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DID PENNELL KILL HIMSELF? WAS HE BURDICK'S SLAYER?

Many Believe That His Awful Death Yesterday Was Re- sult of Deliberate Suicide

AUTHORITIES ASSUME MYSTERIOUS SILENCE

Will Not Allow Anyone to See Pennell's Body--Mrs. Pen- nell is Dying--Mystery of Telephone Interview

Buffalo, March 11.—Dr. Meade, house surgeon of the Sisters hospital, at nine o'clock this morning advised that Mrs. Pennell, wife of Arthur B. Pennell, co-respondent in the divorce suit of Edward L. Burdick against Mrs. Burdick and who was killed early last night while out riding in an automobile in company with his wife, had been found in an old stone quarry, and the latter was picked up unconscious, is still in that condition and that it was impossible to state her exact condition, as she is too weakened to have vitality too low to allow an examination. From reliable sources comes the information that Mrs. Pennell is dying and that the surgeons are doing everything in their power to prolong her life.

Mysterious Order Given.

Buffalo, March 11.—Medical Examiner Danzer, who was called to the scene where attorney Pennell was killed last night, has received orders from the district attorney's office this morning that under no circumstances were the remains of Pennell to be shown to anyone. When asked why this order was issued District Attorney Coatsworth refused to talk.

Indications Of Guilt.

Buffalo, March 11.—Four days ago a newspaper man chatted with Pennell in his home. He paced up down the rungs of a small room and in twenty minutes spent in talk he stopped four times and poured out and gulped down huge drinks of whiskey at each stop. He begged at the time that his pallid nervousness be not commented on in the paper on the following day. Yesterday he was seen again by the reporter and his actions were indicative of a guilty mind.

Some Strange Fatality.

Buffalo, N. Y., March 11.—There is some strange fatality in the death of Arthur Pennell, who was instantly killed in an automobile accident yesterday. There are those who believe that Pennell's death was deliberate suicide, to escape the notoriety attendant upon his connection with the case or else to escape punishment for the murder of E. L. Burdick.

Mr. Pennell was riding in his electric automobile yesterday afternoon with Mrs. Pennell. They were on Kensington avenue, skimming the edge of the stone quarry, a huge rock-ribbed hole in the ground. Pennell's hat blew off, the automobile swerved and in some manner it leaped over the curb into the abyss below. Pennell was killed instantly, his head being crushed to an unrecognizable mass. Mrs. Pennell was fatally injured.

Two boys saw the tragedy. They were too far away to know positively just how it happened. Mrs. Pennell when found was unable to speak. She was only semi-conscious when taken to the hospital and could speak no coherent words. After the operation was performed immediately by Dr. Eugene Smith in the hope of saving her life, she lapsed into unconsciousness.

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ness and hence there can be no true vision of precisely how the affair occurred. Mrs. Pennell has been loyal to her husband throughout his trying experiences during the last ten days. She frequently said that her faith in him was unshaken and that she would stick to him to the end.

Pennell and his wife left their home at 4:50 o'clock on one of two minutes before that time. It was a gloomy afternoon and rain was falling. It seemed a strange day for a man to take his wife automobiling in the lonely northeast section of the city at such an hour.

Pennell was not a veteran at automobiling. Yet he was an expert at handling the machine and was experienced as to its management.

That Telephone Mystery Solved.

What has been regarded as one of the most important features of the Burdick murder case and one enveloped in mystery, was the telephone conversation between Mrs. Seth T. Paine and E. L. Burdick who was murdered. Heretofore it has been said by Mrs. Paine, with the apparent assent of the police, that the subject which she discussed with Mr. Burdick was one concerning a "social affair" only. The statement herewith given puts the conversation in a different light. It is as follows:

"What Mrs. Paine actually told the authorities was this: She said that on the Wednesday before the murder Mr. Burdick had called her up by the 'phone and asked her if she had recently seen anything of Arthur Pennell. Mr. Burdick added that he had not seen Pennell for eight or nine days and had begun to wonder whether he had again attempted to seek out Mrs. Burdick and join her.

"Mrs. Paine said she was aware of the fact that Mr. Burdick was anxious to watch the movements of Mr. Pennell, and that he had employed Buffalo and New York detectives for that purpose. It was evident that he seemed uneasy, because for more than a week he had lost track of the man who was the co-respondent in the divorce suit against his wife, Mrs. Paine re-

RETURN HOME.

Mr. Morgan and Party Will Arrive in Charlotte At 6 O'Clock.

J. Pierpont Morgan and party will pass through Charlotte this afternoon probably about 6 o'clock. The special train bearing this distinguished party of capitalists, left Brunswick, Ga., this morning at 10 o'clock. The right-of-way over all trains is given this special and from what the News learns, the train is making record-breaking time.

As the News has stated, Mr. Morgan and party have been in the South for several days. A stop of three days was made at Tampa, Fla., and a stop of 12 hours was made at Jacksonville. From this point, the party went to Brunswick, Ga., where they have been since Monday night.

The party is returning via the Southern to New York and there will, no doubt, be quite a crowd at the depot this afternoon to take a look at the great railroad magnate and his distinguished guests.

To Enrich Philippine Treasury.

Washington, March 11.—The Philippine treasury is to be enriched by about four hundred thousand dollars worth of the spoils of war. All the money and bullion seized by the army from the Spaniards and from Filipino insurgents is, according to the agreement between the military and civil authorities, to be turned into the insular public funds.

Mr. Herrick's Condition Serious.

New York, March 11.—The condition of J. H. Ober Herrick, former president of the produce exchange, who was badly hurt last night by falling down a stairway of the Union League Club, is unchanged this morning. It is thought, however, his chances of recovery are slight.

Justice Day Slightly Ill.

Washington, March 11.—Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, William R. Day, is confined to his apartment at Arlington Hotel, with grip. Justice Day has been ailing for the past two days but his family is not alarmed over his condition.

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Mr. G. W. Bell, of Spencer, the wrecking master of the Southern for this district, spoke of the spiritual life and work of the Association. He pictured the conditions in Spencer before the organization of the Y. M. C. A. and the very improved conditions since.

The Charlotte quartette rendered a beautiful selection by special request. The report of credentials committee was read, which showed 109 college delegates, 40 city delegates, 14 secretaries, 9 railroad delegates, total 166.

Resolutions of thanks were read and adopted, thanking the local associations and the entertainment committees and members of the First Presbyterian church for use of their church; to the other churches for the courtesy of their pulpits on Sun-

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MAY COTTON, 10 CENTS. Flood News Causes Cotton Market To Jump Up.

New York, March 11.—C. W. Lee & Co. say: May sold at 10 cents again and then broke sharply to 9.96. For the first time since the price was 9.54 the market had a set-back. It looked all day as though the bulls were selling out on the shorts and taking their profits. August went to 9.52 and broke to 9.42 in no time. When the selling started the market was seen to be pretty well covered up. The flood news carried the market up rapidly this week and a set-back is natural. In case the bull people consider discretion, the better part of valor and begin to sell around 10 cents, there will be a set-back of importance. It all depends on flood news. If the river overflows and shorts left in May climb when there will be another advance. But to us it begins to look as though August could be sold again on any further advance. Over 9.12 cents for August, we would favor the short side rather than the other. If this market gets wobbly here we can hardly look for higher prices than those reached on the last advance. The price is a big one and we doubt if the market would have recovered this way, had it not been for this flood news, its a fine thing for bulls. They were selling cotton to the bear clique today and taking the bear money. If it goes higher they will have more to sell. Floods may cause another advance but as August works over 9.12 we would not be long on the market, and we would take the short side on every bulge. All factors work against the market at 10 cents a pound. A flood will mean a big crop next year and August is more likely to sell lower than higher as soon as weather clears. In meantime we would go slow on both sides. It is a big market and big money if one catch fluctuations.

Transfers Trades.

Chicago, March 11.—The We Are Commission Company, have requested that the following notice be posted on the exchange: "We have transferred all open trades to Bryant and Company and request that all persons having open trades with us will kindly check same with Bryant and Co. We will take care of clearing house obligations and all in the usual way."

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SCOUTED BY SCIENTISTS.

More Comments On Theory That Sun
Is Universe's Center.

Paris, March 11.—Dr. Alfred Russell Wallace's theory, to the effect that the solar system is the center of the universe, and the earth the only inhabited celestial body, meets with no credit among French scientists.

M. Berthelot and M. Maurice Loewy, director of the Observatory of Paris, both scold the idea. The former said: "This theory is purely, and no man of science will take it seriously."

M. Loewy said: "Dr. Wallace's assertion that the latest discoveries in astronomy and accepted theories regarding the proportion of light tend to prove that the stars are limited in number is doubly false. In certain parts of the heavens we don't see any stars, but it would be madness to conclude that the end of the universe had been reached. It would be as if a short-sighted man were to say that there were no stars except those which he could see."

Denies Reports.

New York, March 11.—President Vreeland of the Metropolitan Street Railway says, that reports published in the World, this morning are preposterous and that there is absolutely nothing in them to cause the slightest anxiety on the part of the stockholders. He says that the malicious and criminal attacks which have been made on the railway and no effort will be spared to bring them to justice.

To Make Bust of Ingalls.

Topeka, March 11.—The legislature has appropriated \$8,000 for a bust of the late Senator John James Ingalls. An effort was made to have the name of the late Senator Preston B. Plumb substituted for Ingalls.

Disinfecting the Feramania.

New York, March 11.—The work of disinfecting the Anchor liner Feramania, which was detained at quarantine yesterday, will be finished today. The vessel will be finished today, on Hoffman island, all well.

MANSFIELD CRAZE SEIZES CHARLOTTE

Great Actor Arrives on His Special Train and the Town is Agog--A Word as to His Personality

By general consent it is agreed that Mr. Richmond Mansfield has never done anything so well before either as actor or producer of plays as his interpretation of Brutus and his massive and magnificent production of Julius Caesar. Therefore the expectations of Charlotte's theatre-going public for this evening will be realized to the fullest extent.

So intense an interest has probably never been displayed in a theatrical attraction. The entire house is sold, from "cellar to garret" and the holders of seats await what the evening has in store for them with an unconcealed joy of expectancy while the unfortunate ones are bewailing their fate.

The production of Julius Caesar is said to be on a more elaborate scale than anything Mr. Mansfield has yet undertaken and that is saying a great deal for Mr. Mansfield always gives his personal attention to the intricate details of mounting his play, careful that the costumes and scenic accessories shall be as realistic and faithful as it is possible to make them. Every bit of the scenery and properties in the local playhouse has been removed from the building and all day long Mr. Mansfield's stage-hands have been busy setting the stage with the elaborate scenery that arrived this morning on Mr. Mansfield's special train. Mr. Mansfield is his own stage manager and every detail will be arranged under his watchful eye. When the curtain rolls up tonight on "A public place in Rome on the feast of the Lupercal" every thing will be in place, even to the smallest "prop" and everything will work as smoothly as clockwork until the curtain descends on the death of Brutus—or something will drop. It is this sticking for details that has led folks to call Mr. Mansfield cranky, but it really betrays his intense love for his art.

Mr. Mansfield arrived this morning on a special train of ten cars accompanied by a veritable retinue of actors and managers. One of these cars is Mr. Mansfield's own private sleeper, sumptuously fitted up for the actor's comfort. Another is a dining car, two others for the members of his company while the rest are used for the scenery and properties of the production of Julius Caesar. Mr. Mansfield lives in his car while traveling and it is needless to add—lives like a king for money is no object with this prince of actors.

He will go to the theater early this evening and from the moment he enters his dressing room until the curtain descends he will be under the most intense nervous pressure. He is desperately in earnest, he lives for his art. He studies hard to acquire his conceptions of the roles he essays and he works harder in his portrayals. Personality is thrown aside and Mansfield becomes Brutus. This desperate earnestness in his work leads to the nervous, excitable, often irritable mental condition which accounts for the tales told of the Mansfield temper. But it is easily understood. When the highly developed artistic nature is engrossed in its work, a distraction such as is occasioned by a late-comer in the audience or something amiss on the stage is an unpardonable interruption in the artist's eyes. And sometimes such interruptions strain this high nervous pressure to the bursting point and Mr. Mansfield "says things." He does not mean to be rude, but he is vexed in the superlative degree and this vexation must find vent.

In his home life Mr. Mansfield is said to be one of the most sociable and companionable of men. With his wife and their four year old son, George Gibbs Mansfield, he spends his off seasons in his handsome country home near New

WILL BE SENT TO CHARLESTON SOON

U. S. Commissioner Maxwell Hold Four Safe-Crackers in Default of \$3,000 Bond Each For Trial

The taking of the evidence in the case of the government vs. the four suspected safe crackers, James Lang, Charles Rogers, Walter Wood and H. B. Wilson, was concluded last night at 8 o'clock. Commissioner Maxwell bound all four over in a bond of \$3,000 each, to appear in Charleston Monday, the 6th of April, to answer the charge of breaking into the postoffice at Greers, S. C., blowing open the safe and taking therefrom \$270.24.

Neither of the four has attempted to give bond and it is not suspected that any one of them can make up the required amount. It was rumored today that possibly Lang and Rogers may be able to put up the \$3,000, though nothing definite is known about this.

In the event that no bond is raised, the four men will be taken to Charleston within the next three days.

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POLICE BELIEVE THEY HAVE A CLUE

May Soon Arrest Murderers of Waterbury Policeman-- No Change in the Trolley Car Strike Situation

Waterbury, March 11.—The trolley cars are very sparsely patronized at night, but today large numbers of persons rode on them, the number being increased by rain, which fell in great quantities.

There was nothing now reported in the strike situation and no reports of violence last night have been received. It is believed the police have some clues which may lead to arrests in a short time in the murder case of Policeman Mendelsohn. While they are not giving out any information, members of the department have intimated that they believe they are close to some information, which may lead to the identification of some members of the gang.

LATEST FOREIGN NEWS AND VIEWS

Minister Leishman Makes a Request of the Porte Which the Latter Will Be Apt to Grant

THE CZAR POSTPONES HIS VISIT TO ROME

Hears Anarchist Clans Are Gathering - Crooked Lon- don Millionaire Flees The Country

Constantinople, March 11.—United States Minister Leishman has sent a communication to the porte demanding the same rights for the American school of medicine at Beyrouth accorded the French faculty there. A right of which Leishman is particularly desirous is the freedom of the graduates of the school to practice in Turkey. The porte is inclined to grant the demand, and will send a jury of French professors to assist the American faculty in the examination of candidates for degrees.

To Receive Battleship.

Constantinople, March 11.—A commission of Turkish naval officers will shortly go to Philadelphia to receive the cruiser now being constructed at Cramps ship yards for Turkey.

Vesuvius On Rampage.

Rome, March 11.—Vesuvius was in unusual activity last night and streams of lava poured down the mountain side. Loud explosions occurred which were heard a long distance and several earthquakes of a pronounced type were felt.

Czar Postpones His Trip.

Rome, March 11.—It is stated that the Czar has postponed his visit to Rome, which had been stated would take place late in the spring because the police here received information that anarchists had decided to muster a large force of their clan in Rome and perpetrate wholesale and world-shocking crimes. The Czar, it is further stated, has also yielded to the influence of Austria-Hungary, which wishes to keep Italy and Russia apart.

Lady Gordon Disappears.

London, March 11.—Lord Granville Gordon is again in trouble. His wife, Lady Gordon, who was yesterday ordered to hand over her daughter to the custody of her former husband, has again disappeared with the girl. When he returned home yesterday after the verdict was given he found his wife gone and is ignorant of her whereabouts, or the child's.

Two Miners Killed.

Liverpool, March 11.—Ruff Collins Colliery at Earlestown fell today and two miners were killed and several injured.

Mail Boat Damaged.

London, March 11.—The mail boat Wilhelmina, bound from Flushing, Holland, collided with the cruiser Raccoon off Port Victoria, England this morning. The Wilhelmina is thought to be damaged but managed to land her passengers and mails.

Millionaire Wright Has Fled.

London, March 11.—It is discovered that Whitaker Wright, millionaire head of the defunct London and Globe corporation, against whom criminal prosecution was ordered yesterday, has left the country and a warrant has been issued for his arrest.

Spain Wants To RAISE THE MAINE

Object is to Ascertain the true
Cause of The Explosion
Which Destroyed Uncle
Sam's Battleship

Madrid, March 11.—Senator Abarzuza, Minister of Foreign Affairs, will propose at the next meeting of the council of ministers that the government re-float the American battleship Maine, Havana harbor, in order to ascertain the true cause of the explosion which destroyed the ship.

Merrimack On a Tear.

Lawrence, Mass., March 11.—The Merrimack river is rising rapidly at this point and a flood is imminent. The Champion and International paper mills have shut down and other mills are affected.

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May Soon Arrest Murderers of Waterbury Policeman-- No Change in the Trolley Car Strike Situation

Waterbury, March 11.—The trolley cars are very sparsely patronized at night, but today large numbers of persons rode on them, the number being increased by rain, which fell in great quantities.

There was nothing now reported in the strike situation and no reports of violence last night have been received. It is believed the police have some clues which may lead to arrests in a short time in the murder case of Policeman Mendelsohn. While they are not giving out any information, members of the department have intimated that they believe they are close to some information, which may lead to the identification of some members of the gang.

LATEST FOREIGN NEWS AND VIEWS

Minister Leishman Makes a Request of the Porte Which the Latter Will Be Apt to Grant

THE CZAR POSTPONES HIS VISIT TO ROME

Hears Anarchist Clans Are Gathering - Crooked Lon- don Millionaire Flees The Country

Constantinople, March 11.—United States Minister Leishman has sent a communication to the porte demanding the same rights for the American school of medicine at Beyrouth accorded the French faculty there. A right of which Leishman is particularly desirous is the freedom of the graduates of the school to practice in Turkey. The porte is inclined to grant the demand, and will send a jury of French professors to assist the American faculty in the examination of candidates for degrees.

To Receive Battleship.

Constantinople, March 11.—A commission of Turkish naval officers will shortly go to Philadelphia to receive the cruiser now being constructed at Cramps ship yards for Turkey.

Vesuvius On Rampage.

Rome, March 11.—Vesuvius was in unusual activity last night and streams of lava poured down the mountain side. Loud explosions occurred which were heard a long distance and several earthquakes of a pronounced type were felt.

Czar Postpones His Trip.

Rome, March 11.—It is stated that the Czar has postponed his visit to Rome, which had been stated would take place late in the spring because the police here received information that anarchists had decided to muster a large force of their clan in Rome and perpetrate wholesale and world-shocking crimes. The Czar, it is further stated, has also yielded to the influence of Austria-Hungary, which wishes to keep Italy and Russia apart.

Lady Gordon Disappears.

London, March 11.—Lord Granville Gordon is again in trouble. His wife, Lady Gordon, who was yesterday ordered to hand over her daughter to the custody of her former husband, has again disappeared with the girl. When he returned home yesterday after the verdict was given he found his wife gone and is ignorant of her whereabouts, or the child's.

Two Miners Killed.

Liverpool, March 11.—Ruff Collins Colliery at Earlestown fell today and two miners were killed and several injured.

Mail Boat Damaged.

London, March 11.—The mail boat Wilhelmina, bound from Flushing, Holland, collided with the cruiser Raccoon off Port Victoria, England this morning. The Wilhelmina is thought to be damaged but managed to land her passengers and mails.

Millionaire Wright Has Fled.

London, March 11.—It is discovered that Whitaker Wright, millionaire head of the defunct London and Globe corporation, against whom criminal prosecution was ordered yesterday, has left the country and a warrant has been issued for his arrest.