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WITHIN 25 MILES OF NEW YORK CITY ENGINE GOES BAD

twood Compelled to Land But Not Until World's Record Was Established

EXPECTS TO FINISH HIS FLIGHT TODAY

Young Aviator Faces Most His Entire Journey

NYACK, N. Y., Aug. 24.-Another delay incident to aviation brought lisappointment to thousands of peohis recordto sail over New York and land are cross-examination of two detectives he Sheepshead Bay, but instead, on account of a defect in his engine, was to hold back his laughter. compelled to land here, within 25 of his destination. Tomorrow probably early, Atwood expects to resume his trip and in a few hours finish the longest aeroplane flight ever schleved.

Atwood's position tonight is 1,240 miles from St. Louis and Just twenty five miles from the heart of New for the distance, covered in eleven and forty-five minutes.

Despite his failure to land in New down the Hudson river gave Atwood fistance record, formerly held by European aernauts.

Picturesque Incident.

Atwood's flight down the Hudson before noon was full of picturesque incidents. He covered the 109 miles from Castleton, where he ascended, at 7:36 a. m., to Nyack, where he made his final landing at 10:13 a. m., in actual flying time of two hours and thirty-seven minutes. Starting from Castleston just one hour and three minutes brought him over Kingston, of the Rhinecliffe, which marked his hearing surpassed by thirteen miles the previous world's long distance record of 1,164 miles.

Further down Atwood dropped st near the water as to be able to shou. to the passengers on a ferry boat At that point he approached the Poughkeepste bridge and swooping lower he went under it at a height above water of only 100 feet.

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BIRMINGHAM VOTES FOR

THE RETURN OF LICENSED

SALDON BY BIG MAJORITY

the Dispensaries

MAY GO ABOVE 2,000

to recover.

married in San Francisco.

FIRST DAY OF HIS TRIAL YEAR FROM HIS WEDDING DAY

Henry Clay Beattie Faces Jury of Night he Was to Have Been His Peers on Charge of Murdering Young Wife on Highway. As Composed as Ever.

sary of his marriage to the woman he part: stands accused of muracring, Henry Embarrassing Situation of Clay Beattle, jr., sat in the seven itemized account of what you must court room today and heard seven itemized account of what you must be good. With Clay Beattle, jr., sat in the stuffy niture and make him give you an give testimony on which the prosecution hopes to send him to the electric chair. On the court house lawn, only a few feet away, stood the bloodsoaked automobile in which the young wife met her death. Beattle himple along the lower Hudson river self calmly inspected the car when it and in New York City today when arrived today and not once during the day's proceedings did he show any breaking flight from St. Louis, failed signs of blanching. Twice during the flushed with amusement and struggled

Seven Witnesses Heard.

Of the seven witnesses examined today two were physicians, Dr. Herbert Mann and Dr. Wilbur Mercer, who examined Louise Beattie's body on the light of the murder.

The others were Thomas Owen. a court stenographer and uncle to Mrs. Beattle: Detectives Wrenn and Wilt-His actual flying time shire, of Richmond, who investigated the case; Coroner Loving, of Chesterdays, is twenty-seven hours and field county, and May Stuart, a stout, middle-aged woman, who told of Beattle's associations with Benlah Bin-York, the day's sail of 109 miles ford. None of the witnesses except Mr. Owen recalled that Beattle had by seventy-six miles the world's long displayed any grief over the tragedy. Others said they had not seen him

With the first witness called merely to establish the death of Mrs. Beattie, their testimony was largely a review of what came out at the inquest, and it was not until the Stuart woman took the stand that the prosecution began its attempts to build up a motive for the crime. She swore that she was the proprietress of a questionable resort in Richmond, and that Beattle had appeared there with the Binford girl four times within the two months preceding the murder. and for the last time on July 17, the night before the crime. Beulah Binford, she testified she had known for several years,

Letter to Binford Girt. After having the witness describe how Beattle and his 17-year-old companion had visited her place, the commonwealth introduced in evidence a letter written by the defendant to the Binford girl and identified as such at

CHESTERFIELD COURT HOUSE, | the inquest. Penned on his father's Vs., Aug. 24.—On this the anniver- business stationery Beattle wrote in

"Dear Kid: Pay this on the fur witnesses called by the commonwealth pay each week. Well, he good. With oceans of love brimming with kisses HON."

The boy showed no signs of emo tion when the letter was read but the elder Beattle held a palm leaf fan in front of his face.

Thomas Owen, uncle of Mrs. Best tie, to whose home the prisoner brought the body after the tragedy. told how Beattle drove up to the house on the night of the murder, took his young wife into the car and returned an hour later with the dead body beside him. He said Beattle cried: "My God, my God," as he drove up, and that Beattle shouted:

"They have killed Louise." He told how the body was lifted from the car but said he did not examine the body at the time. When it was prepared for burial, however, he saw the wound in the left cheek which he described as being as "big as a half dollar." As witness said this Beattle mumbled "half dollar" enough for those near him to hear. Gun Exhibited.

Beattle's blood-soaked clothes were unrolled before the jury and the witness identified them. The single-barreled shotgun with which the commonwealth says the shot was fired was then exhibited. Mr. Owen identified the gun as the one shown at the coroner's inquest, at which time Paul Beattle swore that he had purchased it for his cousin. The witness then described the scene of the crime on the night of the murder. Beattle watched his uncle-in-law like a hawk as the testimony was given, and now and then shook his head as if in contradiction.

"Did you observe the conduct murderer 2" was asked. "He seemed to be grieved and I

tried to keep him out of the room where the body was," said the wit-ness." He asked me for some whiskey and I sent out for some, and several times he inquired if his wife was dead. He requested several times that I telephone to his father. "To what extent did Beattle use the

(Continued on Page Eight) been murdered.

Practiced by U.S. Postoffice Department

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23 .- Arrangeperience to render him a safe com- With the idea of reducing the ex-

In accordance with this arrangement carry out the instructions with rethe official trials today during the first spect to the delivery of freight mail. Publishers have assured the postmaster general that they generally

caped uninjured, but the machine lost ceived from the ratiways that the mail a wheel. It is claimed that the accir can be delivered promptly. The exdent would not have happened to a pense of transporting and delivery will be far less than at present,

SPRING LAKE, N. J., Aug. 24. will attend.

DIABOL**ICAL** GRIME CHARGED AGAINST WOUL**d-B**e groom

Married, is Charged With Murder of His Family

FATHER, MOTHER AND BROTHER ARE DEAD

Skulls Crushed With Axe or Hatchet and Home Afterward Found in Flames

BOONEVILLE, Ist., Aug. 24 .- Instead of eing married tonight, as he had planned, William Lee, 21 years In the court house, old, is in jail, chare ed with the murder of his father, Richard Lee, his mother and his younger brother, skulls crushed with an axe or hatchet, were found early today in their burning home. Because of threats of violence against him. Lee may secretly be taken to the jail at Evansville for safekeeping.

Corumer Farley began an inquest today. Lee calmly refused to make any further statement than that he was awakened early this morning by fire in the family's home, that he dressed and then ran to give an alarm and then returned to attempt to rescue his father, mother and brother.

Art axe and a hatchet, the heads covered with blood, were picked up in the house after fremen had put out the flames. Traces of kerosepe were found on the beds and floor. In a table drawer were insurance policies for \$5,000 on the lives of the father, 52 years old, and the younger son, 17 years old. Cash amounting to \$300, the proceeds of the mis resterday of some property owned by the Lees at Newburg, had disappeared. A fourth share of the money from the sale had been given to Willam Lee for his father. William Lee was to have been father. William Lee was to have been married tonight to Miss Mina Taylor, a daughter of a farmer living near Newburg.

Witnesses at the inquest told the coroner that Lee had quarreled with is father because the latter had not thought he should have in view of his approaching marirage. Lee said he had heard no noise in the house and had no idea how of, by whom his hounds." father and mother and brother had

MOB WREAKS ITS VENGEANCE UPON FIENDISH NEGRO

Oklahoma Again Scene of Lynching Of Brute Who Had Attacked Woman, Beating Her Unmercifully, and Setting Fire to House.

PURCELL, Okla., Aug. 24.-While there would be no chance for him to hree thousand men, women and chil- escape. After the sheriff had condren stood by shouting their approval, Peter Carter, a negro, who had been captured by the members of his own race, and identified as the man who last night attacked Mrs. Minnie was turned in the lock and the offi-Spraggins, wife of a farmer, was cers were held prisoners until the ne burned to death on a brush pile in the main street of Purcell at 5 o'clock thus afternoon. Deputy Sheriff Hayes and Under Sheriff Farris, who attempted to rescue the negro from the crowd, were overpowered and locked

Assault and Arson.

Mrs. Spraggins was assaulted while alone in her house, one mile south of Purcell. After the deed, the negro set fire to the Spraggins home. Spraggins' husband saw the flames while working in the fields and rushed into the house in time to rescue his wife. She said that Carter who formerly worked on the Spraggins farm had attacked her. Carter was found and taken into custody but on the way to jail Carter escaped. Farmers of the neighborhood made an allnight search for Carter but in vain.

This afternoon Hugh Henry, a negro janitor, noticed a strange negro hiding under a box car near the Oklahoma Central railway station. With the aid of two other negroes, who had armed themselves to aid in the search for Mrs. Spraggins' assstlant, the negro janitor pulled Carter from neath the car. He was taken to the main street of Purcell, where a great crowd had gathered.

Farmer Leads Mob. "Turn that negro over to me," said a tall farmer who suddenly seemed to

assume command of the crowd The janitor and his two aides obeyed. Carter was taken across the street and in an instant many men and boys were gathering brush and piling it around his feet. At this Deputy Sheriff Hayes and Under Sheriff Harris arrived and pleaded with

"Men of Purcell, If you lynch this an it will be the darkest blot on ourselves and the town of

The sheriff pleaded with be given an instant trial and that legislature.

cluded, the officers were led to the court house, presumably to confer with some of the leaders. As they entered a room in the building, the key

Crowd Cheers as Negro Burns As soon as the sheriff and his assistants had been locked up the negro was led to where an oil soaked brush head had been bullt around a telephone pole. He was tird to the pole shricking and imploring for mercy. The pile was lighted and the crowd city this morning on the "Carolina cheered as the flames licked the victim's face. Men and women in motor cars stood up to watch him die. Aftspirits and speaks interestingly of his er the flames died down the crowd slowly dispersed. The negro's body lina. was burned to a crisp.

Mrs. Spraggins, who is not expected to live (said Carter entered her home last night and struck her on the head with a piece of gas pipe, beating her until she was unconscious. An old mattrees was torn up and scattered over her body. The negro set the mattrees afire and fied. As Mrs. Spraggins was crawling from the fire the negro reappeared and again struck her with the pipe, breaking her

SUIT FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.-Edward B. Browne, rabbl, of Youngstown, O., is suing the Congregation Mishkan Tefft, says that the congregation hired him tion?" says that the congregation hired him tion? Gioriaus, to serve as its rabbi for the rest of his senator. "We will win in a walk." and now about the referendum the asks that his salary be continued and recall as applied to the judiciary." "I believe in the referendum through the balance of his life. The action is brought in New York county, where Prowne resided before

taking his Youngstown charge.

when it publishes an indictment be-fore the indictment is served was held tax?" "With all my heart. It p here today by Judge Kinkaid in the the burden of government on "That's all right, sheriff," shouted criminal court when he fined the one of the mob, "but we must protect Cleveland Leader \$400. The case wives and daughters from black grew out of the publication of indictments in connection with alleged the mob. saying that the negro would bribery at the last session of the Ohio

REVENUE OFFICERS HAVE **OUITE A NARROW ESCAPE**

'Moonshiners' Use New Weapon to Discourage Them_Large Steel Trap

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., Aug. 24 -Internal revenue officers in search of illicit distilleries have discovered that a new weapon is being used to discourage their investigations. It Carolina—the Anderson and Orr plants was admitted today by two revenue of this city-were forced to shut officers that they had just missed down this afternoon because of the stepping into a large steel trap pre- river here. Reports from several ganization over randidates of the riman lines.

sumably set for them by "moonshin-parts of the Piedmont district of delegation that have taken the side Both Vice President Kruttschmitt ers" in Iredell county last night. The South Carolina indicated today that officers had destroyed an illicit still the drought and resulting fall off in recently and were pursuing their in- streams are forcing manufacturers to the railroads' refusal to recognize the vestigations last night in the same run on half time.

TRENTON, N. J., Aug. 24.-The commission form of government for he will spend two weeks investigating a municipality was put into effect for the labor situation.

a municipality was put into effect for the last year raised more couldness than any the first time in New Jersey yester-other county east of the Mississippi. The roads involved in the present day, when five commissioners who had are synally affected. Some farmers COLUMBIA, S. C. Aug. 24.—Re- dispute are the Union Pacific, Southbeen elected under a law passed by may their cotton crops have deteriorports received by Secretary Reid of ern Pacific, Central Pacific, Oregon the recent legislature were inaugu- ated 40 to 56 per cent in the last

SEN. VARDAMAM AT HENDERSONVILLE PRAISES SECTION

He Says That This Good Mountain Air is Worth \$100 an Acre

FAVORS CHAMP CLARK PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE

He Believes That Chances for Deniociatic Success Were Never Brighter

HENDERSONVILLE, N. C., Aug. 4. Senator-elect Vardaman, of Mississippi, who delivered an address at the audidtorium tonight, reached the first visit to the state of North Caro-

Referring to this particular acction of the country, Mr. Vardaman said, Your good, bracing mountain air is worth \$100 an acre. Such a climate and such magnificent scenery I have selodm seen before." Concernithings political the senator-els talked freely.* responding promptly to every question propounded to him. "Which one of the democratic presidential possibilities de you favor?" asked a reporter. "Wilson seems to have the lead, but it is too early yet for an opinion," he replied. "Person-ally I think a great deal of Speaker Champ Clark. He has shown himself to be a great leader,"

"What do you think of the proof Boston, for breach of contract: He for Democratic success in the naary?" 'I believe in the referendum and recall. But we sanget have it in the south where the segro predeminates until the fifteenth amendment is opealed. I am in favor of anything

NEWSPAPER IN CCONTEMPT that brings the government up to the individual. The beat government is where the largest element of court is vested in the individual."

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LOW WATER GAUSES TWO LARGE S. C. COTTON MILL! TO CEASE OPERATIONS

Many Other Manufacturers Run Half Time on Account of Same Thing

SITUATION SERIOUS

ANDERSON, S. C., Aug. 24,-Two of the largest cotton mills in upper very low stage of the water in the the water stage in several rivers and

ing up the drinking water supply. Crops in Anderson county, which

two weeks from the drought.

Nominate a Candidate

Nomination Blank-Go od for 1,000 Votes. The Asheville Citizen \$5,640 **Subscription Contest**

Telephone No.

Only One Nomination Blank for Each Candidate Will Count at 1,000 Votes.

Out out and bring or send to The Citizen.

LACK OF EXPERIENCE MAY KEEP WOULD-BE DRIVER OUT OF BIG AUTO RACE

Experienced Drivers Say Unusual Economy to be City Boxes Show Up Heavi-Presence of Green Driver ly for Saloons as Against Endangers Lives

NO OTHER AVAILABLE

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Aug. 24.-Jef-ELGIN, Ills., Aug. 24.-Action by ferson county today voted to return a committee of the newly formed au- ments have been perfected by the Indianapolis, vice-president of the or- 25,000 shopmen employed by the Har to the legal sale of liquor by licensed tomobile racing drivers' association to- postoffice department whereby second ganization over candidates of the riman lines. saloons by a majority which may go day may eliminate H. W. Ogren from class mail matter, consisting of magaabove 2,000. The returns began to the road races here tomorrow and zines and periodicals, heretofore come early and the dispensary showed Saturday. Ogren, according to Harry transported in railway mail cars, will a small lead in some of the country Grant, Ralph DePaims and Ralph be carried by fast freight, beginning precincts but by the time the twenty Mulford, has not had sufficient ex- Sept. 1. The order was issued today. precincts had been heard from saloons were ahead of dispensaries by petitor in a road race where the safe-100. This ratio was maintained until ty of every driver depends largely on part of second class mail. Postmaster len, North Carolina (Wiley); treas- directors of the lines in refusing to the city boxes began to come in, which the expertness of his fellow contest- General Hitchcock has taken ad- urer, James Faust Harrisburg, Pa rapidly swelled the saloun's majority.

The voters also passed on the question ants. He will not be allowed to drive vantage of an old statute permitting (unanimous); executive committee, for recognized the voters also passed on the question ants. He will not be allowed to drive vantage of an old statute permitting (unanimous); executive committee, for recognized the voters also passed on the question and the will not be allowed to drive vantage of an old statute permitting (unanimous); executive committee, for recognized the voters also passed on the question and the will not be allowed to drive vantage of an old statute permitting (unanimous); executive committee, for recognized the voters also passed on the question and the properties of the voters also passed on the question and the properties of the voters also passed on the question and the properties of the voters also passed on the question and the properties of the voters also passed on the question and the properties of the voters also passed on the question and the properties of the voters also passed on the question and the properties of the propert of wet or dry, but there was never tomorrow in the 169 mile race for the any doubt of the county's going wet. Kane county cup, if a more experiany doubt of the county's going wet. Kane county cup, if a more experi-The issue was really between saloons enced man can be found to take his or buncile of their bundles as a part At 11 o'clock tonight 59 boxes out place, but it was stated tonight by of the address instructions as to the of 70 in the county gave 1,212 wet Grant that there is no other pilot date on which delivery is to be made

majority and 1,595 majority for Ba- available. loons over dispensaries. The remain-Ogren is accused of carelessness in ing small rural precincts will probably not affect these majorities. Jefferson county first voted on the lap of which he drove his Colby into prohibition question Oct. 28, 1997, a ditch. He and his mechanician when prohibition carried by a mawere thrown into soft earth and esority of 1,896. ELOPEMENT HIT "OLD MAN." SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Aug. 24. pilot more familiar with handling

The recent romance of his son, who eloped from Los Angeles July 7 with high speed cars over country roads. Miss Jessie L. Beesley, a pretty tele-The weather outlook is not favorphone operator, is said to have cost C. able. Rain is looked for tonight and

W. Chaffee, a South Dakota million, tomorrow. The fastest time in the trials today aire, \$25,000, which he is now seeking was made by two Nationals, Len Zen-Chaffee had been offered an interest well, who takes the place of the late in a mine in California and sent his Al. Livingstone, who was killed at Inconsultation by Governor Wilson, of son, E. W. Chaffee, to pass on the dianapolis, circling the eight and one. New Jersey, chairman on the commitmerits of the property. Young Chaf- haif mile cours ein 7:29, and his part- tee of arrangements with Wm. George

geles hotel, where she was employed. and thereafter had no time to exam- or at the rate of about sixty-six miles Fort, of the entertainment committee ine mines. He persaued Miss Bees an hour. ley to elope with him and they were the chain-driven Alco with which he committee are Governor Pothler, of twice won the Vandervilt cup. The Phode Island, and Governor Mann, of Chaffee, sr., hearing no adverse re- races will be contested tomorrow, Virginia, Employers liability, inheriports from his son, invested \$25,000 leaving the big event for the Eigin tance tax, public utilities and prison

erty and has filed an attachment on

BY FREIGHT HEREAFTER TO CUT DOWN EXPENSES Arrival of Re-inforcements Harriman Lines Refuse to

LARGE DECREASE

The publishers are to be permitted in 1912. and assurances also have been re-

GOVERNORS WILL MEET

Plans for the annual conference of governors of the states of the Inlon. to be held here September 12 to 16. were made public vesterday after a fee met Miss Becsley at a Los An- ner, the veteran, Harry Atkin, in 7:39. Jordan, secretary of the last confer-Harry Grant raced around in 7:42, ence and former Governor J. Franklin Grant was at the wheel of Other members of the arrangemens In the mine. He now alleges he was national trophy, to occupy the reads labor wil be the process deceived as to the value of the propcussed at the gathering. It is ex-Tomorrow's race will be run simul- pected that thirty-seven governors

WILEY DELEGATION WINS AT PURE FOOD MEETING

at Last Hour Turns Tide in Their Faor

DULUTH, Minn., Aug. 24 - Arrival of reinforcements in the last hour cultural department clash.

elected as follows Second vice-president, C. H. Billows and Second vice-president, C. H. Billows, Second vice-president, Joel G. Winkler, Jr., Min-president, Joel G. Winkler, Jr., Winkler, J fings, Alabama (Wilson); third vive-

FAIR COPTON AVERAGE

the state Farmers' union, indicate that Short line, Houston & Texas Central rated here. the cotton crop is a score of coun- and Oregon Railway & Navigation ties of the state will average from fifty to eighty per cent, the general Sait Lake railroad. average for the counties reported so will be satisfied with the arrangement. far being about seventy-five per cent. A report of all counties and a general may what the outcome will be. average for the state will be announced later The information is being gathered by the state Farmers' union to prevent the farmers ofthestate from rushing cofton on the market at a price too low.

light to moderate south winds.

NUMBER OF RAILROADS HAVING LABOR TROUBLE

Recognize Federated Labor Organizations

CHICAGO, Aug. 24 .- A conference between Vice President Julius Kruttgave the so-called Wiley delegation in schmidtt, of the Union and Southern the annual convention of the associa- Pacific railroads, and J. W. Kline, intion of state and national pure food ternational president of the Blackdepartments victory today. Lucius P. smiths' union, was held here today Brown, of Nashville, Tenn., was elect- without any steps being taken toward ed president, and H. E. Barnard, of a settlement of differences involving

of Secretary Wilson in the late agri- and President Kilne decline to discuss what was done at the conference, but The remainder of the ticket was it is said that the entire subject of president, Joel G. Winkler, jr., Min- It is said that Vice President Kruttnesota (neutral), secretary, Wm. Al- schmitt is following instructons of the avoid their being caught in it.

> Shortly after the meeting Mr. Kruttschnitt left for the West, where

company. San Pedro, Los Angeles & President Kline said that the pres-

ent situation is grave and he cannot

BOY SAVES WORKMAN'S LIFE

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.-The story of how a ten-year-old boy saved a saved a man's life by making a tourniquet of his skate strap is told in a prosaic Brecklyn police report today. The lad, whose name was not obtained, was standing on a curb with his ing workman slipped on a banana skin and fell through a show window. The man's wrist was cut and a big artery severed.

He was in a fair way to bleed to death when the nimble-witted boy whipped out his pocket knife, cut a strap-the end with from a skate andbuckle d it around the injured man's forehand, a little above the wounded wreat. Then grab-WASHINGTON, Aug. 24 .- Fore- bing a stick from the gutter, the boy east for North Carolina; Showers stuck it under the strap, and turning Friday and probably Saturday in it, twisted the strap tight. The tourniwest, generally fair in east portion; quet acted perfectly until surgeons ar-