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"Shoot Me Through Heart, So All Will Be Over," Said Actor.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dispatch.

Fred Morris, a base ball player, shot and instantly killed Otto H. Meyer, a vaudeville singer, last night in a room at a hotel, after having obtained a written confession as to Meyer's relations with Mrs. Morris.

The two men came to the hotel together and were assigned to the same room. Shortly after they retired shots were heard.

"I guess I am the man you are looking for," Morris said. "I think the police need me."

After he and Meyer had taken the room, Morris declared, he read an incriminating letter the significance of which Meyer admitted. He forced Meyer to write and sign the confession, and told him that he intended to kill him.

"Meyer extended his arms," said Morris, "and told me to shoot him through the heart so that all would be over at once. I did as he suggested, and would follow him beyond the grave except for the fact that I have a little boy who, I think, needs me to look out for him."

Both men came from Denton, Texas.

Thieving Student Ducked.

Morgantown, W. Va., Dispatch.

After his room had been searched and a number of articles said to have been stolen from other students had been discovered, Ralph McCune, a student in the West Virginia University here, was seized by a mob of more than 400 students as he was being taken to jail in the custody of a deputy sheriff late last night, and was escorted to the Monongahela river where he was ducked in the icy waters.

The mob, augmented by a force of at least 100 more students, then dragged the youth from the river and took him to the central square where he was placed on an impromptu platform. After this he was ordered to leave the city on the next train. He obeyed.

Young Man Marries Elderly Woman

Newton Enterprise.

Last Saturday there was a wedding in Caldwell township that attracted more than ordinary attention. The groom, Mr. Lee Campbell, is 22 and the bride, Miss Martha Caldwell, is 60. Our informant says it was very much of a love affair, and had been looked forward to for some time. Another match in the same neighborhood of a groom of 20 and a bride of 40 is expected to follow in a few days. So strong is the marrying fever in Caldwell, that Mr. David Drom, a widower of 30, sends the Enterprise word that he is going to marry a widow of 40.

The Shelby Star says that Mr. Dargan Wilson, a farmer living near Lawndale, Cleveland county, was plowing when a storm cloud came up Wednesday of last week. A flash of lightning killed the mule he was plowing and Mr. Wilson was knocked unconscious, remaining in that condition for some time.

David Avery, a young man who lived near Clayton, Johnson county, left home Monday morning with his gun, saying he would kill a bird for his father, who was ill. At noon he had not returned and when search was made he was found dead, with a gunshot wound in his breast. Indications point to suicide.

Foley's Honey and Tar cures coughs quickly, strengthens the lungs and expels colds. Get the genuine in a yellow package. English Drug Co.

It takes a broad-minded man to see the good in a narrow-minded one.

Africa Will Welcome Roosevelt.

Mombasa, British East Africa, Dispatch.

Mombasa is preparing already to welcome Theodore Roosevelt when he lands here the latter part of next month on his much heralded African trip, and the coming of the former President of the United States has given a decided impetus to the interest in the present hunting season. The Governor of the protectorate, Lieutenant Colonel Sir James Hayes Sadler, is getting up a programme of wit and entertainment for the distinguished visitor, but in spite of these arrangements, the greeting to Mr. Roosevelt will be more to the great sportsman, whose fame is well known to local hunters, than to the former President.

East African sportsmen were highly gratified to learn that Mr. Roosevelt had refused the offer of the authorities to grant him a special hunting license that would have permitted him to kill game to an unlimited extent, instead of confining himself to the two elephants, two rhinoceros, two hippopotami, etc., of the regular lions. Lions and leopards are classed as vermin and consequently no license to kill them is required.

Beware of Soft Drinks.

Washington Dispatch.

The dangers of the "soft drink habit" and the innocence with which girls become addicted to it were emphasized tonight by Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, the government's pure food expert, in a lecture before one hundred girl students of the Holy Cross Academy.

"If you only knew what I know about what those soft drinks contain you would abstain from them," he said. "It will surprise you to know the most of them contain more caffeine than coffee and a drug which is more deadly than any of the soft drink. It is more harmful than coffee, and I advise all young people against the use of this stimulant. Perhaps you would be interested to know I have collected more than one hundred samples of soft drinks sold at soda fountains and each contains caffeine and many of them a deadly drug."

Simple Remedy for La Grippe.

La grippe coughs are dangerous as they frequently develop into pneumonia. Foley's Honey and Tar not only stops the cough but he his and strengthens the lungs so that no serious results need be feared. The genuine Foley's Honey and Tar contains no harmful drugs and is in a yellow package. Refuse substitutes. English Drug Company.

STRANGE TRIPLE SUICIDE FOLLOWS TANGLED ROMANCE IN WHICH ONE YOUTH, FOR OTHER'S SAKE, HID HIS AFFECTION

Seattle City, Ill., Dispatch.

Miss BEVELY SOMERS, loved by two brothers, committed suicide March 3rd.

John Nichols, elder and favored suitor, whom she was to marry, ended his life two days later.

Robert Nichols, who nourished his passion in secret, that by his abnegation the brother and sweetheart might be happy, desolate at the failure of his sacrifice, completed a death trinity when he killed himself at his home in Madison today.

A third brother, George Nichols, is frantic from grief, and it is feared that he may lose his reason.

John, George and Robert Nichols were left orphans when Robert, the youngest, was a baby. Several years ago they were separated, the older brothers going into business for themselves. Last summer Robert made a visit to each of his brothers. At John's farm, the elder brother introduced him to Miss Somers, a young neighbor and the belle of the countryside.

He, too, fell under the spell of her charms. But loyalty to the brother made him conceal his devotion and return to Madison. He never avowed his affection for Miss Somers, because it would place an obstacle in the way of his brother.

Several weeks ago parental objections came between Miss Somers and John Nichols. Her father forbade her to see the young man. One day after sending a tearful note to her sweetheart, she shot herself, dying almost instantly.

Two days later John Nichols walked quietly out of the house in the direction of his sweetheart's late home. In a little grove, where he had often met Miss Somers during their courtship, he killed himself with a revolver. In his pocket was found a crumpled note to his brother Robert, apparently interrupted. It read:

"Dear Brother: My sweetheart and intended wife was buried yesterday. S"

Robert walked about his home at Madison today as one dazed. He went to East St. Louis in the hope that George might come in to visit him. Disappointed in this, he went back to Madison. He stopped at a drug store and attempted to buy carbolic acid. The druggist, noticing he was agitated, substituted a harmless decoction, placing a carbolic acid label upon it. With this in his hand Robert

went into his foster mother's room just before noon.

As he pulled out the bottle to drink, the mother snatched it out of his hands and poured the contents out of a window. Robert, without another word, went into a kitchen. A search disclosed a bottle of carbolic acid that had been used as a disinfectant. Robert went into the dining room, where there were several boarders. With a curt goodbye, he drank the contents of the bottle. When the mother tried to seize him, he ran out of the house, up the street a few yards, swayed and fell. A few moments later he was dead.

Nobody to Love Him; No Peace at Home.

New York World.

A little lad walked yesterday into the Brooklyn Children's Society's building and asked the officers to send him to the Catholic Protectorate. "Cause," he pleaded, "der ain't nobody in the world dat loves me, and anyway I'm better off out out of the way."

The clerk took the lad to Judge Flemming in the Brooklyn Children's Court and sent for the boy's mother. She is a frail little woman, but admitted having beaten the boy with a carpet sweeper.

"Oh, Judge, it's nothing but whippings and scoldings all the time—never any peace. There ain't nobody home that loves me and I want to go away until I am sixteen years old anyway," said James.

"Won't you go home with your mother this once and see if you can't get along peaceably?" asked the Judge.

"Tain't no use, Judge; I want to go away."

The judge then committed the lad, and, turning aside, said: "He has committed himself, but whether he is right or wrong, it is better by far to give a boy like that his wish than to send him home when he hates it so. He would probably do something desperate in a short time and have to be sent away anyhow."

Foley's Kidney Remedy will cure any case of kidney or bladder trouble that is not beyond the reach of medicine. Cures backache and irregularities that if neglected might result in Bright's disease or diabetes. English Drug Company.

The Ideal Woman As Doctor Abbott Sees Her

THE Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott defined "The Ideal Woman" Sunday night in the Central Congregational church, Hancock street, near Bedford avenue, Brooklyn.

"To be an ideal woman," said Dr. Abbott, "the feminine type represented in each individual must: 1. Discard all shows the size of which makes walking well high impossible.

2. She must not consider her hands when it comes to a question of work.

3. To obtain red cheeks, the ideal woman must take exercise and pass by paint and powder.

4. She must not be the servant of the dressmaker and milliner. They are her servants.

5. She must not change her styles at the dictation of men in Paris.

6. Her home must be her palace, because in it she has developed a love of beauty and shown she knows how to create it.

7. She must be industrious, sympathetic, energetic, motherly, and a true friend."

Continuing, Dr. Abbott said: "A woman's idea of modern industry is playing bridge whist morning and night. Her idea of modern life is to be supported by some one else.

"The ideal woman does not consider work unwomanly. She believes that whatever concerns her husband concerns her. If the ideal woman's family finds fault with her cooking, she does not blame the cooking. She blames the food, and changes it.

"Woman was meant to be man's companion; and if the idea were properly carried out there would be no affinities."

Near Death in Big Pond.

It was a thrilling experience to Mrs. Ida Soper to face death. "For years a severe lung trouble gave me intense suffering," she writes, "and several times nearly caused my death. All remedies failed and doctors said I was incurable. Then Dr. King's New Discovery brought quick relief and a cure so permanent that I have not been troubled in twelve years." Mrs. Soper lives in Big Pond, Pa. It works wonders in coughs and colds, sore lungs, hemorrhages, la grippe, asthma, croup, whooping cough and all bronchial affections. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by English Drug Company.

MR. ROOSEVELT EXTRAVAGANT

Enormous Increase in Public Expenditure During His Administration—Increase Would Have Been Greater But for Congress.

Washington Dispatch.

"In no period except in times of war have the expenditures of the Federal government increased so rapidly, both in the aggregate and per capita, as those expenditures have increased during the past eight years."

This is the comment which Representative Jas. A. Tawney, chairman of the House committee on appropriations, makes upon national expenditures during the administration of Roosevelt. A large proportion of the excess is due to the rapid growth of the military and naval establishments. Mr. Tawney is of opinion that the great increase in expenditures "is attributable chiefly to insistent executive recommendations and a misguided public demand for the inauguration and execution of new projects without a due realization of the consequent dangers."

Appropriations for public expenditures are made upon estimates submitted by the executive department to Congress. The aggregate of these estimates for appropriations during the past eight years, including the fiscal year 1910, for which appropriations were made by the session of Congress just ended, equals the stipended sum of \$7,291,341,896.29. Congress has appropriated during that period the sum of \$7,097,839,183.46, or \$293,502,622.83 less than the amounts estimated by the administration.

The rapidity with which national expenditures have been increasing during the Roosevelt period is shown by the total appropriations for the fiscal year 1903, which were \$796,633,864.73, and the total appropriations at the second session of the Sixtieth Congress, just ended, for the fiscal year 1910, which amounted to \$1,044,014,298.23, the difference between the amount appropriated for the public service eight years ago and the amount required now being \$247,380,433.44.

The President was always crying for millions more and frowned down the efforts of Congress toward economy. Had the amount of his estimates for the past two years been appropriated, the deficit would exceed \$500,000,000 instead of being in the neighborhood of \$150,000,000.

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"The annual appropriations for the army," Chairman Tawney says, "have leaped from less than \$21,000,000 per annum for the eight-year period immediately preceding the Spanish war to an average of more than \$83,000,000 for the eight-year period ending with the appropriations made by this Congress. During the same periods the annual average for naval appropriations has increased from a little more than \$27,500,000 to more than \$102,400,000."

"The increase in appropriations for the army for the periods named exceeds \$473,000,000, a sum sufficient to cover the whole cost of constructing the Panama canal, on the basis of the latest estimates for that gigantic work. The increase in the sums Congress has voted for the navy for these same periods amounts to \$598,589,333.87, a sum greatly in excess of the total appropriations for the support of the whole government for any fiscal year prior to that of 1898."

The total estimated revenues for the fiscal year 1910 from all sources is \$825,340,712, so that the appropriations made so far are in excess of present and prospective receipts.

The appropriations made by the session of Congress just ended for 1910 are as follows:

Agriculture	\$ 12,995,036.00
Army	101,197,476.24
Diplomatic, Consular	3,617,463.88
District of Columbia	10,679,143.49
Fortifications	8,170,311.00
Indian	10,634,928.00
Legislative, executive, and judicial	31,978,484.00
Military Academy	2,531,523.31
Navy	136,435,189.00
Pastorale	160,908,000.00
River and harbor	9,435,750.00
Sundry civil	137,669,966.93
Urgent deficiency	803,102.40
General deficiency	12,431,727.29
Total	\$ 881,918,215.71

Pathetic Incident of the Civil War.

Correspondence of The Journal.

It was while I was staying at one of the large hospitals during the war, that there came to the hospital a very delicate looking widow to see her son who was there lying at the point of death with pneumonia. It was nightfall when she came in, and going to the couch where he was lying she leaned over him, and in most motherly tones of speech she called to him, saying, "John, your mother has come; don't you know your mother?" But there was no response, not even a look, for the young man was already dying. She called to him again and again, then realizing his true condition, her heart burst forth in anguish and she wept aloud for quite awhile.

The young man soon passed away and the poor woman remained in the hospital during the night. She left next morning with the remains of her son for her home in Northampton county, N. C. It was some distance to the railroad station. I was sitting out on the porch when the ambulance came and bore her away. She was screaming at the top of her voice. I sat and listened till the sound of her voice died away in the distance. Such were some of the horrors of war. C. E. Brown, Wingate, N. C., March 11th, 1909.

A Story of Senator Simmons and the Negro Guard.

Lexington Dispatch.

The weather conditions at the inauguration of Taft were such that a change in the arrangements was necessary, and as stated, Taft was inaugurated in the Senate chamber. This limited the witnesses to officials and their wives, and guards were stationed to keep the rabble out—negro guards. Senator Simmons came strolling in and a big black citizen hustled up to him, and said insultingly, "Hya! yo' cain't go in dere."

The poor devil didn't know what he was up against but he found out quick. Drawing back his cane, the Senator from North Carolina, a State that doesn't tolerate colored officials since "long back in '96-'98, said, "Why, you—, I'll—"

About this time another negro guard who knew the Senator came rushing up, waving his hands, crying, "He doan mean no harm, Sen'ler, he did'n know what he wuz doin'!"

"Oh, Lawd, 'hab mussy, sah!" chimed in the offending guard. "I never meant nuffin, sah. Why, I is hyar to protect yo', sah, 'deed I is, sah. 'Scuse me, boss, 'scuse me, sah. Lawdy, Lawdy," and he wrung his hands and rolled his eyes and trembled like he had seen a hant.

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Many an education is obtained at the expense of common sense.

A Religious Author's Statement.

Rev. Joseph H. Fesperman, Salisbury, N. C., who is the author of several books, writes: "For several years I was afflicted with kidney trouble and last winter I was suddenly stricken with a severe pain in my kidneys and was confined to bed eight days unable to get up without assistance. My urine contained a thick white sediment and I passed same frequently day and night. I commenced taking Foley's Kidney Remedy, and the pain gradually abated and finally ceased and my urine became normal. I cheerfully recommend Foley's Kidney Remedy." English Drug Co.

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