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UMBER OF WITNESS HEARD IN LIPPARD MURDER CASE

ecil Hefner Figures Largely With Brother for First Time in Glenn Lippard Murder Trial. Crowd Not as Large as Yesterday. Other Witnesses Subpoenaed

Morganton, Dec. 15.—Cecil Hefner figured for the first time today in the Glenn Lippard murder trial and assumed prominence with Dock in this respect. Lone Young played a minor role but a distant relative of his, Peter Young, told of hearing Lone discuss the Lippard tragedy on the Sunday following the murder.

The state made good progress today in the examination of witnesses and when recess was taken at 12:30 the unlucky number of 13 had given their evidence bearing on the case. The state probably will rest late this afternoon as the defense begins tomorrow morning.

The crowd was not quite as large as it was yesterday but the court room was packed.

It could not be learned whether any of the defendants will take the stand but it is believed that Dock Hefner at least will relate some story to the jury.

Aside from the evidence presented against Cecil Hefner the most damaging evidence during the forenoon was given by Q. E. Lippard, father of the slain man who told how Dock Hefner called at his home three times on Friday night before the tragedy asking for Glenn, and who brought Glenn home Saturday night about 7:30. That was the last time the father saw the son alive.

Special Officer, W. A. Abee, was the first witness called and he gave testimonies as to the body. R. B. Frye and O. C. Bowman, told of helping Dock Hefner and another man get their car out of the ditch on the fatal night.

Frank Martin, one of the owners of the Central Cafe, said he saw Cecil Hefner enter his place between eight and nine o'clock and order steak and gravy. He ate that, the witness said, and gave another order for hamburger and onions and before it was ready somebody called him out. Cecil did not return up to 10 o'clock. On cross examintion the witness said there was nothing unusual in his conduct. Cecil said he would be back for his order.

George Lock, a Burke county young man, told abut hearing shots near the scene of the murder and of hearing a cry "Oh" four times. He woke his father up and told him of it. The time was about 9:30.

Ben Whitlow told of seeing a woman in the Rhodhiss road and of three cars on the side of the road as he went to Rhodhiss and of two as he returned.

He placed the time a few minutes before eight o'clock. H. R. Shuford, who was going to Longview to see his father-in-law, declared he saw Cecil and Dock Hefner and a third man whom he did not recognize in a Ford car near the Hickory Spianingg Company at 11:30 on the night of the murder. The Ford car was coming from the west. Shuford pulled his car to the side of the road and his lights flashed full in the faces of the occupants of the other machine whose lights were turned out just before it got to him.

W. J. Kennedy, C. B. Scott and E. B. Detter also were examined this forenoon and the defense subpoenaed E. C. Johnson, Vernon Lackey and Hubert Sherrill relative to Cecil Hefner's car which Detter said he saw on Ninth avenue at 6:30 n Sunday morning.

Mr. Self took a hand in the examination of witnesses today.

ARD FIGHT FOR SPEAKERSHIP OF HOUSE

(BY MAY ABERNETHY)

Raleigh, Dec. 15.—Indications of a fight for speakership of the house of the 1921 session of General Assembly are seen as the opening date of the law making session approaches and the names of a number of prominent members are discussed.

While the name of Harry P. Grier of Bladen county, apparently is giving a strategic advantage at this time by his friends and representatives-elect who visit the capital, W. N. Everett, of Richmond, J. H. Mathis of Battle and R. W. Pharr, of Mecklenburg, are also in the race. Mr. Bowie, newly elected from Avery, also placed in nomination by his friends from some of the mountain counties. Mr. Bowie served a term as speaker several years ago and has experience to his credit, but has said that he will not make a fight for the place because he is more interested in seeing the new primary repealed than in any other office.

Representative Grier's friends believe that with so many aspirants in the field, enough support will be given from the east and west to put a man in the chair. He is a lawyer and at intervals has made presiding officers.

It is going to be a contest for house clerk of the house unless Mr. Gardner, of Yancey, changes his mind and withdraws from the race. Otis P. Shell, of Harnett, assistant, announced that he will be for reelection. Mr. Gardner is popular in the house and will likely have considerable following to press his claims at the proper time. Alex Stewart of Burke and Frank D. Wilkins, principal clerk in the senate and chief clerk of the house, respectively, are not expected to oppose.

Details of the inaugural ceremonies will not be determined until the house committee fixes the time. Mr. Bickett was inducted into office on the eighth day of the legislative session four years ago, which was January 14, and Mr. Morrison was inducted during the second week of the session, January 12 having been fixed. The vote of the November elections must first be canvassed by a committee and the result passed from both houses before newly elected State officials become eligible for the various positions. The calculations submitted by the state board of canvassers is usually accepted, however, and quick work is made of the duty assigned to the legislators.

A special committee appointed at the last session of the General Assembly to draft a workmen's compensation act for submission at the session found no opposition at a meeting here yesterday except the time limit for receiving evidence from any and everybody interested in the proposed legislation expired December 28 and adjourned.

A score of representatives of employers and employes appeared before the committee and discussed the features of the Virginia act which served as a basis and which in all probability will serve as a basis for North Carolina's law. The questions of whether the act should be made to apply to all manufacturers was discussed but the opinion was expressed that the law if adopted would be compulsory since any employer who did not accept it would be put at a disadvantage.

Chairman Lindsey Warren called objections to the Virginia act to the attention of those who had been informed were serious but his query failed to develop. Some of opposition into the U. S. Senate of the manufacturers, however, asked for an extension of time in order to study the act and the time was then fixed. The tentative draft of the bill, Mr. Warren explained, will be made soon after December 28 and submitted to the advisory committee and a public hearing announced.

With eggs threatening to sell at twenty cents the dozen, will somebody please devise a plan by which it will be unlawful to cut them half-in-two at times?

LEGISLATION FOR FORMER SOLDIERS

By the Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Legislation providing for compensation for former service men was taken up by the senate finance committee with the American legion delegation.

HARDING SPEAKS AT MEETING TONIGHT

By the Associated Press.

Marion, Ohio., Dec. 15.—President-elect Harding conferred today with Ramond Robins, former leader of the progressive party on the association of nations and domestic problems. Tonight Mr. Harding addresses a meeting of child welfare workers.

$50,000 FIRE AT UNIONTOWN, PA.

By the Associated Press.

Uniontown, Pa., Dec. 15.—Fire believed to be of incendiary origin destroyed the plant of the Fairchance Lumber Co., today causing a $50,000 damage.

MEXICO TO HAVE A NATION WIDE STRIKE

By the Associated Press.

Mexico City, Dec 15.—Telegraphers and station agents on the National railways ordered a general immediate strike, threatening to paralyze all lines

SECRETARY MEREDITH'S REPORT

Springfield Republican.

The plight in which the farmer is left by the decline of values of farm products is strikingly presented by Secretary of Agriculture Meredith in his annual report. While there has been little reduction in the prices of many things the farmer has had to buy, the prices which has had to accept have shown these extraordinary changes:

"On March 1, 1920, they were 22 per cent higher than now on the same date last year; on April 1, 23 per cent; on May 1, 23 per cent; on June 1, 24 per cent; on July 1, 21 per cent; n September 1, they were 7 per cent lower than a year ago; on October 1, 14 per cent lower, and on November 1, 28 per cent lower. The prices of all crops on November 1 were 33 per cent below those prevailing when the farmer planted and bore the cost of production."

This means tat at the prices prevailing on November 1, the corn crop was worth $1,500,000,000 less than it would have been worth a year earlier the cotton crop $1,000,000,000 less and the wool clip $60,000,000 less. The total extraordinary output of the farms, produced at extraordinary cost, is worth at current prices, the secretary points out, $3,000,000,000 less than the smaller crop of 1919, and $1,000,000,000 less than the still smaller crop of 1918. If the farmer had raised less than the average in tons and bushels rather than more, would his total return in money have been greater than actually it was? That the answer is conceivably yes suggests the nature of present situation, which is one of national concern.

Secretary Meredith does not touch upon the proposals which have been broached for financial guarantees by the government to enable the farmer to dispose of crops to advantage but notes the possibilities within the scope of the department's activities. The suggestions of "some means" of carrying over to periods of low production the surplus of years of high production would be more interesting if more definite. To the point are the suggestions that more attention should be given to marketing, to statistical inquiry at home and abroad, to the economic problems of production, to farm finance and to life on the farm. Practically these suggestions amount to a plea for larger appropriations to meet the expenses o fan expanding department including adequate salaries to check serious drain on the deparment's personnel by better-paying commercial enterprises.

Three items aggregating $1,150,000 in the appropriation increase asked for, and described as "insurance funds," deserve special consideration. These are $950,000 for combating foot-and mouth disease—no cases of which are known in the United States at present, $100,000 for fighting and preventing forest fires, and $100,000 for the control of emergency insect infestations. These funds would be drawn upon only in cases of urgent need and would be a insurance against losses which otherwise might amount to very millions

KNOCKED OUT BUT NOT SATISFIED

By the Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 15.—Bill Brennan who was knocked out by Jack Dempsey said he would ask for another match as he was not satisfied Dempsey was his superior. Dempsey has left for the Pacific coast until he begins training for the match with Jess Willard on St. Patrick's day.

TRIES TO INFLUENCE SHIPPING POLICIES

By the Assoiiated Press.

Washington Dec. 15.—Members of the British mission visiting the United States in 1917 attempted to influence the shipping board policies, William Denman, first chairman of the board testified before the house committee investing the board. Said Sir Connor Guthrie, member of the British mission was made member of the advisory board

SEES COMMITTEE ON IRISH QUESTION

By the Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Laurence Ginnell, former member of the British parliament, and Miss Ruth Russell of Chicago have been called to testify before the commission investigating the Irish question.

PIECE WORK IN CLOTHING SHOPS

By the Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 15.—Piece work schedules dacpted in all shops of clothing manufacturers associations and amalgamated clothing workers union said it mounts to a lockout.

MEXICAN SECRETARY OF WAR DEAD

By the Associated Press.

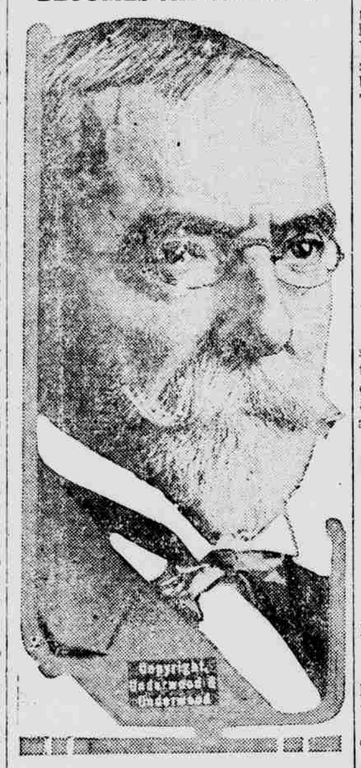
Mexico City, Dec. 15.—General Benjamin Hillan, Mexican secretary of war, is dead.

A DARB OF JOURNALIST GONE WRONG

Versailles (Ind.) Republican.

Our father, who ain't much on remembering names handed us this news item last week. "What's his name at Lawrenceburg who lives right across the street from that fellow who runs the store on the corner has sold his farm to what you call him out there on the Aurora pike.

BECOMES ARTIST AT 71



Four years ago, June 4, 1916, Dr. Carl Henry Andrew Bjerregaard, then seventy-one years old, who had achieved fame as an author and essayist, decided to start a new career. He took up painting. That he has been successful in this work is shown by the exhibition of paintings from his brush under the auspices of the American-Scandinavian foundation in New York, where he and his wife reside. His desire to start a new life, he states, was conceived in a sphere of mysticism which he had penetrated. His object was to study life and nature by color and form rather than scientifically. Now he is thinking of taking up modeling. He came to this country at the age of twenty-eight, being of Danish birth. Doctor Bjerregaard is a member of the staff of the New York public library.

Wise Kaffirs.

The Kaffir wife must employ a different language from that of her husband and must never refer to him by name.

Wisdom Undismayed.

"Pop, what is a deponent?"

"He's a man who works around depots, of course. Don't ask such fool questions."

To Say the Least.

"You gotta take care of me. I gotta have a diplomatic position."

"My dear sir, you couch your demand in a very undiplomatic way."

WILLYS-OVERLAND PASSED DIVIDEND

By the Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 15.—The Willys-Overland Company has passed a regular quarterly dividend on preferred stock. The Keystone Tire Company passed a quarterly dividend.

V. M. I. CAPTAIN SCORES MOST POINTS

By the Associated Press.

Lexington, Va., Dec. 15.—It is claimed Jimmy Leach, captain of the undefeated Virginia Military Institution football team, is leading in individual points scored in the south and possibly of the coutry during the fall season, he scoring 210 pents.

WOMEN RUN WELL IN MASSACHUSETTS

By the Associated Press.

Boston, Dec. 15.—Women candidates defeated in elections in sixteen Massachusetts cities, except for school committee places, were six towns.

PRESIDENT WILSON SELECTS MORGENTHAU

By the Associated Press.

Washington, Dc. 15.—Henry Morgenthau, former ambassador to Turkey, has been selected by President Wilson to act as the president's personal representative in mediating between the Armenians and the Turkish nationalists.

COTTON CONSUMED LESS FOR NOVEMBER

By the Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Cotton consumed during November amounted to 332,957 bales of lint and 29,256 compared with 491,250 lint and 25,514 linters in November of last year according to the census bureau.

WAR VETRANS CALL AT WHITE HOUSE

By the Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 15.—A committee composed of war veterans with headquarters here are to call at the white house and department of justice to present resolutions adopted by the organization urging amnesty for prisoners violating the espionage act.

KING CONSTANTINE REACHES VENICE

By the Associated Press.

Venice, Dec. 15.—Former King Constantine and Queen Sophie of Greece with their children have arrived from Lucerne. They will board a Greek cruiser for their return to Athens, arriving Sunday.

NO CENSORSHIP ON RELAY MESSAGES

By the Associated Press.

Washinton, Dec. 15.—Tentative agreement that no censorship shall be imposed upon messages merely passing through relay points was reached by the International communications conference, Walter S. Rogers, American representative told the senate committee.

All the same, if Mr. Harding had been president during the war, it is safe to say he would have had a coalition cabinet.

SENSATIONAL EVIDENCE IS PRESENTED TO JURY

Dan Cook Tells Court That Lone Young Told Him of Seeing Man Murdered—Evidence Stronger Against Young and Dock Hefner Than Against Cecil Hefner

Morganten, Dec. 15.—The only new testimony in the Glenn Lippard murder trial introduced yesterday was that presented by Dan Cook, S. E. McFadden, H. W. Broome and Paul Lippard, the latter a brother of the slain man. Lou Lyn's testimony was not different from what it was at the preliminary hearing two weeks ago, except that on cross-examination she admitted giving A. A. Whitener, counsel for the defense, names of witnesses when he saw her in the Hickory police station that she withheld at the preliminary hearing. Otherwise her testimony was a repetition of her former statements.

She was cool and deliberate on the stand, was never once at a loss for a reply and stuck doggedly to her statements. The only person in the court house to show much feeling was Lone Young, on whose forehead the perspiration stood out in beads during the recital of the incidents leading to the alleged killing and during the time that Dan Cook was telling the jury how Young came into his place late that fatal Saturday night and told of seeing a murder committed. "It was a dirty deal" Young told Cook but he said he had nothing to do with it. Cook said he thought Young's liquor had gone to his head and dismissed the whole thing until later.

Cook's evidence was by far the most sensational of the afternoon, though S. E. McFadden created interest when he related Young's conduct on Monday following the tragedy. The other testimony had been fairly covered by the Record, and caused little excitement in the court house. The audience which jammed the building, however, took in every word.

Afternoon Session

There were not enough chairs in the bar and Judge Shaw told those forced to stand to go after the county commissioners, Declaring he would stand behind them "If you all want a new court house," he said, "go see them. If you don't want a new court house, don't see them."

Lou Lynn was the first witness to take the stand and after stating her age and residence said she had known Glenn Lippard for three years, two years of which he had been her sweetheart. She said she knew the defendants.

Repeats Former Testimony

She repeated her story given at the preliminary hearing. They went to Newton, came back through Hickory and went over to the South Mountains in Gordon Whitener's car. They went to Gordon's home near Henry River, from there to Minnie Young's home, later going by Jule Brittain's Henry Smith's, stopping at Lipe's store at Hildebran to buy dinner. They ate at Demp Hill's below Hildebran. After dinner, they stopped at Neal Abernethy's from there going to Johnson's bridge and turning around and going towards Hickory. They went towards Arney's church about 6 o'clock—where she got out the car. She saw three cars standing on the side of the road near the church. She stayed about an hour and a half. While there she saw Glenn Lippard, Cecil Hefner, Dock Hefner and Lone Young come by in two cars—a Hupmobile and a Ford. Cecil was driving the Hup, Glenn sitting between Cecil and Lone. Dock Hefner came along in a New Ford. They all stopped, and she talked to Glenn several minutes, they going towards Rhodhiss, Cecil's car being in front. She remained there about 25 minutes and followed them walking. On her way out she met a Dodge car at the old school house. She saw the prisoners along the road. Here she described details of the dice game, the hot words over the liquor, the lick she said Lone struck Glenn and so on and her leaving; then the two shots, she heard as she went down the road. "Oh, Lord," she heard somebody holler, between the two shots. She heard the cars start up and then went back. She turned around and went to Rhodhiss. She said she met two cars she didn't know. Then she met Jim Williams and Coy Hodge, got in the car with them and went to Rhodhiss mill. She thought the killing was about 9 o'clock. She saw the body about 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Every detail of her former testimony was repeated.

Cross Examination

The witness was taken for cross examination by Mr. Whitener. When she got out of the car it was not quite dark. She was not positive that she talked to Frank Holtsclaw about an hour and a half. She said she did not say in the lower court that she said the man was Will Holtsclaw's "daddy." Here she said she did not know Frank Holtsclaw, but had known Will. Frank rode a motorcycle. This was the person she talked to an hour and a half. She left the three automobiles and men at the church. They were there when the defendants came up, she said.

The witness said it was about a mile and a half from the church to where the boys were shooting dice. She walked to where the boys were, staying with them 20 or 40 minutes. They were cussing at each other there time. She said Lone Young had two knives laying on the ground with the two pistols. She said Mr. Self talked to her about the case. He did not mention the knives or Frank Holtsclaw, she said.

All Were Drinking

In reply to a question Lou said the defendants showed evidence of drinking as they passed Arney's church. The ywere cussing at each other there and she saw them take five drinks each where the murder occurred. She said the shots were about five minutes apart. She was about 200 yards from the cars then. She was questioned about meeting Ben Whitlow on the road in a Dodge car. She wouldn't swear that it was Ben Whitlow.

She said she knew Hanes Parm and Jim Wlliams. She said she got in a car with them on two different occasions but denied getting in their car that night. She said she was with them three Saturday evenings before the homicide. She denied that it was on the fatal evening. The Saturday before Glenn was killed she took a round to Granite Falls and Rhodhiss. She insisted that all occurrences Mr. Whitener named were earlier than the night of the shooting.

On Sunady evening after the murder she said she did not tell anybody about it. On Monday morning Mart Glazebrook told her about it. On Monday she told Demps Hill. That was about 9 a. m. She told Ann Hill that she had seen Glenn Lippard. She first told Solicitor Huffman about it.

The witness denied telling Mr. Whitener that she knew nothing about the killing. She admitted giving him several names, but asserted that they had to do with the evening before. Outside of these names, Lou said she did not say word abut the case. She then admitted telling the attorney a good many things, including a statement that two fellows passed in a car with their faces concealed. She said she did not tell the defendant's attorney about Lone Young and the Hefner brothers. She said she had been indicted 13 times, three times in Hickory for being drunk and at other times for riding about with the men. She said she had worked every day in every month, Saturday and Sunday excepted, for the past five years.

It was 3:55 when the cross examination ended and Solicitor Huffman asked her as to the cause of her being locked up several times. She said it was for for immoral conduct.

Dan Cook on Stand

Dan Cook, a Hickory man said he had known Lone Young for some time Lone was in his place of business at different times from 4 to 11 o'clock that Saturday night and the last time he was there he said to the witness:

"I saw a dirty deal pulled off while ago. I didn't do it. I saw a man shot down in cold blood."

On cross examination, Mr. Cook said he told Young he was "seeing things tonight." Young did not mention the name of any single man. Mr. Cook said Baxter Hildebrand, Bill Tallant and Lone Young were in his place between 8 and 9 o'clock. Hildebrand said, "pretty near 9 o'clock. Let's go to the show or home one." Witness said he saw Young every hour up until 9 o'clock. He did not see them get in Baxter Hildebrand's car, which was outside. He did not know if they all went out together. He did not recall if Baxter Hildebrand bought four bottles of Chero-Cola from him between 9 and 9:30. The witness did not see any of the others except Young late that night and that was about 10:30 or 11 o'clock.

Left a Gap

Mr. Cook said he thought Lone Young was "full" and paid little attention to his statement that he had seen a man killed. On redirect examination, Mr. Cook said he did not see young between 9 and 9:30.

Young was Sick

S. E. McFadden, a merchant of Longview, said Lone Young came to his store on Monday morning after the killing between 8 and 9 o'clock. The witness invited Young into the store. He noticed that the prisoner was nervous and then red and pale by turns. He remarked that Lone was nervous. Lone said he ate something Saturday night that made me mighty nervous. It tore up my stomach and that is the reason I am not working today." The prisoner stayed from 25 to 40 minutes. He did not see him again that day. Young spoke of the killing on Saturday night.

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