

GIRL OF FOURTEEN LEADER OF BAND OF YOUTHFUL THIEVES

Had Perfect Organization And Kept Nerve When Placed Under Arrest

BOYS DID HER BIDDING WITHOUT QUESTION

Carried Off Cartloads of Fruit From Cars And Peddled It In Street

PITTSBURG, Nov. 27.—Bessie Cahill, aged fourteen years, with her dresses reaching only within two inches of her shoe tops, spent today accused of having organized one of the best drilled gangs of boy thieves that have been found in years in Pittsburg. Five members of her band are in the county jail, but being denied them, while warrants have been issued for nine other members of the "Smallman Street Gang," over which the pretty Bessie rules as a queen, according to the Pittsburg police and to the Pennsylvania railroad detectives.

If the detectives thought they would be shown the way to the lair of members of the gang by the liberated queen, they were mistaken. She kept silence.

"The Smallman Street Gang," according to Detective W. P. Peters, of the Pennsylvania railroad, who, with five other detectives, worked six weeks to run it down, was formed by the Cahill girl and her boy acquaintances about the time the peach crop began to move. The boys already in jail are Edward DeWing, Frank Smith, Martin Joyce, Leo Connelly and Martin Mullin.

Each of the lads told in court how the girl had presided at all the meetings and had divided the money gained from the sale of the plunder. They asserted the girl leader, who furnished them with passwords, grips, etc., to carry them into the meeting room, back of the old freight car on the bank of the Allegheny river, had often read chapters to them from yellow backed novels and would harangue them to emulate other daredevils. Each new member of the gang was bound by awful oaths, administered by Queen Bess, not to reveal any secrets.

The Pennsylvania railroad and commission men at Pittsburg.

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HUMAN MONSTER MURDERS FAMILY TO GRATIFY LUST

Kills Husband Wife And Child to Conceal Crime Against The Wife

HELD THEM UP ON A DESERTED HIGHWAY

Trall Shows That Woman Fought Desperately After Husband Was Slain

FRONTENAC, Kan., Nov. 27.—A triple murder and assault on a woman was enacted on a lonely road a mile north of here some time last night. The dead are:

Mr. and Mrs. William Bork, Germans, of Frontenac, and their son, who was two and a half years old. Mr. Bork presumably was killed while trying to defend his wife.

The child probably was slain because the murderer wished to silence him.

The Borks were last seen alive late last night, when they started to drive home to Frontenac from the home of Mrs. Bork's mother, two miles out in the country. This morning the Borks' horse and buggy were found standing in the roadway at a deserted spot. In the bottom of the buggy was discovered the child, dead from a bullet wound in his head.

Find Others Dead.

Hastily pursuing their investigations miners who found the child's body came across the body of Bork in the middle of the road some distance away.

Bork had been shot once in the head and twice in the body.

A trail through the dust plainly led the miners to a cornfield a hundred feet further away. There they found the body of the woman. She had been assaulted and had then been shot through the heart.

Woman Fought Desperately.

Mrs. Bork had fought desperately against her assailant. Along the trail to the corn field were found both the slippers she had worn. Ribbons from her hair and her cloak were also found.

It is supposed Bork was the first to be killed. The indications were that he had been shot as he sat in the buggy and that he fell from his seat.

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FATHER KILLED IN ATTEMPT TO STOP ELOPING COUPLE

Daughter And Lover Hurried Away And Were Married After Tragedy

DECLARES SHE WILL NOT ATTEND FUNERAL

Says Husband Shot Defending Her From Father Who Threatened to Kill Her

CAMILLA, Ga., Nov. 27.—Pursuing his eloping daughter, who had run away from home with Columbus Huey, T. J. Sellers, one of the wealthiest farmers of Mitchell county, was shot to death in the public road ten miles southwest of here this afternoon when he caught the fleeing couple.

Leaving his body in the road, Huey and Miss Sellers, it is alleged, went on, driving rapidly in a buggy, intending to complete the elopement with a wedding.

The sheriff of the county was informed by telephone of the tragedy and is out on the trail of the fleeing man and girl. It is said that Huey fired the shot that killed Sellers after an altercation following the appearance of the father of the girl and in a fight for her possession.

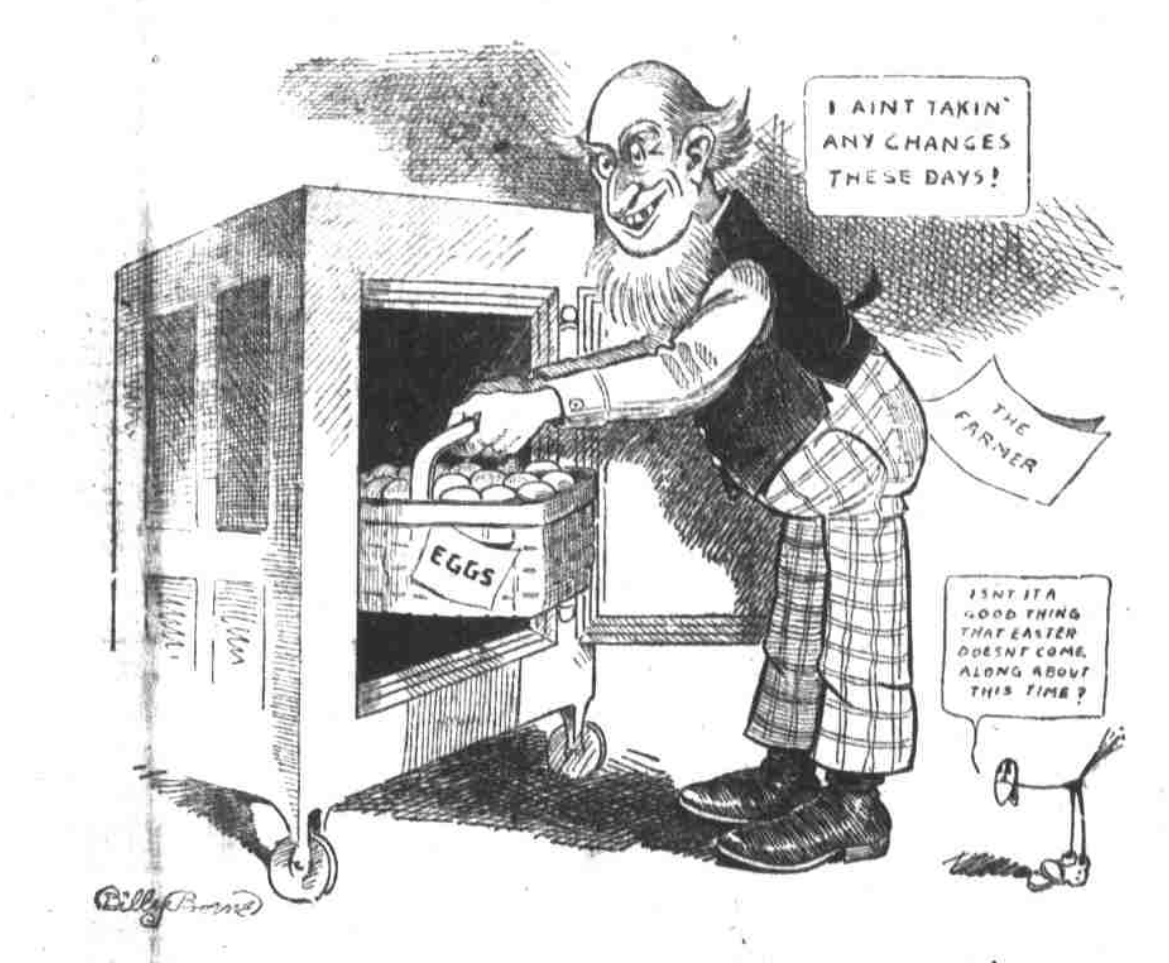
No word has been heard from the sheriff since he left but the general direction in which Huey was traveling is known and it is believed he will be captured soon. Details of the tragedy are lacking since the place of the killing is at a distance from telephone.

CAUGHT LATER.

CAMILLA, Ga., Nov. 27.—Columbus Huey, who this afternoon killed T. J. Sellers, in this county, while eloping with Sellers' daughter, was captured tonight with the girl several miles from the scene of the shooting. He is in jail here.

The girl, who was Miss S. Eula Sellers, declares they have been married and that she will not attend her father's funeral. She stated tonight and the same story is told by Huey that her father threatened to kill her unless she should go back home with him, when he caught the eloping couple, and that he put his hand in his pocket as if to draw a weapon. She says Huey then fired, killing Sellers instantly.

Not Taking Any Chances



DR. COOK DISAPPEARS AND MAN WHO KNOWS WHERE HE IS SAYS "HE ISN'T"

Discoverer of Pole Mysteriously Drops off Earth. Doctor Says He was on Verge of Nervous Breakdown; One Man Who Knows What Has Become of Him Makes Enigmatic Statement

NEW YORK, Nov. 27.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook dropped completely from public view today. Not even John R. Bradley, whose money was behind his polar explorations, knows where he is tonight. Confiding his secret to only one man and perhaps to his wife, the Brooklyn explorer slipped quietly and mysteriously away, leaving behind him a string of puzzled and exasperated friends and a debate more acrimonious than that which followed his announcement of September last that he had discovered the North Pole on April 21, 1908.

Charles Wake, an insurance man of this city, appears to be the only one who knows the mystery of Dr. Cook's whereabouts. And Wake is firm in his resolve to keep his lips sealed until Cook himself sees fit to take the public into his confidence. On Verge of Breakdown.

Mr. Wake, in admitting that he knows where Dr. Cook is, declined to give his address or to account in any way for the doctor's sudden and mysterious departure. Said Mr. Wake: "In the circumstances, he is at perfect liberty to make what plans he chooses. In due time he will give account of himself, and until then I hope that he gets the rest he thoroughly deserves." Bradley Exasperated.

HOUSE OF LORDS WILL TEST ITS RIGHT TO VOTE DOWN BUDGET THIS WEEK

Commons will Immediately Deny Right and Parliamentary Struggle Begins MEMORABLE EVENT

LONDON, Nov. 27.—The coming week will be memorable in the parliamentary annals of Great Britain. A majority of the lords despite the warnings of such experienced politicians as Lord Rosebery and Lord Haldane of Burleigh, have decided to withhold their consent to the budget and it is a foregone conclusion that Lord Lansdowne's motion to reject the finance measures will be carried by a large majority. But while the result is foreseen, interest in the debate remains undiminished and the speeches to be delivered on Monday and Tuesday preceding the division are eagerly anticipated.

With all the leaders out of town for the week-end, there have been no further developments in the situation and the discussions in the press and about town are confined to conjecture as to what course the government will take. It is certain that the Premier Asquith on the day after the lords have divided on the question will give notice of a motion affirming the uncontrolled right of the house of commons in respect of financial matters. The Premier's motion, of course, will prevail, and then it will be up to the government to decide whether the house shall be prorogued or merely adjourned.

THREE VICTIMS OF THE LATEST OUTBREAK OF WEST VIRGINIA FEUD

Summons of Doctor Reveals Shooting in Which Two Women Were Killed OFFICERS AFRAID

WILLIAMSTON, W. Va., Nov. 27.—That a third person was shot in the battle between the Christian and Daniels families near Dexon, Mingo county, Thursday, became known when a physician was summoned to attend Jim Daniels at the home of his brother. His wound may result fatally.

MILLION DOLLAR CONCERN BANKRUPT.

PENSACOLA, Fla., Nov. 27.—Forcing the Tallahassee saw mill company, a million dollar concern, owning mills, railroads and vast tracts of timber land in Georgia and Florida, into involuntarily bankruptcy, creditors of the concern today filed a petition in the United States District court in which they declare the firm is unable to meet its obligations and has so admitted in writing. The court named W. H. Smith as custodian of the property, requiring a \$25,000 bond. The company is composed of New York men who bought up large tracts of land in Georgia and Florida two years ago. The main office is in Thomasville, Ga.

DENY REPORT THAT OUR CONSUL TO NICARAGUA HAS BEEN IMPRISONED

Government Would Have Been Notified if Such Action had Been Taken EVENTS IMPENDING

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Reports which have come from Nicaragua by way of New Orleans to the effect that Henry Caldera, vice consul of the United States at Managua, the capital of Nicaragua, has been imprisoned or suffered violence at the hands of President Zelaya are given credence here in no quarter. The state department, which is in close touch with the situation, through the commander of the United States gunboat Vicksburg at Corinto who would within twenty-four hours after such news reached him have been on the scene of action, has had no reports of the imprisonment of Vice-Consul Caldera. Caldera, who is a Nicaraguan by birth but a citizen of the United States by naturalization is the highest diplomatic representative of the United States at present in Nicaragua. It is on him that the state department is relying for reports of any ill-treatment to Americans anywhere in Nicaragua or damage to American interests there.

It was stated at the department today that it was extremely unlikely that any official announcement of importance concerning Nicaragua would be made earlier than Sunday night or Monday morning. This is assumed to indicate that matters of consequence are under consideration which may be expected to culminate about that time. A dispatch from Managua says: "There is absolutely no truth in the report circulated in the United States today and called here for confirmation that Mr. Caldera, the American vice-consul at Managua has been imprisoned by President Zelaya."

VATICAN REPUDIATES THE SEPARATION LAW

French Premier Declares There is no Possibility of Settlement with Rome

PARIS, Nov. 27.—The Temps considers the discussion of the church question in the chamber of deputies by Premier Briand yesterday who spoke in reply to a speech of Abbe Jayraud, of great importance, since it again emphasizes how, in spite of the wishes of a majority of the French bishops, clergy and the great body of Catholics, the church of Rome has refused to recognize the separation law and continues to refuse all efforts at conciliation which have been proposed by parliament and even goes so far as to make war in the public schools. A new spirit, the paper declares, must rule the Vatican before a settlement is possible. This is evidenced by the refusal of the Vatican to go in the settlement of the church question in France, whereas it stoops at nothing to insinuate and conciliate the governments of other countries. The Temps points out that under the broad influence of Leo XIII the situation would be treated with liberality and common sense, and concludes with the assertion that religious peace will come when the church restricts its energy to religion and the French clergy follow the dictates of conscience instead of intransigent orders from Rome.



BANK'S BOOKS SHOW MANY OVERDRAFTS BY BATTLE

Assistant Cashier on Stand Tells of Methods Which Brought About Failure

GREENSBORO, N. C., Nov. 27.—Juror Turkey whose illness caused an interruption yesterday in the trial of Lee H. Battle, in connection with the failure of the City National bank was able to be in the jury box this morning and the trial was resumed. C. E. Cline, assistant cashier of the bank, was again called to the stand this morning. His testimony was a continuation of explanations by reading the bank's books of the various transactions which the bank had with the Panama Cotton Manufacturing company of which the defendant was president and treasurer and of the Dixie Fire Insurance company. The books showed continued overdrafts and many notes of similar but smaller volume than were those of the Panama company, many of these notes being accounted after being endorsed by the bank. It was brought out that Battle offered to resign as cashier of the bank to devote his time and attention to the mill long before his resignation was accepted. F. H. Chamberlain, who is connected with the Mount Airy cotton mills was called to the stand at the afternoon session, testifying that the bills account in the bank was overdrawn at times and that Battle called his attention to it and told him that the overdrafts must be reduced. This was done he said, by giving notes to the bank. "The trial, which began last Monday is dragging along very slowly, the government still having two witnesses to put on the stand before the defense will have their hearing."

YOUNG PERIN'S PALACE IS A CASTLE IN SPAIN

Strange Actions Cause Him to be Kept Under Constant Surveillance

MADRID, Nov. 27.—For the purpose of looking into the case of Lawrence Perin, of Baltimore, concerning whose behavior at Ronda there have been startling reports Edward J. Norton, American consul at Madrid, has gone to Ronda, where he arrived today. Perin went to Ronda recently with the avowed intention of erecting there a memorial to his wife who committed suicide at Harrow, England, last September. Subsequently he announced that he had purchased a Moorish palace at Ronda and that excavations on the property had resulted in the discovery of long buried treasures. The Spanish government became interested and commissioned an architect to investigate the matter. Now come reports that Perin is acting strangely, and according to one story he has attempted to take his life. One dispatch from Ronda today says that Perin is proceeding to Morocco under surveillance.

PLANTER KILLED BY A NEIGHBOR

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Nov. 27.—David Simpson, a prominent and wealthy planter of the Mint Hill section who lived twelve miles from Charlotte, was shot and killed tonight by Will Hartis, a neighbor. Had blood had existed for some time over a trifling account Hartis claimed was due him and renewing the dispute tonight Hartis drew a pistol and shot Simpson dead.

TARIFF WAR WITH CANADA MAY GROW OUT OF PAYNE BILL

Congressman Mann Will Try to Have Recent Act Revised to Meet Conditions

WOULD LET CANADIAN PRODUCTS IN FREE

Unless This Is Done Our Neighbor May Forbid Export of Pulp Entirely

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Congressman Mann, who was chairman of the special committee on wood pulp and print paper of the last congress, and who prepared the provisions of these items as first reported to the house by the Payne tariff bill, but who was over-ruled by congress in the final passage of the tariff law, takes the position that the country may well be alarmed at the danger of a tariff war with Canada growing out of the tariff on wood pulp and print paper under the Payne act. Mr. Mann has prepared and at the beginning of the forthcoming session of congress will introduce several bills and joint resolutions relating to this subject. One of his measures is a joint resolution to postpone the application of the maximum tariff from April 1 next to January 1, 1911. Another of his resolutions provides that the maximum tariff of the United States shall be held not to apply to wood pulp and printing paper imported from Canada.

Would Admit Paper Free.

Mr. Mann has also prepared and will introduce a bill which provides that wood pulp and printing papers shall be admitted free of duty when imported from Canada, being the product thereof, on the condition precedent that Canada or the provinces in which the wood pulp or printing paper is manufactured shall not forbid or restrict or impose any export duty or export license upon printing paper, mechanically ground pulp or wood used in the manufacture of wood pulp. These measures all naturally when introduced will be referred by the speaker to the committee on ways and means, but Mr. Mann may make a fight in the house to have them referred to the committee on interstate and foreign commerce, of which he is the new chairman.

Mr. Mann says that unless some legislation such as he proposes be adopted or a reciprocal treaty with Canada be agreed to, Canada smarting under the injustice of the Payne tariff law, is likely to forbid the exportation of pulp wood from Canada to the United States and thereby not only close up a number of the newspaper mills of the United States but increase the cost and price of print paper to a point which will inflict tremendous injury not only upon the newspaper but upon the book publishers, including especially school books.

N. CAROLINA CONFERENCE SELECTS ITS DELEGATES

Passes Resolution Urging Greater Effort Against Spread of Tuberculosis

RALEIGH, N. C., Nov. 27.—The North Carolina Methodist conference closed today 197 to 59 to hold the 1910 conference in Elizabeth City as against Washington. The conference elected as clerical delegates to the general conference: Dr. J. C. Kligo, Dr. T. N. Ivey, H. C. Beaman, W. T. Cunningham and D. J. N. Cole. The lay delegates are Joseph G. Brown, H. A. Page, J. H. Southgate, ex-Governor T. J. Jarvis, with W. B. Cooper and Dr. D. B. Zollinger as alternates. The clerical alternates are St. Bradshaw, and T. B. John. A resolution was received and referred to the education committee looking to establishment of a woman's college in Raleigh. A special committee with ex-Governor T. J. Jarvis as a member, was appointed to formulate plans for superannuated preachers; among resolutions were adopted condemning football as too brutal for college athletics, and also urging greater effort for prevention of the spread of tuberculosis. Protests were made by J. H. Hall and N. H. D. Wilson against a letter in the last issue of the church paper insinuating that if a minister protests against any acts of his presiding elder he will suffer at the hands of the cabinet. Bishop Wilson suggested that the presiding elders were fault men and that if there be any good let it be with the bishop.