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CHIEF KILLED BY ASSASSIN

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THE MURDERER IN JAIL

Police Officer Was on His Way Home From His Office When He Was Shot—Recognized His Assailant as a Negro Whom He Had Prosecuted for Operating a Blind Tiger and Lived Long Enough to Tell—The Negro Arrested and is Now in Jail—Much Excitement Last Night But All Quiet Today.

(Special to The Times.) Williamston, Aug. 16.—Chief of Police W. R. White was waylaid and shot last night at 9 o'clock while on his way home. The shooting occurred as the chief was walking home alone on Main street, and just before he passed the residence of Collector Wheeler Martin, which is about halfway between the officer's residence and the city hall. A load of buckshot was discharged, from a single-barrel shotgun, into the officer's back, the shot entering by the left kidney and coming out through the abdomen. Friends heard the explosion of the gun and the cries of Chief White and rushed to his assistance. He was carried to his home and attended by four physicians who used every means known to medical science to save the life which was fast ebbing away, but the internal hemorrhage was so severe that the chief sank very rapidly and breathed his last at 10:30 p. m. He was fully conscious until just before the end, and said that the man who shot him was only about ten feet away when the shot was fired, and that he recognized the man as a negro by the name of Brad Bagley. "Two other gentlemen who live near the scene of the murder saw the negro running after they heard the shooting and say they know it was Bagley. The sheriff, his deputy and a force of six men went to the house of Bagley about twenty minutes after the shooting. They found him undressed, arrested him, and he is now safely lodged in jail. The only cause attributed for this dastardly act on the part of Bagley is that he has for some time been engaged in the liquor traffic and Chief White recently caught him in the act of selling a pint of whiskey. For that offense Bagley was placed under a bond for his appearance at the September term of court. Right much excitement prevailed on the streets last night and feeling against the prisoner was running so high that mob violence was feared but all appears quiet this morning, though the people of the town are highly indignant that a faithful and efficient officer should be shot down in the performance of his duty by a worthless negro who runs a blind tiger.

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BIG REWARD OFFERED FOR MEAN CRIMINAL

Governor Kitchin today offered a reward of \$400 for the capture of the party or parties who committed two outrages in Jackson County in March and April of this year. The reward was offered at the request of Solicitor Felix S. Allen. On March 22nd, somebody entered the home of Miss Lottie J. Kirk, at Dillsboro, and after chloroforming her committing a nameless crime and burglarized the house. The young lady was under the influence of chloroform when found. On night of April 22, some party entered the home of Rev. J. M. Bennett, at Sylvia, Jackson County, and burglarized the house. It is believed the party or parties who did this committed the other outrage.

George W. Leslie Dead. New York, Aug. 16.—George W. Leslie, who appeared in the theatres throughout the country in the comedian role, died today, aged forty-eight.

DR. WILEY ON STAND Brands as False a Statement of Personnel Board

Tells How McCabe and Dr. Dunlap Have Repeatedly Voted Him Down in Matters Before the Food and Drug Inspection Board—Explains How Some Things are Done in the Department.

Washington, Aug. 16.—Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, head of the government chemistry bureau and central figure in the agricultural department pure food controversy before the house investigating committee, branded as false a statement of the personnel board, which recommended him for dismissal. He told how Dr. F. L. Dunlap, associate chief of his bureau, and Solicitor McCabe of the department repeatedly voted him down in the food and drug inspection board, of which Wiley was a member. Wiley said he was state chemist of Indiana when, in 1883, he was appointed the government's chief chemist. "I took a very active part in all steps leading up to the pure food law," said Wiley. "I began in 1883 an attempt at scientific investigation of the adulteration of foods, and took an active part in all efforts to secure such law." He explained that the pure food law authorizes his bureau to investigate all foods, to determine whether they are misbranded or adulterated. "Do you then certify your findings to the secretary of agriculture?" (Continued on Page Two.)

PRESIDENT READY WITH VETO MESSAGE

Washington, Aug. 16.—Although the comparison wool bill, agreed to by the senate and house is not expected to be received at the white house until late today, President Taft hopes to have ready his veto message to send to the house tomorrow or Friday. The message is practically complete now.

SUB-COMMITTEE WILL CONFER ON BILL

Washington, Aug. 16.—To determine whether a compromise can be effected between the houses of congress to provide statehood for Arizona and New Mexico, the house territories committee appointed a sub-committee to confer with the senate committee. The senate committee deferred consideration of statehood legislation until tomorrow.

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Mme Simone LeBargy, the famous French actress who will appear in an engagement in New York during the coming fall. Mme LeBargy, whose present name is Mlle Claude Casimir Perier, is said to be more pleased with her new husband than either when single or as Mme LeBargy, as he takes such an interest in her work.

PRELIMINARY FRIDAY Believed That Norris Hearing Be Held That Day

State and Defense Not Yet Ready to Show Their Hands—Pistol Has Not Been Found That Did Work—Did Norris Ride Into Town? It had not been decided today exactly when the preliminary hearing of L. J. Norris, charged with the murder of J. B. Bissett, would be held, though it is probable that Friday will be the day. The state is not quite ready and the attorney for Norris wants time enough to assemble his witnesses.

DEMOCRATS HOLD CAUCUS. Discuss Matter of Adjournment, But Fail to Agree.

Washington, Aug. 16.—Without reaching any conclusion, the Democratic senators held a two hours' caucus, adjourning to resume again after today's session of the senate. The advisability of action on cotton tariff revision, of amending that measure and adjourning without further efforts of legislation was discussed. Some senators are anxious to bring the session to a close while others favored continuation.

ATTACKED MASHAL, MAY BE WOUNDED

That a United States deputy marshal was attacked by Jim Mitchell, a negro, two miles south of Eagle Rock, yesterday, was the report which reached Raleigh today. The name of the officer could not be learned, but he was attempting to serve a warrant on the negro and was not expecting trouble when the assault occurred. Mitchell seized the marshal, threw him to the ground and was struggling for the officer's pistol, when the latter managed to withdraw the gun and fire at his assailant. He thought he struck Mitchell, who ran into a swamp, but later reports say that the negro has returned some not badly wounded. He wounded at all.

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MR. MAUPIN HONORED Presented With Parting Token By Fellow-Workers

The Resignation of Mr. A. M. Maupin as Cashier in Office of Capital City Telephone Co. and His Departure for Atlanta Occasion of Presentation to Him of Ring and Cuff Buttons—Speech by Mr. Billy Boylan—Mr. Maupin Universally Popular.

The resignation of Mr. A. M. Maupin as cashier in the office of the Capital City Telephone Company and his intended departure the last of the week for Atlanta, where he has accepted a position with the general offices of the Southern Bell Telephone Co., has caused general regret here.

As an evidence of the esteem in which he is held by his fellow workers in the Capital City Telephone office here, he was last night presented with a handsome seal ring and cuff buttons with the Masonic emblem.

Mr. Billy Boylan, who presented this parting gift to Mr. Maupin said: "My Dear Maupin: Representing the noble women and sterling men, who are fellow workers in this Great Enterprise, it is my privilege to present to you this token of their sincere regard and affection. These buttons represent the chain of pure gold that binds you to our hearts and this is the message of the ring: Though its bright gloss may fade, The memory of our friend will live Through sunshine and through shade. Mr. Maupin has recently made for himself a warm place in the hearts of the Raleigh people during his residence here. He is unusually popular and will be greatly missed by his many friends.

IN ANNUAL CONVENTION County Commissioners of State Now In Session

Commissioners From Counties Throughout State Meet Today for Three Days' Session—City Property Condemned for Widening Purposes—To Borrow Money for Good Roads.

BIG IMPROVEMENTS ON WOODARD BUILDING

A Times representative was today shown the interior of the remodelled building at the southeast corner of Fayetteville and Martin streets. Work on this began last March and a large sum has been expended by the owner, Mr. M. W. Woodard. The basement is of concrete, with special equipments for the drug store and barbershop, and with two boilers, which will furnish steam heat to this building and the two south of it. The first floor front will be occupied next Saturday by the Henry T. Hicks Company as a drug store and he has installed an equipment of mahogany, plate glass, and marble, which is the last word in furnishings. The exterior of the lower floor is of Tennessee marble and copper. This store is declared to be the finest between Baltimore and Atlanta, and the barber shop is fitted in the most elaborate way. The upper floors are being made extremely attractive.

LITTLE ABATEMENT IN THE STRIKE FEVER

London, Aug. 16.—There was little abatement in the strike fever throughout Great Britain. At some points dock conditions continued to improve. This was offset by outbreaks elsewhere. There was rioting in Liverpool nearly all last night. Elsewhere the men generally are orderly. The fighting at Liverpool resulting in the death of two rioters who were shot by Hussars accompanying prison vans. An ominous sign is the threatened general strike on railways, which was declared last night by executives of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants, Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, and the General Railway Workers Union to become effective within twenty-four hours, unless the companies express a willingness for a settlement of the grievances.

CHOLERA IN FRANCE.

Marseilles, France, Aug. 16.—Fifty cases of cholera with thirty deaths at St. Pierre asylum are reported.



George K. Colton, militant governor of Porto Rico, who has sailed to return to his island domain after a visit of several weeks in New York on one of the most peculiar missions ever essayed by an officer of any government. Governor Colton's visit was to arrange for opening an "advertising headquarters" of Porto Rico in the United States to be maintained by the Porto Rican government, which would place advertising for any Porto Rican firm that had money to pay for it. Governor Colton's idea is that this will prove a great good to the island.

CONGRESS MAY END ON SUNDAY NIGHT

Washington, Aug. 16.—Adjournment of the special session of congress next Sunday night is possible according to a statement by Senator Penrose, following a conference with the president. "By carrying the legislative day of Saturday over until Sunday we should be able to get away by Sunday night," said the senator.

ATTACHED POST HERE Salvation Army to Headquarters In Raleigh

Capt. J. V. Breazeale, Well Known Officer in Charge of Durham Post, Assigned to This Position—Is Excellent Man and Has Friends Throughout State.

ESTABLISHED POST HERE MUST SPECIFY COURT ORDERS

Adjournment Until Tomorrow In Habeas Corpus Proceedings For Possession of Two Children

SHORT SESSION TODAY

Counsel for Mr. Fleming, Respondent Instructed by Court to Give Names, Time and Place of Alleged Occurrences—Whole Matter in Court Tomorrow—What Was Done Today.

Because the answer of the respondent to the charges made yesterday by the petitioner was general rather than specific, counsel for Mrs. Nelle Claire Fleming, who is seeking the recovery of her two children by the means of habeas corpus, today challenged counsel for the respondent, Mr. Percy B. Fleming, to bring forward specific charges, naming time, place and occurrences. Chief Justice Walter Clark, who is hearing the matter, was asked to adjourn court until such time as these charges and the answer of the petitioner thereto could be prepared. Judge Clark gave the respondent until three o'clock this afternoon to make answer and the petitioner until nine o'clock tonight to make reply. The court then adjourned the hearing until tomorrow at ten o'clock.

There was considerable delay in getting started today. The illness of Mr. John W. Clark, a son of the chief justice, prevented the judge from reaching the supreme court building until 11:15. Several of the witnesses had been excused, and Mr. Herbert E. Norris, who is appearing with Col. John W. Hindsdale, was delayed by another matter and it was nearly noon before the actual motions were made in this case.

Scene About Court Room. The supreme court room contained a good sized audience today. A number of men, attracted by curiosity, adorned the walls and vacant chairs in the building, while others stood on the outside. Mrs. Fleming was again accompanied by her father and sister. The two small children, George Mortimer and Nelle Bryan, blissfully unconscious of the proceeding about to begin, moved easily and freely about the room and hall. When the father arrived from down town, the youngsters talked and played with him as he squatted on the sidewalk in front of the building. Before the court was opened, however, the children were sent out in the care of their nurse.

Differences. The lawyers in the case had no more than got seated before differences developed. Mr. W. C. Douglas suggested that the two children be sent out to dinner, intimating that matters would come out in the answer of respondent that children should not hear. Col. Hindsdale demurred and it was suggested that the court read the answer of respondent. This Judge Clark did, and the (Continued on Page Two.)

CAMPAIGN PUBLICITY GOES TO PRESIDENT

Washington, Aug. 16.—The senate agreed to the conference report on the campaign publicity bill. It now goes to the president for signature. It includes the provision that no senator shall spend more than \$10,000, nor any representative more than \$5,000 in securing his election.

Friends Observe 225th Anniversary.

Media, Pa., Aug. 16.—In the village of Concordville, in the country made historic by the battle of the Brandywine, the society of friends held an all-day celebration today to mark the 225th anniversary of the Concord Friends, Monthly meeting. Congressman unter, President Swain of Swarthmore College and other men of note delivered addresses.

President Back In Washington.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 16.—President Taft returned from Ocean Grove, N. J., this morning. With Secretary Hilles and Major Butt, the president rode immediately to the white house, where breakfast was served.

Miss Force Seriously Ill.

New York, Aug. 16.—Miss Madeline Force, fiancée of John Jacob Astor, is seriously ill here from nervous collapse growing out of the excitement that has followed the announcement of her engagement. Complete rest for a few days is advised by physicians.

Ohio Baptists In Session.

Ironton, O., Aug. 16.—Ironton is entertaining for two days the ninety-first annual session of the Ohio Baptist Association. The convention was opened in the First Baptist church this morning with an introductory sermon by Rev. F. A. Miller.

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Engineers Take to Water.

Norfolk, Va., Aug. 16.—Twelve hundred delegates to the Union Convention of the southeastern territory, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, now in session here enjoyed a boat trip through Hampton Roads and lower Chesapeake Bay today. Tonight there will be a joint session of the engineers and the woman's auxiliary, with an address by Grand Chief Warren S. Stone, of Cleveland.

Another Investigation to Be Held.

Washington, Aug. 16.—Inquiry into contents of court and their punishment, emphasized recently in the sentencing of the American Federation of Labor officials in the Buck Stove and Range case will be undertaken by the house judiciary committee, through hearings, beginning December 7th, next, on a bill introduced by Chairman Clayton, defining contempt of court.

Atwood Again Enroute.

Elkhart, Ind., Aug. 16.—Resuming his flight eastward, Harry N. Atwood, the Boston aviator, left at 8 o'clock this morning, bound toward Toledo.