

Dead Body of W. J. Hayes Is Found In East Winston

Discovered In Woods With Pistol Lying Beside Him - Evidence Before Coroner's Jury Would Seem to Indicate Suicide.

Great excitement was caused throughout the city yesterday morning about ten o'clock by the announcement that W. J. Hayes, a young white man, had been found dead in East Winston in a swampy woods just this side of the city where Ringling Brothers' circus camped their tents last Wednesday.

As stated before, the exact cause of his death cannot be absolutely stated. All conditions pointed to the fact that it was a case of self-destruction and the general impression is that the young man met his death by allowing himself in a moment of despondency.

There were several bruises about his temple and the theory is that if he killed himself he placed the pistol to his head and fired the fatal shot while he was standing up and that when he fell he dropped the pistol out of his hand.

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friends in the city who admired him greatly for his good qualities. No one thinks that he killed his own death while in his right mind.

Coroner's Inquest. An inquest was held yesterday afternoon at half-past two o'clock in the recorder's court room for the purpose of inquiring into the death of Mr. Hayes.

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"I took a little stroll out past the hotel this morning after breakfast and soon came to the end of the street and then walked into the woods at the end of the street.

"He was lying on his face, with his shoulder slightly in line, with one hand lying out and the other in front of him. I did not notice the pistol the first time I saw him, but when I and the other two men came back I saw the pistol lying about eight or ten inches from him with the barrel lying parallel with him and pointing toward his feet.

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MONEY TAKEN FROM THE HOME OF A FARMER

The home of Mr. Will Hester, a farmer, who resides about four miles southeast of Walkertown in Belvoir creek township, was broken into Sunday morning by an unknown party.

Mr. Hester, accompanied by his family, had gone to Love's church, a short distance from the farm, to a seed service. The intruder took advantage of the family's absence to enter the house.

In a small safe in the corner of the sitting room Mr. Hester had about \$400.00 in currency. Using an axe found at the wood-pile the burglar cut a square hole in the top of the safe, which was not a burglar or fire-proof safe.

Soon after noon yesterday Sheriff Ziglar, accompanied by Deputy Sheriff Jones, in response to a telephone message, went to the scene of the robbery. Suspicion had fallen upon a negro who resides in the neighborhood and the sheriff went at once to the cabin, but the negro was not found.

Yesterday was a great day at the Four-Fold Gospel church. There were large congregations and much interest was manifested in the services.

Two Provisions. These must be complied with before the fund is available. RALEIGH, Oct. 19.—Under the law which a tax is levied on insurance premiums in cities and towns for the benefit of firemen there are two conditions that must be complied with before a town can benefit by the tax.

Having Good Time. American Sailors Are Allowed Shore Leave in Tokio. TOKIO, Oct. 19.—Shore leave is being extended to the American junks and they are fraternizing with the Japanese blue-jackets.

Many Pianos Sold. The big clearance sale of pianos to reduce stock at the large store of R. J. Bowen & Bro. launched last week has been largely attended and many sales have been made.

Croker Sends \$1,500. NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Former Tammany leader Richard Croker sent \$1,500 from Dublin to the Democratic national campaign fund.

Russian Ships To Scene. CROSTADT, Oct. 19.—Russian battleships Czarvitch and Slava and the cruiser Bogatyr sailed today for Turkey waters to watch developments between Turkey and Bulgaria.

Big Red Fire Display. CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—When William J. Bryan arrives tonight he will be met in the biggest red fire display Chicago has witnessed since the old-time campaigns.

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NEW YORK DEFIES THE FEDERAL COURTS

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—The state of New York has defied the federal courts and Harry Thaw, instead of being in Pittsburgh today as ordered by Federal Judge Archibald is detained at Matteawan Asylum by the state authorities.

Editor C. Frank Stroud, of the "Marketville Record," was in the city Saturday, returning from Salisbury, where he heard Mr. Taft's speech. He reports that about ten minutes after the Taft special train passed a point about two miles above Greensboro the rails were drawn up for quite a distance, the heat being evidently responsible.

Someone noticed the accident and succeeded in flagging train No. 36, which passed some time after the signal and this train stopped in time to avert an accident.

Woman Is Fatally Burned at Roanoke. ROANOKE, Oct. 19.—Mrs. Bessie M. Beckner, wife of J. H. Beckner, was fatally burned at her home. She fell with a lamp in her hand and the oil flew all over her face and shoulders, burning her horribly.

Concerning Y. W. C. A. Membership Contest. All who are doing membership work for the Y. W. C. A. are reminded of the necessity of reporting progress to the office at least once a week.

Dies at Age of 79. Mr. M. J. Stewart died at his home near King this morning about eight o'clock, his death being caused principally by old age.

STOCK MARKET. NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Stocks opened up 14 to 18, due to better character of foreign news.

Taft's Campaign. NEWARK, N. J., Oct. 19.—Judge Taft opened his campaign in New Jersey in this city this morning.

Five More Deaths. DETROIT, Oct. 19.—The forest fire situation in Northern Michigan is much improved, but five more names were added to the authentic death roll today when it was learned that Henry Times, wife and three children were burned near Castro last night.

Will Meet at Elkins. ROANOKE, Oct. 19.—The Presbyterian synod of Virginia this morning voted to meet next at Elkins, West Virginia, and October 14th was selected as the date.

Meeting at Centenary Growing In Interest. A large congregation was present at Centenary church last night, the church being filled almost to its capacity.

Harris-Willey. RALEIGH, Oct. 19.—The announcement of the engagement of Mr. Vernon Harris, of Raleigh, and Miss Augusta Strader Willey, of Lenoirville, Ky., is announced by Mrs. Elizabeth Strader Willey, mother of the bride-to-be.

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New And Startling War Menace Arises

Arrest of Austrian Army Officer By Servian Authorities May Precipitate Real Trouble.

NEEDED SUM WAS VERY QUICKLY PLEDGED. Yesterday was a season of great sacrifice and rejoicing among the members and friends of Broad Street Baptist church.

The pastor preached on "The Beauty of Little Things" and concluded his sermon with the announcement that the contractors were ready and would begin work on the new church building this week.

Rev. R. E. Neighbor will arrive this afternoon and begin the revival to night. The church is in splendid spiritual condition and every indication is that we will have a great meeting.

Montgomery Suing in Judge Purnell's Court. RALEIGH, Oct. 19.—Much interest attaches to the \$9,999 damage suit just instituted in the United States district court of the Eastern District of North Carolina here by former Associate Justice W. A. Montgomery.

Six Transfers of Real Estate Made Today. Six deeds were recorded at the register of deeds office today.

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BELGRADE, Oct. 19.—A new and startling war menace arose today in the arrest of Austrian army officer by Servian authorities, who claim the officer is a spy.

The street committee met in executive session in the city council chamber at the municipal building last Saturday night for the purpose of discussing the matter of paving West Fourth street with bitulithic pavement.

The contract with the Atlantic Bitulithic Company calls for the work to start tomorrow and the company is now engaged in moving their apparatus to this city.

A gentleman who knows states today that he was sure the Fries Manufacturing and Power Company would fix their track on Fourth street without any trouble.

Fifteen cases constituted the docket at the recorder's court this morning, the session lasting a little over two hours.

The most important case brought up was that against George Thomas, colored, charged with stealing a ham from A. Pace's restaurant last Saturday, the ham being valued at \$2.50.

George Mitchell, Charlie Linville, and James Clouse, all colored, were run in last night by Policemen Williams and Rierson on the charge of gambling on Walnut street last night.

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