEY STATEMENT

Urges Missouri Republicans to Remain Regular but Declines to Pledge Support to Taft.

Jefferson City, Aug. 1.—Governor Hadley last night gave out a statement urging all republicans to stand by the regular party organization. He declined to say he would support Taft.

Denver, Aug. 1.—Cloudbursts pelted the crops and villages and left a trail of damage across Colorado last night. Several towns were flooded, railroad tracks were washed away, cattle drowned, crops destroyed and people much alarmed.

John S. Watson, a farmer at Kuner, was knocked unconscious by hail in a field. Cattle were stunned.

Amusements Suspended in Japan.

Kokio, Aug. 1.—While the empire continues to mourn the loss of its late ruler, Mutsuhito, yet business has been resumed. Amusements, however, have been suspended for five days. It is believed the interment will be on the site of the Mutsuhito palace, erected in the sixteenth century.

TELL OF MURDER PLOT THAT FAILED

Gamblers Say Becker Previously Tried to Have Rosenthal Killed.

New York, Aug. 1.—"Dago Frank" Circioli and Shapiro, chauffeur and joint owner of the Rosenthal murder car, were taken before the grand jury this morning. The inference was that Circioli had confessed.

Becker Further Involved. Police Lieutenant Becker was last night further implicated in the plot to get rid of the gambler when "Bald Jack" Rose and "Bridgie" Weber added another chapter to their already amazing allegations. They told District Attorney Whitman that Rosenthal was to have been killed at the instigation of Becker 10 days before he actually met his fate, and that the plot failed because the underworld thugs selected to do the murder lost their nerve at the last moment.

The district attorney spent the greater part of the afternoon with Rose and Weber in their cells at the west side police station and under the promise of leniency which the prosecutor has given them, they talked freely. They gave little additional information regarding the \$2,400,000 fund which they alleged illegal reports paid for police protection in the city every year, but their story of the alleged anxiety of Lieutenant Becker because of Gambler Rosenthal's threatened exposures was amplified to the district attorney and in the prosecutor's opinion he strengthened his evidence against Becker.

"The plot that failed" was to have been brought to its climax at the Garden restaurant on Fifty-first street, on Saturday night, July 6, when Rosenthal and his wife were dining there, according to the account told by Rose to the district attorney as spokesman for the two gamblers. With Rosenthal and his wife at the time was Jack Sullivan, the newsboy, now under arrest for alleged complicity in the murder. Rose himself engineered the "job" and brought to the restaurant a "fleet of thugs" who were to do the actual shooting, according to Rose. Two of the hired assassins were "Gyp the Blood" and "Lefty" Louis, who are wanted by the police as two of the men who actually shot Rosenthal 16 days later in front of the Hotel Metropole. Becker at that time was downtown, Rose said, waiting for the murder plot to be consummated.

Gun Men Lost Nerve.

Becker had talked with me every day," Rose said. "He kept saying to me, 'why don't you kill this fellow yet?' Rosenthal would have been killed off that night if the bunch hadn't lost their nerve. They got the notion after they reached the restaurant that a detective was onto them. After giving up the assassination we went to 'Bridgie' Weber's place and there we met Becker. He denounced us all up and down.

"You are all a lot of cowards," he said. "I'll have to do it myself."

Rosenthal, it was recalled by the district attorney, when he heard the story, had a few days before this made his complaint against Becker, charging that the police lieutenant was partner in his gambling house.

Although Becker, still in the Tombs, has thus far refused to make any statement other than he is innocent and that his plight is the result of a "frame up" on the part of his enemies in the gambling fraternity, Rose predicted that the police lieutenant would eventually break down and tell all he knows.

The district attorney expressed confidence that if Becker would talk frankly his evidence would open the door to the larger phase of the Rosenthal case, namely, the general extent of the police graft system in which Rose has declared several high police officials are involved. So far Mr. Whitman has obtained little real evidence against the men mentioned by Rose as heads of the "four graft bureaus" through which Rose alleged that about \$400,000 each was collected as vice protection money and distributed.

The district attorney is not replying solely upon Rose's story. He expects to call before the grand jury scores of witnesses who may have knowledge of graft relations between the gamblers and the police.

"Bridgie" Weber told the district attorney that his own payment to Becker for police protection of his gambling house, was \$300 a month but that this rate was a small one compared with the sums levied on larger establishments.

He and Rose both said that in Manhattan alone there were probably 100 gambling houses paying tribute to the police and that the sum total of \$2,400,000 paid annually was a conservative figure. Weber incidentally said that Becker was present when the money was produced which, went to the thugs hired to kill Rosenthal. Shortly after the murder, he said, Becker met Rose and Weber in front of the Murray Hill baths and said: "Now, 'Bridgie,' you have to give these boys some money to get out of town. I will fix it up with you later."

Weber said that he then handed \$1000 in large bills to Rose, who later transferred it to Sam Schepp and that afternoon Schepp gave it to "Gyp the Blood" and "Lefty" Louis in front of the Times building.

2500 REFUGEES FROM MEXICO

Appeals Being Sent from All Border Towns for U. S. Government to Protect Americans

MANY IN REBEL ZONE ARE IN GRAVE DANGER

No Word Received from Isolated Colonies—Orozco Denies He Is Seeking Intervention.

El Paso, Aug. 1.—Scores of messages are being sent from here and other border towns appealing to the United States to take steps to secure the protection of Americans in Mexico. In many instances messages are being sent by whole communities.

Two more train loads of refugees from remote Mormon colonies arrived last night, increasing the number of American refugees arriving since Sunday to 2500, the majority of whom are still here.

The United States government has begun the distribution of tents and rations to the refugees. Pending this distribution, which came as a result of an act of congress, the refugees had been housed in some abandoned lumber sheds. Now they are to be given government tents, some of which are at Fort Bliss and others to be shipped here from St. Louis.

Twenty thousand dollars is also authorized for expenditures for food for the sufferers, few of whom were able to get out with any money. Many were stopped on their way to the trains and robbed. Others had nothing to be robbed of. It is estimated by Mormon officials here that in all 2500 women and children are in the colonies of Chihuahua and 1600 of these remain in what the refugees consider grave danger. No word has been received from Colonia Meroles, a large Mormon settlement in Sonora.

Colonists from the Diaz settlement, west of Casas Grandes, are moving overland to the United States border over the trail to Columbus, N. M. They are expected to arrive at Hachita, N. M. Another Mormon refugee colony has been established at Dog Springs, N. M., southeast of Hachita. The refugees include all of the members of the Colonia Diaz settlement who have already escaped. Assistance in the way of provisions and tents will be sent to them from El Paso.

Juarez, Aug. 1.—General Orozco, the rebel chief, declared that he does not want intervention, he said. "If the United States will throw down the barriers and let us have all the ammunition we can buy, I promise in 60 days to have peace restored to Mexico and a stable government in charge. If anybody wants intervention, it is I and my family who are worth millions which they fear will be confiscated."

TEACHERS MAY ORGANIZE TO WORK FOR WILSON

Governor Impressed With the Suggestion That They Organize for Him.

Sea Girt, Aug. 1.—Governor Wilson today received a suggestion from W. H. Sanford of Montgomery, Ala., that a national organization of school teachers be formed to work for Wilson. The governor was pleased with the idea.

CAPT. AMES DETAILED

Tenth Regiment Officer Will Succeed Capt. Dougherty as Inspector of the N. C. N. G.

Gazette-News Bureau, The Raleigh, Raleigh, Aug. 1.

Capt. Henry E. Ames, of the Tenth United States Infantry, has been detailed by the war department as inspector of the North Carolina Guard. He is expected to report to the adjutant general, R. L. Leinster here about September 1. He comes to succeed Captain A. J. Dougherty, who has been ordered to return to his regiment for service in the Philippines.

More Troops on Strike Duty.

Charleston, W. Va., Aug. 1.—Governor Glascock late yesterday recalled R. L. Osborn and Major Jack Arnold with four companies of state militia from the summer instruction camp at Mount Gretna, Pa., to do strike duty in the disturbed Paint Creek district. This is the third call for troops made by the governor within the past few days and brings the force of state soldiers in the trouble zone up to 100.

THE PRESIDENT STATES ISSUES

IS FOR GRADUAL TARIFF REVISION

Wilson Doesn't Favor Such Sweeping Cuts as Will Harm Business.

Sea Girt, N. J., Aug. 1.—Revision of the tariff should not be made at one sweep but should be gradual and thorough is the opinion of Governor Wilson, announced last night. The governor so declared in his first discussion of the question for publication since he wrote his speech of acceptance and after a long conference with Representative Redfield of Brooklyn, whom he considers one of the best informed men in the country on the tariff.

"We are all agreed on that," the governor said when interviewers asked him if his views coincided with those of Mr. Redfield on a gradual reduction of the tariff.

After the conference, Mr. Redfield told the reporters that he and the governor had talked on three topics—the tariff, the trusts and the scientific training of young farmers as a means of lowering the high cost of living. On the tariff, he said, the governor's views coincided with his own.

"We have talked of the need of a general downward revision on almost every schedule in the tariff," Mr. Redfield said. "The revision should be thorough but should be made by degrees. We should make progress slowly, in my opinion, instead of trying to clear too much at one jump. For instance, if a 30 point reduction is decided upon in any one schedule it would be better to make two 15 point reductions at different times instead of a single reduction. We want to reform the tariff, but we do not want to do more harm than good. Business men have money invested in their plants, machinery and stock and this money cannot be turned over like a department store turns over its goods. A store gets rid of its stock quickly, a manufacturer slowly. The work need not be less thorough if done by steps, instead of by a single leap. I think the governor's views are clear and steady and that he has no thought of acting rashly or hastily. The governor has his own views as to thoroughness and moderation in dealing with the trusts. We talked considerably after them. It is my opinion that the governor believes that the government should first establish its own policy so clearly that it can be readily understood instead of being misinterpreted."

PAINFULLY HURT AT GUDGER'S CROSSING

Noble Allen Struck by Freight Train but May Not Be Dangerously Injured.

About daylight this morning Noble Allen, a young white man of about 18 years of age, was struck by the freight train from Asheville going east and painfully injured. The accident occurred at Gudger's crossing. The supposition is that young Allen was standing near the track and tried to board the passing freight, but missed his grip and fell beneath the car wheels, sustaining painful but not necessarily dangerous injuries. Dr. Buckner dressed Mr. Allen's wounds, after which the young man was able to walk to his home near by.

UNCLE SAM BROKE

Failure to Pass Appropriation Bills Again Leaves the Government Without Ready Money.

Washington, Aug. 1.—Your Uncle Sam is broke again today. Several of the largest appropriation bills are still to be passed by congress. For the last month the government has been operating under an emergency resolution which extended the appropriations of the last fiscal year through July. This is expected to be repeated. A resolution was agreed upon by the appropriation committee of both houses extending the appropriations of last year until August 15. Its immediate passage was expected.

POLICE TRIBUTE VAST

Those Familiar With New York's Underworld Do Not Consider Rose's Estimate Excessive.

New York, Aug. 1.—The statement of Jack Rose, the informer in the Rosenthal case, that nearly two and one-half million dollars had been exacted by the police from gamblers and others for protection in the past year is not considered extravagant by many familiar with conditions in New York's underworld. According to an expose 12 years ago, the amount then was seven hundred thousand less than was collected in 1912.

Think Nurse Faked Life.

Catskill, N. Y., Aug. 1.—The finding of a three-ounce can labeled "ether," but which had apparently contained other fluid, strengthened the belief of the county officials that Miss Dorcas Snodgrass, the Mount Vernon nurse, committed suicide. The can was found near where the body of the girl was found last Sunday.

Says Chief Question Is Preservation of Constitution, Menaced by Democrats and Progressives.

TARIFF THE NEXT IN IMPORTANCE, HE SAYS

Says Democratic Revision Means Hard Times—Is Officially Notified of Nomination.

Washington, Aug. 1.—President Taft was formally notified today of his nomination by the national republican convention at Chicago surrounded by his family and friends in the historic east room of the White House, the president received from Senator Elihu Root, chairman of the notification committee, his first official information of the convention's action.

"Your title to the nomination is clear and unimpeachable as the title of any candidate since the political convention began," said Root at the conclusion of his address.

"I accept the nomination you tender," replied Taft, beginning his speech of acceptance. "I accept it as an expression of confidence that in my second administration I will serve the public well."

Mrs. Taft, radiant, stood by her husband's side. Charlie, his younger son, was there, too. Miss Helen Taft and Robert, the elder son, were not present.

A dais had been provided in the center of the east room, surmounted by two colonial chairs. Root occupied one and Taft the other. Moving picture machine operators clicked off thousands of feet of film while Root and Taft were speaking. This was the first time a moving picture has been taken in the White House.

While the president was being notified, the democrats in the house were firing fusillades of campaign oratory and eulogizing Woodrow Wilson.

Washington, Aug. 1.—President Taft's formal speech of acceptance of the nomination of the Chicago convention was delivered here today to the official committee of notification headed by Senator Root and a few invited guests.

Although Mr. Taft defined in detail the issues of the campaign as he saw them, he reserved the right to amplify his statement in a letter as the campaign develops.

The supreme issue that confronts the voters, the president declared, was that of the maintenance of the nation's institutions and the preservation of the constitution, threatened he said, on the one hand by the democratic party and on the other by those republicans who had left the party to try their fortunes in a new one.

Next in importance Mr. Taft placed the tariff. In the proposals of the democrats for reductions in the present schedules, he said, lay danger of business depression and hard times. The republican principle of revision only where scientific investigation shows it necessary, marked the straight road to continue prosperity and commercial peace.

In discussing the tariff, the president said that it was untrue that to its door could be traced the high cost of living and pointed out that conditions of living were alike over the world. A political promise could not remedy such a condition he said.

As an issue only less important than the tariff the president placed the regulation of trusts. He said the Sherman law had been enforced with success but added that specific acts of unfair trade should be denounced as misdemeanors that such acts might be avoided or when committed punished by summary procedure. Interstate business enterprises, he said, should be offered a federal incorporation law.

Aside from those issues the president pointed to the record of the republican party and particularly during his own administration as an earnest of what it might be expected to do in the future if the people returned it to power in November. He attacked the democrats at other points than the tariff, making special reference to the refusal of that party in the house of representatives to continue the naval policy of two battalions a year. Taft did not mention either Colonel Roosevelt or Governor Woodrow Wilson by name but referred to each. While he did not accuse either of embracing the doctrines of socialism, many of the proposals they had made, the president said savored of it strongly. He closed with a review of his administrative achievement and appealed directly to the conservative voters of the democratic party to join with the republicans at the polls.

"I know that in this wide country there are many who call themselves democrats, who view, with the same aversion that we republicans do, the radical propositions of change in our form of government that are recklessly advanced to satisfy what is supposed to be popular clamor," said the president.

"They are men who revere the constitution and the institutions of their government with all the love and respect that we could possibly have, men who deprecate disturbance in business conditions, and are yearning for that quiet from domestic agitation which is essential to the enjoyment by the whole people of the great