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MOB AVENGES FOUL MURDER OF MOTHER AND LITTLE BABE

Negro to Hide More Horrible Crime Kills Both And Throws Bodies in Lake

LYNCHERS GIVE HIM SHORT SHRIFT AT ROPE

Sheriff's Efforts to Save Fiend's Life Circumvented by Neighbors

(By Associated Press.)

FITZGERALD, Ga., August 20.—Henry Taylor, a negro exconvict, charged with assaulting Mrs. Josh Vickers, Tuesday and then murdering her and her infant, was this afternoon taken from the sheriff of Wilcox county, between Lumpkins Ferry and McRee and lynched, according to reports reaching here tonight.

The crime for which the negro paid the penalty at the hands of indignant ever recorded in the criminal annals citizens was one of the most brutal of Georgia.

Mrs. Vickers and her eight months old baby were left at their home at Lumpkins Ferry Tuesday afternoon and that night when the husband and father returned from his work both his wife and baby were missing. A search revealed the fact that they were not at the home of any neighbor. Soon their disappearance, with suspicion of foul play, was known throughout the neighborhood and search for them was immediately commenced. Thursday afternoon the bodies were found in a pond not a great ways from the Vickers home. The woman had been assaulted and then choked to death, while the baby's skull had been crushed.

Negro Disappeared.

Henry Taylor had told of seeing Mrs. Vickers, with her baby, go in the direction of the pond in which their bodies were found. Suspicion was immediately directed toward him upon the finding of the bodies, but he had disappeared. Early today Taylor was arrested in Ben Hill county, near Lumpkins Ferry. He was taken in charge by the sheriff of Wilcox county, who immediately started for Fitzgerald. Finding that his way was blocked by the presence of large numbers of aroused people, a circuitous route was taken. The citizens, how-

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THROUGH FLAMES PASSENGERS ARE SAVED FROM DEATH

Thrilling Incidents of Rescue of Forty Souls From Burning River Steamer. Captains Coolness Prevented Loss of Life.

(By Associated Press.)

PEORIA Ills., August 20.—The steamer Fred Swain, Captain Verne Swain, of the Peoria and La Salle Packett company, with twenty-five passengers and fifteen sailors aboard burned to the water today after the flaming craft had been piloted into four feet of water and the occupants had escaped to the bank of the Illinois river, up which the steamer was bound when it caught fire.

No lives were lost but Joseph Casrider, the engineer was burned about the face and Charles Reichberger of Peoria suffered a broken arm.

The loss is $35,000. Several of the passengers lost their belongings.

The escapes from the burning vessel of the passengers most of whom were women and children was exciting.

Fears were partly calmed as the burning steamer drew nearer shore and scores of row boats were seen coming to the rescue.

Gang Plank Afire.

The gang plank was lowered to the water's edge when the steamer had been beached. After two row boats had started for shore with passengers, the gangplank caught fire and fell away from the steamer, letting fifteen persons, including several women and children into the water. Thomas Powers of Peoria and E. A. Caron of Worcester, Mass., who were on the plank when it fell, each saved the lives of two children.

The others who were thrown into the water by the collapse of the gangplank were taken in boats to safety. Those still aboard the steamer managed to let out a new gang way.

The fire started in a state room and spread rapidly. Captain Swain, realizing that the vessel was doomed ordered the pilot to beach the boat and instructed his crew to deal out life preservers.

Stuck to His Post.

Engineer Cassider after attending to the boilers to guard against an explosion went to the pumps, remaining there until the flames licked his face. Severely burned and almost blind, he turned to escape only to find that a row boat left for him was afire. He got into the boat, however, and beating the flames from him and rowing hard reached the shore. He was taken to a hospital.

Miss Furbish, a cabin girl, who discovered the fire, said:

"I was at work dusting and cleaning a stateroom in which the fire started. The whole room was in flames, the smoke blinding me. I gave the alarm and rushed to inform Captain Swain."

D. M. Swain of Stillwater, Minn., owner of the burned steamer, was in the Avery Manufacturing company plant at Averyville, a suburb of Peoria, near which the steamer caught fire and he aided in rescuing the passengers and crew. His son Verne, captain of the vessel was the last to leave the burning ship.

Futile efforts were made by the Peoria and Averyville fire departments to save the hull of the boat.

The steamer built, nine years ago, was one of the finest on the Illinois river.

FIRE IN PORTSMOUTH.

NORFOLK, Va., August 20.—Forty-seven buildings, including two grocery stores, one bakery and a warehouse, were destroyed by fire of suspected incendiary origin in the suburban tenement district of Portsmouth early today. The block bounded by Duke, Effington, Brighton and Green streets was wiped out and the flames also spread to property adjoining.

OFFICERS OF B. L. E.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., August 20.—James McFall of Roanoke, Va., was elected secretary of the International Association of Fire Engineers at last night's session. George W. Horton, Baltimore, was chosen president.

NEW SOUTHERN LINE.

WINSTON SALEM, N. C., August 20.—There is a well founded rumor current to the effect that the negotiations are in progress whereby the South in railway plans to build a railroad from North Wilkesboro to St. Paul, Va., a distance of over two hundred miles, connecting with a direct line from the West. Preliminary surveys have been made.

GEN. LEONARD WOOD

Who is umpiring the war game betw en the Reds and Blues Around Boston town.

DICKERSON DECLARES THAT HE IS A BEGGAR

Created Something of Sensation by Saying That if He Had Paid His Debts When Able He Would Be Rich Man Now.

The direct examination of J. E. Dickerson closed yesterday morning and his cross-examination by District Attorney Holton ended with the adjournment of court in the afternoon. Witness was minutely examined by the district attorney on details of items appearing on the bank's book, the exact purpose of the information being not so apparent, being well established in many cases, and witness called on to explain why it was he had taken the trouble of [illegible] if he had not meant to deceive the comptroller. Witness replied that he intended to deceive no one but had put in such [illegible] because Breese and Penland had told him his business was none of his business.

Mr. Dickerson became somewhat dramatic at times while [illegible] the stand. At one time when the state was on a critical condition he [illegible] and Penland had not paid him they owed him. He said with a [illegible] that he hundred times [illegible] and that it is not from the [illegible] now be [illegible] method of collecting, that he has sought to [illegible] banking institution. He declared that when his obligations to the bank were largest he, Breese and Penland could have paid the bank's debts two times over.

More Witnesses.

W. H. Penland, former cashier who is charged on the same indictment with Breese and Dickerson but is not on trial, will be called by them as a witness this morning. The government has announced a number of witnesses who will testify after the Dickerson case is concluded in the number being Lemuel Deputy Comptroller Gee. M. Cotten, whom Mayor Breese testified connected his name of the things done or the fault in violation of banking laws, as they appear on the statutes and C. E. Graham who has been named by Breese as one who knew of the transactions and who received large sums of money on loans made by other officers who were not themselves financially responsible.

Morning Session.

The direct examination of J. E. Dickerson was resumed yesterday morning when it was stated that the

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STRANG IN BUICK MAKES NEW RECORD ON HUNDRED MILES

No Accident Marred Automobile Races at Motor Speedway

ZENGEL SMASHES TEN MILE RECORD

Great Crowds of Spectators See Drivers in Mad Frolic of Speed

(By Associated Press.)

INDIANAPOLIS, August 20.—Strang and Zengel shared the honors of the second day of the automobile race meet on the new Indianapolis motor speedway. Strang won the fastest one hundred miles ever held in this country, while Zengel established a new ten mile record in 8.23 2-10.

No serious accident marred the day's racing. The only injury reported was a bruised arm sustained by Barney Oldfield.

Some 18,000 spectators crowded the two big stands and hundreds of automobiles filled the parking spaces. The crowd was considerably larger than yesterday. The feature of the day was the easy victory of Strang with a Buick in the one hundred mile race, the star event of the day. Strang led all the way from the start and won by about ten miles in the exceptional time of 1:32:48 5-10. At first it was thought this was a new record for this country, but the officials announced that they had decided to allow the mark 1:32:18 9-10 made by Chevrolet in the first one hundred miles of the 250 mile race yesterday to stand, despite the fact that Chevrolet did not finish the race.

Buick Was Second.

Dewitt, in a Buick, finished second to Strang in the long race in 1:41:32 3-10 and Stillman in a Marmon was third in 1:42:37 6-10. Harroun in a Marmon was the only other of the seven starters to finish. The Buick (Chevrolet), Marion (Monson), and Marson (Stutz) dropped out early in the race.

Strang never stopped once during the one hundred miles, his car working perfectly all the way. His pace was uniform throughout. He increased his lead all the way.

The fifty mile race was a walk-

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COUNTERFEITERS PLANNED TO WORK OUT HUGE SWINDLE

Had Already Printed Million Mexican Notes Before They Were Caught

SAY WALL STREET MEN BACK OF THE SCHEME

Intended to Issue Counterfeit Stocks as Well as Green Goods

(By Associated Press.)

LOUISVILLE, Ky., August 20.—Following the discovery yesterday of the counterfeit "mint" at Harrods creek, this county, and the revelation to the police by W. G. Osborne, the broker of J. M. Fetter & Co., of the million dollar counterfeit enterprise, Mr. Osborne today issued a statement in which he said that Marion Roberts told him the headquarters of the gang was in Wall street, New York.

Police have put behind the bars all those suupposed to be identified here with the enterprise.

John Roberts, who was in charge of the making of the spurious Mexican money; Marion Roberts, John's brother, who handled the negotiable end of it; Nanie Harp, Marion's house keeper, and Will Koenig who confessed to having printed the notes, were all arrested. Mrs. Harp and Koenig were released, Koenig under a $1,500 bond, and Mrs. Harp on her own recognizance.

Had Broad Plans.

Both Roberts brothers are in durance under $15,000 federal bond each and John has already announced he will plead guilty in the Federal court.

The final details of the swindling plot exposed by the police and J. M. Fetter and company, the Louisville brokers approached by Marion Roberts, show that the plans of the brothers contemplated "faking" even stock certificates of railroads such as the Louisville and Nashville and the Pennsylvania issuing counterfeit money to pay for them and conducting an

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WOMEN FIGHT BATTLES WITH TROOPERS TO AID STRIKING HUSBANDS

Throw Rocks at Constabulary Until Officers Have to Use Their Clubs.

PLANT SET ON FIRE

(By Associated Press.)

PITTSBURG, August 20.—An alleged attempt to set fire to the plant of the Pressed Steel Car company, at McKees Rocks early today followed by much disorder when the striking employes of the car company fired several shots at over a hundred new men who were being taken into the works about noon, kept the state constabulary and deputy sheriffs on the alert for twelve hours today.

New cars shipped away today indicate that the company is successful in operating the works at least on a small scale with the imported workingmen.

Charged with aggravated assault and battery, Troopers Wolf and Davis of the state constabulary were arraigned for hearing before an alderman today. The case was dismissed on account of conflicting testimony. The women strike sympathizers became excited during the afternoon and the amazons numbering about five hundred gathered at the gate of the car plant and threw heavy paving stones over the stockade. A detail of state troops dispersed them.

The women later gathered near the car company's restaurant and resumed their stone throwing. Inside were many clerks and office employes. Again the mounted troopers rode into the crowd of foreign women and played their clubs lustily.

Late today a brick with a note attached was found outside of the car plant stockade. The note read in part:

"We want to get out of here. Can't you help us?"

Early today bundles of fagots soaked in oil were found lighted near the paint house of the car plant. An investigation will be made.

Tonight conditions about the car plant were ominously quiet.

FIENDISHLY MURDERS WOMAN HE LOVED RATHER THAN SEE HER WED RIVAL

After Arrest Tells Grue some Story of How He Killed Her.

NEVER TOLD HIS LOVE

(By Associated Press.)

DOUGLAS, Ga., August 20.—Declaring that he had rather see her dead than married to another, William McLeod, a farm hand, today confessed to Sheriff Bickerstson that he murdered Miss Mattie Graham, a wealthy and refined young woman whose body was yesterday discovered in a swamp near her home at Hokeshoro, Coffee county.

Going into every detail, his statement is that he left his work and went to the house before dinner. Not seeing her he asked for Miss Mattie and being informed that she had gone to her field for a walk, he followed and found her.

Both started back towards the house side by side. Coming to a branch near the home he let her precede him. When at her back he caught her by the left arm and cut one side of her throat.

She turned and looked him in the face and exclaimed:

"Lord have mercy," the only words she ever spoke after the attack.

Then he hushed cutting her throat and cut her in the side as she fell.

He stamped her in the face, washed the blood from his knife, face and overalls and when dry went to the house and ate dinner. His only motive for his crime was that he had rather see her dead than to see her marry Byrd Mobley.

While he loved her, he said, he had never told her and if she was now alive no motive could induce him to harm her. His only fear appears to be of being lynched. He does not show any remorse.

MAYOR CUTS OFF GIRLS' DRINKS AND IS ALMOST FORCED TO ABDICATE

Marion Girls Get Mayor Dysart on Run Because He Signed Ordinance.

TAKES TO THE WOODS

(Special to The Citizen.)

MARION, N. C., Aug. 20.—There is weeping and gnashing of teeth in Marion today among the younger set and summer visitors. The office of Mayor Dysart has looked like a harem all day and young women, middle aged women and others besieged him during the day and threatened the overthrow of the present administration. Mayor Dysart before noon closed his office and the last seen of him he was making for Buck creek, a distance of nine miles, where he declares he will stay for several days in the Buck creek fishing club bungalow.

And it is all because the last meeting of the city council passed the famous blue laws which become effective Sunday. The summer girls knew nothing of these laws until the full text of them was published Thursday in the local paper. These laws provide that all stores and business establishments be closed Sunday. The girls did not care for this but when the council provided that drug stores would not be allowed to sell soft drinks, candy, ice cream etc., there came a howl from the fair sex.

The summer season here is at its height and hundreds of visitors are in town. Sunday is not generally a very lively day and therefore the younger set have congregated in the drug stores every Sunday afternoon and held ice cream and candy parties.

But that is all over now, no more ice cream or candy parties, not even a cold drink to quench their burning thirst and there are wars and rumors of wars.

Mayor Dysart, secretary of the Manufacturers' club is a very popular man, but his popularity threatens to be very short-lived. After the

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BAIN IS ACQUITTED OF MURDER BY ATLANTA JURY

His Plea of Self Defense in Killing of Williams Is Believed.

(By Associated Press.)

ATLANTA August 20. [illegible] and M. Lyon tonight [illegible] Stipe for [illegible] G. Williams.

Not [illegible] in Georgia [illegible] as has [illegible] in [illegible] shot and [illegible] the same [illegible] being [illegible] for [illegible] that [illegible] of Williams [illegible] man [illegible] face.

[illegible] August 20. [illegible] the Fulton [illegible] the murder [illegible]

[illegible] so much [illegible] Both a prominent [illegible] also died, [illegible] Same another [illegible] had been [illegible] and Williams [illegible] to the [illegible] machine [illegible] shot the [illegible]

WASHINGTON, August 20.—Forecast for North Carolina: Fair and somewhat cooler Saturday; Sunday unsettled, moderate north and northeast winds.

DAVIS SCORES NAVAL COURT IN SUTTON CASE

Declares It Ignored All Testimony but That in Line with One Theory.

[illegible] August 20. [illegible] the death of second Lieutenant [illegible] United States [illegible] coming from [illegible] certain [illegible] it not [illegible] [illegible] the court [illegible] clearly, [illegible] and [illegible] of [illegible] or [illegible] [illegible] Mrs. Sutton [illegible] the court [illegible] [illegible] declares that [illegible] the accused or [illegible] [illegible] that the judge [illegible] in his duty in [illegible] to Mr. Davis [illegible] the court [illegible] Mr. Davis continues "[illegible] obliged [illegible] of suicide, [illegible] the evidence [illegible] self-sufficient [illegible] the exclusion of [illegible] Lieutenant Sutton's death."

Mr. Davis [illegible] on the sixth finding of the court which declared that Sutton [illegible] a revolver shot from a [illegible] revolver, held in [illegible] and fired by himself without the intention of any other person, he declares that if Lieutenant Sutton's statement be true, obviously the fatal shot was not fired from the Colt revolver."

FLYING MACHINES LOOK LIKE FLOCK OF GREAT EAGLES SOARING IN AIR

Aviators Scooting Around in Them as Lightly as Birds on Wing.

FEW ACCIDENTS

RHEIMS, August 20.—Aeroplanes flying in straight lines, making wide turns or wheeling abruptly, traveling slow and fast and low and high, was the striking spectacle offered 15,000 persons on the field of Bethency today.

Two slight accidents occurred. M. Demanet, driving an Antoinette machine came to the ground sideways and broke one of the runners of his aeroplane and Mr. Goffroy, in an Esnault Pelterie monoplane had accomplished a flight of a kilometer when the machine struck a hedge, demolishing its propeller.

This was the second last practice today before the commencement of the prize flights of aviation week.

Glenn H. Curtiss, the only American who is to compete in the races was given an ovation after a successful practice flight of seven minutes.

Hubert Latham also was applauded for a spectacular flight of ten minutes, and the crowd broke into cheering as M. Blériot, driving a small forty horse power monoplane, made a series of masterful maneuvers.

M. Sommer, who recently, though unofficially, beat Wilbur Wright's record for duration of flight, speeded across the plain during the afternoon and was lost to sight in the haze. It was thought he had disappeared but suddenly he reappeared. When he landed he announced that he had made a voyage to the village of Vitry and return.

There is now a total of twenty-eight machines on the grounds, but not all of them are ready for flight.

Mr. Curtiss was not greatly surprised when informed that the Wright brothers had brought suit against the Aeronautic Society of New York, alleging that the Curtiss machine infringes certain of their patents. He said he had known for some time that something of this nature was contemplated.

POLITICAL RIVALRY IS CAUSE OF DISSENSIONS IN MEXICAN STATE

Sale of Firearms Has Been Forbidden by Government as Precaution.

REYES VS. CARROL

(By Associated Press.)

MEXICO CITY, August 20.—A special dispatch from Monterey to the Mexico Daily Record says:

Not a weapon of any kind could be bought here today. Half of the men of the town are carrying concealed weapons. Lodges of clandestine masons, who recognize General Reyes as chief, are preparing a demonstration at Alameda. Trouble is feared.

Special dispatches from various parts of Northern Mexico to different publications in the capital all agree that the situation throughout that region is one of grave political unrest. During the past two days troops have been moved to places where they will be most needed in case of disturbances. The government has the situation well in hand.

The trouble centers about the personality of General Bernardo Reyes, governor of the state of Nuevo Leon and former minister of war. The anti-administration party has named Reyes as a candidate for the vice-presidency in opposition to Ramon Carrol, the incumbent, who has been renominated by the administration party.

Yesterday Reyes left his summer home for the ranch of a friend.

Simultaneously detachments of federal troops were sent to the mountains and Reyes is said to be completely surrounded by federal forces. This is believed to be but a precautionary move on the part of the federal government.

One of the most dangerous elements of the situation, according to the Record dispatches, is the alleged called meeting of all the clandestine lodges of Masons throughout the Monterey section. It is claimed that these self styled Masons have pledged themselves to support Reyes.

General Diaz, president of the republic, is a thirty-third degree mason of the recognized branch of Masonry of Mexico.