

J.P. MORGAN'S ASSAILANT TRIES TO TAKE OWN LIFE

Frank Holt Tries to Open
Artery of Wrist With
Lead Pencil in the
Mineola Jail

SUFFERS MENTAL AND
PHYSICAL COLLAPSE

Weakened by Loss of Blood
and Disease May Not Be
Able to Tell Promised
Story Tomorrow

Glen Cove, N. Y., July 6.—Frank Holt, the assailant of J. P. Morgan, and who also confessed to setting a bomb which exploded in the capitol at Washington Friday night, attempted to kill himself last midnight by trying to open the artery of his left wrist with a lead pencil. The attempt was not discovered by the officials of the Mineola jail, where the prisoner is confined, until he had lost a considerable quantity of blood. An attendant saw that he was in pain and summoned the warden who bound up the wound and stopped the loss of blood.

Holt was considered in such a serious condition from loss of blood and lack of nourishment that a hospital ward was considered by officials. "I have never seen a man in worse condition," said District Attorney Louis J. Smith. "Holt is very weak and I would not be surprised if he died."

Charles R. Apted, assistant superintendent of building at Harvard university, who knew Holt, arrived in Mineola today to see if Holt and Muentner are one. He said Holt remained only a few minutes and did not attempt to question him. He remarked that there was a strong resemblance but that it had been nine years since he had seen Muentner and, "I can't say positively whether they are the same."

Charles R. Wood, an assistant district attorney of New York county, who knew Muentner at Harvard, visited Holt again but was still unable to say whether he was Muentner.

Holt spent a restless night, tossing about on his cot from which he had been unable to arise during the day and muttering to himself at intervals. The jail attendants had taken from him his belt, his suspenders and every other article which they thought he might possibly use in attempting suicide. Holt had seemed so despondent that a strict watch was kept on him. After several hours had passed without his being able to sleep, Holt called for a pencil, saying that he wished to write to his wife, and a lead pencil and pad were brought to him. The attendant remained in the cell a few minutes and Holt turning on his side apparently had started to write. The attendant then left him.

Less than five minutes had passed when the attendant went to the cell again and noticed that Holt seemed to be in great pain. He entered the cell and found blood was flowing from a jagged cut on the prisoner's wrist. The pencil was lying on the cot. Holt had extracted the rubber eraser and had bitten the metal piece on the pencil until he had converted it into a rather sharp weapon. Apparently he had not reached the artery but he had cut a vein.

The questions why he had attempted to kill himself, Holt refused to reply.

Dr. Guy Clegghorn, the jail physician, was not summoned at once because it was evident that the attempt had been successfully checked.

Holt was cheered somewhat today by the receipt of a telegram from his wife at Dallas, Texas. It follows:

"Have best counsel here. Advise to rest and wait and you do the same. Send loving greetings hourly. Beautiful tribute to you in both evening papers here. I am a tarrying for details of our finances. I will come when you need me. Do not be afraid. Rest. (Signed) 'LEONE'."

The condition of Mr. Morgan, who is recovering from two hip wounds inflicted by bullets from Holt's revolver, continued to improve. It was said he wished to get out of bed but this was not permitted. His physicians were so encouraged that it was said they had virtually decided to issue no more bulletins on Mr. Morgan's condition.

Lies in Collapse.

New York, July 6.—Frank Holt, who dynamited the national capitol and shot J. P. Morgan, lay in a physical and mental collapse today in his cell in the Mineola jail. Holt had promised to tell the whole story of his life when arraigned tomorrow before a justice of the peace at Glen Cove, but his condition is such that grave doubts are entertained as to whether he will be able to appear in court.

Dr. Guy F. Clegghorn, the jail physician, is quoted as saying, "Holt was unresponsive when he attacked Mr. Morgan and he is unresponsive now."

The only place for the man is in Matteawan asylum, the physician is reported to have said. Intestinal and stomach troubles which the prisoner

Berlin Is Seeking to Clarify the Situation Before Replying to U.S.

Ambassador Gerard Submits Information of Berlin's Views
on Submarine Warfare, but Washington Has Not Yet Replied—No New Negotiations Entered Upon.

Washington, July 6.—Secretary of State Lansing stated today that dispatches had been received from Ambassador Gerard at Berlin giving information of views of the German government on submarine warfare but that this government had not replied.

While declining to divulge the contents of the dispatch Secretary Lansing let it be known that the proposals contained in it were similar to those already discussed in Berlin.

Trial of Piute Indian, Tse-Ne-Gat, Has Begun

Denver, July 6.—The trial of Tse-Ne-Gat (Everett Hatch), a Piute Indian, charged with the murder of Juan Chacon, a herder, began today in the federal court here. About 40 witnesses, many of them Indians, have been summoned to testify. The killing took place in March, 1914, in Montezuma county, Colorado.

Efforts by possessors of United States deputy marshals under Marshal Nebocker last February to arrest Tse-Ne-Gat resulted in armed resistance by

recalcitrant Indians led by Old Folk, father of the defendant. General Hugh Scott, chief of staff of the United States army, sent from Washington after a truce was ordered, brought out the Indians from their mountain rendezvous and took the accused Piute to Salt Lake City. Several of the Indians were later released, but Tse-Ne-Gat was brought to Denver, where he has been in a sanitarium awaiting trial. According to physicians he is suffering with tuberculosis.

Evelyn N. Thaw Still Says She Will Not Testify

New York, July 6.—Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, summoned by the state to testify against her husband, Harry K. Thaw in the jury proceedings to determine his sanity, reached New York from her camp at Chappaqua Lake, near Malone today. Mrs. Thaw announced that she would stand on her constitutional rights and refuse to take the stand.

Deputy Attorney General Cook asserted that as the hearing is a civil proceeding the court could direct Mrs. Thaw to testify and he would ask the court to so direct. Mrs. Thaw's appearance did not bear out reports that she is suffering from nervous prostration. She looked extremely well.

Chicago Union Official Shot, Result of Strike

Chicago, July 6.—Charles H. Johnston, secretary and treasurer of the Brick Makers' Union, was shot twice below the heart when he answered a ring of his door bell today. Physicians state that the wounds will probably prove fatal. The assailant, whom Mr. Johnston failed to recognize, made his escape.

Police attribute the shooting to labor troubles. Brickmakers were thrown out of employment as the result of the action of the construction material interests, when they refused to deliver building supplies until the strike of 15,000 carpenters is settled.

Delegates of 22 Nations Attend Press Congress

San Francisco, July 6.—Forty states of the Union and 21 foreign countries were represented in the International Press congress which began session here today at the Panama-Pacific exposition. After the preliminary ceremonies the American Newspaper and Publishers' association, whose convention representatives are included among the delegates to the congress, began its formal inaugural session. The congress is to continue five days.

Casualty List of 2000 in All-Day Mexican Battle

Laredo, Tex., July 6.—Six hundred Carranza troops were killed in an all-day battle yesterday during a fruitless attempt to take Paredon, a Villa stronghold, about 30 miles northwest of Monterrey, according to reports.

Eighteen thousand men are said to have been engaged with total casualties on both sides of 2,000. Carranza troops were reinforced and have renewed the attack.

ROSENTHAL ON TRIAL FOR NAVAL ESPIONAGE

London, July 6.—The court martial of Robert Rosenthal, accused of naval espionage and who, when arrested, had a passport issued by the American embassy at Berlin, opened today in London. Major General Baron Cheylesmore, whose wife is the daughter of the late F. C. French of New York, presided.

THE WEATHER
PARTLY CLOUDY.

Y.M.C.A. SCHOOL AT BLUE RIDGE

Annual Meeting of Y. M. C. A. Workers of South Opens at Blue Ridge Tomorrow With Good Program

ABOUT 350 WORKERS
TO ATTEND SCHOOL

Six Different Schools to Be Conducted Between July 7 and 21—Speakers of National Note on Hand

Y. M. C. A. workers from all points in the south are passing through Asheville today en route to Blue Ridge, where tomorrow the annual summer school of the Young Men's Christian association opens, to continue until July 21. It is expected that at least 350 workers in the various departments of the associations in the south will attend the summer school at Blue Ridge.

The registration this year promises to exceed all previous records. The registration to date shows that students have matriculated from every southern state and from Texas, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Massachusetts, Delaware, New Jersey, Arkansas, Kansas, New York, District of Columbia and Maryland.

Following is a list of the schools to be conducted together with the dean of each school:

General secretaries, R. H. King, dean, Charleston, S. C.
Boys' work secretaries, L. W. Dunn, dean, New York city.
Railroad secretaries, G. K. Roper, dean, Clifton Forge, Va.
Industrial secretaries, N. C. Schlichter, dean, Charlotte.

Student secretaries, W. D. Weatherford, dean, Nashville, Tenn.
Physical directors, William H. Ball, dean, New York city.

The list of instructors for this season, including the following educators of prominence:

President S. C. Mitchell, Delaware college, Newark, Delaware.
Dr. E. I. Bosworth, Oberlin college, Ohio.
Dr. James Elliott, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Dr. W. D. Weatherford, southern student secretary, international committee.

Winfield Scott Hall, M. D., professor of biology, Northwestern Medical college, Chicago, Ill.

Prof. M. A. Honline, Bonebrake Theological seminary, Dayton, O.

Among the instructors in Young Men's Christian association methods and principles who are themselves experts in the work of the Young Men's Christian association may be mentioned the following:

George B. Hodge, New York city; B. G. Alexander Knoxville, Tenn.; R. C. Morse, New York city, general secretary of the Young Men's Christian association, North America; W. H. Morris, Baltimore; C. R. Towson, New York city; W. I. McNair, Louisville; C. S. Ward, New York city; G. H. Winslow, Washington; C. C. Robinson, New York city; A. S. Keim, M. D., Nashville, Tenn.; George J. Fisher, M. D., New York.

Some of the subjects that will be taught at this summer school for association employees:

Christian fundamental studies in the life of Christ, social and economic aspects of the south, the church and social and economic progress, social ethics, methods of educational work, business management, elementary psychology, the principles and methods of boys' work, financial campaigns, association history, principles and methods of organization general history with special reference to religion, philosophy of physical training, the biology of sex, and many other subjects of special importance to officers in the many phases of association activity.

Welfare Conference.
In connection with the summer school industrial department will be held on July 16 and 17, a welfare conference, which promises to be one of the most important parts of the summer school.

The program to be carried out at this welfare conference is as follows:

Friday Morning, July 16.
"Causes of Industrial Unrest"—David Clark, Charlotte, editor Southern Textile Bulletin.

"Aims and Results of Our Welfare Program"—R. H. Fitzgerald, Danville, Treasurer Riverdale and Dan River mills.

"Raising Health Standards in Industrial Communities"—Dr. E. H. T. Foster, Charlotte, Secretary Industrial department, international committee of Y. M. C. A.

Discussion and reports of work being done at various plants.

Saturday Morning, 10 o'clock.
"Physical Basis for Industrial Efficiency"—Dr. George J. Fisher, N. Y. secretary physical department international committee of Y. M. C. A.

"Medical and Safety Work in a Modern Industry"—Dr. Lawson Thornton, Birmingham Medical Director.

(Continued on page 2)

BUILDERS WILL ADJOURN TODAY

On Second Day of Convention Exchange Members Hear Addresses on Many Important Topics

BANQUET FOR MEMBERS
AT LANGREN TONIGHT

Committee Meeting Held Yesterday—Visitors Motored to Sunset Mountain; Enjoyed Smoker Last Night

Shortly after 11 o'clock this morning the Builders' exchange of North Carolina was called to order for the formal program of the two days' meeting here. John W. Stout of Sanford, first vice-president, presided. Marcus Erwin, representing Mayor J. E. Rankin, delivered the address of welcome and Ben Pillow of Charlotte responded on behalf of the visitors.

Mr. Erwin said that he was commissioned by Mayor J. E. Rankin to express publicly the city's gratification at having the builders' exchange in Asheville. As the ocean is never filled by the many streams that flow into it, so Asheville never tires of the conventions that assembled here, he said. "We have thrown away our front door key and opened our gates to bid you welcome." The city attorney declared that the calling of the builders' exchange is a noble one. "He who builds a modern house at a moderate price by free labor at a living wage," said the speaker, "has done a greater and more imperishable work than all the ancients who built those noble piles of stone with slave labor at the price of many stripes."

Mr. Pillow said that the members of the exchange were glad to meet in a city where business and pleasure could be so well combined. The members of the organization are enjoying their stay in this city, the speaker said, and they are grateful for the entertainment and the welcome that has been extended to them.

H. L. Lewman, president of the National Association of Builders' exchanges, made a strong and instructive address on a subject of vital interest to those who are engaged in the building industry in this state. Mr. Lewman explained the details of the new standard contracts now in use by the National association of Builders and the American institute of Architects.

Mr. Lewman referred to the old form of contract as too often vague and uncertain in its plans and specifications. Frequently the result was misunderstanding and confusion after work was started on a building, and no one knew exactly whether the architect, the contractor, or the owner was to blame for the delay and uncertainty. The basis of the new form of documents used in construction agreements is arbitration and the contract itself is drawn so as to eliminate doubt as to its interpretation. The National Builders' association originated the plan, and Mr. Lewman said that it is very gratifying to be able to say that the architects have cooperated with the builders in this movement.

Mr. Lewman is a well known contractor and builder in St. Louis but he traces his family history back to North Carolina. In conversation at the Langren hotel this morning he said that in 1804 his grandfather moved from Ireland to St. Louis. Mr. Lewman has visited Asheville and North Carolina frequently within the last 20 years and he says that he is proud that of his Old North State ancestry. The rapid development of North Carolina towns such as Asheville, Charlotte and Winston-Salem is especially noticeable to the occasional visitor, said the St. Louis man.

Secretary H. C. Federal stated this morning that there would probably be addressing by speakers not on the program today. Owing to the late hour of beginning the morning session it is likely that a short afternoon session will be held. The final event of the convention will be the banquet this evening at the Langren hotel, which is convention headquarters for the exchange. Preparations have been made for a sumptuous feast and talks will be made by a number of those present.

There are about fifty members of the exchange attending the gathering here and the unanimous verdict of the visitors is that the meeting is one of the most pleasant and profitable that the exchange has ever conducted.

Yesterday's Proceedings.
The morning and afternoon sessions yesterday were given over to the deliberations of the various committees. The general contractors, sub-contractors and arbitration committees met in the forenoon; the entertainment, architects' plans and specifications, finance legislative, membership and executive committees held their meetings in the afternoon.

Later in the day the builders and the ladies in the party went for an automobile ride to Sunset mountain. At 8 o'clock a social session and smoker were enjoyed by the members of the exchange.

RUSSIANS MAKE PLANS TO OFFER STRONG DEFENSE

CONGRESSMAN BRITT
HEARD BY JUNIOR ORDER

Enjoyable Meeting of District Juniors Was Held at Brevard Monday

A celebration of the Fourth was observed Monday in a very patriotic manner by the Junior Order of Brevard, Transylvania county, lodge No. 376. The visiting councils of Asheville, Canton, Leicester, and Blitmore assisted the Brevard lodge in their observance of the day. Mr. A. Galloway of Brevard welcomed the visitors in a very appreciative speech while N. W. Pain, district deputy of the order, responded.

The features of the meeting were addresses by Congressman James J. Britt and Gen. E. D. Gilmer of Waynesville. The subject of Mr. Britt's address, "Duties of the Juniors in the World's War," was heard by more than 2500 people. Mr. Britt spoke for about an hour and dwelt at length upon the law as relating to punishment and deplored the many instances where mob violence had been resorted to in meeting out to criminals a death penalty where the proper enforcement of the law and its prescribed penalties should be the only necessity, even though it often called for the life of the unfortunate criminal. It was remarked to a reporter of the Gazette-News this morning by a gentleman who has often heard Mr. Britt, that his address of yesterday was one of his best efforts and both Congressman Britt and General Gilmer, who presented a flag to the order, were given close attention while speaking.

Following the presentation of the flag by General Gilmer, F. F. Wood delivered the speech of acceptance. The lodge at Brevard has enjoyed a very rapid growth April 1 the membership numbered 69, now there are 139.

HARDWARE DEALERS TO MEET AT ISLE OF PALMS

Sessions Will Be Held July 13 to 16 and Large Attendance Expected

The dates for the holding of the annual meeting of the Hardware association of the Carolinas at the Isle of Palms are July 13 to 16 and not July 15 to 18, as was at first stated in the programs printed in several newspapers in this state.

It is expected that a large number of the hardware dealers of the Carolinas will attend this meeting and most elaborate program has been arranged for the business and social sessions of the association.

MERAZ ARRESTED FOR DEATH OF S. BURWELL

New Orleans, July 6.—Local police today expected instructions from the federal authorities to deliver into their custody Escopio Meraz, a former Huerta army officer, said to have been an aide camp on the staff of General Emiliano Quirol Gomez. Meraz was arrested early today, after the police had received an anonymous note alleging that Meraz had confessed to the writer that he was responsible for the death of Scott Burwell, an American executed in Mexico about a year ago. The writer of the unsigned note, Manuel Esquiverra, a Mexican who was located by detectives, supplemented the written charges with the direct statement, according to the police that Meraz had admitted to him in confidence recently, "I with my soldiers killed the gringo."

TO ARREST WIFE ON MURDER CHARGE

Nashville, Tenn., July 6.—Officers left Burkesville, Ky., today according to advices received here, to arrest Mrs. Porter Crawford, in connection with the death of her husband, a young farmer. He was stabbed at his home near here Monday.

BELIEVE END NEAR FOR ARCHBISHOP

Rochester, July 6.—James Edward Quigley, Catholic archbishop of Chicago, who is seriously ill here, continues to grow gradually weaker. The end may come any moment.

Special Petrograd Dispatches Predict Russian Campaign to Resist German Attack on Warsaw

THE COUNTRY OFFERS
SERIOUS DIFFICULTIES

Even German Victory Would Be Almost as Costly as Defeat—Germans Retake Western Trenches

Berlin, July 6.—(by Wireless to Sayville, L. I.)—A great British aeroplane attack was directed against German positions in a German bay in the North sea on the morning of July 4, according to a German official statement issued under date of July 6. The announcement adds that the attack failed.

Special dispatches from the western front say that in the recent battle between Arras and La Bassée the French and British suffered losses, one command alone losing 3,400 out of 4,200 men.

London, July 6.—Special correspondents at Petrograd send optimistic predictions concerning a Russian campaign for the defense of Warsaw, which forms the center of a vast circle 100 miles in diameter of strong Russian fortifications. Even the fall of Ivangorod, according to correspondents, would not mean the loss of the Polish capital.

Desperate fighting, according to official Russian reports, is raging between the Vistula and Bug rivers, along the base of a triangle of which Warsaw forms the apex. The country is marshy, and it is predicted in London that the campaign will be a constant drain on German resources, until even a victory would be almost as costly as a defeat.

The German thrust against the French positions west of the Moselle river apparently have not extended beyond infantry attacks in which they regained trenches which had been previously lost, but preparations probably are under way for a further advance, as Paris reports a violent bombardment in this region.

In reply to the German wireless claim of an aerial raid on Landguard, a fort at Harwich, the British admiralty states that a German seaplane and an aeroplane, flying at a great height, were pursued by British airmen and forced to drop their bombs harmlessly into the sea.

Russia has apologized to Sweden for the violation of Swedish neutrality, when the German mine layer Albatross was driven ashore on the Island of Gothland, after the Russians had fired shells into the vessel within the three-mile limit.

The Russians are evidently making a desperate stand between the rivers Pruth and Dniester. Grand Duke Nicholas, Russian commander-in-chief, reports desperate fighting in South Poland, while Vienna admits that the Russians are attacking in strong force. Austro-German sources, however, declare this effort is a forlorn hope.

General von Linington's Teutonic army, after a fortnight of terrible struggles, is reported by Vienna and

(Continued on Page Two)