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MRS. BURDICK, STAR WITNESS OF TODAY

Not Known Whether She Will Be For or Against Pennell

THAT LETTER IS IN EVIDENCE

In it Pennell wrote: "I Feel That I Shall Have to Kill Ed Burdick"

SENSATION IS EXPECTED

Many Feel That By Exposing Letter to Public View, Police Have Lost Their Best Trump Card

Buffalo, March 22.—Justice Murphy this afternoon at two o'clock again called into session the Burdick inquest. Mrs. Burdick, the widow, and George W. Miller, attorney for the murdered man, will be the star witnesses of the day.

It is anticipated by many that this will be the sensation-producing day, but there are those who feel that the police and the district attorney lost the trump card by publication of extracts from the letter of Pennell. He wrote Mrs. Burdick, in which it is alleged occurred the following: "I sometimes feel that I shall have to kill Ed Burdick."

The letter in question was found by detectives who searched the Burdick house on the morning the tragedy was discovered and has since been kept securely locked in a vault in District Attorney Coatsworth's office. Mr. Coatsworth would not discuss the matter further than to say that he had it in his possession and that it would probably be read at the inquest this afternoon.

Many letters passed between Pennell and Mrs. Burdick, and not a few of them treated almost exclusively of the nature in the Burdick household caused by the intrusion of Pennell. Two or three were found when the officers ransacked drawers and desks on the morning of February 26, but only one of them was considered significant. It was written by Pennell about three months ago and told of the conferences between Burdick and Pennell; the persistent refusal of Burdick to discontinue the divorce suit; the burning desire of Pennell for a discontinuance of the proceedings, and contained the phrase quoted in substance above.

BREATHED DEVOTION AND ANGER.

The letter is deeply expressive of the love Pennell felt for Mrs. Burdick. Beginning "My Dear Alice," it conveys encouragement to her in her troubles and promises of perpetual support. It is a love letter of the pronounced type.

From the letter it is evident that in an earlier missive Mrs. Burdick had informed Pennell of her husband's suspicions of her relations with Pennell, because he expresses profound regret that anything should have occurred to render her home life unpleasant. He assures her of his concern for her welfare and peace of mind, urges her to bear up and to be of good heart. Pennell says ardently that all will come our right in the end and that to worry is not to add to the burden. Anger, determined and deep-seated, is expressed when he speaks of Mr. Burdick, and to judge from the letter this sense of feeling was caused entirely by the harshness Burdick had exhibited toward his wife. It was while referring to the treatment Burdick had given his wife that Pennell made the threat which is, thus far, the most important.

LEAVES MILLIONS TO FOUND SCHOOL

Rich Bostonian Cuts His Family Off Almost Entirely and of Course They will Contest it

Boston, March 23.—The will of Arthur Wentworth, a Boston real estate millionaire, who died recently, was filed for probate in Salem Saturday. The estate is estimated at seven million dollars and every cent, with the exception of a few annuities, amounting to but twenty-four thousand, goes to found an industrial school. Wentworth left a daughter, Mrs. Wiloughby Stuart, and two grandsons, an older will gave her the whole estate. The later will which will be contested, is believed to be the direct cause of a painful family trouble, that came to Wentworth through his daughter's husband, at that time, British vice consul in that city.

portant bit of evidence the authorities have discovered against him. The letter occupies four pages and is replete with assurances of affection. It shows that more than a year ago Mr. Burdick had formed suspicions of his wife's conduct and her relations with Pennell.

It is the present intention of the authorities to read the sensational letter in court and ask Mrs. Burdick if she received it; to ask her further if from it she implied that Pennell really intended to kill her husband. The reading of the missive and the subsequent questioning of Mrs. Burdick will, unless prospects change, be the real climax of the inquest.

WILL MRS. BURDICK TELL ALL?

Although Mrs. Burdick has sent no word to the authorities, it is understood, now that Pennell is dead, that she will tell all she knows of his antagonism to Mr. Burdick of his letters to her, his conversations with her, his threats and, in brief, everything she knows which might throw light on the crime.

No one was in a position to know so well as she just what degree of hatred Pennell had for Mr. Burdick; no one can venture a truer opinion than she as to whether Pennell was instrumental in causing the death of her husband. She was present on several occasions when the two men had wordy battles; she talked to both of every phase of the troubles.

For several days it has been a subject of comment that there is a growing tendency among persons intimately associated with the family to throw suspicion exclusively upon Pennell. In the light of developments of the last few days, the authorities are also gradually coming around to the theory that, after all, he murdered Mr. Burdick, or caused him to be murdered, and then committed suicide.

THEORY AS TO ACCOMPLICE.

But, as expressed by a high official, to shift responsibility for the murder upon Pennell by no means clears the mystery, for the police say he certainly had an accomplice. Prominent persons who a few days ago defended the young lawyer with positiveness, now say they are convinced he knew something about the crime; that he went to Niagara Falls the following day for the purpose of committing suicide and taking his wife over the falls with him, in case he learned that the authorities were on his heels; that he practically confessed by his mental and physical collapse that he was guilty and that he rode deliberately into the stone quarry in the automobile with his wife.

GAS ASPHYXIATES AN ENTIRE FAMILY

Cincinnati Agent of Washburn Crosby Milling Co., His wife and Little Son Are All Found Dead

Cincinnati, March 22.—Albert Beety, local agent of the Washburn-Crosby Milling Company, with his wife and twenty-two months old son, Harry, were all found dead in their home in Carlton Flats Gilbert avenue, late Sunday afternoon. Death was evidently due to asphyxiation from gas, which escaped from two open jets in the bedroom. The police believe it to be a case of murder and suicide.

SPECIAL ROCKINGHAM COURT.

To Try Broadnax—Witnesses in Haywood Case Before Grand Jury. Raleigh, N. C., March 22.—The Governor orders a special court on April 13 in Rockingham county, to try Broadnax. Judge B. F. Long will preside. Witnesses in the Haywood case were summoned to go before the grand jury this afternoon. A heavy rain delayed the convening of court till the afternoon.

Police Break Up a Game.

Walbany, Ind., March 22.—The police yesterday received the wire and batteries of some wire-tappers, who worked the pool rooms at French Lick and West Baden Springs Friday afternoon. The wire was tapped two miles north of here and fine copper wire run down the pole to a vacant house a quarter of a mile away. Fifteen hundred yards of wire and forty-nine batteries were received.

Heap Big Chief Dead of Cholera.

Washington, March 22.—The Sultan of Maciu, a leading Moro in the lake region of Mindanao, is dead from cholera, according to advices from Manila. The disease is devastating Moro country, though it is nearly stamped out in Luzon.

Street Railway Employees Strike.

Tacoma, Wash., March 22.—All local street car lines are tied up by a strike of conductors and motormen, who demand an increase of two cents an hour. They now receive eighteen cents an hour.

Miners Blown To Eternity.

Springfield, Ill., March 22.—In a powder explosion at the Kincaid coal mine, at Athens, 22 miles north of here, this morning, six miners were killed and many others are believed to have lost their lives.

FAST FLYER RUNS INTO LANDSLIDE

Southern Railway Passenger Train Derailed Today

TRAMP'S LIFE SNUFFED OUT

Engineer Miller and Negro Fireman Seriously Hurt

TRAIN DUE HERE AT 9:25

The Jar of Heavy Locomotive Seems to Have Started Big Boulder From The Mountain Side

No. 36, the Atlanta and Washington fast mail was wrecked at Ayersville, Ga., at an early hour this morning.

An unknown tramp who was riding on the blind baggage was killed after Engineer Edward Miller and a negro fireman were seriously injured.

The engine, tender, postal and baggage car were derailed.

It is hoped that the track will be cleared by 6 o'clock this afternoon.

No. 36 was approaching the station at Ayersville, when a huge boulder dropped on the track, just in front of the engine. Engineer Miller had no time to reverse his engine which struck the pile of earth and rocks, broadside. The engine jumped the track and carried with it the tender, the mail car and the baggage coach.

The accident occurred at an early hour this morning. The point where the wreck of this morning took place, is in a deep cut just beyond Ayersville. No. 36 was running at a high rate of speed and the short notice given Engineer Miller was not sufficient for him to stop his speed.

During the heavy rains for the past few days, the tracks of the Southern especially in the mountain districts, have been carefully watched. A patrolman had only left the spot where the boulder fell, only a few minutes before. It would seem that the jar of the on-rushing train caused the slide.

The News learns that the wreck of this morning is one of the most disastrous for some time. While the loss of life was not great the blocking of the track has caused an unusual delay. All North bound trains due in Charlotte this morning have been annulled and all south bound trains are in side tracks between this city and Ayersville.

The engine of No. 36 was almost completely demolished. The tender was thrown up side down and the postal and baggage cars were turned over on their sides. Wrecking crews from Greenville and Atlanta were sent out immediately but little work could be done until day break this morning. There was a wash-out between Athens and Lula, Ga., this morning. The trouble was learned of before an accident occurred.

Cowboys Lost in a Blizzard.

Cheyenne, Wyo., March 22.—Five cowboys, members of a band who went out to destroy flocks of sheep which had been driven inside the dead lines, were set upon by cattleman roughs of Wyoming in the Sweetwater district, are believed to have been lost in a blizzard. Last Tuesday the company numbered sixty men. For three days they have been struggling in, having been dispersed by a storm, but hope for the safety of five of them has been abandoned.

ORDERS RELEASE OF TWO ATTORNEYS

Supreme Court Grants Motion For Writs of Habeas Corpus For Sachs and Watts of Louisville, Kentucky

Washington, March 23.—The Supreme Court of the United States today ordered the release of Attorneys David A. Sachs and W. W. Watts, of Louisville, who were sentenced to sixty days each for contempt by Judge Anderson, of the Federal Court of Indianapolis because they failed to turn over property to a receiver appointed by the court. Their contention was that a receiver appointed by a State court had already taken possession. The Supreme Court today granted the motion for writs of habeas corpus and certiorari returnable in each case, April 6 and orders that the imprisoned men be released until then. Their recognizance is \$500 each.

WIFE OF FEW DAYS DESERTED.

Julius Manus Leaves His Young and Pretty Bride.

It is another twice-told tale in fact, a story almost as old as the human family—of woman's trust and man's faithlessness.

The woman in the case is Miss Mary McInville, of Hartsville, Darlington county, S. C., who after thinking until a day or two ago that she was Mrs. Julius Manus, finds that she is deserted and besides is probably neither wife, maid or widow.

The man is Julius Manus, who left a week ago at the boarding house of Mrs. John Henderson, on North Tryon street, and has fled to parts unknown, taking \$25, all the money she had.

Three weeks ago the couple were married in Kershaw, S. C. She met Manus at her home in Hartsville about four months ago and became engaged to him, but her mother strenuously objecting, they ran away and married.

Two weeks ago they came here and engaged board and lodging at Mrs. Henderson's. He claimed to be a cotton mill superintendent and expected to get work here. He left last Saturday and has not been heard of since, although he took his dinner with him and it was expected he would return, as had been his habit, in the late afternoon.

Her mother was notified of the situation and she wired Mr. J. H. Weddington, chairman of the county commissioners, to send her daughter home. A ticket was purchased here and the young woman left over the early morning Seaboard train for her home.

The charge against Manus is desertion and may possibly be bigamy, as it is believed he was married before.

DEATH OF MISS BEAVER.

End Came Last Night At 11 O'clock In Clear Creek Township.

Miss Carrie Beaver, of Clear Creek township died last night at 11 o'clock after an illness of several days, caused by typhoid fever.

The funeral will take place tomorrow morning at Philadelphia church. The interment will be in the church yard. Miss Beaver had been making her home with her brother, Mr. John Beaver. He is now very ill and is not expected to live.

Deceased is survived by two brothers and two sisters. These are: Messrs. John and Will Beaver and Mrs. Dallas Henderson and Mrs. Sias McWhirter, all of the Mint Hill section.

Miss Beaver was a member of Philadelphia church and was 35 years old.

SUBJECT OF NEW DEPOT ON TAPIS

Col. Andrews and Architect Milburn of Southern, Will Have Conference This Afternoon

Mr. Frank P. Milburn, of Columbia, architect for the Southern railway, arrived in Charlotte this morning to have a conference with First Vice President A. B. Andrews of the Southern in regard to the building of a new Union depot in Charlotte.

Several weeks ago Col. Andrews was in Charlotte and the matter of a new depot was approached. Mayor Brown and a committee from the board of aldermen, conferred with Col. Andrews and the committee was very elated over the prospects held out for a new Union depot.

At the time Col. Andrews informed the city officials that he would return to Charlotte at some future date and would discuss the matter at length.

This morning Superintendent Baker informed Mayor Brown that Col. Andrews would be in Charlotte about 5 o'clock and that he wished to see the mayor in regard to the proposed new depot.

At this writing it is not known what kind of a proposition Col. Andrews will submit. It is to be hoped that a Union depot will be the outcome of the conference, but if not a Union depot Charlotte would appreciate a new structure at the Southern's West Trade street station.

For years, Charlotte has been asking the Southern to build a shed at the Trade street station. The excuse has always been made that the Southern would soon build an entirely new depot and that a shed would be built at the same time.

It would seem that Charlotte is now in sight of the coveted prize for Col. Andrews knows Charlotte needs a new depot and above all things a shed.

The conference, this afternoon, on the arrival of Col. Andrews, will be awaited with much real interest.

Charlotte is one of the most important points on the line of the Southern. In fact the passenger and freight business given this road by citizens of Charlotte amounts to more than any point between Washington and Atlanta. In view of this fact it would seem the part of gratitude for the Southern railway to give Charlotte what she desires—a new depot and a shed.

Under the law as passed by the last legislature a city can demand a Union depot. It is to be hoped that such demands may not be necessary and that the roads entering Charlotte will get together and build a depot that the city will be proud of.

FRENCH CATHOLICS WILL RESIST LAW

They Expect to Wait For Forcible Expulsion

IT IS UP TO THE PRESIDENT

Pope will Not Give Ireland Red Hat Unless Requested

SWISS WANT OUR TRADE

Americans in Paris Start a Little Boomlet For Francis—Aged German Baron is Dead

Paris, March 23.—The principal Catholic congregations, which survived the vigorous enforcement of the law of associations last year have decided to refuse to accept the rulings of the law which were reaffirmed by the chamber of deputies recently, but will await forcible expulsion. When matters have reached this stage they will appeal to the tribunals, taking as their ground the declaration of the rights of man which was the foundation of the constitution as promulgated after the revolutions. They will also take as a basis for appeal, the claim law, as originally passed, which has been illegally applied.

It's Up To Roosevelt.

Rome, March 23.—Whether Archbishop Ireland receives the red hat or not, is now practically in the hands of President Roosevelt. The Pope replying to insistence from the United States that Ireland be appointed cardinal, said that owing to a division on the subject among the members of the American hierarchy he would not appoint Ireland unless Roosevelt requested it as a distinction to the United States.

Swiss Are Reaching Out.

Berne, Switzerland, March 23.—The Federal Council is considering a scheme for the development of the Swiss watch and trinket trade abroad. It is planned to send commissioners to other countries who shall report as to the means for effectively competing with German and American goods, which are encroaching heavily on the field long held by the Swiss articles.

Aged Baron Dead.

Berlin, March 23.—Baron Clements Herman, member of the Reichstag died today, age seventy.

Francis' Little Boomlet.

Madrid, March 23.—The boom for President Francis of the St. Louis Exposition for President of the United States has been started in a small way here. An American resident in Madrid, whom Francis saw during his visit, says the latter revealed to him his ambition to be the democratic choice for President in 1904.

Street Car Was Wrecked.

East Liverpool, Ohio, March 22.—A street car on the new Pleasant Heights line ran away last night on a steep hill, struck a sharp curve, was completely overturned and a hundred and fifty passengers aboard were all injured, some seriously. The wreck was so complete the car had to be chopped with an axe before all the people were extricated. The road has been in operation only eight days.

STRIKE IMMINENT IN COAL REGION

Meyersdale and Georges Creek Miners will Go Out Unless Operators Recognize Their Union

Cumberland, Md., March 22.—The scale committee of the United Mine Workers of the George's Creek and Meyersdale, Penns., regions have mailed to the operators a request to meet the committee here tomorrow and propose mutually to settle the scale of wages. It is reliably stated that while the operators are going to grant the increase of wages they will refuse, however, to meet the representatives of the union and in the latter event a strike is inevitable. The merchants of this region fully expect a strike and are refusing to add anything to their stock. There are three thousand miners in the two regions.

DATES CHANGED.

For the Holding of Mecklenburg Courts in 1903.

In changing the time for holding the courts in Mecklenburg county, the recent legislature named the following dates: Criminal cases: Third Monday before the first Monday in March and on the third Monday before the first Monday in September, each two weeks; seventh Monday after the first Monday in March, thirteenth Monday after the first Monday in March, third Monday after the first Monday in September, thirteenth Monday after the first Monday in September, each one week. Civil cases: Seventh Monday before the first Monday in March, first Monday after the first Monday in March, seventh Monday before the first Monday in September, each two weeks; eighth Monday after the first Monday in March, fourteenth Monday after the first Monday in March, twelfth Monday after the first Monday in September, each one week; fourth Monday after the first Monday in September, three weeks.

GRAVE OF ATTILA FOUND?

A Peasant is Said To Have Discovered It While Digging.

London, March 23.—According to a Morning Advertiser dispatch from Vienna, an interesting announcement comes from Marburg that a peasant of St. Johann, in the Drau Valley, has discovered the grave of the Hunnish King Attila in that district.

Antiquarians had made repeated searches, as they were convinced that the grave of Attila would ultimately be found. The peasant who made the find discovered while digging his land in the vicinity of Drau a bronze coffin. Beside the coffin were several implements also of bronze. Underneath it was a large stone bearing in addition to other inscriptions the name Attila.

Protracted Service.

A two weeks protracted service was commenced in the Presbyterian church yesterday. There will be preaching every evening this week and next by Rev. J. R. Howerton, the pastor. All are cordially invited to attend these services.

Brokers Go To The Wall.

Boston, March 22.—Bowker Paslin & Co., brokers, assigned this morning to J. A. Farres. No statement of the firm's assets has yet been prepared.

NEW YORK OFFICERS WILL GET INGRAM

Gotham Authorities Transfer Negotiations to Chief Irwin—Ingram will Go without Requisition Papers

Chief H. C. Irwin this afternoon received the following telegram:

New York, March 23. Chief of Police, Charlotte, N. C. Claude Ingram, colored, is under arrest in your city. He is wanted here for grand larceny. He has been indicted today and if he will return without requisition papers, my officer will leave for him immediately. W. S. Orr, of your city, has wired me concerning the case. Wire me collect whether prisoner will return without requisition papers or not. JAMES J. LANGAN, Captain Detective Bureau.

On the receipt of the above, Chief Irwin went to the jail and had a talk with Ingram. He was warned of his rights but insisted that he was perfectly willing to return to New York without requisition papers. After the talk Chief Irwin wired Captain Langan what Ingram had said. It is more than probable that a New York officer will arrive in Charlotte some time tomorrow. Whether he will take Ingram back with him, remains to be seen.

POLITICS AND THE CANAL.

Renewed Reports Of Strong Opposition In Colombia.

Panama, March 23.—Isthmian opinions are almost unanimous for ratification of the canal treaty by the Colombian Congress without amendments. The approval of the United States Senate is gratifying.

Opinions differ as to the probabilities of its reception by Colombia. Representatives in Congress were only elected a few days ago, and Senators were appointed by departmental assemblies which met today. It is reported that strenuous opposition will be offered in Congress principally by lobbying politicians on one side trying to make the canal a political issue for personal benefits, overlooking the country's real interests. Prominent men of standing throughout the country, especially in Cauca and Antioqui, the largest departments, seem to be in favor of ratification. Rumors indicate that possibly the main objection to the treaty will be on the question of sovereignty.

Wrecked Schooner Going To Pieces.

Atlantic City, March 22.—The schooner John F. Kranz, which went ashore Saturday at Mantoloking station, is breaking up and will be a total loss.

RIVER IS FALLING SLOW AT MEMPHIS

The Worst of the Flood is Now Believed to Be Over

IS HIGHER AT NEW ORLEANS

If the Levees Hold it is Expected That Twenty - One Feet Will Be Reached

BAD ALONG ISSAQUENA

Water There is Cropping Over the Levee—Trains Are Expected to Be Running By Wednesday

New York, March 23.—A dispatch from Vicksburg says: Steamers have come in from Greenville, reporting a critical state of affairs along the Issaquena County front. The water is almost level with the crown of the levees and at several points it is cropping over.

At Davals and from Brunswick to Vicksburg the danger level has been reached at several points and large forces of men are working at these points day and night.

A dispatch from Memphis says, the river has been falling, the register showing 39.6. It is believed the worst is over, as reports last night from levees north and south of Memphis were that they were holding well against the water. All trains will be running by Wednesday.

At New Orleans, the twenty foot mark was reached last night and it was reported that 21 feet will be reached by Saturday if levees hold all along the Louisiana line. Engineers expect that they will hold.

Special River Bulletin.

Washington, March 23.—A special river bulletin today says: "The Mississippi continues to fall from Cairo to Memphis and to rise below. The stages this morning were Cairo 48.7 feet, a fall 7.1 feet since Saturday; Memphis, 39.5, fall of 0.3; Vicksburg 50.9, rise of 0.8; New Orleans 20.1, rise of 0.4.

The passing of the flood crest to the lower Mississippi river has caused the government engineers and others in these districts to watch with increasing anxiety the condition of the levees. So far no breaks have been reported. In the meantime the Memphis district situation is greatly improved, the water falling to gradually. In many places, the numbers of guards on the levees have been lessened.

There is no doubt but that the breaks north of Memphis on the Arkansas side of the river did much to cause the present relieved feeling. Information received last night states that the levee on Palmyra Island, near Vicksburg, was cut by planters to lessen the destruction by floods which was sure to come. A break is also reported from Thibodaux, La., below New Orleans.

Earthquake in Bavaria.

Munich, March 23.—The region surrounding Lindau, Bavaria, in Lake Constance district, was visited by a heavy earthquake today, and the people, panic stricken, rushed from their houses. No casualties are reported.

COTTON MARKET IS INDIFFERENT TODAY

Devoid of Excitement and Speculative Interest and Cables Made the General Tone Easier

New York, March 23.—The opening of the cotton market was devoid of excitement or speculative interest. On the cables slightly easier tone prevailed and local bulls unloaded in small quantities. The public showed general indifference. The news, aside from the cables, consisted chiefly of moderate estimates for port receipts, associated with clearing conditions in western portion of the belt and conflicting advices as to the flood conditions.

THE WEATHER.

Forecasts for tonight and Tuesday, for Charlotte and vicinity: Fair and colder tonight and Tuesday.