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came in and said that the saloon had been broken open and Henry was bleeding to death, or words to that effect; when I rang off after phoning to Deputy Hutchins it was 11:20; I do not know whether Mr. Hutchins put on his shoes before he answered my phone message; the phone was in the Kobre restaurant and not the saloon; I do not know that Mr. Henry had changed the body of Henry Kobre when I went in the latter's room; Mr. Jacobs called my attention to blood coming through ceiling from Henry's room; there was quite a pool of blood and brains near Henry's head; he was lying partially on his right side and was struggling so that he could be heard down stairs; before removing him to the hospital the saloon and room were full of people; Sam told me Henry always slept with his socks on; the bed clothing was turned down but I could not tell whether anybody had been on the bed; if Kobre had been shot from outside he would have been stooping very low, according to hole in the glass.

The counsel asked witness if the pistol had been fired from the outside if Henry Kobre could not have pulled the curtain back and stooped over to look out of the window and been shot in the forehead without the ball going through the shade. Counsel for the state objected to this question and it was sustained by the court. Mr. Watson, who is examining the witnesses for defendants, stated that they proposed to show that Kobre was shot from outside and afterward robbed.

Mr. Thomas testified that the ceiling in the Kobre room was low; that the piece of ball was in a piece of plank about two feet east of the window.

Re-direct examination: I only examined the window to see if the ball was fired from the inside or outside; there were two sashes in the window and the bottom one was the one through which the ball was fired.

Policeman W. T. Penry

The next witness told about being in the police station when Sam Kobre came in and told about somebody breaking in the saloon and shooting Henry Kobre. When he went to the saloon he found the front door open, but did not examine any other doors; went up stairs and found dying man on the floor, with brains oozing out of the hole in his forehead; I searched Kobre's pants and found a silver watch and key; the blood seemed to be under and near his head; the shade to the window was down; I had a conversation with Sam Kobre a few days after the murder; I can't remember what Sam said about Henry's murder; I did not examine any of the doors except the back one.

Cross-examination: Sam Kobre was walking fast and seemed to be right much frightened when he came to the police station.

Witness gave the same description of Henry Kobre's room as did Sergeant Thomas. He did not know who removed the blood and brains from the floor. Judge Peebles ruled the question incompetent as to whether the wound could have been inflicted with a hatchet. Witness was of the opinion that the ball found in the ceiling was fired from the outside; he did not see anything except the hole in Kobre's head and a few 'specks' on the head; he did not remember seeing Henry Kobre before he was killed that night; something was said after Henry was removed to the hospital about his money; the pants were on a bicycle when I searched them; there was a large crowd in the saloon and up-stairs when I searched the pants.

Re-direct examination: It took three or four to put Kobre on the bed; there were several in the room when the pants were removed from under Henry's pillow; it was 10 minutes or more after I arrived before Dr. Bynum came.

This witness went to place where Kobre was murdered about 12 o'clock. Wound in murdered man's head looked like clot of blood sticking out of it; did not see wound after it was dressed; don't remember having any conversation with Sam Kobre about his brother's money; I had a conversation with Pleas; he told me about leaving Max Kobre's house about 11 o'clock, with Sam Kobre, Pleas going direct to his room; on Tuesday night after murder I found hatchet and an ice pick in saloon; this hatchet (which was in hands of witness) looked like it had some blood on it; Max and Sam Kobre and Policeman Hartness were with me when hatchet was found; I took hatchet and told them I was going to show it to Dr. Pohl.

On cross-examination witness reiterated his statement that Pleas told him that he left Max Kobre's home at 11 o'clock; that he saw Pleas come to the undertaking establishment where the body of Henry was being dressed, before day Monday morning.

Before adjourning court for dinner Judge Peebles announced that it would be necessary to hold night sessions in order to complete the hearing in time for him to hold Ashe court next week. "I have engagements for every night this week, but I propose to break them and hold night sessions at least as long as I can," said his hour.

Judge Peebles told the jury not to read any newspapers during the trial; not to discuss the case among themselves or allow it to be discussed in their presence. He also instructed them not to drink any whiskey or wine; "just eat pure food and drink good water," said his honor.

Policeman W. A. Hartness.

I had a conversation with Sam Kobre the night of the murder. He told me that he and Pleas left Max Kobre's home, corner of Liberty and Sixth street, about 11 o'clock; that they came down to the Municipal building, where they separated, each going to his respective rooms; I arrested Sam Kobre at the Elks' Auditorium on the night of March 5.

Counsel for defendant objected to witness telling about finding a pistol

on him and the court sustained the objection. Mr. Hartness said he was present when Pleas was arrested and that the latter said to Sam Kobre: "Sammy, have they got you too; well, it's up to us."

Mr. Hartness also told about J. E. Whitbeck telling him he never saw Sallie Stewart in his life and that he was surprised that the Lord did not strike her down when she swore so many lies.

On cross-examination witness told about talking with Sam Kobre at the saloon as to where he was the night of the murder; don't remember ever seeing Sam and Pleas together; that after arresting Sam he was carried to the home of his brothers, by request, where later Pleas was arrested; that Pleas, when told by Sergeant Thomas that a warrant had been issued for his arrest; that Pleas remarked, "What a warrant for me!" Witness admitted that he was given \$5.00 by Bob Cobler's brother to give to S. E. Hall for the latter to appear for Bob at latter's trial. Mr. Hartness denied making promises to any one to secure evidence through Bob Cobler against Sam Kobre and the other defendants.

Witness also told about going to Greensboro to meet Whitbeck and accompanying him to Winston-Salem, though the witness did not have any warrant for Whitbeck. Mr. Hartness admitted arresting Sallie Stewart and talking with her several times about the case. "I always urged her to tell the truth," said Mr. Hartness, who added: "I have not done anything except what I thought was my duty in this case."

Witness also denied talking with any one about the reward offered for the arrest and conviction of the murderer. He explained that Max Kobre offered \$900 of the \$1600 reward.

Cicero Orrell.

This witness is a partner of Max Kobre in the saloon business. He told about being in the saloon with some friends the night of the murder, all leaving there about 9:30 o'clock. He let his friends out at the back door, Orrell going out the front door. Max and Sam Kobre and witness carried keys to the saloon, though Henry Kobre had access to it through his restaurant. Orrell said that he and his three friends went to a livery stable where they remained until 11 o'clock. Sam Kobre had a pistol; I think it was a 32 calibre, Smith & Wesson. An overcoat button was found on Tuesday after the murder near the saloon counter; Sam came to the saloon two or three days after the murder and borrowed my overcoat; the button found was a plain one, so far as I can remember; I think Sam's overcoat was two years old, but it was in good condition.

Some few days after the murder Policeman Penry and I went in the restaurant and looked in the money and other drawers but failed to find any cash; I boarded with Henry some; May paid my board bill to Henry, about \$2 or \$3, on Sunday morning before Henry was killed that night; I thought Henry did a banking business; a hatchet was kept in the saloon.

On cross-examination witness said the hatchet was sometimes used by Henry in his restaurant; that it was used for opening boxes, whiskey kegs, etc. Henry had been in business there two years; never knew of him and Sam having any trouble; Sam and I (and I think Mr. Pleas), took supper at the restaurant, about 7 o'clock that Sunday evening; we played a game of cards for amusement; E. Robinson and I left the restaurant about 8:30 or 9 o'clock, leaving Sam, Pleas and Henry there; later he went to the depot, returning to the saloon, where he gave some friends beer or wine, later they went to the livery stable and played set-back; did not see Henry Kobre any more until after he was killed; witness was not present when parties were experimenting with the back door of the saloon a day or two after the murder; I never saw the bullet hole in the window; I do not know that Henry Kobre had any money in the bank.

Harvey Cook.

I was raised at Waughtown; I have known Sam Kobre about two years; I would see him as much as twice a week; I knew Henry Kobre too; I saw Sam Kobre the night of the homicide; I saw him at the corner of D. S. Reid's store at two minutes to 11 o'clock; there was another fellow going into the Hanes house; I was coming up Main street when I saw the two men; I got even with Sam near gas plant; I said "Hello, Sam," and he said, "Hello." I asked him to come and let's go up town; he said he had to go to his room; I heard the pistol shot and I was standing near restaurant on the north side of the court house; pistol shot sounded loud and appeared to be toward depot.

On cross-examination witness said he boarded the car from the west end to Waughtown; witness knew both car men and a Waughtown boy who went with him on the car. Witness underwent a rigid cross-examination. He stated that he left the home of a friend, near Christ Moravian church, about 10:15 that night; he denied telling Cicero Orrell in the presence of others that he knew Sam Kobre did not fire the pistol that night because he was with him two minutes before 11 o'clock. Witness admitted being in trouble several times and paying fines.

E. J. Hailey.

I was conductor on street car the night of the murder; about 2 minutes before 11 o'clock I heard a pistol shot and it sounded like it was behind the postoffice; as we turned around from Main to Third I saw a man coming up Third street; I did not know him.

Cross-examination: Man had on a dark suit; don't think he had an overcoat; he was stepping from curbstone near the postoffice.

Re-direct examination: I suppose it was a minute after I heard the shot before I saw the man.

Judge Peebles to Counsel.

After exhausting all of the special

PHYSICIANS MEET.

N. C. Medical Society Convened This Morning In Charlotte.

Address of 'Welcome by Mr. T. C. Guthrie.—President Register Delivered Address.—153 Papers to Be Read.—Dr. Murphy of State Hospital, Reads Paper And Urges Need of Additional Means for Caring for Insane.

By Wire to The Sentinel.

CHARLOTTE, May 29.—The fifty-third annual meeting of the North Carolina Medical Society convened this morning and was welcomed by Hon. T. C. Guthrie, of the Charlotte bar.

President E. C. Register, of Charlotte, delivered the annual address on "Higher Standard Preliminary Education for Medical Students." President Register urged better literary education for doctors and more close acquaintance with practical every-day life.

There are one hundred and fifty-three papers to be read during the meeting.

Dr. L. P. Murphy, of the State Hospital at Morgantown, read a paper and urged additional means for the care of insane. Resolution will probably be adopted to that end to be presented to state legislature when house of delegates meets this afternoon.

"We are the most powerful organization in the State," declared one member, who was roundly applauded.

MAN ATTEMPTS SUICIDE.

Durham Drug Clerk Tries to Take His Own Life in Room at Yarrow Hotel in Raleigh.

Special to The Sentinel.

RALEIGH, May 29.—H. E. Lumley, young drug clerk of Durham, attempted to commit suicide this morning in the Yarrow Hotel by taking a toxic mixture, chloroform, tincture of arsenic and other poisons. Most heroic treatment by physicians has succeeded in reviving him and sustaining life thus far but he is not yet out of danger.

He went to the hotel last night about 9 o'clock, took a room and left order that he be called at 6:30 to catch early train for Durham. He had no baggage and paid for lodging in advance. He could not be awakened this morning and when the room was forced open Lumley was found in an unconscious condition. Physicians were called in. An examination of the room revealed an empty bottle of nuxvomica, empty one of chloroform, one of tincture of arsenic almost empty, another of ammonia partially filled.

For a time his life was despaired of but finally he yielded to powerful treatment and revived somewhat.

Lumley had been with Vaughn Drug Co. of Durham. He is son of James Lumley, of Grand Rapids, Michigan.

TERRANOVA GIRL SANE.

So Says Commission Appointed to Inquire Into Her Mental Condition.

By Wire to The Sentinel.

NEW YORK, May 29.—The commission of alienists who for several days examined Josephine Terranova, brought in a report at 10:55 this morning that the girl is sane. After this announcement Judge Scott ordered the trial of the girl to proceed.

TWO OFFICIALS KILLED.

Terrorists in Warsaw Shoot Captain of Police and Constable.

By Wire to The Sentinel.

WARSAW, Poland, May 29.—Terrorists this morning fatally shot Captain Kowalski, of police, and a constable accompanying him. Both had made themselves odious to terrorists through activity in repression of political offenders.

ANTI-SMOOT PETITIONS.

Senate Clerks Almost Engulfed by Deluge of Them Today.

By Wire to The Sentinel.

WASHINGTON, May 29.—Senate clerks were again almost engulfed by deluge of anti-Smoother petitions after opening prayer today. They came from Ohio, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Washington, Oregon, Maine, Arkansas, Louisiana, Nevada and Georgia.

TO TAKE OFF TRAIN.

Sunday Train On Wilkesboro Road Probably to Be Discontinued.

Special to The Sentinel.

GREENSBORO, May 29.—The county Democratic executive committee is called to meet tomorrow afternoon to consider the calling of a county convention to select delegates to the State and district convention. Col. W. H. Osborn, chairman of the committee, is reported, will tender his resignation and a new chairman be selected.

venues drawn for the Kobre case and before adjourning court Monday afternoon, Judge Peebles announced to the counsel that "in all his thirty-nine years of experience he had never seen so many men 'challenged for cause' and stood aside as there had been in the selection of a jury in this case. Gentlemen, if this proceeding continues it will take us a week to get twelve men," said his honor, who added that perhaps he had better order another venire of 150 men. He finally reduced the number to 50.

REPORT IS WANTED.

On Inquiry Into Sanitary Condition of Chicago Packing Houses.

Resolution to Be Introduced in House Today, Calling for Publication of Report on This Subject Recently Filed by United States Commissioners.—Report Said to Be Quite Sensational.

By Wire to The Sentinel.

WASHINGTON, May 29.—Great pressure is being brought to bear upon the president to induce him to make public report now being prepared by Labor Commissioner C. F. Neill and James B. Reynolds, of New York, upon the sanitary conditions of stock-yards and packing houses of Chicago.

Upton Sinclair, author of "The Jungle Book," which is given credit for starting the present agitation against packers which has resulted in partial passage of Beveridge bill, has written the president a letter in which he asserts the public is entitled to know what Messrs. Neill and Reynolds found, no matter how it hurts. Sinclair declares in addition that packers have applied thumb-screws to the stock men, who are in their power, ordering them to petition the president to withhold the report. The president, having sympathetic interest in cowboys and ranchmen, has thus far refrained from opening up the scandal under belief that he is thereby protecting interests of innocent raisers of cattle.

Up to this morning the "beef lobby" that was reported as starting from Chicago for Washington with avowed purpose of killing the Beveridge bill had not put in its appearance. It is believed the packers have about concluded to abandon the fight and have ordered their emissaries to "lay low" until the agitation subsides.

CHICAGO PAPERS SILENT.

By Wire to The Sentinel.

CHICAGO, May 29.—Chicago papers are strongly silent this morning regarding the sensational charges contained in summary of report of Commissioner Neill and James B. Reynolds, who investigated the conditions of the Chicago stock yards under orders from President Roosevelt. No Chicago paper has yet printed this summary although it has been public since yesterday. Only two papers comment editorially on the investigation and neither of them demand that the entire report be made public.

FUTURE HEARINGS.

Interstate Commerce Commission And Lawyers to Fix Dates.

By Wire to The Sentinel.

WASHINGTON, May 29.—Conference will be held Wednesday and Thursday between the interstate commerce commission and its attorneys, conducting the coal and oil investigation in accordance with Tillman-Gilespie resolution to decide upon further procedure. The dates for future hearings on both subjects will probably be set at that time. In the meantime the attorneys will prepare recommendations for the commission.

BURNED TOBACCO PLANTS.

Effect of Holiness Preaching on Some Growers of the Weed.

Special to The Sentinel.

GREENSBORO, May 29.—It is reported that a band of Holiness preachers who have been preaching on the borders of Forsyth, Guilford and Stokes counties in the neighborhood of Stokesdale, have made several converts. Among these have been several tobacco farmers who, convinced of the sin of using tobacco, turned in last week and destroyed all the tobacco plants they had grown to plant for this season's crop.

ARE NOW IN JAIL.

Greensboro Boys Who Pilfered Some Plumbers' Supplies.

Special to The Sentinel.

GREENSBORO, May 28.—Four negroes and one white boy, aged 14 to 18, were caught stealing plumber's supplies from Garrett place on Davis street yesterday afternoon. They had gotten about \$30 worth of brasses out and placed in an old stable when they were detected. They are all in jail awaiting trial.

JAMES E. SCRIPP DEAD.

Was Well Known Newspaper Man of Detroit, Michigan.

By Wire to The Sentinel.

DETROIT, May 29.—James E. Scripp, a well known newspaper man, died early this morning. He was born in London, England, March 19, 1835, and came to America in 1894 with his family and settled in Illinois.

MANY LIVES LOST.

Steamship of Dutch Leviathan Line Wrecked Today.

By Wire to The Sentinel.

LONDON, May 29.—Advices from Alderney in Channel Islands state that the steamship Heros, of Dutch Leviathan line, was wrecked in that vicinity today. A number of lives are reported lost, passengers being among victims.

MRS. DAVIS BETTER.

Widow of Jefferson Davis Rapidly Regaining Strength.

By Wire to The Sentinel.

NEW YORK, May 29.—Mrs. Hayes said this morning Mrs. Davis is getting better every day. She feels certain she will recover.

CONFEREES MEET.

Unimportant Amendments to Rate Bill Disposed Of Without Difficulty.

Three Amendments Related Principally to Phraseology.—Another Meeting of Senate and House Conferees This Afternoon.—Favorable Report on Each Bill.—Several Members of House Arrested for Failure to Attend Session.

By Wire to The Sentinel.

WASHINGTON, May 29.—The house and senate conferees on the railroad rate bill had first meeting today and disposed of important amendments, mainly referring to phraseology, without difficulty. The conferees meet again at 2:30 this afternoon.

Committee Favors Each Bill.

The house committee on commerce has authorized a favorable report on the each bill, limiting hours of labor of railroad employes. The maximum limit is 16 hours, followed by a minimum period of rest of 10 hours.

Gardner Bill.

The Gardner eight-hour bill for all government contracts was ordered favorably reported to the house by committee on labor. This action was a great surprise. It was the result of coup by Democrats.

Several Representatives Angry.

In the house today several members, who were arrested late yesterday for failure to attend session, hurled their defiance at the speaker's head. Mr. Gaines, of Tennessee, charged discrimination and Mr. Rucker, of Missouri, complained because Mr. Longworth, of Ohio, "immediate member of the White House, had not been arrested a few days ago when he was brought in from a ball game."

Representative Payne, Republican floor leader, read the riot act to members for absenteeism. "If they had done their duty," he said, "they would not have been arrested."

AT GUILFORD COLLEGE.

Bishop Roudthaler Preaches Annual Sermon Before Students of the Friends' College.

At Guilford College Sunday morning at 11 o'clock Bishop Edward Roudthaler, of Winston-Salem, preached the annual sermon before the graduating class, his subject being "Faith—the Essential of Manhood."

The speaker's remarks were based on Judges 8:31: "As the man is so is his strength." A correspondent reporting the service for the Greensboro Record says:

"The central thought was 'Faith is the seal of true manhood and true womanhood.'"

In part Bishop Roudthaler said: "When God has anything special to be done He always looks after the man. And the man chosen is not always the king or millionaire. Not money but manhood counts."

"Manhood consists, not in physical powers, although we are proud of the record recently made by the American athletes in Greece; not in aesthetic genius, not even in will power, magnificent as that is; but in faith."

"In every sphere of life men and women are needed who believe in themselves, their cause, and those with whom and for whom they are working. The highest kind of faith is faith in God through Jesus Christ. That kind of faith becomes God-power enabling a man who has it to overcome every difficulty which may confront him in life." To this kind of faith he exhorted both the graduates and hearers.

DOUMA IS BOLD.

Will Attempt to Dictate to the Russian Czar.

By Wire to The Sentinel.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 29.—The douma is going steadily ahead in the development of plans of its leaders to force upon authorities recognition of its prerogatives and power and to bring the government under its control.

By a unanimous vote it was decided today to interpellate telegrams regarding douma which have been printed frequently in Official Messenger, organ of the government. It has been freely charged that these telegrams were inspired by members of bureaucracy and were from official quarters so that decision to question the government is significant.

Agrarian question and accompanying problem of how to provide land for peasants is still the principal topic of discussion before deputies. The debate on the question has aroused the greatest interest.

PRESIDENT TO SPEAK.

Will Deliver Memorial Day Address at Portsmouth, Va., Tomorrow.

By Wire to The Sentinel.

WASHINGTON, May 29.—President and Mrs. Roosevelt leave at 2:30 this evening on the yacht Mayflower for Portsmouth, Va., where the president is to address his comrades of army and navy union at Memorial Day exercises to be held in the old naval cemetery. The monument erected to memory of soldiers and sailors who fell in the Civil War will be unveiled and president will march in the procession, which will strew flowers upon the graves of the heroes.

Imagination is responsible for half of our troubles—and our fool actions are responsible for the other half.