

CORONER'S JURY FINDS DR. CRIPPEN GUILTY OF MURDER

Summing up by Coroner Left Practically no Choice For His Jury

NOTHING SAID ABOUT THE LENEVE GIRL

Second Chapter of Crippen Story Sends Doctor Step Nearer to Gallows

LONDON, Sept. 26.—The coroner's jury today brought in a verdict that Mrs. Cora Crippen, known as the white widow, had been willfully murdered by her husband, Dr. Hawley H. Crippen, an American dentist.

After listening to the testimony which was presented and hearing the summing up of the case by Coroner Schroeder, who summarized the evidence pointing to the murder, the jury was left but little choice.

The inquest has been dragged out longer than usual in order to give the police time to search for evidence. They are still hunting for a witness, and expect to bring at the trial more testimony tending to identify Belle Elmore's body through the agency of a piece of flesh found to contain a scar. The case will come up for trial at the next criminal sessions which are scheduled for October 11, and will probably be called up about October 18.

The Coroner's Charge In summing up the case, the coroner said that the evidence presented concerning the identity of the buried body was unusually slim, but that there was little doubt that the remains were human. Although the physicians frankly said that they could not swear as to the sex on anatomical grounds, they agreed, the coroner declared, that all indications pointed to the mutilated flesh being that of a woman. He pointed out that Belle Elmore had completely disappeared and that the body had been found in her husband's cellar.

Other evidence as to the identification of the body, the coroner contended, was the testimony given by several women that Belle Elmore bore a scar, and that the doctors had reached the conclusion that a mark (Continued on page four.)

Gravely Announced That the President Is Really "Keeping Mind Open" DOWN TO BUSINESS WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—The cabinet house party at the white house is in full swing tonight. Eight of the nine members of the president's official family moved in today. They held a formal session in the cabinet room of the executive offices during the afternoon and continued their informal discussion of affairs of state at a luncheon which began at 1:30 p. m., and did not end until nearly four. During the late afternoon the various cabinet officers returned to their respective departments, but gathered again at the white house for dinner and a long evening talk on the south veranda.

LENOIR LAWYER SUICIDE. WILMINGTON, Sept. 26.—Emmet Blackmore, 24 years old, member of a leading eastern North Carolina family and an attorney of Lenoir, N. C., committed suicide today.

GAYNOR'S ENEMIES HELPING HIM DUCK THE NOMINATION

He Does Not Want to be Candidate For Governor; Up-state Democrats Do Not Want Him, and Field Will Unite Against Him.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 26.—The opponents of Mayor Gaynor devoted today and tonight to preparation for the struggle against his selection for the head of the democratic state ticket which now seems likely to be the distinguishing feature of the two days remaining before the state democratic convention. The extent of this opposition is difficult to define. Friends of Jas. S. Havens declare that it covers the western half of the state, and some of the more enthusiastic assert that there is no real demand for the mayor's nomination outside of New York. At present, the Havens men head the anti-Gaynor forces, but when the supporters of the other candidates arrive, they hope to enlist their aid on the common ground that the elimination of Gaynor is the first requisite toward ensuring the success of anybody else, no matter from what section of the state it falls. The opponents of Gaynor, it is said, will urge upon Chas. F. Murphy, the Tammany Hall leader and others that it will be dangerous to depend too much upon the popular sentiment in Gaynor's favor engendered by his attempted assassination; that but for this sympathy Judge Gaynor would not have his present lead for the nomination and that it is not strong enough to weather the strain of a hard campaign.

Up-State Against Him. The manner in which the Mayor's candidacy was assailed by some of the up-state leaders here, surprised those who came to Rochester with the belief that Gaynor sentiment up-state was so strong that his nomination depended only upon the announcement of his willingness to run. These men declare that Chairman Dix informed them privately that the inference drawn from the statement he made in New York last week regarding the strength of Gaynor sentiment he found throughout the state was exaggerated. They have investigated the mayor's political attainments, and they assert that they will show the New York leaders that Mr. Gaynor's attributes do not qualify him to lead the party in the state this fall. The Havens men admit that they have no assurance of the support of Wm. R. Hearst if their candidate

receives the nomination, but they call attention to the fact that the New York editor supported Mr. Havens when he ran for congress, and hope that this course indicates that Mr. Hearst has forgotten the fact that Havens opposed him when Hearst ran for governor in 1906.

GAYNOR DON'T WANT IT. NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—Mayor Gaynor issued tonight for the first time a formal statement saying that he is not a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor. Nowhere in the statement does the mayor say, however, what course he will pursue in the event the nomination is thrust upon him. He indicates that he prefers to serve his full term as mayor, but at the same time emphasizes the fact that he feels no moral obligation to do so. The statement, dated St. James L. I. September 26, is in the form of a letter to John A. Dix, chairman of the democratic state committee and in part follows:

"I have further considered the matter as you requested when you called on me here with Mr. Mack last Wednesday, but can only reiterate that I am not a candidate for the nomination for governor. This must have been well known all along, for I have written it to many people during the last six months. I am not influenced in my course by assertions made here and there that I made an agreement or compact during my mayoralty campaign to serve out the four years if elected. These false assertions are made by persons who opposed me and voted against me and would do so again. I made no such agreement. I certainly did not make it with those who opposed me and voted against me. I could have had no compact with them. It takes two sides to make a compact. Nor did I make it with those who nominated and supported me. They did not ask for it. I did say of my own motion and at the request of one man that I purposed to devote the next four years to the service of the city. But this only started a hue and cry against me that I should make a pledge or compact to that effect which I refused to do, and if I had made a pledge that could not pre-

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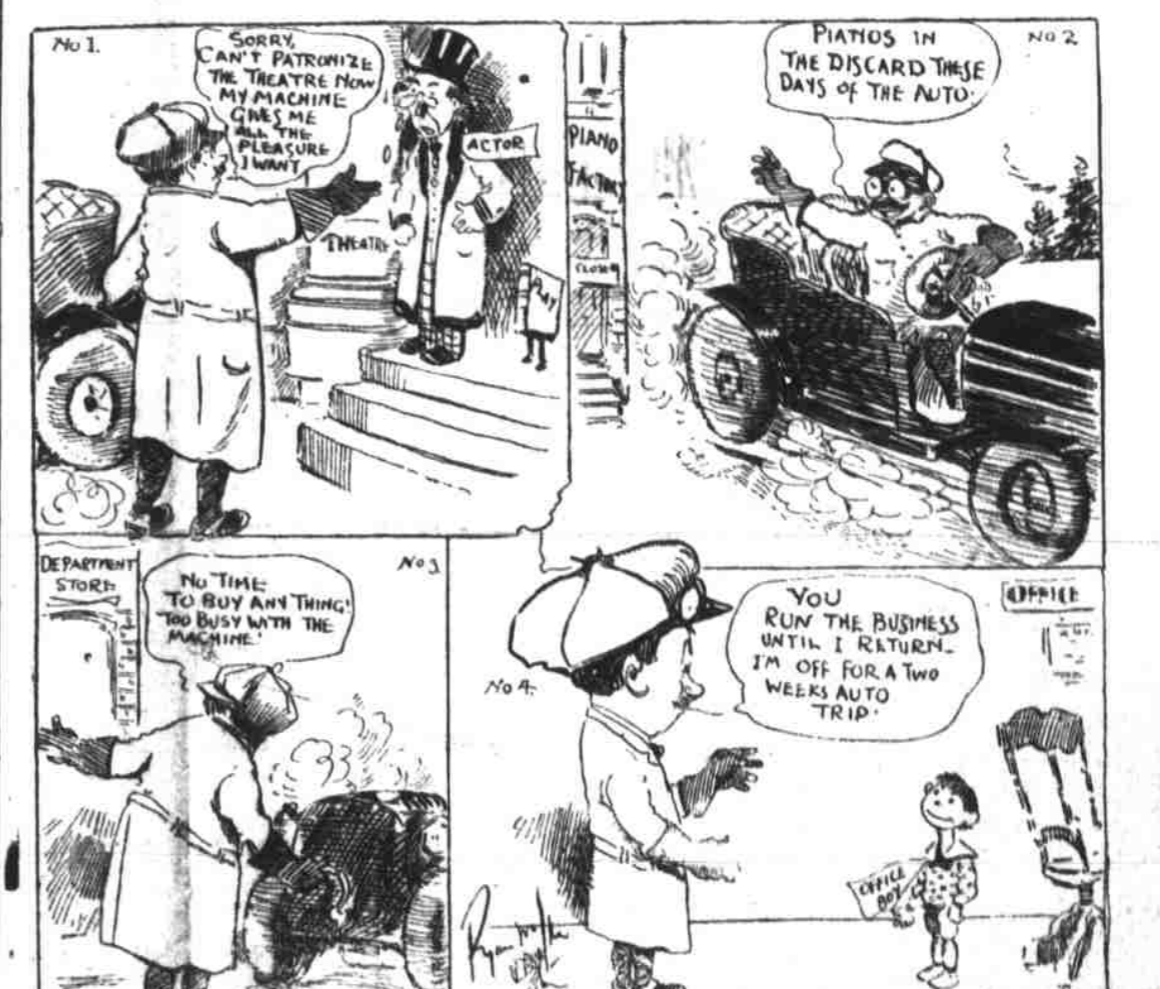
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MILITARY CADETS ARE PUT UNDER ARREST FOR "SILENCING" AN OFFICER

RESTRAINED OF ALL LIBERTY AND CUT OFF FROM RECREATION THAT CODE OF HONOR

WEST POINT, N. Y., Sept. 26.—Although the special board of inquiry will not report on the case for several days, drastic measures of discipline were still being meted out at the United States Military Academy as a result of the cadets having twice administered the "silence" to Captain Rufus E. Longan, an instructor. The following orders were issued today by Lieut. Colonel Frederick W. Sibley, the commander, who has the situation in charge during the absence in Washington of Major General Barry, the superintendent.

It's Like This After a Famous Run.



"SHALL ROOSEVELT RULE AND RUIN?" IS SLOGAN OF OLD GUARD ON BATTLE'S EVE

He of The Glasses and The Grinning Teeth Declares he Has Beaten Them "to a Frazzle."—Sherman Makes no Boast But Hopes For The Best Tomorrow.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Sept. 26.—Saratoga seethes in a political turmoil tonight, the eve of one of the most important republican conventions ever held. The Old Guard is making its battle on the issue "shall Theodore Roosevelt rule the republican party in the state of New York?" Colonel Roosevelt reached here late today and within five minutes had plunged into the situation, taking full command of the progressive forces and rounding up the wavering unpledged delegates. The ebb and flow of the political tides finally set in for the progressives tonight and the colonel, after a conference with his lieutenants, repeated his declaration made at Troy today:

"Good luck," he shouted, waving his black sombrero hat to the crowd "I shall not try to make any speech now. I'll make my speech tomorrow." Then, before the crowd could rush in on him, the colonel swept away to his headquarters where, with his lieutenants, he obtained the latest information concerning the situation. Vice President Sherman came to the village this morning from Utica and went quietly to his room. Few knew of his arrival. Mr. Sherman had nothing to say and spent the most of the day talking with friends in a veranda of the hotel. Mr. Sherman, it was learned, entertains no very excited hopes of his election to the temporary chairmanship, but he says he is in the fight.

rade then led them to the band stand and the vice-president was cheered and urged to make a speech. "Gentlemen," he said, "indications point to the fact that about 5,000 of you prefer to hear your voice than to hear mine. I shall not assure you that I will speak in the convention but rather, I will say that I will speak in the convention tomorrow if a majority so wills. I always bow to the will of the majority, which is my only boss. I desire to express my thanks to the stalwart body of Oneida county business men, regardless of party, who have come here to answer the clap-trap of the opposition."

"BLACK AND TAN" CROWD OF PALMETTO STATE ARE WITH THE PROGRESSIVES

Believed That Johnnie Bulls May Seek Agreement With Americans

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—It was said at the treasury today that committee of London bankers will come to New York soon for a conference with American financiers in the hope of coming to some agreement on the question of guarantee on cotton bills of lading.

PEACE CONGRESS MEETS AT KNOXVILLE EXPOSITION

Addresses Made by Several Prominent Peace Advocates of Country

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Sept. 26.—The Appalachian Peace congress convened here in the auditorium at the exposition grounds this afternoon, when speakers of national reputation were heard. The program was directed by Mrs. Belva Lockwood of Washington, D. C., who delivered the leading address of the afternoon on the subject, "Our government is spending millions of dollars for warships."

CHOLERA RAVAGING THE EUROPEAN CAPITALS

Rome, Naples and Budapesth All Report Many Deaths and New Cases

ROME, Sept. 26.—Professor Doria chief of the board of health, announced today that there have been four cases of Asiatic cholera in Rome. One of these proved fatal while the others have recovered. The origin of all has been traced to Naples.



STATE COMMITTEE GIVES ROOSEVELT ANOTHER REBUKE

After Acrimonious Debate Reiterates Selection of Sherman as Chairman

ADMINISTRATION BEING DRAWN INTO CONFLICT

Vice-President Declares he Was Chosen Because of His Official Position

SARATOGA, N. Y., Sept. 26.—By a vote of 22 to 15 the republican state committee at a special meeting tonight reaffirmed its selection of Vice President Sherman over Theodore Roosevelt as temporary chairman of the state convention which convenes tomorrow.

This action, a victory for the Old Guard, was taken after Vice President Sherman had created a sensation with a letter asking that the committee investigate the charge that his selection as temporary chairman was brought about through trickery, and stating that if the charges were sustained he would not serve.

After a heated argument in which the leaders of both the Old Guard and the progressives gave sharp expression of their convictions the committee by a vote of 22 to 15 resolved: "That Mr. Sherman be informed that his selection was made without misrepresentation as an answer to his letter."

At times the argument waxed so bitter that to save what appeared to threaten an unfortunate situation, Representative J. Sloat Fossitt moved that the whole matter be laid on the table. But this was voted down, the Old Guard leaders declaring it to be an attempt to gag them and prevent those members who voted for Vice President Sherman from explaining their votes.

The committee had scarce gone into session when Chairman Woodruff announced that he had a letter from Mr. Sherman which he read. It follows:

"To the members of the republican State Committee: "Hon. T. L. Woodruff, Chairman: As you know, I have no ambition to preside over the state convention to convene tomorrow. As you also know I was asked to preside, not alone because I was part of the Taft administration, but because it was known that, in response to the president's request, I had spoken for the administration for him on several occasions in different sections of the country, because it was known that I had been a staunch supporter of the president during his entire term of office; because I was known to be an especially ardent supporter and advocate of the basic principles of the party. My name was presented to the state committee in accordance with custom in state and nation. I solicited no man's support, not to gratify a personal ambition. In that respect I had none."

"The charge has since been made in some quarters that my selection was accomplished in the state committee by means of deception and misrepresentation. I do not believe it. So far as I am personally concerned I know the statement to be absolutely unfounded. Even to do the party service, I am unwilling to serve in the face of such a charge if well founded. I therefore ask that at the committee meeting tonight the charge so publicly made be with equal directness and publicity investigated; that the majority of the state committee who originally favored my selection may each declare whether or not his preference was based upon any statement which bore any color of misrepresentation or deception, for if such be the fact, I ask that my name be not presented to the convention for its temporary presiding officer tomorrow."

STATE AUDITOR DIXON IS DEAD AT RALEIGH

Succumbed Last Night to Another Attack of Angina Pectoris

RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 26.—State Auditor Benjamin Dixon died here tonight at 11:30 o'clock as the result of an acute attack of angina pectoris. Auditor Dixon was born in 1844. He was an officer in the Civil War, a major in the Second regiment of North Carolina volunteers. He was formerly superintendent of the Masonic Orphan asylum at Oxford, N. C., and a few years later was made president of the Greensboro Female college. In 1900 Major Dixon was elected state auditor of North Carolina and was serving his third term when taken ill.