

CONFESSION MADE BY YOUNG LEE IS MOST REVOLTING

After Killing Mother, Father and Younger Brother Tried to Conceal Crime

PARENTS WOULDN'T APPROVE MARRIAGE

Declares That he Brooded Over Losing Girl Until he Was Out of His Mind

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Aug. 26.—Wm. Lee, 22 years of age, confessed today that he murdered his father, Richard Lee, his mother and his younger brother, Clarence, and that he then set fire to the house in the hope of concealing the crime which was committed at Poonsville early Thursday morning.

When the confession was made public, officers started with Lee in an automobile for the state reformatory at Jeffersonville to prevent possible violence here.

Describes Butchery Lee made a statement that he had killed his father in self defense with an axe after the father had murdered his wife and younger son, but Sheriff Davis said of today's proceedings the rest of the confession was made public.

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MOVING PICTURE FILM EXPLOSION KILLS 25 PEOPLE

Dead and Dying Piled Ten Feet high On Narrow Stairway When Cry Of "Fire" Causes Panic—Women And Children Trampled Down.

CANONSBURG, Aug. 26.—Twenty-five persons were killed and over sixty injured tonight when a moving picture film exploded in the Canonsburg opera house.

Immediately following the flash of the film, some persons shouted "fire." There was a rush for the exit and in a moment there was a writhing, screaming mass of humanity, ten feet high in the narrow stairway leading to the entrance of the theater.

Most of the dead were smothered. A majority of the audience was composed of women and children. In the fierce rush for the exit they were thrown from their feet and trampled. Others were thrown upon them and those at the bottom of the human pile were suffocated.

Fire Whistles Blown. Within a few moments after the fire flashed and the panic started, the fire whistles were blown. Practically the entire population of the town responded and packed in narrow Pike street, from which the fatal theater entrance led.

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THAT TAFT BEGAN CAMPAIGN OF 1912 FRIENDS BELIEVE

In Speech Breathing Defiance he Just Naturally Scores Insurgents Hard

L'FOLLETTE HIS PRINCIPAL TARGET

Makes it Plain he Will Abide by Tariff Board's Decision In December

HAMILTON, Mass., Aug. 26.—President Taft began the presidential campaign of 1912 here today, his friends believe. In a speech that breathed defiance, he scored the "insurgent" members of the republican party in congress and the democrats who combined to revise several schedules of the present tariff at the special session of congress, just closed.

He singled out Senator La Follette of Wisconsin, Speaker Clark and Chairman Underwood of the house ways and means committee, as leaders of the attempted revision. He indicated that he regarded the proposed revision as injurious and dangerous to business, but made it plain that if the tariff board in December reports that downward revision of the cotton and wool schedules should be made he will recommend it.

As to Extra Session The extra session of congress was called for the purpose of confirming the Canadian reciprocity treaty which it did as a support made up of votes from both parties. In no doubt Massachusetts, by both parties, would affirm its adoption.

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PROSECUTION IS SLOWLY WEAVING NET FOR BEATTIE

Scores Several Points Through Testimony of Boys Who Saw Alleged Murderer Standing Alone in The Midlothian Road.

CHESTERFIELD COURT HOUSE, Va., Aug. 26.—Considerable progress was made today by the prosecution in the case of Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., who is on trial for his life charged with the murder of his young wife at a lonely spot on the Midlothian turnpike last month.

A number of witnesses, including one of the detectives who has been prominent in the case from the beginning, and several boys, the prosecution's strong cards, were heard. Just before adjournment of the court a few minutes before 1 o'clock this afternoon an application by Beattie's counsel was granted by Judge Watson that the accused man be permitted to go to Richmond so that the defense might have a conference over Sunday and save time in preparing the cross-examination for the reconvening of court.

There were many tense moments for the prisoner as the prosecution, through the testimony of Detective Scherer particularly uncovered fragments of conversation which he is alleged to have had with Beattie concerning Beulah Blinford, the girl in the case. Plainly evident was the hand of the prosecution today in endeavoring to show the underlying motive for the murder, the fear of Henry Beattie, Jr., that his father might learn of the resumption of the relations with the Blinford girl, and the alleged physical ailment of Beattie at the time of the murder.

Tighten the Lines. The Commonwealth drew tight the lines of circumstantial evidence when it brought to the stand consecutively a half dozen youths who were returning from a dance on the night of the murder and stopped at the spectacle of the stationary car, the man working on the hood and woman standing on the running board.

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TWO MORE VICTIMS OF SPEED CRAZE IN AUTOMOBILE RACE

Dave Buck, Veteran Chicago Automobilist and His Mechanician Are Killed

RIGHT FORWARD WHEEL THREW TIRE

Another Accident When Frangible Seats Fall Injuring Over Thirty Persons

ELGIN, Ill., Aug. 26.—The 305 mile road race today, won by Len Zengel in a National With Harry Grant second and Hugh Hughes third, was not accomplished without its toll of death and injuries.

Seats Collapse. Another accident in which thirty persons were injured, mostly slightly, occurred shortly after 11 o'clock, while the first lap of the race was on, several sections of the insecurely built circus seats giving way.

When the stringers by which the seats were supported gave way, the boards spread out like a pack of cards and the spectators were shunted into a huddle at the bottom. Four sustained broken legs, among them a daughter of Senator Lorimer, but the others escaped with cuts and bruises. From time to time during the remainder of the day warnings were shouted through megaphones to the remaining spectators not to jump to their feet in moments of excitement. Many left the grounds after the accident. The ten cars on the course at the time of the accident were stopped as soon as they reached the repair pit, but a new start soon was made.

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WELL-TO-DO FARMER AND DEACON MURDERS A MAN THEN COMMITS SUICIDE

Had Bought Coffin the Day Before and Had Already Had Vault Built

CHURCH DISPUTE

ASHBURN, Ga., Aug. 26.—R. G. Whidden, a well-to-do farmer and a church deacon, living near here, shot J. M. Lawson, a neighbor and also a deacon, today at a church on the Whidden farm and then committed suicide. Whidden, it is stated, had quarreled with other members of the church and the pastor, the Rev. Duncan Massey, over a trivial matter, and had sworn that the pastor should not preach in the church again. Today was the regular day for services at the church. Whidden is said to have armed himself with a shot gun and proceeded to the church. The Rev. Massey had not arrived at that time.

Seeing Lawson, Whidden opened fire on him, killing him instantly. Returning home he locked himself in a room and killed himself. Whidden was in Ashburn yesterday and bought a coffin. Several years ago he built a vault near his home to receive his body when he died.

TEN CAUGHT IN MINE FIRE

ELY, Nev., Aug. 26.—Of ten miners in the 1,400 foot level of the Giroux Consolidated Mines' new shaft when it caught fire last night, six are dead, four at death's door, after being hoisted through the flames. The ten heard an explosion, boarded the cage, started up and encountered the fire at the 1,300 foot level. They stopped; five men got out of the cage and sought escape by the old Alpha shaft, 700 feet away; the others gave the signal to hoist. At the top one was dead; four were hurried to a hospital. Of the other five rescuers found the bodies of two, the rest are in the mine, dead for the fire is still burning.

BIG STILLS CAPTURED.

CONSPIRACY TO OBSTRUCT JUSTICE IS CHARGE MADE AGAINST MEN OF SEATTLE

Charge Result of Hanging of Effigy of U. S. District Judge

MEN ARE PROMINENT

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 26.—Charged with conspiring to obstruct the administration of justice in a United States court, Oliver I. Erickson, member of the Seattle city council; LeRoy Sanders, editor of the Seattle Star; B. C. Canfield, publisher of the Star, and manager of a string of newspapers on the Pacific coast; John H. Perry, attorney for Canfield and Sanders; Deputy Sheriff Hugo Kelly; Paul K. Mohr, a labor leader; Thomas Horner, attorney; and Will Atkinson, a real estate dealer, were arrested today on warrants sworn to by United States District Attorney Elmer E. Todd.

A warrant for A. V. Fawcett, who was ousted from office of mayor of Tacoma in a recent recall election, was issued and sent to Tacoma for service. Erickson, Mohr and Kelly refused bail and were sent to the county jail. Atkinson was released on \$10,000 and the others on \$5,000. Preliminary hearings were set for next Wednesday.

The warrants were issued as the result of the hanging of an effigy of United States District Judge Cornelius H. Hanford, and the utterance at a meeting last night of inflammatory speeches denouncing the court for having issued an injunction restraining the people of the Rainier valley from interfering with the Seattle, Renton & Southern railroad, which is involved in a dispute with its patrons.

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NEGRO MUST BE TRAINED FOR HIS ENVIRONMENT DECLARES AN AUTHORITY

Stirring Address Issued to Educators of South by Association Leader

SOUTH'S PROBLEM

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Aug. 26.—Urging a full attendance at the fall convention of the Southern Educational association, which will be held at Houston, Texas, November 30, December 1 and 2, and explaining the problems for consideration, a stirring address to the educators of the south was issued today by M. A. Cassidy, of Lexington, Ky., president of the association and Wm. F. Feagin, of Montgomery, secretary.

Declaring that the proper education of all the children of the south is the south's real problem, and that only southern educators know how to handle it effectively, the address continued: "Millions of white children in the south are being educated away from service instead of toward it. If the farmers' children were educated for their environment, there would be incalculably more happiness, prosperity and social elevation through the rural south, and the whole nation would reap the benefit.

"Hundreds of thousands of boys and girls, who live in the mountains of the south have no educational advantages. They can and must be trained into good, productive citizens. Thousands of children are wearing their lives away in factories, where they are denied the inalienable rights of the young, air, sunlight, play and training. Ways and means of helping those children will be attempted at Houston."

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TRYING TO GAIN TIME ANOTHER WRECK OCCURS

C. H. & D. Train Runs Into Spreading Rails and Ten People Are Hurt

ANOTHER CHINK CAUGHT.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 26.—Following up their investigations of peonage and slavery said to exist at some of the fish and shrimp canning factories operated by Chinese in and around Barataria, Bay in southern Louisiana, the federal authorities today brought to the city another chink, Lee Yat, known to those of the Barataria settlement as "the king of the Chinese shrimp packers." Yat is the second Chinaman taken into custody.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 26.—It was stated here today that no orders had been received to lay off any of the employees at the Southern Pacific railroad shops in Algiers, across the river from New Orleans. It was said that the company had enough work on hand to keep its shoppemen busy indefinitely.



WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—Forecast: North Carolina, showers Sunday and Monday; light to moderate east winds.

REVOLTING CHARGES IN FLEMING DIVORCE SUIT

Mrs. Fleming Will Make Every Effort to Get Possession of Children

PAPKE MUST GET REP.

RALEIGH, N. C., Aug. 26.—Counsel for Mrs. Nellie Claire Fleming in her suit for divorce from her husband, Percy B. Fleming, and her fight for the possession of two children that developed the sensational hearing on writ of habeas corpus last week have arranged for Judge J. B. Peebles to hear Sept. 1, in chambers here, the case as to the custody of the children, modifying Chief Justice Clarke's order to the extent of giving the children to the care of the mother and also to order alimony and maintenance of the plaintiff and her children by the husband. She proposes to give bond for the retention of the children within the jurisdiction of the court and for support in the event Percy Fleming should prove not to be able to provide for them. In her complaint for divorce just filed, Mrs. Fleming charges habitual drunkenness and abuse of the most revolting character, there being a number of new charges in addition to those brought out in the habeas corpus hearing last week.

HAGGIN MAY BE POOL. LEXINGTON, Ky., Aug. 26.—Jan. H. Haggin, the New York millionaire, may become one of the moving spirits behind the Burley Tobacco society hereafter if he accepts the proposition which President Lebus, of the society, is said to have made him. He has been asked, it is said, to join tobacco landowners in a ten-year pooling contract, by the terms of which the society is to build a factory here to handle its own products and practically control the Burley tobacco output of Kentucky, Ohio and Indiana. Haggin produces the largest tobacco crop in Kentucky.

WILL ADOPT LIVERPOOL PLAN. HOUSTON, Tex., Aug. 26.—K. Founip, traffic manager of the Harriman lines in Texas, in a statement today announced that the Liverpool cotton bill of lading agreement would be signed by all of the Harriman Texas lines. Cotton dealers and bankers object seriously to the Liverpool method, he said, but the railroads have found it necessary to sign if they would do business. Formal announcement has not yet been made by other lines in Texas. English cotton buyers have agreed not to buy cotton except under the Liverpool system.

KNOXVILLE DECIDES ON THE COMMISSION FORM

Tennessee City is Wise in Its Day and Follows the New Light

AT NEW CASTLE, ENG.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 26.—Knoxville voted in favor of commission government at a special charter amendment election held today, the vote being nearly 10 to 1 in favor of the commission government. The advocates of the new form of city government have made an aggressive campaign, the opposition realizing from the first that they had a hopeless fight. The recent session of the Tennessee legislature passed a bill allowing the city to vote upon the question.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 26.—Probably the first time in the history of the ring a claimant of the world's championship has been told to get a reputation if he wishes a longer bout. The fighter is Billy Papke. The West Side A. C. of this city, which will stage next month a middleweight elimination tournament, each bout of ten rounds, club officials say because of Papke's poor showing against Burke recently, he must enter with the other middle weights and fight his way to the final bout.

TEN MEET THEIR DEATH WHEN WILD AUTO RUNS AMUCK RIGHT INTO TREE

Thirty-Three Passengers Were in Large Car When Accident Occurred

LUMBER MILLS CLOSE

NEW CASTLE, Eng., Aug. 26.—Ten persons were killed, among them six women, when a large motor car carrying thirty-three passengers ran away on a hill today and collided with a tree. The accident occurred near Consett. The car was occupied by members of the Consett Co-operative Societies choir, who were going to a singing contest. While descending a steep hill, the brakes broke. The car was running at terrific speed when it struck the tree and was smashed to pieces.

BEAUMONT, Tex., Aug. 26.—Between thirty and forty-five lumber mills in this section are closed as a result of the controversy between the operator and the timber workers' brotherhood. No violence has been reported.

Nominate a Candidate Nomination Blank—Good for 1,000 Votes. The Asheville Citizen \$5,640 Subscription Contest Candidate Address Telephone No. Only One Nomination Blank for Each Candidate Will Count at 1,000 Votes. Out out and bring or send to The Citizen.