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BOY AND WOMAN IN SAME CELL IN CITY JAIL

Lizzie Norris Tells Sensational Story After Her Transfer to Buncombe County Jail.

Was an Accident Is Officers Assertion Man Remained in Cell Hours Woman Says; Only a Moment, Jailor Asserts.

Lizzie Norris, a 17 years old white girl who is now in Buncombe county jail in default of bond in a retailing case, in which she appealed from a sentence of four months imposed by Judge Adams in Police court, tells a story of abhorrence concerning her incarceration in the city jail last Sunday night. Late Sunday night Charlie Maranville, a 16 years old white boy, was locked in the cell with her and remained there until breakfast was brought to the prisoners Monday morning.

The Morris woman says that she was taken into custody by members of the police force about 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon and was immediately locked up. About 1:30 o'clock the next morning—she thinks that was about the hour—the officers brought in a man, Charlie Maranville, and brought him to her cell. She says that when the cell door was opened she recognized the boy and spoke to him, saying: "What are you doing in here this time of night? Your mother will cry her eyes out."

She says that the officer with the boy then asked her how many blankets were in the cell and she replied that there were two or three, lying up on the bunk to answer him. She says that the boy then asked that he be put in the cell and the officer said "all right," adding: "You can divide your blankets with him."

FOREIGN VIEWS ON AMERICAN MATTERS

Opinions Concerning Canal Tolls, Mexican Problem And Jap. Question.

London, Jan. 29.—Relations of the United States with Great Britain over Panama canal tolls; the controversy between Washington and Tokyo over the California land ownership legislation and President Wilson's Mexican policy are subjects of lengthy dispatches today from British correspondents in Washington but there is a singular lack of editorial comment on these questions. The Pall Mall Gazette is the only newspaper to mention Mexico editorially. It says: "President Wilson has laid himself open to a charge of having chucked up 'no Huerta' and then run away. It is a position that becomes worse for the prestige of the Washington government everyday on which nothing happens."

Financiers here interested in Mexico are becoming impatient at the lack of action shown by President Wilson. A meeting of the Mexican section of the London chamber of commerce is to be called to discuss replies to a circular asking members for their views "as to whether it would be advisable for Great Britain to join with France and Germany in asking President Wilson to take some steps to adjust the financial position of Mexico."

EX-STATE SECRETARY TO TESTIFY IN PROBE

Member of Canal Board to Tell Concerning the Contracts Awarded to Stewart.

New York, Jan. 29.—Edward L. Lantry, former secretary of state, the first of the members and ex-members of the canal board of 1912 and 1913 to accept the invitation of the special grand jury investigating the contract awarded to James C. Stewart, after an alleged attempt to exact political contributions from him, will appear before that body late today.

GOL STOVALL, REFUGEE, APPEALING FOR HELP

St. Louis, Jan. 29.—Colonel Mortimer Stovall, who during the civil war commanded the famous "daylight artillery" in Lee's army, and now a refugee from Mexico City, today appealed to Mayor Henry W. Kiel for aid in reaching New York. Colonel Stovall, who is 64 years old, was accompanied by his wife. After the war Stovall went to Mexico with a colony of other Confederates. To Mayor Kiel he said he was the owner of mining property near Cuernavaca, Mex., but was robbed before he was forced to flee.

RANSOM ASKED OF MILLIONAIRE

According to Anonymous Letter Ter Francis Clark of Spokane Is Being Held by "Blackmailers."

\$75,000 IS DEMANDED FOR HIS DELIVERY

Clark Disappeared Jan. 17—Mrs. Clark Answers by Newspaper Asking For More Directions.

Los Angeles, Jan. 29.—According to an anonymous letter received by a morning paper, Francis Lewis Clark, the Spokane millionaire, is held for ransom of \$75,000 by "blackmailers" in or near this city. Clark disappeared from Santa Barbara January 17, after seeing his wife off on a train and was thought to have committed suicide by throwing himself into the ocean. The letter demanding the ransom for Clark's release was addressed to "Chief of Police" and dated Los Angeles January 27. It said: "We are holding Millionaire Clark for ransom of \$75,000. State in Examiner if his folks will pay it or not. He is well taken care of. Yours, the blackmailers."

Those who know Clark intimately are said to take the letter seriously. Mrs. Clark today dictated the following reply to the note: "I want to communicate with you more fully concerning my husband's disappearance. I want to know where the money is to be paid and in what manner. I want to know the motive that inspired the supposed kidnapping if my husband is held for ransom. I will entertain the proposition contained in the letter addressed to Chief Sebastian but before I definitely commit myself I must know more."

GOETHALS WILL BE GOVERNOR OF ZONE

Mr. Garrison Intimates That The Colonel's Acceptance Of Place Is Unqualified.

Washington, Jan. 29.—President Wilson sent to the senate today the nomination of Col. George W. Goethals to be governor of the Panama canal zone after April 1.

Washington, Jan. 29.—Secretary Garrison announced today that Colonel George W. Goethals had signified his intention of accepting the governorship of the Panama canal zone to be proffered to him by President Wilson. Mr. Garrison intimated that Colonel Goethals' acceptance was unqualified.

WORTH SANDERS, NEGRO, SURRENDERS HIMSELF

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 29.—Worth Sanders, negro, said to have been implicated in the murder of Mrs. William Lynch for which a mob lynched Jim Wilson Tuesday, gave himself up yesterday afternoon and is in the state prison to which he was taken after a short stay in Wake county jail. He denies that he had any part in the murder of Mrs. Lynch, but a dispatch from Wendell where the murder was committed says that Sanders on his way to Raleigh to give himself up, stopped at the house of a negro woman named Abbie Privett and admitted to her that he was present when Mrs. Lynch was slain. When the news of this conversation came to Wendell, a crowd formed, armed with bloodhounds and set out to capture Sanders, saying however, that they meant him no harm further than to see that he did not get away. Sanders gave himself up to three white men whom he met on his way to Raleigh.

BRANDS JUDGE SPEER AS CZAR

Attorney Osborne Testifies Federal Judge Is Unfair And Unjust; "Craves The Spot Light."

BELIEVES JUDGE SPEER JUDICIALLY CORRUPT

Says "You Cannot Come Out Of Judge Speer's Court Feeling Its Place Of Justice."

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 29.—When the congressional inquiry into the conduct of Judge Emory Speer was resumed this morning Mr. W. W. Osborne, a prominent Savannah attorney was called to the stand. Mr. Osborne is the law partner of Mr. A. A. Lawrence, the first witness to appear at the Savannah hearing, and who declared Judge Speer to be a "mistake as a judge." Mr. Osborne stated that he was somewhat diffident about giving an opinion on the record of Judge Speer because those who had not been litigants in his court or had not previously been before him would look upon what he said as incredible.

"Judge Speer is a good lawyer," he said, "but he is a czar as a judge. He is unfair and is possessed of a colossal conceit which makes him crave the spot light; and if some one else happens to get into it it greatly angers him. His court is one in which there is little justice and this is one reason litigants will travel through the city of Mason, where he lives, to appear before Federal Judge Newman in Atlanta. I regard him as a great egoist and devoid of personal courage. He has had his dignity and his pride wounded by administering punishment to those who will not truckle to him. What we need in this district is a judge and not a czar."

TRAINS COLLIDE IN FOG; THREE TRAINMEN DIE IN THE CRASH

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 29.—For hid the signals of the automatic block system on the Pennsylvania railroad near Conemaugh early today and an express train crashed into the rear of freight, killing three trainmen in the caboose and tossing about occupants of the passenger coaches. None of the passengers were seriously, however. The force of the collision was so great that the locomotive and mail car of the passenger train were derailed, blocking three tracks.

BANK OF ENGLAND RATE LOWERED AGAIN

London, Jan. 29.—The Bank of England was enabled today in consequence of further world wide ease in the monetary situation and of the strong position of its reserve to lower its minimum discount rate by one per cent making it three per cent. This was the third reduction since the beginning of the year.

REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE HAS INFORMALLY AGREED ON POLICY

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 29.—The republican committee appointed to recommend a policy for a complete legislative investigation of the state's affairs reached an informal agreement today. It was reported that the committee favors an investigation by eight assemblymen with District Attorney Whitman in charge.

WOMEN MAKE PRIMATE TALK

Militant Suffragettes Force The Archbishop of Canterbury to Discuss Forcible Feeding.

London, Jan. 29.—Militant suffragettes today forced the Archbishop of Canterbury, the English primate to receive one of their number to discuss forcible feeding in English jails. The women were headed by Mrs. Dacre-Fox. It took them an hour to secure admission to the old Lambeth palace. They declined to listen to any attempt on the part of those within the temple. Finally the archbishop allowed Mrs. Dacre-Fox to enter.

The head of the church listened sympathetically to the suffragettes' appeals, but he refused definitely to commit himself. Mrs. Dacre-Fox told the prelate that if he believed torture ever was justifiable he could not be a real Christian. She said he had only to use his personal influence to put an end to forcible feeding. The archbishop admitted that he received daily protests against forcible feeding, but declared that he could not give a definite answer to the suffragettes' appeal until he had heard the other side. He continued: "All I can do is to promise you my very earnest consideration."

Mrs. Dacre-Fox informed the archbishop that she was profoundly dissatisfied with his reply. She presented him with a suffragette newspaper and also Miss Christabel Pankhurst's book and said she hoped his personal of them would open his eye and to the necessity of action.

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FOUND GUILTY

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 29.—Samuel A. Stoe was found guilty in the United States district court here yesterday of violating the Mann white slave law and was sentenced to five years and a day imprisonment. He was charged with taking Mrs. Annie Woolley Bond from Atlanta to Birmingham, Ala., for immoral purposes.

VISCOUNT KNIGHTFORD DEAD

London, Jan. 29.—Viscount Knutsford, for many years a prominent conservative politician, died today in his 89th year.

SHOOTS WIFE; TRIES SUICIDE

VANDERBILT TELLS OF BRAVE RESCUE

Owner of Grounded Yacht Commends Work of Rescuing Seamen.

Colon, Jan. 29.—Frederick W. Vanderbilt today sent by wireless telegraphy from the steamship Almirante to the Associated Press a full account of the perilous rescue of the party on board his yacht Warrior which went ashore on January 29 off the coast of Colombia. Among those on board with him were his wife, the Duke and Duchess of Manchester and Lord Arthur George Keith-Falconer. Mr. Vanderbilt telegraphed: "The Warrior grounded on a sand bank at 5 o'clock on the morning of January 26, being carried in shore by a strong current. The United Fruit company's steamer Frutera, from Santa Marta, arrived on the scene of the accident at 5 o'clock in the evening. The sea was then too rough for small boats to be launched and the Frutera stood by all night. At three o'clock on the morning of the 27th the steamer Almirante arrived and both vessels sent life boats to the yacht at daylight. A heavy and very rough sea was breaking about the Warrior and a boat from the Frutera capsized, but all hands were saved. A boat from the Almirante returned to the yacht again at 10 o'clock in the morning, the wind and sea having moderated. It took off all the passengers from the Warrior. The officers and crew of the yacht were advised to leave, but all of them elected to remain on board until a wrecking tug arrived from Kingston. The yacht was resting easily on the south bank in about twelve feet of water, and there is a good chance of saving her."

"All praise is due to the officers and crews of the rescuing steamers."

Miss Booth Better.

New York, Jan. 29.—Miss Eva Booth, head of the Salvation Army in this country, spent a restful time and was better this morning, it was said at the army barracks where she has been confined to bed for more than a week.

Lobsters Sell High.

Portland, Me., Jan. 29.—Lobsters sold here today for 43 cents a pound, the highest price of the season. Continued stormy weather has caused a scarcity.

Jim Capps Seriously Wounds His Wife, Bessie Capps, Then Fires Bullet Into Himself.

HAD BEEN SEPARATED ABOUT THREE WEEKS

Capps Was Drunk When The Trouble Occurred—He is In Jail, and Wife in A Hospital.

Making the statement that he was going to kill his wife and then shoot himself, Jim Capps this morning about 8 o'clock pulled a pistol from his pocket and shot his wife, Bessie Capps, twice, once through the left lung and once in the right hand, then turned the gun on himself and fired a bullet into his lungs. The shooting occurred in a room over Abe Murray's livery stable on Lexington avenue, where the two had resided. Policemen were notified and Dr. L. B. McBrayer was called. They found the woman on a bed in one room, unable to speak. Capps on a bed in another room. They were removed to the Mission hospital, where Dr. McBrayer dressed the wounds. It was stated that Capps was drunk and as soon as the doctor dressed his wounds he was brought to the police station and will be confined there until he is sober enough to be removed to the hospital again.

It appears from the statements made by witnesses to the shooting, that Capps and his wife had lived apart about three weeks and during that time had had several quarrels, although they were not of a serious nature until this morning. Mrs. Daisy Weaver, who says that she was in the room when the shooting took place, says that Capps and his wife came into the room this morning and were talking. A little later his wife went up to him and sat on his lap. Mrs. Weaver says that Capps had a knife in his hand, which she took to be a shoe knife; that his wife made the remark that the knife was dangerous and he ought to put it up, that he might cut her or himself. At this Capps is said to have replied that he didn't care if he did. Then they both got up and Capps made several statements which none of the witnesses seemed to notice. It was then that he is alleged to have pulled his pistol and started to shoot.

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Isn't it well worth fifty cents to get the only book on the Panama Canal that bears the O. K. of Colonel Goethals? Here it is.

COUPON Save it for a Copy of THE PANAMA CANAL by Frederic J. Haskin Author of "The American Government" Gazette-News Thurs. Jan. 29 Colonel Goethals says: "Accurate and Dependable"

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