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SLAYGLE LURED TO DEATH BY BELIEF IN BURIED TREASURE

Credulous Lumberman Murdered And Robbed When He Became Suspicious

ONE IMPLICATED MAKES CONFESSION

Declares Dead Man Was Bled For Years by The Man Who Killed Him

(Special to The Citizen.)

NEWPORT, Tenn., Sept. 2. Suffering the tortures of the damned and harassed by questions which he could not answer, John Cash, who is under arrest for the murder of A. J. Slagle, broke down yesterday afternoon and made a confession. Sheriff Hartsell and Jailer Charles Hughes were instrumental in securing the confession which was made after repeated attempts to secure a statement. Cash is a boyish looking man of 24, appearing to be much younger than he is on account of his size. He is a nephew of Dan Brooks Spencer, the principal murderer of Slagle, married the adopted daughter of Brooks and all of them live together at the Brooks home, two miles from Bridgeport.

The murder occurred Tuesday night of last week near the Brooks home. Slagle and Spencer were partners in an imaginary pot of gold, which Spencer claimed to have found and and concealed under the floor at Dan Brooks. The "gold" consisted of very old Spanish coins, amounting to $200,000 or more. Spencer told Slagle that if this money was put in circulation in this country it would arouse suspicion and perhaps cause an investigation, and they decided that Slagle should raise sufficient money to pay his expenses to New York where he would exchange the Spanish gold for United States money. Slagle was to receive half the proceeds for his work. Slagle believed firmly in the story of the hidden treasure as did his wife. None of their friends, however, were intrusted with the secret, though Slagle confided in several intimate friends the information that he was soon to come in possession of a large sum of money. So sure was he of this that he offered to donate $25,000 each to two Bristol colleges and made arrange-

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ROYAL WELCOME WILL BE GIVEN TO POLE DISCOVERER

Ovation Will be Given to Successful Explorer on His Return

STATE AND NATION WILL JOIN HANDS

President Taft May be Present to Greet The Lion of The Hour

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Sept. 2. Preparations already are afoot here to make the home-coming of Dr. Frederick A. Cook an event of the national and possibly international importance. If the plans outlined today by members of the Arctic club are carried out, the welcome home which Dr. Cook will receive in New York will be an ovation in which the city, state and nation will take part, while prominent explorers, Dr. Cook's former rivals—from all parts of the globe—will gather to pay their personal tribute to his achievement.

Among the most notable of those who in all probability will be here to greet Dr. Cook on his return will be Lieut. Ernest Shackleton, the intrepid Englishman whose recent explorations in the Antarctic, during which he succeeded in pushing nearer to the South Pole than had any previous explorer, made him a figure of world-wide prominence.

Members of the Arctic club hope that President Taft may himself be present as the nation's representative to welcome Dr. Cook. Among the explorers who are expected to take a prominent part in the welcome to Dr. Cook are the duke of the Abruzzi, Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, Captain Roald Amundsen, General A. W. Greely, Read-Admiral George Melville, Anthony Fiala, of this city, and Captain Joseph E. Bernier.

No definite date has yet been set for Dr. Cook's arrival here.

HAD THIRTY-EIGHT CHILDREN.

INDIANA, Pa., Sept. 2.—Thirty-eight children mourn the death of their father, John W. Miller, aged seventy-six years, who died today at the county home where he has been an inmate for several years. Mr. Miller was married four times, one wife survives him.

"AFFINITY EARLE" FINDS NEW MENTAL MATE AND SAILS OFF

He Again Falls Victim to The Magnetic Call of Feminine Charmer

HIS NEW LOVE IS NOTED HORSEWOMAN

Now He Is on The Briny Deep While "Bodies Vanish Into Space"

(Special to The Citizen.)

NEW YORK, Sept. 2. Ferdinand Pinney Earle, best known in "artistically bohemian" circles as the "Original Affinity," has left New York on a European tour with a young woman of unblemished reputation whom he calls his "mental mate." There are said to be others in the party, including a chaperon.

So quiet was their departure on July 25 last that most of their friends in this city know nothing about it until yesterday.

The painter's companion is Miss Gertrude Beckt Dunn, writer, artist and horsewoman. Mr. Dunn, Earle asserts, is of a feminine type absolutely opposite to the character of his famous affinity, Julia Kuttner, who is now suing to annul their marriage. His present companion, he says, is no more to him than a mentality. Julia Kuttner, on the contrary, attracted him by her physical charms.

"I became interested in Miss Dunn," said the painter just before he sailed, "because of the magnetism of her mind. And she, too, was drawn to me by my mental powers. When we are together we see only the thoughts of each other. Our bodies, as it were, vanish into space."

Rode With Roosevelt Party.

Prior meeting Ferdinand Pinney Earle, Miss Dunn had become famous in the West for physical as well as mental achievements. She is not only wholly virgin phrased magazine stories, but she still further astonished her quieter neighbors by feats of horsemanship. She was especially fond of riding astride in mannish costume. Frequently she would dash through the streets in cowboy costume or across the country at breakneck speed.

When President Roosevelt visited Denver in June, 1905, the horsewoman

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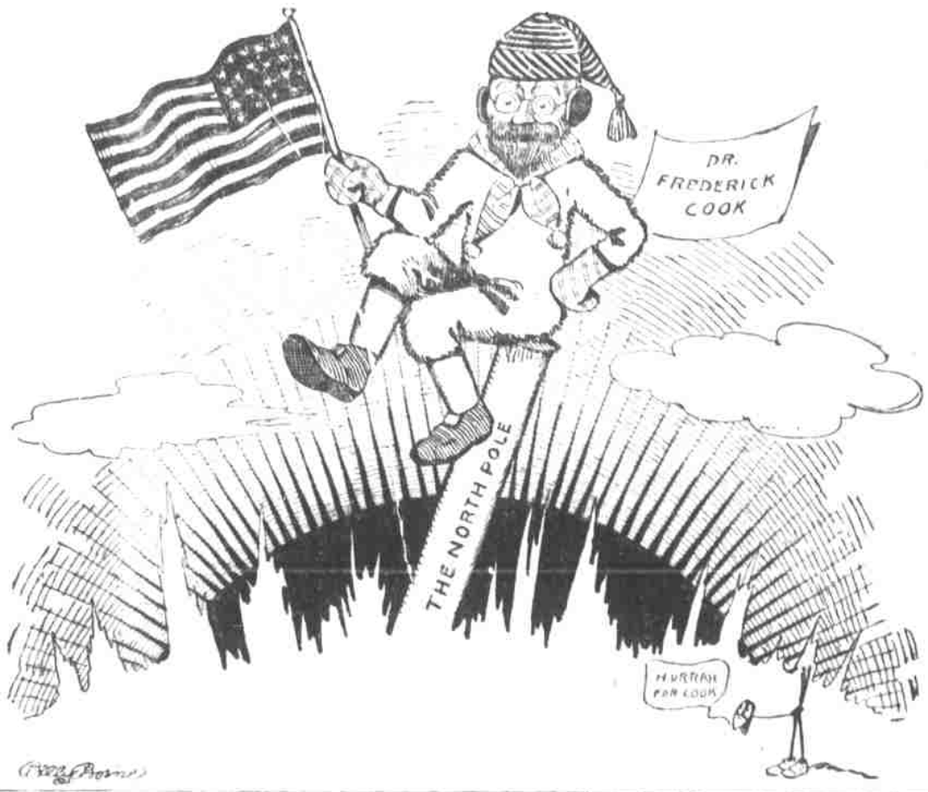
At Last.



RELIEF WORK OF MONTEREY, MEX., PROGRESSES AS BODIES DECAY

The Stench Arising from the River Gives Rise to the Fear That Much Sickness Will Result—The Red Cross Society Gets in Its Usual Good Work for the Sufferers.

MONTEREY, Mexico, Sept. 2. As communication is gradually restored with the flood swept section of Northern Mexico, previous reports as to losses of life and property are confirmed.

Belated dispatches received at the headquarters of the third military zone in this city today tell of damage in the towns of Rayones and Galeana and of the practical destruction of the towns of Meir, General Bravo and Camargo. Meager reports as to damage at Victoria, the capital of the state of Tamaulipas and other towns along Tampico branch of the Mexican Central railroad, in the southeast of this city, have also been received.

Great strides were made today in the relief work in Monterey and the refugees are being taken care of as well as possible. Much money has been received from all over the republic and the United States, but principally from San Antonio and other Texas cities. The destruction wrought by the flood comprises 162 city blocks in three different sections of the city. These districts are nothing but a mass of ruins and in most cases swept clean, leaving nothing but deposits of sand.

Unbearable Stench.

The stench arising along the river is almost unbearable and alarm is now felt that much sickness will result. This stench indicates that many bodies are partly buried in the sands and under the ruins. The first relief car arrived last night from San Antonio and the food and wearing apparel will be turned over to the relief committee working in conjunction with Consul General Hanna. Another car load of supplies arrived this afternoon.

It was officially announced that no train will be run by the National line between Monterey and Saltillo for at least one month. Communication will be maintained by way of the Paredon branch, which was opened this afternoon and the first train for Mexico City which has left the town since August 26, left tonight.

The International to Reata, was reported clear this afternoon.

A regular schedule is being maintained between this city and Laredo and supplies destined for relief are now coming in.

Red Cross Work.

United States Consul General Philip C. Hanna has been appointed head of the Red Cross society in Mexico, and will act in connection with the Mexican Red Cross society. Through his efforts all goods intended for relief purposes will be admitted free of duties when consigned to him. The railroads will also transport goods of this class free of charge.

COOK'S DISCOVERY OF NORTH POLE IS BEYOND QUESTION

Such Is Now The Belief of Several Prominent Danish Officials

WILL BE MET BY A TORPEDO BOAT

Copenhagen Will Greet The Intrepid Explorer With Rare Ceremonies

(By Associated Press.)

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 2.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook's credit stands so high with Danish polar exploits that the first message announcing his success in reaching the North pole meagre as it was, was accepted as conclusive. Commodore Hovgard said today:

"I believe the message is true because Dr. Cook is most trustworthy and opposed to all exaggeration."

C. A. Nielson, an official of the Greenland administration department who is well acquainted with Dr. Cook and was associated with him in Greenland, said:

"When Dr. Cook says that he reached the North pole there can be no doubt about it. His scientific discoveries will prove that."

A committee under the presidency of the minister of commerce has been formed to arrange a fitting reception to the intrepid explorer on his arrival at Copenhagen. Dr. Maurice F. Egan, the American minister will be aboard a special steamer that will be sent out by the royal geographical society tomorrow to meet Dr. Cook who is on his way here on the steamer Hansegede.

The Danish government tonight dispatched the torpedo boat Juliland from Marhuus to meet Dr. Cook. The commander will send congratulations to the explorer in behalf of the government.

The special committee of the Royal Geographical society will invite Dr. Cook to be the society's guest during his stay at Copenhagen. Rooms have been reserved for him at the Hotel Phoenix.

MRS. COOK PLEASED.

BRUNSWICK, Maine, Sept. 2.—Mrs. F. A. Cook, wife of the explorer, declined to talk at length today concerning her husband's achievement, declaring she did not desire notoriety.

"I am very glad that my husband haas reached the Pole and gained the chief desire of his life. I have always had great faith in the success of his undertaking and have never for a moment felt that he would not win."

This was all she would say.

REPORT CONFIRMED.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—Maurice F. Egan, the United States minister at Copenhagen, has telegraphed the state department that Dr. Cook's reported discovery of the North pole has been corroborated by Dergaard Jensen, the Danish inspector of North Greenland.

ESQUIMOS BALKED.

GOTHENBERG, Sweden, Sept. 2.—Dr. Otto Nordenskjold the explorer who has just returned from an Arctic voyage, describes an interview he had with Knud Rasmussen, the Danish

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HALF A CITY IS WIPED OUT BY THE FLOODING OF THE SAN JUAN RIVER

Heavy Loss of Life Follows Flood in City of Camargo, Mexico.

THE POOR SUFFER

(By Associated Press.)

LAREDO, Texas, Sept. 2. A dispatch received in the office of Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, bought from Camargo, Mexico, situated 175 miles from this city on the lower Rio Grande, stated that as a result of the flooding of the San Juan river, due to the recent heavy rains and the overflow from the Santa Catarina river, which is a tributary of the San Juan, half the city has been washed away and there is great suffering among the poor Mexicans. The telegram states that fully two hundred houses of Mexican families are homeless and badly in need of food supplies. There is no mention made of any loss of life so it is assumed that, unlike the flood at Monterey, which claimed such a large number of victims, the inhabitants of Camargo had ample warning and were enabled to escape to high ground and save themselves. Camargo consists principally of an aggregation of small adobe houses. It is a town of approximately 4,000 inhabitants and is located about three miles inland, almost directly opposite the town of Rio Grande city, on the Rio Grande river.

The San Juan river runs through the low lying part of the town. It was in this section that the damage occurred. It is impossible to learn the financial loss.

EXPRESS MESSENGER GUILTY OF LARCENY

SALISBURY, Sept. 2. Charged with the larceny of $1,320 from the Southern Express company, while a messenger in its service, Detroit Salisbury and Chattanooga, George P. Turner today pleaded guilty in Rowan court. He was promptly sentenced by Judge B. F. Long to three years and six months hard labor in the state prison. Turner is a native of Grover, N. C., is twenty-two years old and is of good family.

WITNESSES SWEAR THAT THEY SAW BARBEE WITH REVOLVER IN HIS HAND

Two Negroes and a White Man Witnesses in Holt Murder Case.

NEGRO CLAIMS CRIME

(By Associated Press.)

DURHAM, N. C., Sept. 2. In an effort to convict Robbin Barbee of the murder of Eugene Holt, the state today relied mostly upon the evidence of three witnesses, Sol and Iverson Williams, two negroes and a white man, R. O. Scoggins. The two Williams on stand that they saw Barbee backing out of the cool house just after the shooting occurred with a gun in his hand. The lawyers for the defense tried to shake their testimony but were unable to do so. Scoggins testified that he heard Barbee say he was going to pay a witness $100 to lay the murder on Lewis Gobbidigan.

Several hours were consumed this afternoon by the court in hearing arguments as to whether Sol Shepard, the negro, who was that he killed Eugene Holt, should be allowed to testify in the case against Barbee. The matter is to be decided in the morning.

SHOT HIMSELF.

CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 2. Roger M. Ely, one time oil, an attorney connected [illegible] shooting himself in the head [illegible] today. He [illegible] Sept. 1 [illegible] a trip to Canada in the hope that his health would be improved.

WANT GOOD ROADS.

BRISTOL, Tenn., Sept. 2. Bristol and Sullivan county, Tennessee, today sold a second issue of good roads bonds amounting to $200,000. Of several bidders, the Western German bank, of Cincinnati, was successful, paying slightly above par.

TRAIN STRIKES STREET CAR AND REDUCES IT TO PILE OF KINDLING WOOD

Two Are Fatally Hurt and Eleven Others Are Seriously Injured.

FLAGMAN BLAMED

(By Associated Press.)

DES MOINES, Iowa, Sept. 2. Mrs. E. [illegible] Hickson and Mrs. Edward Lee [illegible] were probably fatally hurt and eleven other passengers were seriously injured tonight when a loaded Rock Island passenger train struck a packed East Des Moines street car and crushed it to kindling wood.

The street car was dragged fifty feet on the pilot and wrecked against the steel trusses at the railroad bridge across the Des Moines river. The [illegible] car remained balanced precariously on the edge of the river [illegible] feet above the water. It was [illegible] that the injured were taken from the wreckage without falling to the river.

The injured live in Des Moines. While not eleven were taken to hospitals [illegible] badly in the street car wreck.

Mrs. Lee [illegible] was thrown out by a piece of glass.

A witness [illegible] that the right of way had been given to the car by the flagman at the crossing.

LUSITANIA MAKES NEW TIME RECORD

NEW YORK, Sept. 2. There was [illegible] records left to the Cunard liner Lusitania, which docked tonight. The Lusitania made the passage in four days eleven hours and forty two minutes, thereby clipping three hours and eighteen minutes from her fastest previous time. She maintained an average speed of 25.84 knots for the entire voyage, beating the Mauretania's record of 25.61, and finally by landing her passengers at the Cunard pier shortly before eight o'clock tonight she became the first liner to dock on the fourth day out from Queenstown.

"BUM" PROPHETS CHANGE THE DATE FOR DISASTER

Tampa, They Say, Will Be Wiped off the Map on September 16.

(By Associated Press.)

TAMPA, Sept. 2. Disappointment became their trophy that Tampa was to be wiped off the map in a great disaster on [illegible] failed to come true, their [illegible] and were disciples of the "Unknown Prophet" returned to the city. A baby born [illegible] road, twenty [illegible] Several [illegible] parts [illegible] others and [illegible] the Dunard, which they [illegible] outside the [illegible] zone. There [illegible] however, is said to [illegible] of provisions [illegible] The "Unknown" [illegible] pensive [illegible] off. The prophet now has been [illegible] to leave town on October 18.

NECKTIE PARTY WAS NOT "PULLED OFF"

CALTERSVILLE, Ga., Sept. 2. [illegible] Following [illegible] attempt [illegible] Enoch the negro, confined [illegible] charged [illegible] to quiet [illegible] J. and John Golden, white [illegible] negroes.

Judge [illegible] decision of [illegible] court to [illegible] the [illegible] ordered a special [illegible] next Monday [illegible] allegations [illegible]

WASHINGTON, Sept. 2. Forecast for North Carolina: Friday, Saturday fair and warmer [illegible] showers by night; [illegible] winds.

CHANCES FOR JOBS IN TAKING THE NEW CENSUS

Examinations for About Three Thousand Clerks Soon to Be Held.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1. The bureau of the census today announced that approximately three thousand temporary clerks will be appointed in connection with the work of taking the thirteenth decennial census. The examinations will be held throughout the United States in October. [illegible] from the examination will be made before [illegible] Sept. 15, and not later than [illegible] will be made until April 15th. The examination force will be drawn [illegible]

[illegible] will receive salaries of [illegible] per annum [illegible] is a [illegible] 1909 [illegible] will be [illegible] who [illegible] salary [illegible] forms and a [illegible] of instructions, the number [illegible] to be obtained after [illegible] Washington, D. C. [illegible] of the census, Washington, D. C., or the secretary of the Civil Service Commission at the following named places, among others: [illegible] Atlanta, Ga.; New Orleans, [illegible]

DICKINSON A WITNESS.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 2. Senator [illegible] J. M. Dickinson, [illegible] today in behalf of [illegible] who was charged with violating the speed limit. It was shown the automobile was [illegible] twenty-eight miles an hour and the operator was on his way to [illegible] when he was stopped.

MADE RECORD.

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 2.—The torpedo boat destroyer Chauncey, which made a [illegible] record, showing a speed of [illegible] knots an hour, left for [illegible] on her water consumption test of twenty-four hours at 16 knot speed. She started out at 7:15 a. m., and will return direct to Bath tomorrow morning.

DEATH LEVIES TOLL FROM THREE IN AUTOMOBILE

Fast Pennsylvania Train Runs Down Auto Party at Railroad Crossing.

(By Associated Press.)

READING, Penna., Sept. 2.—An automobile in which were riding William L. Grant, and wife, of Temple, Penna., and Dr. and Mrs. Samuel E. Schlegel of this city, was struck by a Pennsylvania railroad train at Douglassville, near here this afternoon and all but Dr. Schlegel were killed.

The train was rounding at high speed when the collision occurred and the machine was thrown some distance down an embankment. Mr. and Mrs. Grant and Mrs. Schlegel were dead when picked up and Dr. Schlegel was unable to move, both legs having been broken.

Almost simultaneously with the collision of the automobile the gasoline tank exploded and the wreckage took fire. The clothing of the victims were ignited and had the bodies not been removed promptly they would have been burned. Dr. Schlegel was conscious and gave the names of his companions.

SAYS GOOD BYE TO THE NEW GOVERNOR

BEVERLY, Mass., Sept. 2. President Taft in holding consultation today in Walter Ely Clark, who is to be inaugurated at Denver in recognition of Alaska, October 1, intimated that he probably would visit the far northwestern territory, next summer. It is reported that if the president should go to Alaska he might be induced to extend his trip to include the Hawaiian Islands.

Neither the president nor Secretary Knox would discuss the reported discovery of the North pole today. When the secretary was asked as to etiquette of what the state department ought to do with the pole under the circumstances, he hesitatingly replied: "Annex it, of course."

JOB FOR FOULOIS.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—Lieutenant Benjamin D. Foulois, of the signal corps, has been detailed to represent the war department at the International Aeronautical conference to be held at Nancy, France, September 18-24.

HORSE "DROPS FROM THE CLOUDS" IN PACING RACE

Big American Derby at Reidville Falls to New Entry, Simon Kenton.

(By Associated Press.)

READVILLE, Sept. 2.—Simon Kenton fell from dropped from the clouds today and won the American pacing derby at the grand circuit meeting at Readville—so up to the time he passed the winning post nobody had considered him as worthy of a thought, the favorite being Ana Wilkes, with The Eel a strong second choice in the betting.

Twelve thousand persons were out to enjoy the double bill offered, for the classic Massachusetts stake had its fourteenth renewal decided beside the derby race. The track was very heavy.

Of the thirty-seven starters in the derby, all eyes were centered on the Canadian wonder, The Eel, the scratch horse. While fully as good as 6 to 1, could be secured that he would not win, yet his reputation and disadvantage of having to overcome all the big field placed in front of him made him the popular favorite with the general public. Ana Wilkes, on the 2.09 mark had been considered the best proposition by the talent to bring home the money, his price being 4 to 1 and backed to 3 to 1 before the start.