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Roosevelt Escapes Assassin's Bullets ROWAN MAY LOSE ALL-TIME SENATOR

Cermak is Seriously Wounded Four Others Are Injured

Roosevelt Party Fired Upon Wednesday Night On Miami Streets After Talk

Bystanders Nab Gunman Who Is Jailed In Miami; Roosevelt Relates Tragedy

A gunman fired into the party of President-elect Roosevelt on the streets of Miami Wednesday night and seriously wounded Mayor Anton Cermak of Chicago, who was standing near the Roosevelt car.

The man gave his name as Joe Zingara of New York to police. He is being held in Miami jail. He is an Italian.

His five wild shots hit also Mrs. Joe Gill of Miami; William Sinnott of Miami; Russell Caldwell, a boy, and Miss Margaret Kruis, of Newark, N. J.

Mayor Cermak was hit in the chest. The bullet pierced the body. Little hope for his life is held. Startled and momentarily stunned by the firing close to his car, Roosevelt waved to the crowd and shouted "I am all right" as he was hurriedly driven away through the confusion. The shooting and screams of the victims created momentary pandemonium. Quiet was quickly restored, however.

Mrs. W. F. Cross of Miami struck the shooter's arm as he let go with the fifth shot and shoved his elbow into the air. James W. Galloway of Miami and a policeman overpowered the man and shackled him to a car.

Mr. Roosevelt had just concluded speaking from his automobile, standing in Bay Front park, and had sat down when the shooting opened.

Mrs. Joe Gill of Miami was shot in the abdomen.

William Sinnott, a New York policeman, was critically wounded by a shot in the head.

Miss Margaret Kruis of Newark, N. J. was hit through the hand. Russell Caldwell, 22, Miami was shot in the head.

Enroute to New York Thursday. Continued on page five

Twice Beauty Winner



Maxine Gagnon was picked by noted artists as one of the twenty most beautiful fashion mannequins in the U. S. . . . Then in a later judging finished among the first five, and declared the model and mannequin with the most personality.

GOOD MORNING

SOME STATUS
Arriving in a small western town, an easterner was attempting to start up a friendly conversation with a native.

"Tell me," he said, "what is the status of the liquor supply around here?"

"Status?" mumbled the native. "I dunno what you mean."

"I mean, is it easy to obtain liquor and is there much of it around here?"

"Well, mister," said the native, "all I can tell you is that a little way back they turned off the water supply for a week and nobody knew it till the town hall caught fire."

"So you bought that car with pin money?"

"Yes, last week I won a prize for having the prettiest legs in town."

Pretty Caller: "Can I see the manager?"

Fresh Clerk: "Yes; the manager always has time to see pretty girls."

Caller: "Tell him his wife is here."

"I know how to settle this unemployment problem," said the club wag. "If we put all the men of the world on one island, and all the women on another, we'd have everybody busy in no time."

"Well, what would they be doing?"

"Why, boat-building."

"Doesn't your wife miss you when you stay out until three in the morning?"

"Occasionally; but usually her aim is perfect."

The customer waited a few minutes and finally called out to the proprietor who sat sleepily in the rear of the store.

"Say, can't you come and wait on me? I'm in a hurry."

The proprietor shifted his position slightly and drawled:

"Couldn't you come in some time when I'm standing up?"

"Let's see, you're an optimist, aren't you?"

"Somewhat. I believe the world is getting better every day, but I'm not so sure about the nights."

"What does this mean, sir?" said the boss to the man coming in half an hour late.

"It was on account of the awful fog this morning, sir," the fellow explained.

"Fog, fog" expostulated the boss. "Why, what has the fog to do with it? You do not live across the bay."

"No, sir. I know I don't, but you do, and I thought you would be late."

Judge—Are you married?
Prisoner—No, I got this black eye from a friend.

Mother—Why do you play with all those rough boys? Why don't you play with the nice little boys?
Son—Their mothers won't let me.

"Professor Thomas was on his way home with his new Ford," reports the Plattsburg Leader. "When he thought he had forgotten something. Twice on the way home he stopped and looked over the packages in the coupe and searched his pocket, but finally decided he had everything with him."

"When he reached home his daughter ran out looking surprised and cried 'Why father, where's mother?'"

President-Elect Sailing Southern Waters



Waving farewell as he set sail on an eleven day cruise, his last vacation before taking over the Presidency, Franklin D. Roosevelt looked forward to a real rest and relaxation from cares. Aboard with him was his cousin, Kermit Roosevelt, son of former President, Theodore Roosevelt. Photo shows Kermit Roosevelt, President-elect Roosevelt and Vincent Astor, host, and upon whose yacht, The Nourmahal, the cruise is being made. The start was made from Jacksonville, Fla.

One Leg, Then Wrap



They are pants but they are put on in a peculiar manner. One leg is a regular leg and slips on, foot first. . . . The other leg "wraps around" and forms the new beach trousers which Nell Hughes of Memphis demonstrates above.

NEWS BRIEFS

RENEW STATE NOTES

The governor and treasurer of the state are back at the capital after an air trip to New York, where they succeeded in renewing \$5,670,000 in state notes due February 15. Interest of 6 per cent was continued.

SURRY FARMER STABBED

A quarrel over a straw stack ended fatally for Esker Beck, 40, Surry county farmer. He was stabbed with a pocketknife by Andrew Gunter.

\$40,000 ELIZABETH CITY FIRE

The Carolina building at Elizabeth City was damaged \$40,000 by fire. The building housed a theatre and numerous offices.

PARK LEGAL FEES HEAVY

Following a legislative charge by Senator W. O. Burgin, of Davidson, that excessive costs had been paid in acquiring Great Smoky Mountain National Park lands, it is reported from Asheville that \$92,619 has been paid in slightly over four years to attorneys for title work and litigation in acquiring lands in North Carolina.

PINEHURST GIRL WAS VICTIM

Lelie Cary Page, 19, Pinehurst girl student at Bryn Mawr college, died of gas asphyxiation at her uncle's New York home. Her uncle stated that she had apparently mistaken a gas radiator for a steam one and had opened the gas valve before retiring.

TWO AUTO ACCIDENT VICTIMS

Mrs. Ernest Davis was instantly killed on Lillington's main street, when she was struck by the car of W. E. Moore. Her companion, Mrs. Frank Stewart was painfully hurt. Moore said he didn't see them until it was too late to avoid them. J. V. Watson, Savannah, Ga., was killed when a truck in which he was riding crashed into a tree which had fallen over the highway near Rockingham.

SPARTA BANK IS ROBBED

Yeggs forced the rear door and worked the combination of the vault of the Bank of Sparta to get away with \$1,500 in cash. The robbery was not discovered until the opening hour.

IS HUNTING VICTIM

As Clyde Smith, 19, and James Smith, 14, got into a rowboat to go duck hunting near Valdeese, the hammer of a shotgun struck the seat and the gun discharged. Clyde Smith was instantly killed and James Smith was wounded.

2 HELD FOR BANK ROBBERY

Joseph P. Ewing, Fayetteville, was arrested in Detroit the police stating he had passed numerous bills reported stolen in the robbery of the Page bank at Aberdeen February 3. John Butler, Fayetteville, is held in jail at Carthage. A third man is being sought.

CROSSING CRASH KILLS TWO

Earl Mullis, Weldon, and Weyland Overby, Fayetteville, were killed and four others badly injured, at Weldon, when their car was hit on a grade crossing by Atlantic Coast Line train 80.

RUN DOWN BY AUTO

Ivan Benson, 28, Johnston county, was run over by the car of D. M. Roberts near Smithfield, and was killed. A coroner's jury exonerated Roberts of blame.

New Bill To Redistrict Introduced

Many Protests Are Registered

Would Allot Two Senators To Rowan, Davidson And Montgomery Counties

Measure Seeks To Eliminate Four Senators And Reduce Number Of Districts

Under a new bill introduced this week in the house of representatives at Raleigh, Rowan county may lose its all-time senator.

The measure provides for two senators to come from Rowan, Davidson and Montgomery counties.

Heretofore, Rowan county has been entitled to one senator and constituted a senatorial district.

Upon hearing of this proposed change, many citizens of Rowan county have written the lawmakers at Raleigh opposing such a change, and requesting that Rowan remain a complete senatorial district.

One senator, under the law, is allowed for each 60,000 population. The population of Rowan, Davidson and Montgomery counties totals 120,700. Rowan's population is slightly in excess of 56,000.

Reduction in the number of state senatorial districts in North Carolina from 33 to 29 by redistricting to create three with three senators each was proposed in the house by Representatives Massenburg of Polk.

Massenburg introduced a measure drafted by a special committee. Senator Griffin of Franklin introduced the same measure in the senate.

The 15th district, to include Caswell, Rockingham and Guilford; the 18th, with Mecklenburg, Cabarrus and Stanly, and the 25th to include Watauga, Caldwell, Burke, McDowell and Buncombe, each would be assigned three members of the upper house.

Under the present plan there is no senatorial district in the state with more than two senators. The 1931 legislature failed to pass a reapportionment bill as required by the constitution after a United States census, although the state was redistricted to absorb an additional congressman.

"Silly" says Barbara



Barbara Hutton, Woolworth heiress and said to be the richest unmarried girl in the world, declares as "silly" Count Borromeo's assertion that they are engaged.

Hoover Says Republicans To Aid Roosevelt Regime

A pledge that the Republican party would support the new Democratic administration in every measure promoting the nation's welfare was given by President Hoover in his farewell Lincoln Day address in New York Feb. 13.

Republicans will, he added, vigilantly oppose all harmful measures.

Declaring he had no complaint over the outcome of the last election, Mr. Hoover predicted the Republican party will be recalled to power by the American people.

"An organization that can show more than 15,000,000 adherents after 70 years—an irreducible minimum in the reaction from the worst depression the world has ever seen—is indeed testimony to the

virility of the principles which Lincoln enunciated," Mr. Hoover said. "Those principles, the fiber and the determination of the party, assure that it will be recalled to power by the American people."

Mr. Hoover renewed his plea for retention of the gold standard as the only path of safety for the nation. He added, however, that the world should endeavor to find a place for silver, at least in enlarged subsidiary coinage.

Cancellation of war debts would not give relief and the importance of these debts in world trade is exaggerated, Mr. Hoover continued. He suggested that if central banks should co-operate to stabilize world currencies, some part of the debt payments might be set aside for temporary use in this way.

State's Road Bonds Total \$106,537,000

North Carolina's outstanding highway bonds, amounting to \$106,537,000 at the beginning of this fiscal year and requiring annual payments in excess of \$8,000,000 a year now, reaching the peak of \$9,172,269 during the fiscal year 1937-39, will be completely paid off in 30 years, the fiscal year 1933-34 marking the end, the budget, just issued shows.

At present, the annual payments of debt service are more than half in interest paid. Interest for this fiscal year on highway bonds is \$4,635,115, out of the total debt service for this year of \$8,385,115. The balance is \$500,000 in sinking fund contributions to meet bonds later falling due, and \$3,250,000 is the maturity of bonds, paid as they fall due.

During the present five-year period, of which the present is about the middle, the state will be called upon to issue \$41,266,793 in debt service for highways alone, exclusive of the general fund and other special payments.

This \$41,266,793 in highway debt service includes \$22,928,193 in interest on outstanding bonds, \$15,828,600 in payment of bonds that fall due during the period, and \$2,500,000 placed in the sinking fund to take care of sinking fund bonds as they fall due.

Rogers Is New Police Chief At E. Spencer

H. C. Rogers of Lexington, has been elected chief of police of the Town of East Spencer, succeeding W. O. Murphy who resigned recently after a service in this capacity for several years.

Mr. Rogers, who was formerly of the Lexington police force, has had ten years experience as an officer.

He assumed his new duties the first part of the week and will move his family to East Spencer within the near future.

DEER TAKES REFUGE IN RANCHER'S HOME

Merritt, B. C.—Frightened by hunters, a deer has taken up its domicile at the home of Joseph Gledson on the Hasting's ranch. It spends most of its time on the front veranda of the ranch house. When strangers appear, the animal goes through the house and out the back door.

State Legislature Is Still Seeking Available Money

Sub-committees of the general assembly are now doing some deep digging, wishing, probably without hope, for subterranean vaults with buried treasures. Finding none of these, they are seeking to "find the money where the money is," if any, and will probably emerge in a week or two with a general sales tax, coupled with a state-wide eight months school proposal, abolishing the charter districts along with it.

Many legislators express opposition to the sales tax and, under other conditions, would be found fighting it to the last ditch, but who now say it seems the way out, and, as obnoxious as it is, they are about reconciled to support it. The merchants are fighting it, naturally, and the opponents are going to the mat daily, but fee they are on the losing end. If the answer is not a sales tax of 2 or 3 per cent of gross sales, it has not yet been discovered.

Coupled with it will be the eight months school term, state-wide, as things now appear, and, as a part of that, will be abolition of the special charter school districts, so far as operation goes. This will be opposed by representatives of the larger centers which have nine months of school and other refinements and additions to the school work. They will claim that it is the smaller counties calling upon them again to carry their burdens, but if this triple measure—general sales tax, eight months' school and abolition of special charter districts does not result, then all present signs are at fault.

The finance, appropriations and school machinery bills are expected to be before the two houses within a week or two, and should be disposed of within 10 days or two weeks, unless unforeseen complications arise. If such progress is made, the accepted 60 days may be enough, but 75 days should be allowed.

VOTERS REFUSE TO LET MAYOR QUIT HIS JOB

Milford, Mich.—Dan H. Smith, Milford Mayor, has a job he can't quit.

He has been trying to resign ever since he was elected seven years ago. But the voters re-elect him each year, despite his protests.