

WILL RUSSELL SCOTT FACE GALLOWS SOON? MORE BEFORE LONG?

Member of State's Attorney Crowe's Staff Quoted as Saying He Will Leave Asylum.

ASYLUM HEAD DENIES REPORT

Says He Has Not Said That Any Change Has Taken Place Recently in Scott's Condition.

Chicago, Aug. 24.—(AP)—An unnamed member of the staff of State's Attorney Crowe was quoted by the Herald and Examiner today as saying that Russell T. Scott, convicted murderer, would be returned from the Chester Hospital for Insane within four weeks to face the Cook county gallows once more.

The report said the attaché of the state attorney's office had revealed that an informal decision that Scott is not insane had been made by Dr. Frank Stuebel, superintendent of the hospital, and that the latter was awaiting only corroboration of his decision by two consultant experts before sending Scott back.

Efforts to get in touch with Dr. Stuebel today were unsuccessful and other persons at Chester declined to talk. Scott recently was taken to Chester after a jury had capped the climax of his extraordinary efforts to escape the gallows by finding him insane. Scott faced hanging three times only to be snatched from the noose by some unexpected eleventh hour development. The last time, on July 24th, when Judge Joseph David granted a stay of execution pending the insanity hearing for four hours before the death march. Scott's commitment papers ordered that he be confined at Chester until death or until he was found sane.

Denies Reports. Chester, Ill., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Dr. Frank A. Stuebel, superintendent of the State Hospital for criminal insanity here, today characterized reports that Russell T. Scott, convicted murderer, had been found sane, as "all wrong."

RELIGION AND SCIENCE SEEN AS UNRELATED

Presbyterian Leader Says Miracles Should Be Taken Apart From Natural Laws.

Winona Lake, Ind., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Miracles and mysteries of the Bible should not be considered from the viewpoint of natural laws, declared Dr. C. B. Erdman, Moderator of the Presbyterian General Assembly, at the Winona Bible Conference.

"Even in view of facts and laws established by modern science, no intelligent Christian need doubt the truth of divine creation, of the miracles of sacred history or of the inspiration of the Bible," he said.

In view of the unsolved mysteries of the face, both scientist and theologian should show humility and charity. Great scientists and theologians usually do. When a teacher of physical science denies creation and postulates the impossibility of miracles he has left his proper sphere and entered that of philosophy or religion.

"Many facts of science are established virtually beyond a doubt. So too can be said of certain essential truths of Christianity. The latter center in the Divine person and redeeming work of God in the person of Christ."

Alleged Bank Robber Arrested. Dayton, O., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Fred Nickel, Dayton manufacturer, arrested today, is said to have admitted to detectives that he is the blue masked, blue robed phantom bandit who on August 14th held up and robbed employees of the North Dayton branch of the Dayton Savings Bank & Trust Company, escaping with \$28,000, the police announced this morning.

Klansmen Gathering

Columbus, O., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Led by Dr. H. E. Evans, Washington, Imperial Wizard, grand dragons and citizens of the Ku Klux Klan were arriving today for their annual meeting at Buckeye Lake near here, starting tomorrow.

Concord Theatre (THE COOL SPOT) Today and Tuesday JOHNNY HINES in "The Speed Spook" ADDED ATTRACTION "Turk McBee, Junior" The World's Wonder Klyphonist and Music Marvel At 8:30 and 9:15 P. M. Also Aescops Fables and Pathe News No. 68 USUAL PRICES

Street Car Service In This City Is Halted

N. C. Public Service Co. Authorized Manager of Local Plant to Cease Operations in City Saturday COMPANY OWES CITY \$33,000

Mayor's Committee Is Working on Matter But Has Not Been Able to Reach Solution to Problem.

Concord's street car service ended at midnight Saturday, and so far as is known now the service is ended for good. Services on the local lines of the North Carolina Public Service Co. was suspended on orders for the main offices of the company, sent to J. A. McEachern, manager of the plant here.

Mr. McEachern received his orders Saturday afternoon and the last run of the cars was made that night, the orders to Mr. McEachern indicating that so far as the North Carolina Public Service Company Co. is concerned the line will not be operated again.

Suspension of the service did not come as a surprise due to the fact that aldermen of the city at their August meeting were advised by a representative of the public service company that the line here was being operated at a loss of about \$7 a day and that the company would be forced to cut out this loss. Mayor C. H. Barrier at the meeting appointed a committee to make inquiry into the value of the company's plant and also to ascertain whether the city could operate the line.

The committee has given thought to the matter but it is understood that it has not yet reached a definite decision as to what should be done. The Public Service Company owes the city of Concord about \$33,000 for street paving and interest and the committee appointed by Mayor Barrier is understood to have devoted its conferences and study to means of securing at least part of this money from the company's equipment and property in Concord. It is also understood that the company's plant here is heavily mortgaged, but Concord's claim is understood to come first and if the property and equipment are sold the city is expected to get the major portion of the proceeds from the sale. However, it is said persons who know something of the value of the company's equipment and property, that the value of these is not enough to cover the company's debt to the city to say nothing of any mortgages held by other parties.

The street car system has never been a paying proposition in Concord, according to various reports made by officials of the public service company. For a number of years the company operated without loss, but during the past six years, at least, expenses have been more than receipts and it has been known that the company was anxious to dispose of the property or cease operations.

Soon after the World War the fare on the line here was raised to seven cents, but the increases did not raise enough revenue to make the line a paying proposition. The company has maintained that the street assessments could not be paid because the property here was a liability instead of an asset. However, the company always paid its taxes and for that reason its properties in other cities outside of Concord cannot be touched by the city in its efforts to get the \$33,000 debt.

It is said equipment of the company here is in bad repair, requests for repairs having been refused due to the fact that the company was contemplating suspension of the line here. A storage battery car, said to have been the first in the South, was sent to Concord when the public service company started its schedule in the city. Later this car was abandoned and a trolley system was installed, such as are used in other cities. The lines of the company extend from the depot of the Southern Railway Company to the Gibson Manufacturing Company, and to a point on South Union street near the home of J. Leonard Brown. The South Union street line has not been operated for several years, however, its schedule having been suspended by request of the company which stated that only a few persons ever used the system from the square to its terminal on South Union street.

The committee appointed by Mayor Barrier to make a study of the system here probably will report at the September meeting and it is understood that nothing will be done until the committee is ready to report. It is also understood that the committee plans a conference with officials of the public service company relative to the \$33,000 debt.

As the tracks of the street car system are on paved streets, it is believed they will be left, as repairs to the streets caused by their removal would cost more than the rails would bring.

The committee appointed to study the matter by the city is composed of Mayor Barrier, Aldermen Howard and Hahn and City Attorney J. Lee Crowell. While this committee has not yet completed its work, it was stated by one of its members this morning that one proposal has been agreed on by the members, this being that the city will square off accounts with the public service company if the latter will turn over to the former all of its real and personal property in Concord.

GOVERNOR McLEAN MAKES INQUIRIES

Says No Patients at State Sanatorium Will Be Moved For Lack of Money From State.

Raleigh, Aug. 24.—(AP)—No patients will be sent away from the state sanatorium for tuberculosis until Governor McLean has made a personal investigation of conditions there which were recently said to be such that sixteen patients must leave in the immediate future and twenty others in the next six months to make way for cases on the waiting list presenting more hope of being cured. In a statement last night on his return from a vacation Governor McLean stated he was "very much surprised" to learn an emergency existed at the sanatorium and added "there must be some mistake about the matter." Pending completion of a personal investigation, the Governor said he would at once request the Board of directors to refrain from dismissing any of the patients in question.

BURGLAR SHOT TO DEATH

Another Burglar Makes His Escape—Suspect Arrested But Proves an Alibi.

Reidsville, Aug. 22.—Edward Carter, 25-year-old white man, was shot and instantly killed at about 10:30 o'clock last night by B. R. Franklin in his home on Thomas street, East Reidsville. Carter and another thief entered Franklin's home. The second thief plunged through a window when the shooting began and made his escape. The robber, evidently realizing that he was trapped, fired several shots, two of the bullets inflicting flesh wounds in Franklin's neck and leg and Mrs. Franklin being wounded in the shoulder from behind by the unknown thief after she had run into the yard to give the alarm.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Franklin will recover from their wounds, which are not considered serious. Both were highly unmoved today after their experience and are suffering from shock. Franklin, with a shotgun, sent a load into the midnight thief below the heart and he dropped in his tracks. Before Franklin could get his gun, which he kept near his bed, Carter had fired several times. The experience was a terrifying one for the young man and his wife, both of whom were in bed and who were principals in a midnight duel in the darkness with deadly missiles speeding in every direction.

KLAN TO RESCUE TORCH DROPPED BY W. J. BRYAN

Organization Is Committed to Throw Strength Behind the Fundamentalist Move.

Sandusky, O., Aug. 23.—The Ku Klux Klan has unequivocally committed itself to a fight for fundamentalism in religion, Clyde W. Osborne, grand dragon for Ohio, declared in an address at a district meeting of the organization near here last night. "We will take up the torch as it fell from the hands of William Jennings Bryan, carrying on his fight for the religion of our fathers."

Exactly how the klan will pursue this course probably will be determined at the national meeting of grand dragons at Buckeye Lake, a resort near Columbus, next week. "Our great army of men and women believe in the teachings of Christ as recorded in the Bible and in the immaculate conception, but we do not necessarily believe in a literally translation to the extent that it is necessary to believe that a whale swallowed Jonah," he declared.

Rowan County's Tax Rate Is Fixed at \$107.

Salisbury, Aug. 22.—The county board of commissioners have fixed the tax rate for the coming fiscal year at \$107 on the \$100 valuation of property, this being an increase of 15 cents over the present rate of 92 cents. Of this increase 14 cents is for the general county school fund and one cent is added to the present public health fund. The poll tax remains the same, \$2.

Death Claims 50.

NewPort, R. I., Aug. 23.—Death had claimed 50 lives in the boiler explosion on the excursion steamer Mackinac, up to early tonight, when Sarah Powers, 15, of Central Falls, R. I., succumbed to burns. Earlier in the day death ended the suffering of James Henderson and Charles Koefer. All were patients in the naval hospital.

Toadstools Kill Man After His Cat Survives the First Mess

Philadelphia, Aug. 24.—Oswaldo Massaro, who lived at No. 8129 Devon street, Chestnut Hill, went out last Sunday to pick some mushrooms. He gathered up a basketful of what he thought were mushrooms and took them to his home.

Oswaldo had read something about toadstools which he knew were poisonous. So he cooked some of the plants and gave them to his cat. The cat showed signs of distress, but it quickly recovered.

"Well," said Oswald, "if that's all the harm these things do they're certainly not toadstools. If they were the cat would have died."

World's Largest Posies



The world's largest flowers are being made to decorate the pageantry of the International Petroleum Exposition at Tulsa, Okla., October 1-10. Here is pretty Mary McIntyre, with a huge magnolia blossom for scenery. She will be one of the 24 princesses in the pageant.

CANDIDATES ENGAGE IN VERBAL BATTLES

New York City Candidates For Mayor Spend Week-End Throwing Criticisms at One Another.

New York, Aug. 24.—(AP)—References to millionaires, high brows with a barrel, and a wide open town figure in the latest appeals to New Yorkers as how they should not vote for some of the candidates in the mayoralty nominations in the primary on September 15th.

Wm. M. Bennett and John J. Lyon, insurgent republicans, regard the regular republican nominee, Frank D. Waterman, as a "carpet bagger Democrat, masquerading on the republican ticket," and as a "millionaire, hand picked by a group of millionaires."

While airing these views on the Sabbath, Mayor Hylan was giving warning that a wide open town is being sought by Tammany, which is opposing him.

Mayor Hylan commenting on the defection of two Brooklyn women leaders to the Tammany camp of his rival, State Senator James J. Walker, said: "I am grieved to learn that any good woman would support a candidate who is backed by those who want a wide open town. The powerful inner circle of Tammany Hall is planning to clean up millions in traction deals and also revive old days of pool rooms and gambling houses, just as wide open as Saratoga is today."

Seaboard Extension Talk Is Aesthetized.

Asheville, Aug. 22.—Since the first rumors became current that the Seaboard Air Line might build an extension of its line from Rutherfordton to Asheville through the Lake Lure development at Chimney Rock, a large number of officials of the Seaboard have been seen in this section. The Seaboard's east and west line already extends from Wilmington to Rutherfordton via Charlotte and by constructing a 43-mile extension into Asheville the road would have a direct line from the seaboard to the mountains.

Prepare For Long Flight.

San Francisco, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Three U. S. naval seaplanes which will attempt a non-stop flight to Honolulu next Friday, were anchored off Crissy Field today undergoing final preparations for the 2,000 mile voyage.

Marines Sleep While Guarding President.

Swampscott, Mass., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Two marines of the special detail assigned to guard the summer white house, were found asleep at their post of duty early this morning. Charges of neglect of duty have been preferred against them, and Captain A. Andrews, the President's naval aide, has ordered an investigation.

Will Consider Philadelphia Record Proposal.

Miami, Fla., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Mrs. William Jennings Bryan today announced she would give immediate consideration to the proposal of The Philadelphia Record for a national memorial to Mr. Bryan.

WANT SETTLEMENT ABOUT LOST LAND

Effort Being Made to Determine Ownership of Florida Land Which Is Claimed by Two Now.

Marco, Fla., Aug. 24.—(AP)—First definite action designed to determine the ownership of disputed property on Marco Island in the controversy between Baron G. Collier, New York advertising magnate, and Walter Williams, owner of the township of Marco, was expected today, according to announcement by Williams.

The old settlers reported today by Captain Jim Daniels who has lived on the island since 1870 and who has staked a claim on property claimed by Collier, planned to cut a fence erected by Collier's agents around the disputed property. They expect Captain Daniels to be arrested by Sheriff Maynard of Collier county on charges of trespassing and malicious destruction of property.

Williams announced he would back Captain Daniels in carrying the case to the circuit court, thus compelling Collier to prove ownership of the land. Williams and the settlers hope by this action to obtain a court decision as to whether the property, said to be unsurveyed, belongs rightly to the New York advertising man or to the United States.

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YOUNG UNIVERSITY STUDENT KILLED IN FIGHT WITH GUNMEN

John Henry Klassin Slain by Gangsters and Male Companion Was Badly Beaten.

EIGHT ARRESTS MADE SO FAR

Police Say Four of Arrested Men Have Confessed. Klassin Killed With Paving Stone.

Chicago, Aug. 24.—(AP)—A university of Chicago medical student was beaten to death and a companion slugged by gangsters yesterday following a fancied insult to three sisters which was resented by the escort of the girls.

The slain student was John Henry Klassin, 25, of Mankato, Kans., a junior in the school of medicine, and his companion Jas. P. Micham, a son of P. M. Micham, wealthy oil operator of Fort Worth, Texas. Eight men including Archie Carlini, 21, named by the police as the leader of the attack, are under arrest, confessions having been obtained from four of them.

Klassin's skull was fractured, apparently by a paving stone, and he died without regaining consciousness.

SAYS ENGINEER KNEW VESSEL WAS DANGEROUS

Edward Cassidy Says He Told Mackinac Engineer That Boiler Was Not Safe.

Providence, R. I., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Chief Engineer John Grant, of the Steamer Mackinac, the boiler of which blew up last Tuesday, taking fifty lives, was aware of the dangerous condition of the boiler before the steamer started on the ill-fated excursion, said testimony submitted today at the hearing being conducted here under the direction of the Federal Steamboat Inspection Service.

Edward Cassidy, a welder, testified that he had been called upon to do some repair work on the boiler, but that he could not do the work because it would have been necessary to remove planking before he could reach the place to be repaired. He testified he warned Grant of the seriousness of the break and told him the boat "might get to Newport and might blow up," and that Grant replied "I know it."

He also said Grant had told him "in case anything happens" to say "it was a new break." The testimony of Walter A. Parent, another welder, sustained Cassidy's story.

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JOHN EDNEY BEING HELD FOR KILLING JIM CLARKE TODAY

The Men Are Said to Have Quarreled Over Woman and Edney Shot Clarke Just Above the Heart.

WERE RIDING IN AUTO AT TIME

Stopped to Fix Puncture and Argument Started—Men Had Been Friends For Years, It is Said.

Hendersonville, Aug. 24.—(AP)—John Edney, a resident of Edneyville, of this county, is being held in jail here without bond embarged with the killing early this morning of Jim Clarke, 26.

The killing is alleged to have taken place near Edneyville this morning about 4 o'clock during the progress of an automobile ride in which Edney and Clarke participated. The men are said to have gotten out of the car to fix a puncture when a quarrel arose between them concerning a woman. During the fight which ensued, Edney is said to have fired one shot which struck Clarke just over the heart.

A man named Lyda notified a constable in Edneyville, W. J. Rogers and J. A. Garren went to the scene, where they found Clarke's body lying in the road. Edney was arrested and brought to Hendersonville, where he is being held pending a coroner's inquest tomorrow morning. Clarke is survived by his parents, three sisters and a brother. The men are said to have been friends previous to their quarrel.

SENATOR COPELAND IS BACKING HILAN

Formally Indorses Mayor's Candidacy—Mrs. Minnie Abel Throws Her Support to Walker.

New York, Aug. 23.—As the principals in New York's mayoralty campaign rested Saturday in preparation for the campaign of oratory scheduled for this week, Mayor Hylan granted an important recruit when United States Senator Royal S. Copeland, once a member of New York's official Democratic family, issued a statement endorsing the mayor's candidacy. His action marks a break with the leadership of Governor Smith, but was not entirely unexpected as the senator long has been a friend of the mayor.

In Brooklyn, however, the mayoral support through the defection of Mrs. Minnie J. Abel, co-leader of the 17th assembly district and a member of the Kings county executive committee.

"If Senator Walker is good enough for Governor Smith, he is good enough for me," said Mrs. Abel.

On Monday night Frank D. Waterman, Republican-citizen candidate for mayor, will open his campaign with an address.

Governor Smith will make his address in behalf of State Senator James J. Walker, the Tammany designee, on August 27th, in Brooklyn.

THE COTTON MARKET.

The Market Opened Unchanged to 9 Points Lower, But Later Tone Was Steady.

New York, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Early trading in the cotton market was confined largely to further evening up of accounts in advance of government crop reports. Liverpool quotations were lower and there were private reports of lower temperature in the south with showers in southern parts of Texas over the week-end. Scattered selling resulted, with the market opening unchanged to 9 points lower, but the tone was steady and prices fairly well sustained during the first hour.

Cotton futures: Oct. 23.30; Dec. 23.60; Jan. 23.10; March 23.40; May 23.72.

No Word of Boycott Received.

Washington, Aug. 24.—(AP)—No word of a boycott of American goods at Changhai, reported in a dispatch to the Liverpool Post, has reached the State department.

Diamonds in their natural state are usually of a dull lead color.

STAR THEATRE Program For Week of August 24th to 29th Monday and Tuesday "THE DEVIL'S CARGO" With Pauline Starke, and Wallace Beery. It's a Paramount Special Wednesday Only Will Be a Paramount Picture. Big Special with Special Music Also Thursday and Friday "WILD SUSAN" With Bebe Daniels and Rod La Rocque It's a Paramount Saturday A Five-Reel Western and a Comedy

FRENCH DEPT WITH BRITAIN IS PARLEY DISCUSSION

Joseph Caillaux Goes to London for Conference With Winston Churchill Regarding the Debt.

FIRST PROPOSAL MAY NOT STAND

Hardly Likely That France Will Agree to Pay 20,000,000 Pounds Sterling Yearly as Suggested.

London, August 24.—(AP)—Joseph Caillaux, the French minister of finance, was here today for a conversation with Winston Churchill, chancellor of the British exchequer, regarding the terms for the settlement of France's debt of \$623,000,000.

No time has been set for the duration of the conversation, and speculation as to the length varies from three days to a week or more. But in any case the talks will not finally settle the question for M. Caillaux will make report to his government before any decision is taken.

Recent statement in the French press have created the opinion here that France is not prepared to consider payment of anything like 20,000,000 pounds Sterling yearly which Great Britain mentioned as being an acceptable sum when French financial experts were here recently, and expectation is that M. Caillaux's offer will not exceed 10,000,000 annually, although it is expected this will be increased if France is able to make advantageous arrangement with the United States respecting her debt to that country.

QUIT WEEK PROMISED PRESIDENT COOLIDGE

Will See Few Government Officials But Hasn't Many Appointments.

Swampscott, Aug. 24.—(AP)—President Coolidge began another week of his vacation today with indications that it would be perhaps the quietest he has enjoyed since he arrived here late in June. He plans to continue his practice of conferring from time to time with high government officials and Congressional leaders but few appointments have been made for this week.

Thus far there has been no indication as to when the President will return to Washington although there is a strong possibility he will remain here until after Labor Day. The impending tieup of anthracite mines scheduled for a week from tomorrow as a result of the failure of operators and miners to agree on a new wage scale is not likely to have any effect on Mr. Coolidge's plans. It is understood he does not consider that suspension of operations would necessitate in any way his return to the capital as he is determined for the present at least to maintain a hands off policy.

Memory of Bill Nye Will Be Perpetuated by North Carolina. Fletcher, N. C., Aug. 24.—(AP)—Five memorials to Edgar Wilson (Bill) Nye, grouped about his last resting place in the heart of the Blue Ridge Mountains, at Fletcher, will be formally dedicated Tuesday, August 25th. These reminders of the famous humorist include a memorial window in the old Chantry Episcopal Church; a bronze tablet marking his grave in the churchyard; a monument on which a bronze tablet will tell a brief story of his life, on the Hendersonville-Asheville highway; a memorial flag, staff, the gift of the city of Asheville, and a memorial shelter, erected by the Masonic fraternity of Asheville.

Dedictory exercises over these memorials will mark the 75th anniversary of the humorist's birth at Shilley, Maine. Frank W. Nye, son of the humorist, and Mrs. Eugene Pharr, a daughter, will be present.

Miss Dunn Killed in Motor Accident. Charlotte, Aug. 23.—Miss Susan Dunn, for six years a member of Queens College faculty, was killed Saturday night in an auto accident in Lancaster, Ky., her old home. She was to return to Queens in September. She was 50 years of age. During the summer she received her master's degree. She was a valued member of Queens' faculty.

Minister to Haiti Found Dead in Bed. Montreal, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Arthur Bailly Blanchard, United States minister to Haiti, since 1914, was found dead in his bedroom at the Mount Royal Hotel early today.

SAT'S BEAR SAYS: Cloudy on the coast and partly cloudy in interior tonight and Tuesday.