

"ONE ARM" WOLFE IS NOT TALKING ABOUT THE HANCE MURDERS

Alleged Member of Gang Which Sought Vengeance for Champan Arrest, Is Silent.

HANCES TOLD OF GERALD CHAPMAN

They Gave Hint to Police That Resulted in the Arrest of the Notorious Bandit.

Muncie, Ind., Aug. 15.—(AP)—Vengeance trailing those who testified against Gerald C. Chapman, notorious bandit, condemned to die for the murder of a Connecticut policeman, struck down Ben Hance and his wife near here yesterday.

It was at the Hance home that Anderson and Chapman lived after their escape from the Atlanta penitentiary, and after Chapman attempted the robbery of the New Britain jewelry store, which resulted in the slaying of a police officer. Hance was one of the chief witnesses against Chapman.

Three machines were coming down the road, one a small coupe carrying an Ohio license, a large red automobile and the Hance car. The red machine passed the others almost in front of my house. The coupe pulled up in front of the Hance car and stopped.

General Reductions in Gasoline Prices

Standard Oil Company of New Jersey Lowers Price Cent a Gallon Throughout East.

New York, Aug. 14.—A widespread reduction in gasoline prices throughout the eastern seaboard was initiated today by the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, which cut wholesale quotations throughout its territory 1 cent a gallon, the second reduction by this company within a week.

Cholera Epidemic in Shanghai

Shanghai, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Cholera is epidemic in this city with a thousand cases estimated at present.

Good nature never fails to pay large dividends in good health.

Sanatorium Patients Are Crowding The Institution

It Will Be Necessary For Some Patients to Leave Sanatorium to Make Room For Others Who Have Been Admitted.

Sanatorium, N. C., Aug. 15.—(AP)—Sixteen patients, all suffering from tuberculosis and some of them bedridden, have been requested to leave the State Sanatorium here for the treatment of the disease by September first if possible and if not then, at the earliest possible date afterward.

The 38 patients who will be affected by the policy during the next five months will go to various parts of the State. Those who have families and friends able to pay for their support will go to private sanatoriums, those with homes but without funds to afford private sanatoriums will return to their homes, those without funds or homes will be returned to their home counties where they will be placed in the county homes if the counties have no tubercular institutions in which to treat them.

DEMOCRATS IN NEW YORK CITY BATTLE

Understood That Mayor Hylan May Withdraw From Primary and Enter Race as Independent.

New York, Aug. 15.—(AP)—The attempt of Democratic leaders to confine the mayoralty split to the city ticket by a so-called gentlemen's agreement has apparently failed.

Salisbury, Aug. 14.—Mayor C. M. Henderlite has made another cut into the ranks of the local police force by suspending J. G. (Pat) Reeves, an officer which the mayor says, testified in a case that he had a search warrant when, according to the mayor, he did not have one.

Dr. R. Matt Patterson has returned from Asheville, where he attended a clinic for several days.

Wreak Vengeance on Those Who Caused Chapman Arrest

Muncie, Ind., Aug. 14.—Charles "One Arm" Wolfe, one of the companions of George "Dutch" Anderson, who late today shot and killed Ben Hance and his wife because they informed police last January of the whereabouts of Gerald Chapman, notorious mail robber, was captured by police late tonight.

When arrested a car was found in front of the Strahan home. This is the car which Anderson and Wolfe are supposed to have been driving at the time of the murder.

Muncie, Ind., Aug. 14.—Gerald Chapman's pal tonight wreaked vengeance on the informer who caused the arrest last January of the notorious mail robber.

Ben Hance, the informer, and his wife were shot to death by George "Dutch" Anderson, who was convicted with Chapman of a million dollar New York mail robbery and shared his prison sentence and subsequent escape from Atlanta penitentiary.

While Chapman and Anderson were in hiding at Hance's home last winter, Hance informed police authorities and Chapman was surrounded on the streets of Muncie, January 18th, and captured.

Anderson was not trapped when the detectives closed in on Chapman last January and had kept himself safely hidden until tonight.

The bodies of Hance and his wife, the former still alive but dying, were discovered a few minutes after the shooting by a passing motorist but no trace of Anderson was found.

Chapman's arrest was brought about by local officials working with

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STATE CROPS LAST MONTH DECLINED ON ACCOUNT OF DROUGHT

Crop Reporting Service Finds That July Was Too Dry for Most Crops In All Parts of the State.

AVERAGE STILL IS VERY GOOD

Despite Decline in Condition Some Crops in Better Shape Now Than They Were Last Year.

Raleigh, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Farmers of North Carolina were heavy sufferers from drought conditions in North Carolina during the month of July, a report issued last night by the crop reporting service of the federal and state departments of agriculture showed.

The drought condition brought a number of crops to a condition less favorable than that on July 1st, but in some instances the average was still higher than that of 1924. The loss of the tobacco farmers alone was estimated at \$9,288,000. It was estimated 36,000,000 pounds had been ruined by the drought but the crop, based on the August 1st estimate of the crop reporting service, will be 18,000,000 pounds more than last year, though 9.5 per cent less than the five-year average.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Fairly Steady at Decline of 7 to 15 Points.—Liverpool Cables Easy.

New York, Aug. 15.—(AP)—The cotton market opened fairly steady today at a decline of 7 to 15 points in response to relatively easy Liverpool cables and reports of lower temperatures in the eastern belt.

Closed Steady.

New York, Aug. 15.—Cotton futures closed steady at net decline of 6 to 10 points.

Plan New Loop in the South.

Savannah, Ga., Aug. 14.—Organization of a new baseball league to include Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Albany, Columbus, Montgomery, Macon and Augusta, is the undertaking started in Savannah with the raising of a \$20,000 fund for the local club, \$8,000 of which already has been subscribed.

Blames Flappers, Dope, Rum and Guns For Crime.

Chicago, Aug. 14.—Co-operation with released convicts in obtaining employment was urged as the best method of "making crooked men straight" by Rollo M. McBride, superintendent of the Partridge of the Ways Home, Pittsburgh, and public defender of the city of Pittsburgh.

Shenandoah in Successful Flight.

Lakehurst, N. J., Aug. 15.—(AP)—Officials at the naval air station are in receipt of a radio message from the dirigible Shenandoah, stating that the airship will arrive at her station here between 4 p. m. and sunset today.

5,000 Rebel Tribesmen Surrender.

Petuan, Spanish Morocco, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Fifty thousand rebel tribesmen surrendered unconditionally to the French and Spanish forces which captured the Sarsar heights position.

The fastest single screw merchant ship in the world is the steamship Royal Scot, which was built to give a speed of twenty-two knots, and plies between London and Edinburgh.

Ten Pages Today Two Sections

GERMAN REFUGEES FLEE POLAND



Because they refused to renounce their allegiance to their fatherland in a recent plebiscite held in Poland, 30,000 Germans were forced to flee from Poland back to Germany. This shows the refugees huddled together in a primitive "Ellis Island" on the German border waiting to be examined by customs officials.

DISSE TRIAL GETS UNDERWAY RAPIDLY

Jury Brought In From Another County But Trial Is Taking Place In Court House at Richmond, Va.

Richmond, Va., Aug. 15.—(AP)—The actual trial of Rudolph Disse, 20 year old triple slayer, got underway in Hustings court today, with the opening statement of the counsel. The jury was completed yesterday after three days' effort.

Twelve citizens of Fredericksburg will hear the case under a change of venue granted by Judge Frederick W. Coleman, who held that an unprejudiced jury would be difficult to obtain here.

Disse today faced a first degree murder charge for the slaying of Henry Grady Carter, restaurant owner, and his rival for the affections of Mrs. Vivian Tomkin Peers, 18 year old clothing model. Carter was shot twice and almost instantly killed as he stood behind the counter of his restaurant about a mile from where the girl and Burke were fatally wounded, and Willis Britt, automobile salesman, was shot, less than ten minutes later.

Defense counsel have indicated they will plead that Disse was irresponsible for his actions on the day of the shooting.

Wife of Banker Dies of Sleeping Sickness.

Glen Cove, N. Y., Aug. 14.—Mrs. J. P. Morgan, wife of the international banker, died at home today in her Long Island home from a "cardiac collapse" after being ill of sleeping sickness for two months.

Hundred Or More Operators Quit Work Tuesday Because of Dismissal of Foreman.

Durham, Aug. 14.—One hundred or more operators of the fashion-knit machines in the local plant of the Marvin-Carr silk mill, who walked out of the place last Tuesday morning following the dismissal of Earl Wiggs, foreman of the plant and superintendent of the local union, have failed to return to work, though it is believed that they will be back at their tasks in a few days.

French Have Success in Morocco.

Fes, August 15.—(AP)—Everywhere along the Franco-Riffian fighting front the situation is excellent for the French, while the Riffian forces appear to be going to pieces. Without a struggle the column of Col. Freydenberg occupied the whole of the Djebel Sarsar position which was so formidable that the French staff has been hesitating for a fortnight before attacking it.

No color has been found so suitable for a cricket ball as red, which naturally shows up to advantage against the green background of the grass. Green balls have been tried, but they proved a failure. Other colors such as yellow and blue have also been experimented with.

Thirteen million gold marks (about \$3,000,000) flow into the coffers of the German post office, annually, in the form of radio license fees.

With Our Advertisers.

When a fire or thief comes it is too late to place your valuables in a place of safety. Get a deposit box at the Caharras Savings Bank.

E. B. Grady, the plumbing contractor or tell of some of the advantages of good fixtures in a new ad. today.

At the Concord Theatre today Pete Morrison is being shown in "Cowboy Grit." Also Battling Brewster No. 7. Gold dollars for fifty cents at the Kidd-Frix Co. See new ad. today about the pottery they are selling at half price.

Concord Furniture Company has a new list of new process Columbia records. See list in new ad.

Proposed Rate Increase Suspended.

Washington, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Increases in rates on lumber moving to Virginia cities and points in North Carolina from general Southern territory which railroads proposed to make effective today, have been suspended by an order of the Interstate Commerce Commission until December 15.

The present rates must be retained, at least until the Commission concludes a finding as to the fairness of the increases proposed.

Sleeping Sickness Is Unsolved Mystery Yet

Corps of Physicians With Unlimited Funds Behind Them Could Not Cure Mrs. J. P. Morgan.

New York, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Mrs. J. P. Morgan, wife of the international banker, lay dead in her palatial home at Glen Cove today, victim of the mysterious sleeping sickness.

For two months a corps of physicians backed by virtually unlimited funds had sought to save her life, but she never emerged entirely from a state of coma.

The end came shortly after noon yesterday, and the immediate cause was a heart collapse induced by an attack of indigestion. The primary cause, however, was lethargic encephalitis, a form of sleeping sickness, distinct from that prevalent in Africa.

Only a physician and two nurses were at the bedside. Mr. Morgan was summoned, but arrived after Mrs. Morgan's death.

Wants Facts About Radio Rights.

Washington, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Senator Brookhart's office has asked the Department of Justice for information as to the practice of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company in the radio broadcasting field.

Norman Baker, proprietor of a broadcasting station at Muscatine, Iowa, complained to the senator that the company refused him a license, although such a license would have been granted had he purchased his equipment from the company's subsidiaries. He charged the company was violating the anti-trust law and was operating in restraint of trade.

Japan to Send 300 Delegates to Sunday School Convention.

Tokyo, Aug. 15.—(AP)—In response to the invitation of the All-American Christian Union and the Sunday School Union, the Japan Sunday School Association will send 300 delegates to the tenth international Sunday School convention to be held in Los Angeles in 1928. This decision was reached at a recent meeting of the officers of the local association in Tokyo.

State of King Tut's Father-in-Law Found.

Cairo, Egypt, Aug. 14.—While digging among drains in Kardak, near Luxor, workers found a grotesque statue of the heretic King Akhenaten, father-in-law of Tut-Ankh-Amen, the discovery of whose tomb at Luxor three years ago created a sensation throughout the world.

When you are up against stumbling-blocks, turn them into stepping-stones.

President, Cashier and Six Bank Directors Are Indicted

Elizabethtown, Aug. 14.—Indictments against Hugh McAllister, who was its president and J. A. Pickens, its cashier, and six directors have been returned by a grand jury in Bladen county following the crash of the Bank of Councils, an institution which was allied with the now defunct First National bank of Lumberton.

McAllister was vice president and cashier of the larger institution, which went to the wall a few days ago. Thomas L. Johnson, state senator, who was active in the passage of the more stringent laws enacted during the last legislature, was president of the Lumberton bank.

The indictments against McAllister, Pickens and the six directors were found last Monday, but no information was available until today. The clerk of the court in Bladen said that Mr. McAllister would not be arrested but that he had been sent a bond in the sum of \$6,000 with instructions to sign and return to the court for the records. Cashier Pickens and the six directors are to give bond, the clerk at Elizabethtown stated today, in the sum of \$5,000 each.

The directors are: D. J. Priest, E. B. Council, J. E. Nicholson, J. M. Meshaw, J. O. West and J. L. Hamner. H. H. Clark, of Elizabethtown, is receiver for the Bank of Councils and is the chief witness against McAllister, the cashier and directors.

The Bank of Councils is a small, state supervised institution which was a country correspondent of the larger bank at Lumberton. The Lumberton bank was closed by federal bank examiners and it is reported that among its liabilities to stockholders and depositors is \$400,000 of questionable paper.

Fair tonight and Sunday, but change in temperature.

HOMESTEADERS ARE FIGHTING TO HOLD FLORIDA LOST LAND

Governor Martin Will Be Asked to Intervene in the Fight for 3,000 Acres Described as Lost Land.

BARRON G. COLLIER CLAIMING THE LAND

Petition to Governor Said to Be Signed by Practically All Persons Living in Lost Land County.

Fort Myers, Fla., Aug. 15.—(AP)—Governor Martin will be asked by Marco Island homesteaders to intervene in the fight for 3,000 acres of lost land, armed with petitions signed by 153 persons, said to be almost all of the voters of Collier County not in the employment of Barron G. Collier, a delegation of homestead claimants will go to Tallahassee as soon as an appointment can be made, to see the Governor.

The petition demands that Sheriff W. R. Maynard and his armed deputies who are alleged to be supporting Mr. Collier's claims to that portion of the island unaccounted for in government surveys, be ordered to leave the island.

Appeal to the Governor was determined upon last night by W. G. Williams, owner of the town site of Marco County Judge George Storer, of Collier county told them he had no authority to intervene.

The situation early today was calm on the surface but it has been for some days.

DAVID BLAIR MAY LAND IN CABINET

Tar Heel Boosted for Appointment to Succeed Secretary Weeks.

Washington, Aug. 14.—Here's a brand new entry in the "free for all" contest. Reports as to this man and that man among the Republicans as being in the race or being suggested and recommended by friends for the position of secretary of war when Secretary John W. Weeks steps down and out continue to be heard.

Among the very latest name to be mentioned in this connection is David H. Blair, of Winston-Salem, commissioner of internal revenue. This report as it went the rounds was that Mr. Blair had the backing of Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, and that it looked as if he would become the secretary of war in succession to Secretary Weeks.

But there was little credence given it, for the reason that Commissioner Blair being a North Carolinian was hardly to be given a cabinet position, as the South is held as a certainty not to have a look in for a cabinet place so long as the Republican party is in power.

Commissioner Blair is of Quaker stock and the Quakers do not take kindly to the idea of war, so Commissioner Blair's early training would appear to have made a position as secretary of war of the class of "persona non grata" to him.

In Republican circles the idea expressed is that the man who has the best look in for the position of secretary of war is Dwight F. Davis, acting secretary in the absence of Secretary Weeks.

Ambassadors in Tilt.

Washington, Aug. 15.—(AP)—While General Pershing is in South America trying to straighten out the tangled Tacna-Arica situation, the Peruvian and Chilean ambassadors here have engaged in some biting comment from the side lines.

Today the Chilean embassy asserted in a letter to the Washington Post that the Chilean foreign minister considered the President of Peru had publicly expressed sentiments offensive to that country which would not go unanswered under different circumstances. In view of the fact that an arbitrator was at work on the case, however, the Chileans had decided to exercise "repression."

Discuss Italy's War Debt.

Rome, Aug. 15.—(AP)—The dominant note in the Italian press discussion of the American-Italian debt question, is the urgent suggestion that the foreign exchange value of the lire be brought to a level more in conformity with the actual purchasing power of the lire in Italy, as a preliminary condition to any settlement of Italy's debt to the United States.

The Mound Builders Country

of Newark, Ohio, use the ancient earthworks of the mound builders as traps, traps, and bunkers.

SAT'S BEAR SAYS:

Fair tonight and Sunday, but change in temperature.

Concord Theatre (THE COOL SPOT) TODAY ONLY PETE MORRISON IN "Cowboy Grit" Also Battling Brewster No. 7 Monday and Tuesday DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS in "HIS MAJESTY THE AMERICAN" It's a Greater Movie Season Special (DON'T MISS THIS) Ben Hance, the informer, and his