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FIVE WITNESSES MEANS CASE SETTLED AT FIRST SESSION OF COURT THIS MORNING

Dr. P. R. McFadyen, Messrs. M. F. Ritchie, James Simpson, C. W. Andrews and W. S. Bingham on Stand.

NO IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS

Mr. Ritchie Said He Thought It Possible for Automatic Pistol to Be Discharged if Dropped Hard Enough.

With the twelve jurors selected to hear the evidence, the third day of the trial of Gaston B. Means...

The list of State's witnesses, sixteen in number, was then called, and they were sworn.

Dr. P. R. McFadyen, James Simpson, L. A. Weddington, M. F. Ritchie, Chas. S. Fry, Mrs. Chas. Fry, C. W. Andrews, W. D. Rockefeller, Dr. Burmeister, Roy Smith, Roach, Johnson, Garretson, Mack, Todd, Melville.

Dr. P. R. McFadyen was the first witness called to the stand. He testified that on the night of the tragedy, shortly after 8 o'clock, he was called on to the hospital to attend a person who was shot.

The witness was cross-examined by Judge Osborne, who dwelt on the probing done by Dr. McFadyen.

James Simpson.

James Simpson, assistant to Undertaker L. A. Weddington, was the next witness called. He stated that he and Mr. Weddington took the body from the Concord hospital to the undertaking parlor.

M. F. Ritchie, secretary and treasurer of the Ritchie Hardware Company, was the next witness called.

Mr. Ritchie, secretary and treasurer of the Ritchie Hardware Company, was the next witness called. He stated that on Friday before this accident Gaston Means came to the store and purchased a rifle.

The witness then demonstrated to the jury the method of shooting an automatic Colt, showing the safety catches and that the rifle would not fire unless the spring safety on the back of the handle was pressed.

ped hard enough, although he had never heard of such a thing happening.

C. W. Andrews, of Salisbury, night clerk at the Yachtin Hotel, was the next witness called.

On cross examination Mr. Andrews said that Mr. Means and Mrs. King had come in on the train from Asheville, which was late that night, they had gotten to Salisbury too late to catch the train from Salisbury to Concord.

W. S. Bingham. Capt. W. S. Bingham was next called to the stand. He testified that on the Wednesday evening of the tragedy, while he was at supper he heard an automobile horn in front of his home.

Witneses went down the road about 100 yards and called to the negro driver to bring the automobile to the spring.

The defense exhausted its sixth peremptory challenge on salesman John G. Parks, the forty-fifth man drawn to the stand.

The list of the twelve jurors is as follows: 1. C. E. Culp, farmer, No. 7 township.

ALL TO GIVE THANKS.

Nation Will Observe Thanksgiving Day Tomorrow. Washington, D. C., Nov. 28.—The nation will observe Thanksgiving Day tomorrow under conditions radically different from those attending any similar celebration in the past.

It will be a real holiday, however, for the boys in the service. Reports from the military camps and the naval stations in all sections of the country tell of the elaborate preparations for celebrating the day.

In one other respect the Thanksgiving Day of 1917 is likely to be long remembered. If for no other reason, it is likely to be well impressed upon the public mind by the high cost of the turkey dinner.

Official Washington is mighty busy these days, but it is preparing to knock off work tomorrow for the customary Thanksgiving Day celebration.

Several of the cabinet officers and bureau chiefs have left Washington to spend Thanksgiving at their homes.

The President's Thanksgiving dinner at the White House is expected to be purely a family affair.

Whipple Dismissed From The Faculty. Virginia University Board Takes Action on His Speech at Sweetbriar.

Whipple Dismissed From The Faculty. Virginia University Board Takes Action on His Speech at Sweetbriar. Charlottesville, Va., Nov. 27.—Leonidas W. Whipple, adjunct professor of journalism at the University of Virginia, today was dismissed from the faculty by an unanimous vote of the board of visitors.

ALLIED CONFERENCE IS HELD IN PARIS

Basis For a Joint Action Against the Central Powers, Will Be Determined Upon, It is Indicated.

BYNG'S MEN ARE MAKING PROGRESS

The Indications Are That the Opposition to the Bolsheviks is Rapidly Gaining Strength.

(By The Associated Press) Representatives of the Allied powers are in Paris for a conference upon which the future course of the war's activities probably will depend.

A basis for joint action against the Central powers will be determined at this conference it is indicated, and future policies toward Russia may be decided upon.

Although the Bolsheviks will apparently be unable to extend their powers over Russia, except in the regions of Petrograd and Moscow, they are continuing their efforts toward an armistice and peace.

It was announced last night at the Bolshevik headquarters at Petrograd that Gen. Krylenko, the Bolshevik commander in chief, had crossed to the German side and had entered into negotiation with military authorities.

Meanwhile Gen. Kalesnikov, who is reported to be in control of the grain territory of southern Russia, is growing in power. Many army officers oppose to the Bolsheviks have joined his forces, including members from the front.

THE DE SAULLES TRIAL. Claimed That Mrs. de Saules Was Not Accountable When She Shot Her Husband.

(By The Associated Press) Mineola, N. Y., Nov. 28.—What is expected to be a lengthy battle between medical experts over Mrs. Bianca de Saules' claim that her physical condition produced a lapse of accountability when she shot her divorced husband, was initiated in the young woman's trial on the charge of murder in the Supreme Court here today.

BLAIR DOUGLASS. Mrs. J. B. Douglass Becomes the Bride of Mr. D. B. Blair, of Winston-Salem.

A marriage of much interest to many friends throughout the State was solemnized here last night at 6:30, when Mrs. J. B. Douglass became the bride of Mr. D. B. Blair, of Winston-Salem.

The bridegroom was Mr. John J. Blair, of Winston-Salem, and the bride attended by Mr. D. B. Blair, of Winston-Salem.

The following guests besides the members of the family were present: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Blair, Miss Margaret Blair, Mr. John C. Blair, Dr. D. Clay Lilly, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. D. Hill, of Winston-Salem; Mr. John J. Blair, of Wilmington; Misses Eva and Martha Blair, of High Point; Mrs. Rosa E. Young; Miss Marie Pharr, of Philadelphia; Miss Dorothy Reid, Adelaide and Barney Douglas, of Winston-Salem; Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Grier, of Concord.

FORTY-FOUR DEATHS IN LAST ELEVEN DAYS.

Disease Has Taken Appalling Toll From Ranks of Soldiers at Camp Beauregard.

Alexandria, La., Nov. 27.—Although there were no additional deaths reported at Camp Beauregard tonight it was announced by Dr. Oscar Dowling, president of the state board of health, that 44 soldiers have died during the past 11 days.

GYPSIES AND BOOTBLACKS

As Such, They Will Come Under the Maryland Compulsory Work Law.

Baltimore, Nov. 27.—The status of Gypsies and bootblacks was established as follows today, and they will come under the provisions of the Maryland compulsory work law.

GREAT DEMONSTRATION IN BUDAPEST FOR PEACE

Socialists Want an Armistice or Peace, Says Berlin Paper.

Amsterdam, Nov. 28.—Great socialist demonstration in Budapest on Sunday in favor of an armistice and peace is reported in a Berlin newspaper.

NEW PASTIME

THURSDAY. A BLUEBIRD EXTRAORDINARY RUPERT JULIAN AND RUTH CLIFFORD. In the Most Beautiful Photo Drama Ever Filmed. "MOTHER O' MINE" "It's a Bluebird's Got to be Good."

GERMANS CONSIDER

Petrograd, Nov. 28.—Representatives sent by Ensign Krylenko the Bolshevik commander in chief of the Russian armies, have been received in the German lines and informed by the German commander that the Germans have officially consented to immediate negotiations for an armistice on all fronts of the belligerent countries.

The Germans have set December 2 for a conference for the negotiations of an armistice.

A NEW WITNESS. Defense to Offer Unique Exhibit, Plaster Cast of Forked Tree.

Concord, N. C., Nov. 27.—The defense in the trial of Gaston B. Means, who is charged by the State of North Carolina with the murder of Mrs. Maude A. King, will have a unique exhibit to introduce, that of a plaster cast of the forked tree in which Means claims to have placed the small automatic pistol with which Mrs. King was subsequently killed.

SIXTY-THREE MEN OF ACTION MISSING. American Steamer Was Sunk Yesterday by German Submarine.

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NEW SERIES

BUILDING and LOAN OPENS ON Saturday, Dec. 1st At The Cabarrus Savings Bank. The Concord Perpetual Building and Loan Association Starts Its 59th Series.

REVOCATION OF ALL PREVIOUS EXEMPTIONS

All Persons Subject to the Selective Draft Service are Charged With Knowing the Law and Regulations.

FAILURE TO COMPLY A MISDEMEANOR

Failure May Also Cause Immediate Induction of the Transgressor Into the Military Service.

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Nov. 28.—All persons subject to the selective service law, Provost Marshal General Crowder announced today, are charged with knowing the law and the accompanying regulations, and failure to comply will be considered a misdemeanor and punishable by a year's imprisonment.

General Crowder pointed out that all previous exemptions are revoked under a section of the regular action, which was reported yesterday to be everything possible to acquaint registrants with their order of liability.

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