

DAMNING EVIDENCE OF A CONSPIRACY TO MURDER GARMACK INTRODUCED

Strong Case Made Out Against Coopers in Second Day of Trial

CONFERENCE HELD BEFORE SHOOTING

Feeling Grows More Bitter and Attorneys Barely Avoid Collisions.

(By Associated Press.) NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 17.—Marked by bitter contentions between attorneys and by new and startling testimony, the second day of the Cooper-Sharp trial for the murder of former Senator Garmack closed tonight with the state highly elated and the defense visibly perturbed.

There were three star witnesses and all of them women. Miss Mary Skofington, the state librarian and a young woman of excellent standing socially, was the first. She told how on the day of the murder she left the state library and walked down Seventh avenue, and when within 200 feet of the scene of the shooting she met John Sharp, one of the defendants whom she had known for ten or twelve years.

Evidence of Conspiracy. By the second witness, Miss Daisy Lee, the state laid the foundation upon which it will base its contention that the slaying of Garmack was the result of a conspiracy. Miss Lee is a stenographer in the office of James Bradford, one of the attorneys for the defense.

Miss Lee then told how at 3 p. m., there began a conference in Bradford's office between the two Coopers, Bradford and Adjutant General Tully Brown. The conference lasted until four o'clock in the afternoon.

Miss Lee's duty, among other things was to answer the telephone. There are desk extensions into the private offices of the members of the firm. It was her custom to answer the telephone and call by an electric button such members of the firm as were wanted.

She heard a voice say: "Is that you Jim?" and heard Attorney Bradford say "yes."

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MEMBERS FROM BUNCOMBE ARE DOING THINGS

Take Prominent Part in Day's Proceedings at State Capital.

REVIEW PROVIDED FOR COUNTY LISTS

Revenue Bill Provides for New Officer to Vise Work of Listers.

RALEIGH, Feb. 17.—Senator Britt was presiding officer in the senate for some time today, and acquitted himself with decided credit. He also offered the invocation when the senate convened. Weaver introduced today a bill to amend the law as to riding on freight trains. Gaston introduced a bill carrying slight changes in methods of paying fees over to the county by county officers in Buncombe. The house had up for awhile tonight Weaver's prohibition bill for Buncombe. Mr. Weaver was not in the house and Mr. Gaston asked that the bill go over. Mr. Grant declared it gave the police power to search any store or pool room without warrant.

Revenue Bills In. The introduction of the revenue and machinery bills in the house by Chairman Dowd of the committee on finance was the feature of the session today.

Discuss History. The senate spent some time discussing a resolution to authorize and organize the county board of education to purchase sets of the Asho History of North Carolina for the rural school libraries and finally passed it with a "yea" vote.

Senate—Thirty-Fifth Day. The senate convened at 11 o'clock. New bills of general and local interest introduced.

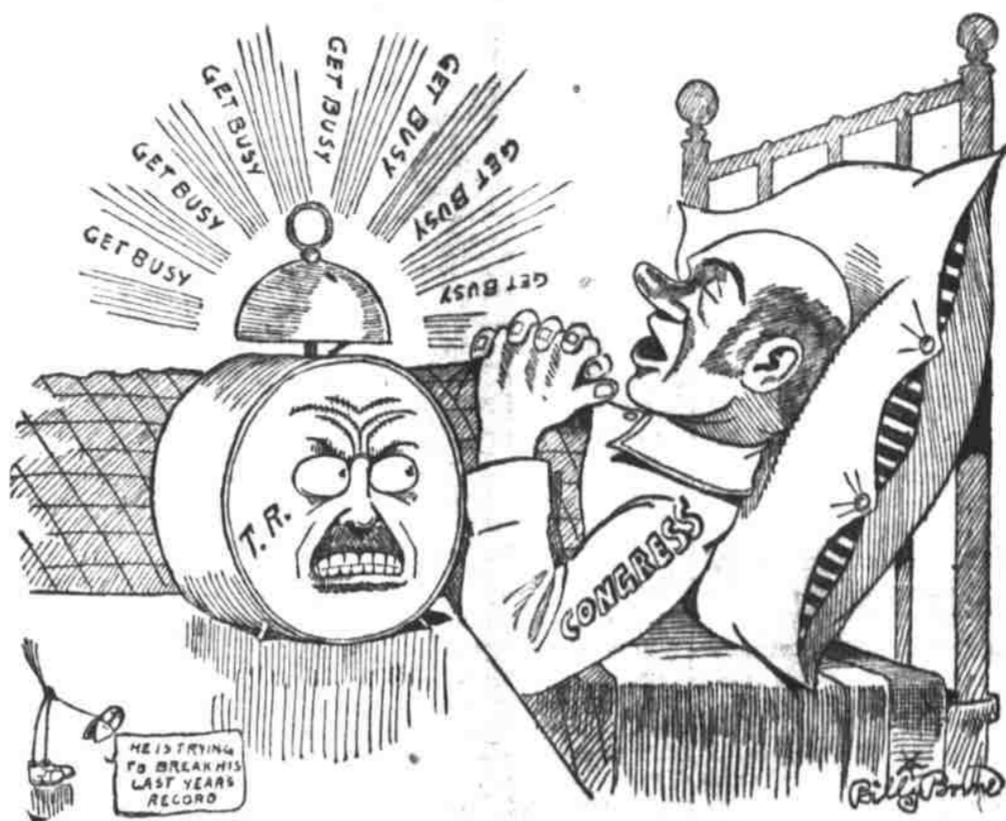
Big Ships Retained. The battleship provision was then taken up and Senator Lodge made an impassioned appeal to the senate to reverse its action in reducing the size of two battleships from the type costing \$5,000,000 each to two of the Utah and Florida, costing \$4,500,000 each.

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GERONIMO DIES IN PRISON FULL OF BITTER HATRED FOR WHITE MAN

(By Associated Press.) LAWTON, Okla., Feb. 17.—Geronimo, the noted Indian chief, died today at Fort Sill, where he had been confined as a prisoner of war for a number of years. He died of pneumonia at the hospital at the army post. He was 86 years old. He will be buried at the Indian cemetery near the Fort tomorrow by Christian missionaries. Geronimo having professed religion three years ago. Geronimo, chief of the Apaches, was captured with his band at Skeleton canyon, Arizona, twenty-two years ago, having surrendered to General Nelson A. Miles after a three thousand mile chase. It is a curious coincidence that news of Geronimo's death was sent out from Lawton, which was named after the late General Henry F. Lawton, who, as a lieutenant in General Miles' command, led the three thousand mile chase that resulted in the Apache chief's surrender. The chase of

Hard to Awaken



SENATE AGREES ON NAVAL BILL AMENDMENTS

Revokes the President's Order Taking Marines From Ships.

CANNON VOTES WITH TEMPERANCE MEN

On Amendments Restricting Shipments of Liquor From States.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—The naval bill carrying total appropriations of about \$136,000,000 was today passed by the senate, after having been under consideration for three days. The bill was today changed by the restoration of the house provision for two battleships of 25,000 tons displacement, to cost \$6,000,000 each.

Within Its Powers. Mr. Hale said: "It has come to a very hard pass in its discretion over the management of the large concerns of the navy department, a department for which congress appropriates one hundred and thirty odd millions, Congress cannot restore a condition that existed for one hundred years; if it cannot pass a measure that is against an order of the president, without the action being considered as an assault upon him."

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DRUGGED, TIED, SENDS LETTER OUT FOR HELP

Mysterious Case Puzzles the Police, who Believe Her Abduction Story

WAS RECENTLY TRIED FOR STEALING LACE

Accuses Woman and Man Who is Prominently Known.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, Feb. 17.—A mysterious case developed today when the body of Miss Ella Gingles was found lashed to the supports of a bath-tub in the Wellington hotel in the heart of the city. Whether she was the victim of a plot, as she is apparently alleged in her to whomous movements, of those fantastic means to retaliate on a woman whom she believed to have been her enemy, is the question that the police set about to solve.

Later in the day, at a hospital whether she was dead, was cleared up. Several minutes after her death, a woman named Mrs. Mary Jones, who had been charged with having been attacked in a rooming place, 404 La Salle avenue, last night, by a man and a woman, one of whom struck her and the other threw her into a bath-tub, was then called into a court.

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JURY INDICTS FOR ALLEGED CANAL LIBEL

Warrants for Pulitzer and World Editors and Indianapolis News Men

BILLS ARE FOUND AT WASHINGTON

Smith and Williams of News Will Fight Extradition From Their State.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Bench warrants were issued late today for the arrest of Joseph Pulitzer, proprietor, and Caleb M. Van Hamm and Robert H. Lyman, editors of The New York World, and for Delevan Smith and Charles R. Williams, owners of The Indianapolis News, for criminal libel in connection with the publication in those newspapers of charges of irregularities in the purchase by the United States government of the Panama canal property from the French owners.

President a Complainant. District Attorney Baker probably will not send the copies of the bench warrants and the certified copies of the indictments to New York or to Indianapolis for a day or two. They were placed late today in the hands of the United States marshal here and he will proceed with them in accordance with the directions of Mr. Baker.

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THOUSANDS PERISHED IN AN EARTHQUAKE WHICH DEVASTATED PROVINCE

SWARM OF PIE HUNTERS NOW AT WASHINGTON

Advance Guard Strikes Capital and Others Are On the Way

DISTRIBUTION BEGINS MARCH 4

Jobs Running From \$4,000 To \$10,000 Will Hinge on Promises.

(Special correspondent of The Citizen) WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—They (the office seekers) are beginning to arrive. The advance guard is here, others are on their way, and still more are writing to find out how the land lies. And every job-hunter is an "original Taft man."

Panic Among Them. It appears there is somewhat of a panic among the applicants for the high-salaried positions. Before election promises were made at random, and now several men are clamoring for the same position.

Following is a partial list of unclassified positions paying from \$4,500 to \$6,000 that will be available immediately after March 4. State department, assistant secretary, second and third assistants, auditor and assistant auditor.

TREASURY. Three assistant secretaries, supervising architect, director of the bureau of printing and engraving, chief of the secret service, superintendent of life-saving service, comptroller of the treasury, register of the treasury, auditors of the treasury, war, navy, interior, state, agriculture, post-office and commerce and labor departments, treasurer of the United States, director of the mint, comptroller of the currency and director of the mint.

SHIPS IN PORTO RICO. (By Associated Press.) SAN JUAN, P. R., Feb. 17.—Heavy earthquake shocks were felt throughout the island of Porto Rico at 2 o'clock this morning.

(By Associated Press.) NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 17.—The Air Line Manufacturing company's Port Norfolk furniture factory was destroyed by fire early today, with loss estimated between \$60,000 and \$75,000, partially insured.

LITTLE TENDER, YANKTON, ARRIVES ADVANCE MESSENGER FROM SHIPS

(By Associated Press.) FORT MONROE, Va., Feb. 17.—A messenger from the home-coming battleship fleet, the yacht-like tender Yankton, put in here today and began to take on full supply of coal, preparatory to proceeding at the earliest practicable moment to Washington in response to a wireless summons picked up as the trim little craft was passing in the Virginia capes. The Yankton will return to Hampton Roads in time to greet the fleet and then will journey back again to the capital being used to convey some one of the score or more of official parties that are to be present during the entrance and review of the fleet next Monday.

Disaster Happened in January, News Just Reached Persian Capital

TREMORS RECORDED ALL OVER THE WORLD

Scientists Could Not Locate Disturbance, Thought It Was in Asia.

(By Associated Press.) TEHERAN, Persia, Feb. 17.—News was received here today showing that the violent earthquake recorded January 2 at almost every scientific observatory in the world where seismographs are installed had its location in the province of Luristan, in Western Persia. Sixty villages in this district were wholly or partially destroyed and the resultant loss of life is placed between 5,000 and 6,000.

This information was conveyed in detailed reports to the government. The districts of Burujurd and Salar in Luristan province were the centre of the greatest violence and here the heaviest casualties occurred. Several villages are reported to have been completely engulfed. The districts of Kermanshah and Hamadan in the town of Burujurd, whence appeals for assistance are now reaching the government. The peasantry lost practically all their herds, and it is estimated that from 10,000 to 12,000 head of cattle perished.

This is the first accurate location of the violent earthquake shock of January 23, it having been supposed up to today that the disturbance had centered in Western Asia, in Asiatic Russia, or even in the waters of the Indian ocean. The records showed that the tremors were practically of the same force as those which on December 28 changed the coast regions of Sicily and Calabria into a scene of desolation and ruin.

The province of Luristan is very mountainous and sparsely settled. It is about 200 miles southwest of Teheran and the only communication with the Persian capital is by courier. The inhabitants are chiefly Bakhtiarys, an offshoot of the Iranian people.

GIVE UP HOPE OF SAVING 100 ENTOMBED MEN

(By Associated Press.) NEW CASTLE, Eng., Feb. 17.—After rescue work had progressed all night in the shaft of a colliery at West Stanley, where a disastrous explosion occurred yesterday afternoon entombing nearly 200 men, the mine was cleared as far as the second level, where thirty-two men were found alive this morning. Most of them, however, were severely injured. The force of the explosion was so terrific that although the upper level, where it occurred, is 840 feet deep, flames leaped fifty feet above the pit mouth on the surface.

All hope was abandoned tonight of rescuing more of the miners alive. Coffins have been brought here and all preparations have been made to bring to the surface the dead bodies of more than a hundred victims. No one among the survivors is able to explain the cause of the explosion. The rescue parties describe the scenes in the workman as horrible. Many bodies were found lying in heaps in the wagon ways badly charred, having suffered the full force of the explosion, while others lay in it asleep.

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FAIR WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Forecast for North Carolina: Fair warmer Thursday; Friday increasing cloudiness followed by rain in west portion, warmer Friday in east portion; light variable winds.