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TRUELSON'S STORY
WILL BE DUG INTO

Sheriff and Prosecutor Looking Up New York Record of Young Man, Now in Texas, Who Confessed He Helped Belle Gunness Murder People

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
Laporte, Ind., June 2.—Declaring his belief that Mrs. Gunness, the murderess of Brookside Farm, was head and front of a band of slayers and that it is possible that Julius G. Truelson, of New York, who has confessed in Vernon, Tex., was indeed one of her accomplices, Prosecutor Smith and Sheriff Smutzer today began a searching investigation into his career.

They will trace his every step since he left the family home in West 47th street, New York, until his arrest at Vernon for impersonating and swindling under the name of Thaw, and will delay the prosecution of Ray Lamphere until they are satisfied. Sheriff Smutzer said:

"Truelson may be mentally irresponsible as the result of persistent drugging, but I cannot believe he dreamed all of his story."

Ray Lamphere has denied all knowledge of Truelson.

The History of Truelson.

New York, June 2.—Details of the marriage of his daughter, Sarah Arabelle, to Julius G. Truelson, Jr., of this city were told by Cornelius P. Vreeland, of Canarsie, L. I. Vreeland said the only explanation he or his daughter could find, for Truelson's story was that the young man wished to end his life or was crazy.

Truelson said that in 1902 he married Miss Frances O'Reilly, of Rochester. He took her to the Gunness farm, where, the confession reads, she was murdered.

The prisoner asserted he intended to take his second wife, the Vreeland girl, whom he married last March, to Laporte, but was prevented from doing so by a letter from Mrs. Gunness.

"My daughter was introduced to Truelson several months before the marriage," said Mr. Vreeland. "The two took a liking to one another and Belle got my permission to be married. The ceremony was performed

March 2 in Jersey City. The two went to Montreal, where the young man said he had business.

"About a week afterward I got a letter from Truelson's father, in which he said his son already was married and, had the father known of the second affair, he would have warned me in time. Meantime my daughter arrived in Montreal. About eight days after the wedding her husband told her he must leave her for a day or two to attend to business."

"The report that he showed her a letter from Mrs. Gunness is false. Until the murder stories appeared in the papers, Belle never had heard of the woman. But Julius did not come back. Instead, I had to pay \$100 to obtain my daughter's release from a cell in Montreal, as a bad check given by Truelson had made trouble. She came back here to live and has neither seen nor heard from Truelson since."

Truelson's brother, Harry, said Julius was in the reformatory at the time the "confession" had him aiding Mrs. Gunness.

"My brother is certainly crazy," said Harry Truelson. "About five years ago he was struck on the head by a trolley car in this city, and he has been mentally weak since. He was paroled from the Elmira reformatory on January 10 and was a prisoner there when Mrs. Gunness was actively engaged in killing persons. He was sent to the reformatory for deserting from the army. This so-called confession is simply ridiculous."

"May Be Alive in New York."

Rochester, N. Y., June 2.—Mrs. John Doyle, of 95 Broadway, this city, asserts that her niece, May O'Reilly Truelson, wife of Julius Truelson, Jr., is alive and well in New York city. Mrs. Doyle added that she did not know the address of her niece, but expected to have it within a few days.

GASTON PHILLIP
SCORES VICTORY

Prosecution is Not Permitted to Show He Was Drunk When He Killed MacAboy.

GOVERNMENT'S PRAYER

Was That Man in Drunken Condition Might Overestimate Danger and Shoot.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Washington, June 2.—The defense in the trial of Gaston Phillip scored a victory this morning which may be the most vital factor in the case, when Attorney Henry E. Davis successfully blocked the efforts of the government attorneys to put in testimony in rebuttal to show Phillip was very much under the influence of liquor on the morning of the tragedy.

The prayers asked by the government showed that one of the arguments against the theory of self-defense will be that Phillip, being under the influence of liquor, could not be credited with exercising the judgment of an ordinary man would, in deciding whether or not he was in great danger, the principle being that in the eyes of the law drunkenness is no defense, and that a man is responsible for any act committed while in an intoxicated condition.

The prosecution recalled John A. Heath, a clerk at the Arlington hotel, to testify to Phillip's condition on the morning of the shooting, intending to strengthen the evidence on that point. Mr. Davis objected vigorously to its admission at this stage of the trial. That evidence, he said, should have been introduced in the examination-in-chief and had no place in the government's rebuttal. Justice Barnard upheld the objection of the defense and Heath was allowed to go.

INVENTOR DIES
BY HIS OWN ACT

Herman Schnabel, Once a Millionaire, Had Gone Through All His Fortune

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Chicago, June 2.—Herman E. Schnabel, inventor, pioneer barb-wire manufacturer, old friend of John W. Gates and Isaac Elwood, and at one time a millionaire, shot himself in his room, 411 Dearborn avenue. He assigned no cause for the act and merely left a request that a number of his friends be notified.

Mr. Schnabel was reticent concerning his personal affairs and little is known of his life. He was a mechanic of ability and invented several labor-saving devices for the manufacture of barb-wire.

When John W. Gates and Isaac Elwood were forming the American Steel and Wire company they included the Schnabel company in the list and used the Schnabel devices in all their factories. It is said Schnabel received for his patents and business more than \$1,000,000, all of which he lost in unfortunate speculations.

INSANE RANCH BOSS
KILLS FAMILY AND SELF

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Labelle, Mo., June 2.—In a fit of insanity Bert McMillin, foreman on the ranch of Whitmore Thomas, near here, shot and instantly killed his wife, Mrs. Mame McMillin, and his two small children, Opal, aged three, and Frank, aged six, and then, after setting fire to his clothing, sent a bullet through his brain. There were no witnesses to the tragedy.

McMillin is believed to have been insane.

GOVERNOR FIGHT
HOT IN GEORGIA

Contest Between Hoke Smith and Joe Brown, Whom He Removed, Has Personal Flavor

Atlanta, Ga., June 2.—The governorship of Georgia will be decided Thursday, when the democratic state primary is held. With the count complete, Gov. Hoke Smith will know whether he succeeds himself for two more years from January, 1909, or whether Joseph M. Brown, the man he dismissed as railroad commissioner, will take the gubernatorial chair.

The state primary in Georgia is the election. In the last contest five democratic candidates developed strength and hunted the governorship. This year the governor and Mr. Brown are the only ones in the field. The campaign has been heated.



JOSEPH M. BROWN.

but, in a unique way, Hoke Smith has traveled from Brunswick, in the south, to Trenton, in the north, spending everywhere, while Mr. Brown has remained in his Marietta home, with an occasional visit to his headquarters in Atlanta. He says himself he cannot speak to an audience, and he has confined his campaigning to newspaper articles. Not once has he appeared on the platform. The fight is unique also, in that both candidates stand on similar platforms. Both declare that prohibition shall continue, and that they favor the disfranchisement of the negro, these being the two most important questions which have been under discussion.

Campaign is Personal.
An interesting phase of the campaign is the fact that while Governor Smith was inaugurated for his first term Joseph M. Brown, his present opponent, was a member of the state railroad commission, probably the most important body in Georgia. Within a very short time the governor dismissed Mr. Brown. The reasons for this dismissal have been under discussion ever since. "An element of mystery pervades the matter, because of a mysterious sealed letter which is continually referred to in the present campaign. Mr. Brown declaring he sent this letter to the governor, and the governor replying that it was returned unopened. What the letter contained no one seems to know. It was sent before the dismissal of Mr. Brown, and it has been suggested in various quarters that it contained his resignation. The contest, therefore, has a personal side.

The primary also elects delegates to the state convention, where the delegates to the national democratic convention will be chosen, but the national contest practically has been forgotten in the warmth of the state campaign. The state convention will be held June 9.

Mayor Semple Converted.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Sharon, Pa., June 2.—Mayor W. D. Semple has issued orders to confectionery and ice cream dealers to close Sunday. The mayor went yesterday to the tabernacle where Rev. "Billy" Sunday is conducting revival meetings and signified his intention of leading a Christian life.

PARTY OF TAFT
HAS ITS BOTHERS

National Committee of Republicans Allows Eleven Days to Hear Contesting Delegates.

MANY SOUTHERN STATES

In Chaotic Condition as Regards Their Representation in Chicago Convention.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Chicago, June 2.—Chairman Harry S. New and Secretary Elmer Dwyer, of the republican national committee, did a little figuring today over the data they have relating to contests to be heard by the national committee, beginning Friday.

When they had completed this bit of figuring, they announced that 114 hours of solid work faced the committee, for which 11 days have been allotted. This same period of allotted time includes two Sundays, which may have to be devoted to the task of getting the house in order for southern states now in a chaotic condition as to their republican politics.

Unless the committee can persuade the contestants to have mercy and shorten up their speeches, it will take over 11 days of 10 hours labor each, allowing 15 minutes to each side in a district contest and a half hour to each side in a state contest, and allowing the same amount of time for deliberations after the arguments have been heard.

The one hope the committee sees is the possibility that such states as Alabama and Texas, which are contested from the Gulf to the northern boundary, will see the advisability of submitting everything in a lump, with a couple of hours' argument for each side. Texas alone will require 18 hours if it is to be taken in the regular order, and more than a day can be saved if the Texans will accommodate the committee by lumping their contests.

A number of members of the national committee already are in Chicago for the first session Friday. Judson W. Lyons, former register of the treasury, the only negro member of the national body, who is national committeeman from Georgia, arrived last night. So did Charles H. Cary, the Oregon committeeman. Lyons is anti-Taft, Cary being pro-Taft. Clayton Fossell, of Arkansas; Pearl Wright, of Louisiana, and E. E. Hart, of Iowa, will be here today.

VANDERBILT IS
GOOD TO PUBLIC

Opens Up His Roads to Travel and Makes Pisgah Easy of Approach

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Asheville, June 2.—The fine mountain macadamized roadways and driveways on George W. Vanderbilt's estates are to be opened up as free public highways. This does not apply to the Biltmore grounds, but to the famous Pisgah forest section, which has practically been shut out from the public. It will mean the opening up of the most direct routes from the back mountain districts and counties throughout this section.

Mr. Vanderbilt's lands consist of 225,000 acres. They run through five counties. His change of policy will have a very important bearing, and one of the principal features will be the opening up to tourists of a direct route to Mount Pisgah, second only in height to Mt. Mitchell, the highest peak east of the Rockies. Mr. Vanderbilt's holdings extend to the very top of Mt. Pisgah.

FIVE ALLEGED YEGGMEN
PLACED ON TRIAL TODAYBODY IS TAKEN
FROM THE RIVER

Young Paul Dunn's Body Found Early This Morning

The body of Mr. Paul Dunn was recovered from North river, near Lexington, Va., about 9 o'clock this morning. The news received was very meagre, being simply that the body had been found, in bathing suit and tennis shoes. The body of the other young man, Mr. Lee Sutton, had not been found at that time.

Mr. Herbert Dunn, of Fayetteville, reached Lexington last night and this morning at 4 o'clock he went out with a large searching party, in which were many editors of Lexington, students of Washington and Lee university, together with a large number of young men from the Virginia military institute.

An expert diver was employed who had recovered several bodies from this same river at different times. He went out with the party, but it is not known whether it was through his efforts that the body was found or not.

The body of Mr. Sutton has probably been found by this time. The news was telegraphed here immediately without waiting for further details.

The young men wore their trousers and sweaters over their bathing suits, and it is thought they removed them in their efforts to row against the current. The trousers were found caught in the bushes, and the sweaters, heavy with water, probably went to the bottom of the river.

Mr. Herbert Dunn will accompany the body home. It is not known yet just when it will reach here. It is not expected before tomorrow morning, however.

The news this morning has ended the long suspense since Sunday night, when the first news was received. A shadow of grief has been cast over the whole city, for the young man was much liked here. The family have the deepest sympathy of many friends and acquaintances.

NEGRO AND WHITE GIRL
ELUDE POLICE AND MARRY.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Washington, June 2.—Alonso D. Holmes, a young negro, and Dorothea Nier, a pretty young white girl, were married here last night, after eluding the police, who were trying to prevent the marriage. The negro is employed in a Baltimore hotel. The girl said she was an orphan, with two sisters living in Boston. She gave her age as 19 and Holmes said he was over 20.

DUKE MUST WAIT
A YEAR FOR GIRL

Years Won't Cool Affection He Feels

(By Cable to The Times.)

Rome, June 2.—The royal relatives of the Duke of the Abruzzi, whose heart affair has been a topic of international gossip almost half a year, have delivered their ultimatum to the young lover. It is that he wait one year before linking the name of Miss Katherine Elkins, the American heiress, to his own. This information, it is said, has already been conveyed to United States Senator Stephen B. Elkins, father of the young woman, by an aide-de-camp. According to the reports which have emanated from the household of the duke, Abruzzi protested that 10 years would not cool his affection for the beautiful American girl.

While the duke asserted that in the end he would marry Miss Elkins, he did not protest with violence but accepted the dictum with good grace, seemingly conscious of the wisdom of the course. The highest nobles in the land, even the king himself, took part in the family conference called to sketch the future of the young duke.

Supposed Safe-Crackers Being Tried for Robbing Postoffice.

THE ARREST NARRATED

Witnesses Tell of Capture of Men in Ravine in South Carolina.

Charged with robbing the postoffice at Dunn on the night of December 29 last and suspected of being concerned in other robberies, J. T. Leonard, Charlie Williams, C. F. Shaw, James Canan and Henry S. Hallan were today placed on trial in the United States district court. The men were arrested by a posse in a ravine near Lancaster, S. C., January 9, carried to Lancaster, there lodged in jail and kept until transferred to Raleigh February 12.

The progress made today was not very great, being largely in the nature of connecting these men with the robbery at Dunn, detailing their sensational arrest and weaving the coil by which the government hopes to land them in the penitentiary. The testimony will probably be all submitted by tomorrow afternoon or Thursday and the argument will consume two days. District Attorney Skinner and Assistant District Attorney Giles are prosecuting and Col. J. C. L. Harris and Mr. Chas. U. Harris are appearing for the defense.

The prisoners, whitened by several months' confinement in Wake jail, are not half as brown and tanned as they were when brought here early in February. As they sit with their counsel, they seldom evince more than a casual interest in the proceedings, and the handling of nitroglycerine, dynamite and bright pistols brings to their eyes no flash of the olden joy. They are indifferent.

Pumped by the district attorney, D. R. Thompson, a merchant of Van Wyck, S. C., glibly told the tale of the arrest. The men were camping in a ravine near the Seaboard Air Line Railway when the posse arrived on the scene, entirely surrounding the men. Covered by the officers and posse, the alleged robbers reluctantly raised their hands above their heads, flung out of the ravine to the railroad, were marched to Lancaster and there lodged in jail.

Wore Pistols.
Mr. Thompson searched them. They wore four pistols, these being taken from Leonard, Scanlon, Williams and Shaw. All guns except one were kept in the right hand coat pockets ready for use. Leonard carried a small satchel, and as the men were marched up to the railroad, he remarked:

"Why, men, we took your crowd to be too large to give you battle. Why are we held up?" Again he stated, according to Mr. Thompson: "You've caught us armed, but I think we will be able to establish our innocence."

Shaving Brush Fooled Officers.
When the satchel was opened the officers found a variety of things in it. One article in particular fooled them. This was a shaving brush. "We didn't know what it was," declared Mr. Thompson as he explained the contents of the case, "and were afraid to fool with it. Next morning we saw it was a shaving brush." Besides this brush the satchel contained a ball of laundry soap, cake of laundry soap, three bottles of yellow fluid supposed to be nitroglycerine, a coil of fuse, ten dynamite caps, some gauze cloth, two rolls of wire, a pair of tweezers, two pocket maps of North Carolina, a bottle of turpentine, bought in Charlotte, and other articles. All were wrapped carefully.

Mr. Skinner held the pistols up for the inspection of the witnesses this afternoon, lifted the case around, handed the dynamite caps, fuse and other articles. Scattered on the floor of the court-room were monkey wrenches, chisels, etc., supposed

CHAPEL HILL IS
THROGGED TODAY

Commencement Address By Chairman Knapp of Interstate Commerce.

Stacy Wins Medal With "American Democracy and Its Third Crisis."

(Special to The Evening Times.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., June 2.—The alumni luncheon, always a pleasant feature of commencement, was held in Commons hall yesterday afternoon and many excellent speeches were made, mainly by the "Old Boys."

Last night the commencement debate was held. The query was: "Resolved, That all interstate railways should be incorporated under the federal government." Messrs. O. C. Cox and M. J. Jones, of the D. I. Society, defended the affirmative and Messrs. Monroe, Gaddy and J. W. Umstead, Jr., of the Phi, defended the negative. The negative won, and it was announced this morning that Mr. Umstead had won the Bingham prize for making the best speech on the winning side.

Chapel Hill has on its holiday clothes today. Fond parents and blooming sweethearts are here from all parts of the country and the population of Orange county has come to town in toto, for the seniors who have toiled four years received their reward this morning in the shape of a piece of parchment and a Bible.

Following a time-honored custom, the procession of graduates, faculty,

REPUBLICANS TO
CONFER JULY 2

State Chairman Adams Calls Committee Meeting to Arrange for Convention.

Party Leader of State Believes Taft Has Chance in North Carolina.

(Special to The Times.)

Greensboro, June 2.—Chairman S. B. Adams, of the republican state executive committee, announced to a News man yesterday that he was going to issue a call at once to the members of the committee to meet in Greensboro Thursday, July 2, at 3:30 p. m. The principal business of the committee will be to call a state convention which is to draw up a platform and nominate a ticket for the various state offices and transact any other business that may properly come before it.

It will be necessary for republicans throughout the state to call their conventions and select delegates for the state convention. The delegates to the convention which was held in April are not delegates to the next convention, unless they are chosen again.

Judge Adams has just returned from Washington, where he has been for several days. He says the nomination of Secretary Taft is now positively assured. The opponents of Mr. Taft, seeing they are hopelessly beaten,

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