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Coroner Begins the Burdick Murder Inquest

Dr. Howland Gives His Observations—Family Anxious to Adopt Suicide Theory—The Detective's Story

Witness saw no weapons in the room. "What was your conclusion as to whether Burdick was killed in the den?" he was asked. "I think he was." "Do you think he was killed on the couch?" "I think he was on the couch." "When he was killed was he lying on the couch in the position in which you found the body?" "Judging from the location of the wounds he must have been lying in some other position at the time he was struck."

Dr. Howland said he found a tuft of hair on the couch. He was of the opinion that it was longer than Burdick's hair. From the condition of the body he was of the opinion that Burdick was killed about 2 o'clock. This is regarded as important, as it would tend to nullify the statements made to the district attorney by Officers Meyer and Reid regarding the "love woman."

Repeating to a question by one of the attorneys representing the Burdick family, the witness said his opinion was that the blood found on the door was thrown from the instrument used in committing the murder.

Detective John W. Holmlund, who followed Dr. Howland on the stand, described the scene in the den and related the conversation he had with one of the maids. He found some letters and a revolver in Burdick's coat. The trousers, he said, were lying on the couch and looked as if they had been placed there carefully and folded over. Two of the letters found in Burdick's pockets were from Mr. Cleveland.

Greensboro Moving for Carnegie Library

A beautiful oil painting by Miss Heavily of Ontario, Miss Heavily, whose ancestors were native of Guilford county, painted the picture in painting in Paris especially by Rev. L. W. Crawford.

The principal address of the evening was made by Dr. Charles D. McIver, who presented the claims of the proposed library in a very forceful manner. Mr. Carnegie has offered to give the people of Greensboro \$30,000 for building and equipping a library.

GERMANY JEALOUS OF RECIPROcity

Demands for Equal Privileges to Be Made on United States and Cuba

Berlin, March 14.—Germany, as soon as the reciprocity treaty between Cuba and the United States is ratified, will ask both the Cuban and United States governments for identical privileges. It is perceived, from the full reports sent here from Washington and Havana, that German traders will be placed at a disadvantage, and the specialists in the foreign office who manage Germany's cases in negotiations for new commercial treaties have talked over the Cuban treaty with representatives of the embassies of the continental powers, with the result that intimations have been made that other governments intend also to request the same treatment.

Book-Keepers Changed

Durham, N. C., March 14.—Mr. J. W. Zachary, who has been read bookkeeper for the Erwin cotton mill at West Durham for some time, has been transferred to Coolemeade, where he will take a similar position. His place will be filled by Mr. R. H. Lewis, now of the East Durham mill, who came from Raleigh.

Death at Reidsville

Reidsville, N. C., March 14.—Special George W. Terry a popular and well known citizen, died at 4 o'clock today. The burial will take place tomorrow afternoon.

Made An Inspector

Greensboro, N. C., March 14.—Special R. W. Hodgkin, distributing clerk in the Greensboro post office, was today appointed a post office inspector. He will enter upon the duties of the position as soon as he files a bond.

American Trade Affected

Washington, March 14.—By a new treaty made between Russia and Persia, which went into effect February 12 last, all trade between the United States and Persia will be affected, according to a report to the state department from United States Minister Lehman at Constantinople.

Death of Mrs. Brooks

Greensboro, N. C., March 14.—Special Mrs. A. L. Brooks, who had been critically ill for two or three months, and whose death had been expected for weeks, passed away at her home in this city at 2 o'clock this morning.

Carolina 6; Bingham 0

Chapel Hill, N. C., March 14.—Special.—The initial game of the season was played here today when the University boys defeated Mebane 6 to 0.

Mill Merger Plan Unchanged

Winston-Salem, N. C., March 14.—Special.—Mr. J. W. Fries says there is no truth in the Associated Press report sent out from Raleigh to the effect "that a new Fries merger will be formed by the aid of New York capitalists, and that the consolidation is expected to be effected early in April."

E. C. Hackney's Will

Durham, N. C., March 14.—Special.—The will of the late E. C. Hackney was admitted to probate before the clerk of court today. By the provisions of the will there is no way of finding out the value of the estate he left, as everything is given to his wife, Mrs. Lina A. Hackney.

Rains Add to the Peril of Mississippi Floods

Levees Still Hold Though the Danger Is Increasing. Shotgun Patrol to be Maintained Along the River

New Orleans, March 14.—The high-water situation here was greatly aggravated today by a violent rain storm, which at times reached the dignity of a cloudburst. Several inches of rain fell in an hour and most of the streets in the business section of the city were overflowed by the rainfall.

STAWBERRIES

Something About the Crop in the Carolinas

Wilmington, N. C., March 14.—Special.—The strawberry and vegetable acreage in the two Carolinas is on the increase. In strawberries the acreage increase this year will be nearly fifteen per cent over 1902.

HAY APPLAUDED

Rejection of Calvo Doctrine Approved in Europe

Paris, March 14.—The Temps in a leader today applauds the action of Secretary of State Hay in repudiating the Calvo doctrine brought forward by Dr. Drago, the minister of foreign affairs of the Argentine Republic.

Post Office Robbed

Rutherfordton, N. C., March 14.—Professional safe crackers blew open the safe in the post office here this morning at 2 o'clock, securing \$100 in stamps and money, and made good their escape.

A Newspaper Man's Luck

Washington, March 14.—The post of consul general at Guayaquil has been tendered to Dr. William Shaw Bowen, a newspaper and magazine writer. He has been selected to take the post of the consul at Valencia, but the place at Guayaquil is worth nearly \$1,000 more.

Schroder's New Berth

Washington, March 14.—Commander Seaton Schroder, United States navy, former governor of the Island of Guam, has been selected to succeed Captain Charles D. Figsbee as chief naval intelligence officer.

WHITE CAP OUTRAGES

Murder and Other Crimes Laid to Their Door

Wynne, Ark., March 14.—Cross county is in a reign of terror over the midnight rioting of a band of white caps. All negroes have been warned to leave and more than 200 families have left their homes and fled.

The First Payment From Venezuela Due to Germany

Some Curiosity Felt as to Whether It Will Be Made or Not—The Powers Avoid The Hague Tribunal

Washington, March 14.—Venezuela's initial installment of the \$340,000, pledged to Germany in satisfaction of that country's claims of honor, has not been paid as provided for in the peace protocol.

FAIRBANK'S BOOM

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Twisted News Reaches us by Way of Richmond

Richmond, Va., March 14.—There is reason to believe that Senator Fairbanks will launch his presidential boom in a few days.

GUNNING FOR SHARPS

Salida, Colo., March 14.—Employees of the First National and the Salida State Bank of this city, armed with rifles are searching the country around Salida for two men who successfully defrauded the banks by means of forged checks.

The President's Doctor

Washington, March 14.—Surgeon Gen. A. Lung of the navy, who has served as attending physician to the president and family for several months past, will shortly be detached from that duty and ordered to Philadelphia for duty at the naval hospital in that city.