

A FORMER CIRCUS CLOWN MURDERED

Eddie Eckhart Removed from Automobile and Shot by Unknown Man

(By Associated Press). Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 25.—Eddie Eckhart, aged 25, formerly a clown with the Barnum and Bailey circus, was shot and killed early today by a motor car with drawn curtains stop-identified man who escaped. A ped on a corner in the outlying section of the city, the driver dragged Eckhart from the rear seat to the pavement, steadied him with some difficulty and shot him through the forehead with a revolver. The slayer then re-entered the car and drove away. Before the body was removed and while several persons were gathered about it, a car drove up and the occupant alighted. Turning a flash light on the face of the dead man, he remarked: "Well, I guess Eddie's dead." Witnesses of the killing declared this man, who hurried away again, was the slayer. The police believe the killing was due to an old grudge.

AMERICA TO TRAIN MANY MECHANICS

A Large Corps Will Be Sent to Europe to Help Airmen

(By Associated Press) With the American Army in France, Monday, Dec. 24—Extensive training quarters will be established in England and France for a corps of several thousand mechanics to repair and care for the machines of American airmen. Washington has been asked to send to England 13,000 bricklayers and carpenters and also a large number of laborers for construction at the training quarters. When the work in England is completed, the construction men will come to France to building quarters here.

It is inadvisable to mention the number of men who will be trained in England. It is sufficient that the army is determined to have more than enough efficient men available for America's success in the air will depend primarily upon this corps of mechanics.

Flying schools for Italian aviators are to be established in the United States for two purposes. First, the conditions in certain sections of the United States are better than in Italy, and second, the utilization of training airplanes and equipment in the United States will save the tonnage involved in transportation to this side. Expeditionary headquarters has recommended that the American government provide for the construction of schools, the manufacture of airplanes and engines on Italian models and the feeding and housing of skilled pilots and students. The expense is to be met by Italy at a price to be determined later. It is planned to have the program become effective in the middle of 1918.

POPE EXCHANGE SEASON'S GREETINGS

(By Associated Press) Rome, Dec. 24—Pope Benedict today received the members of the Sacred College for an exchange of Christmas greetings. In answer to an address delivered by Cardinal Vincent Vannutelli, dean of the college, the Pope renewed his recommendations for incessant prayers for peace. The Holy Father expressed hope for a brighter future and rejoiced at the liberation of Jerusalem.

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THE EXPEDITIONARY FORCE CAPITULATED TO SAINT NICHOLAS

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fortunate, were provided with chicken or goose, so that Christmas promised a day of "big eats" in the zone.

Taken all in all, the American army is spending a real American Christmas in France.

PATRIOTIC SPIRIT RULED IN BOSTON

(By Associated Press). Boston, Mass., Dec. 25.—Patriotism joined hands with the Christmas spirit today. In the thousands of homes of this city and its suburbs where last night the Red Cross flags in the windows were brilliantly illuminated, the first thought this morning was for the children, but following close behind it came the remembrance of the men in the service of their country. Soldiers, sailors and marines now in training in this vicinity were given a cheerful Christmas. Many organizations joined in providing entertainment and all the men received useful gifts. But the traditional Christmas observance was not neglected. Inmates of prisons, homes and hospitals were generously remembered. Aliens at the immigration station, including 15 Germans, were given a Christmas tree and an entertainment.

PACKING HOUSE LABOR DISPUTES

(By Associated Press). Chicago, Dec. 25.—John E. Williams, fuel administrator of Illinois, early today was appointed referee in all labor disputes arising in the packing house industry of the United States during the war. The appointment was agreed upon by representatives of pickers and laborers after conferences with President Wilson's labor mediation board which started yesterday morning and did not end until nearly daylight this morning. The packing houses represented were: Armour and Company, Swift and Company, Morris and Company, Cudahy and Company, and Wilson and Company. The agreement affects all of their plants, located in Chicago, Kansas City, Denver, St. Louis, Ills., Oklahoma City, Sioux City, Iowa, St. Paul, Omaha, Neb., and St. Joseph, Mo.

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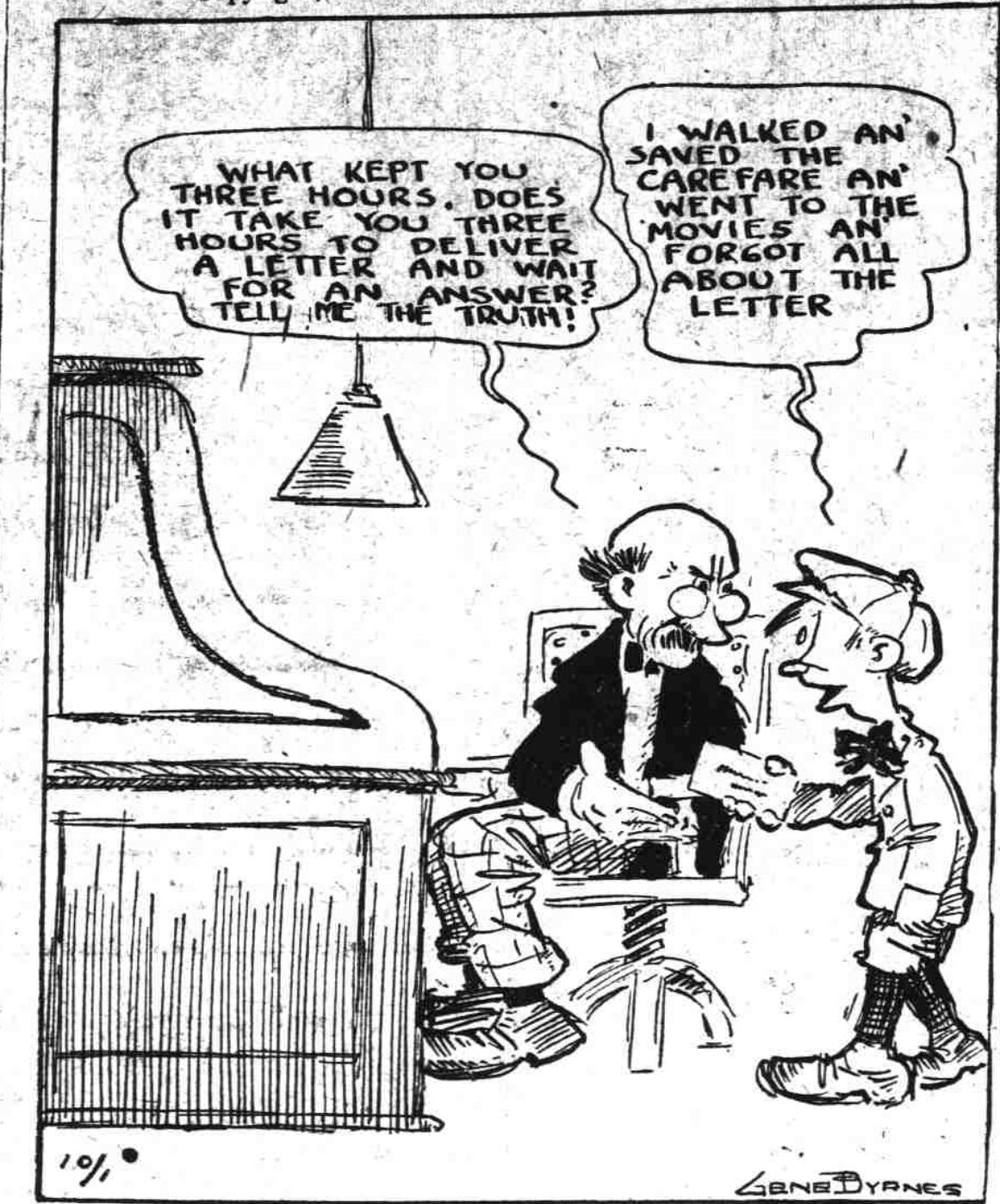
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