

STEVENS IS
FINE WITNESS AND
AIDS HIS DEFENSE

Was on Stand Only Seven
Minutes Today But Dur-
ing That Time He Won
Points to Aid His Case.

READY WIT FOR
ALL QUESTIONS

He Proved That Oddities
of His Appearance Con-
cealed Ready Tongue
and Keen Mind.

Court House, Somerville, N. J.,
Nov. 24.—(AP)—Willie Stevens, whose
oddities of appearance conceal a ready
tongue and keen calculating mind,

The defendant on trial with his
brother and sister, Henry Stevens and
Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall, has been
misrepresented by his neighbors who

His account of his movements
placed him asleep at the Hall home
when the double killing took place,

Bland and smiling, he finally left
the witness box in a flurry of polite
accommodation to the wishes of the
spatial prosecutor.

ASKS INCOME OF ONE
DAY FOR THE ORPHANS
State Orphanage Association Asks a
Collection of This Amount as a
Thanksgiving Collection.

Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 24.—(AP)—
Just for a day.

The funds will be collected on
Thanksgiving Day through churches,
lodges and the orphanage directly.

MRS. MEAD DEFENDS
PACIFIST ELEMENT
She Says Opposition of American
League is Caused by Ignorance of
the Matter.

High Point, Nov. 23.—Mrs. Lucia
Ames Mead, of Boston, who is in this
city delivering a series of speeches
against war, declared today that the
attack launched by the American League

Mrs. Mead explained that she did
not mean that the men and women
behind the attack on her and pacifists
in general were ignorant people, but
merely ignorant on the matter in
question.

He who laughs last is probably the
one who intends to tell the same
funny story himself a little later.

Officials Say That Otto Wood
"Wrote His Way to Freedom"

Raleigh, Nov. 24.—(AP)—"He wrote
his way to freedom" signed State prison
officials immediately after it became
known that Otto Wood, North Carolina's
most notorious criminal, had escaped again.

Wood, like many desperadoes, has a
penchant for personality and a most dis-
arming approach. Visitors at the
prison were hard to convince when told
that the pleasant appearing young man
confined in the narrow limits of a
cell on "death row" was the prison's
formidable "bad man."

It was this personality, transmitted
through his book, that gained him an
audience with the prison board and
his eventual release from solitary con-
finement. His book gained a circula-
tion of more than 500 copies, and in
addition to giving the hobby occupant
of "death row" a little solace, brought
him also funds, which it has been
hinted, might have been used in his
most recent break for freedom.

In his book, Wood declared he had
reformed and he realized the best
course for a prisoner was to behave
himself and serve out his term.

That was the idea he got across
with the prison board, and on Sep-
tember 12th, over the protests of Super-
intendent George Ross Pou and
Major Hugh Love, assistant superin-
tendent, he was released from the im-
penetrable walls of "death row" to the
freedom of the back yard and a day-
time job as fireman in the prison boiler
room.

"He'll get away again," Superin-
tendent Pou predicted, reflecting upon
the other two successful dashes for
freedom engineered by the Guilford
county murderer.

With two days of the anniver-
sary of his escape last year, Wood
was gone again. Last year he got
away by hiding in concrete culvert and
being hauled out of the prison walls.
This time he is thought to have en-
gaged a deal either directly with a
prison guard or with outside help.

REPRIEVES ARE GRANTED
TO NEGRO PRISONERS
Robert Lumpkin and Booker Williams
Saved From Electric Chair.

Raleigh, Nov. 24.—(AP)—Robert
Lumpkin and Booker Williams, negroes
sentenced to die on Friday for
murder, were reprieved today by
Governor McLean until January 2nd.

The negroes were convicted of the
murder on December 26, 1925, of B.
M. Rodgers, chief of police of the
town of Rowland, Robeson county.

PREDICTS NATION WILL BE
AT WAR IN SIX MONTHS
Lieut. Col. W. A. Fair Tells Hickory
Guardmen They May as Well Get
Ready.

Hickory, Nov. 23.—Upholding a
muspetic reputation that saw him
safely through predictions of the
Mexican trouble and the World War,
Lieutenant Colonel Warren A. Fair,
of Lincoln, a member of the officers
reserve corps, told members of the
local guard unit at a banquet here
last night that "you may expect to
see active service within six months"

MONEY TO LEND TO FARMERS.
Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 22.—"Money
to lend."
This is the slogan of the Alabama
Cotton Finance Corporation, organized
by leading bankers and business men
to save farmers of the state from con-
ditions brought by an overproduction
of cotton.

NO PAPER TOMORROW
The Tribune will not be issued
tomorrow—Thanksgiving Day. The
Times will be printed this evening,
as usual on this occasion of national
Thanksgiving.

DANIELS WITNESS
AT THE DOHENY
AND FALLS TRIAL

Says No Oil Leases Were
Granted During Time He
Served as Secretary of
the Navy.

HOLDING BIGGEST
GUNS IN RESERVE
So Far Prosecution Has
Brought Out Only the
History of Oil Reserves
Now in Dispute.

Washington, Nov. 24.—(AP)—With
its biggest artillery still in reserve,
the prosecution in the Fall-Doheny
oil conspiracy case continued today
its tedious preliminary barrage of
facts and geological data concerned
in the Elk Hills naval oil lease.

By the testimony of the four, the
government hoped not only to further
strengthen the chain of evidence re-
garding administration of the oil re-
serves before they were transferred to
the Interior Department, but also to
strike directly into the circumstances
under which it first became known be-
fore the Senate committee that the
defendant Edward J. Doheny made a
\$100,000 payment to the defendant
Albert B. Fall, while the latter held
the Interior Department, and be-
fore the Doheny interests received their
lease to Elk Hills.

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Star's Son



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G. M. AUSTIN SAYS HE
IS NOT AFRAID OF OTTO
Man Who Married Prisoner's
Daughter Wife Says He is Hunting
For Him.

Winston-Salem, Nov. 23.—In
North Carolina today there is one
man who is not afraid of Otto Wood
and that man is G. M. (Red) Austin,
who married the wife of the
state's "famous bad man."

Another Cotton Mill
Plans to Come South
Textile Concerns Are Leaving New
England States in Interest of Economy.

Worcester, Mass., Nov. 23.—Adding to
a long list of recent changes in the
textile situation in New England, the
Otis company of Worcester today
announced a plan for closing their plant
here and removing manufacture to
the South. The project will be sub-
mitted to the stockholders for ratifi-
cation on December 6th.

Football Scores
Will Be Received
For Local Fans
Football fans who for various
reasons must remain at home to-
morrow can keep up with the pro-
gress of the North Carolina teams
through Associated Press reports to
be received by The Daily Trib-
une.

DEMOCRATS NOT TO
NAME SMITH, SAYS
DRY CONGRESSMAN

"Not the Ghost of Chance
for Al Smith," Says Wil-
liam D. Uphaw, in In-
terview Given in City.

HIS NOMINATION
WILL BE FOUGHT
Should He Be Nominated,
Says Militant Dry Lead-
er, Voters of the Nation
Would Not Accept Him.

"Not the ghost of a chance for Al
Smith," said Hon. William D. Up-
shaw, member of Congress from Geor-
gia, and militant dry leader, here to-
day.

LEONID KRASSIN IS
DEAD AT HIS POST
Was Russian Charge D'Affaires in
London—Had Been Ill Several
Months.

London, Nov. 24.—(AP)—Leonid
Krassin, Russian soviet charge d'aff-
aires in London, died at 4 o'clock
this morning from pernicious ane-
mia.

Man Leaps From Washington Mon-
ument and Ends His Life
Washington, Nov. 22.—For the
second time in 60 hours the Wash-
ington monument was the scene to-
day of a suicide.

SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT
ENJOYABLE OCCASION
Congressman W. D. Uphaw, of Geor-
gia, Makes Interesting Address
Filled With Wit on the Subject of
'Schools and Fools.'

Some people are born good; others
make good.
If I had not gained the mastery of
my will power on that historic Fourth
of July.

QUEEN MAIRE AND
CHILDREN SAIL FOR
RUMANIAN HOME
New York, Nov. 24.—(AP)—
Queen Marie of Rumania with
Princess Jeanne and Prince Nich-
olas, sailed for Bucharest today,
cutting short the American tour
to return to the bedside of King
Ferdinand. Before the Berengaria,
bearing the royal party sailed, some
200 persons were received in the
royal suite, and the farewell cheers
of other hundreds crowded on the
pier were acknowledged by the
royal visitors from the deck.

Bouncer



Mrs. Linton Orman is chief
of the London Special Patrol
of British Fascists, which, at
a Fascist meeting at St. Pa-
cras Baths, threw out 5
women not agreeing with
speakers.

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Contemplated by State Highway
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proceedings arose here this morning
to thwart for the second time the
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sion of constructing the link of high-
way Route 10 which leads through the
county of Newton. The legal barrier
to letting the contract was served on
Commissioner Frank Page just prior
to the time set for the opening of bids
on the project.

THE COTTON MARKET
Opened Barely Steady at Decline
of 1 to 8 Points, With Active Months
Rallying Later.
New York, Nov. 24.—(AP)—The cot-
ton market opened barely steady to-
day at a decline of 1 to 8 points, with
near months relatively easy on liquida-
tion incident to the circulation of the
first December notices. There was also
scattered selling of later deliveries
prompted by relatively easy Liverpool
cables, but after selling off to 12.34,
December rallied to 12.30, while Jan-
uary advanced from 12.40 to 12.40.

THE WEATHER
Mostly cloudy tonight and Thursday
cooler Thursday. Moderate south-
west shifting to northwest and north
winds.

POLICE SEEK CLUE
IN SOLVING DEATH
OF L. C. FORSYTH

Body Left at Filling Station at
Garner by Persons Who Asked
Proprietor to Bring Physician.

LEFT THE BODY
AND DROVE OFF
Robert Separks Said to Be
One of Men in Car With
Body.—Gang Warfare
May Have Caused Death.

Raleigh, Nov. 24.—(AP)—Mystery
surrounds the death of L. C. (Mighty)
Forsyth, 24 years old, near here last
night, as police returned empty-handed
from the search for his alleged
slayer. Two conflicting theories as to
the manner of his death were ad-
vanced.

Forsyth was brought to a local hos-
pital at 3 o'clock this morning, but
was found to be dead. His body had
been unloaded from a touring car at
a Garner road filling station, with a
plea to Paul King, the proprietor, to
hurry him to a hospital here. King
occupied the touring car said they
were out of gasoline, but when police
went back to look for them neighbors
who had been aroused by the
turmoil said that the gasless car had
sped away soon after King's car left
for Raleigh with the body. They said
it, too, headed toward the capital city.

King said that the car was occu-
pied by two men and a woman. He
said he recognized one of the men as
Robert Separks, but did not know the
other man or the woman. Separks is
wanted by police in several eastern
North Carolina cities for alleged il-
legal trafficking and laying smoke
screens.

Police also had associated Forsyth
with an eastern Carolina rum ring,
and regarded it as possible that he was
a victim of gang warfare. The other
theory is that he came to his death
by falling from the car. His death
was crushed in such a manner as to
support the latter theory.

Highway 10 Route
Is Again in Question
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The injunction was served for the
same plaintiffs who last spring suc-
cessfully blocked the highway com-
mission from constructing the States-
ville-Newton link in accordance with
engineers' recommendation. They are
The Town of Newton and a number
of its citizens. The injunction was
obtained from Judge P. A. McElroy,
at Hickory, and is returnable before
Judge W. F. Harding at Lepior on
December 3rd. Accompanying the
injunction papers was notice of an
application for a writ of mandamus
to force the highway commission to
build the road in accordance with the
recent decision of the Supreme Court.
The injunction sets forth that the
present route leaving Statesville and
running north of the Catawba River
through Claremont and Catawba and
then south into Newton at its new
court house, is not in accordance with
the dictates of the supreme tribunal.

W. C. Feinster and Wilson Wat-
lick, attorneys of Catawba county,
were here today representing the
plaintiffs. The legal action, however,
did not interfere with opening the
bids which were being compiled by
Acting Highway Engineer Leslie H.
Ames early this afternoon.

Some get into touch with departed
spirits through a medium—others
through a bootlegger.

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