

## Boiled White Shirt Still Has Part Human Tragedy

### New York Woman Uses This Sensational Method of Sending Notes from Her Apartment Castle to Tell the Public How Her Husband Mistreated Her

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New York, Feb. 20.—The important part of a boiled white shirt may play in human drama has been newly demonstrated. And with that demonstration comes proof positive that the romantic days of yore when knights went about looking for notes of distress dropped by fair ladies in castles imprisoned are not departed for good.

Seven boiled white shirts this week have floated from a window on the eleventh floor of a fashionable 72nd street apartment house begging through notes pinned inside that gallant knights below should "help! Bring milk or food or any sort of aid" to Mrs. Milton J. Budlong, voluntary "captive" in her room.

The shirts have aimed to save the life of the New York and Newport society leader who thought she was in mortal danger. And valiant rescuers, in the form of newspaper reporters, and an avidly curious public, have sought to answer the pleas their hidden notes contained.

For seven days Mrs. Jessie Margaret Budlong has been barricaded in her husband's apartment, subsisting solely on water because she feared her heretofore law-abiding husband was suddenly going to poison her. The "ogre husband," so she claims, has kept her isolated, barred from the company of servants or friends, telephone connections with the outside world cut off, without food except what his representatives offered—and which she was sure was poisoned—and finally with the water supply cut off.

The boiled shirt taken from the upper drawer of the bureau in his room where she has been locked, with a note pinned inside has been her only medium of seeking help. More numerous than could be counted in several minutes have been the offers of "courageous knights" who battled unavailingly with detectives hired by Milton Budlong. They had been told to see that his wife's "captivity" opened last Friday when she took possession of his home, was broken only by her voluntary emergence.

The first note-bearing shirt fell Friday last, when Mrs. Budlong told the world that she had occupied the eleventh floor apartment, and would stay there till the end, to prevent her husband's bringing suit for separation with the charge she had abandoned his home to live in Newport, and his so escaping alimony.

The second, third and fourth floated lazily to the street tracks at Lexington Avenue and 72nd street, in the early part of the week, wailing the captive's loneliness, whence her companion, sent on an errand had not been allowed to return—and her fears that the food offered her by her husband's representatives was poisoned.

The fifth, dropped Wednesday, assured the feverish city that if the prisoner came to harm, it would not be by her own hand—but murder, hard and cold. The sixth, which fell with a dull thud late that same afternoon, by the hand of a practical-joking detective after a strenuous, albeit, victorious, battle with a gallant newspaper man, begged "just bring milk."

And the seventh, a shimmery, silky thing, which might have been a nightgown if it hadn't been a shirt, told, on an enclosed sheet from a calendar that Mrs. Budlong had succumbed to the human need for food—and would open the door of her isolated abode today. Then in a week or two, a harassed mere man of a judge will be given a simple task. His job will be to consider the attacking and the hunger striking wife, the capturing and imprisoning husband, the boiled shirt missives with S. O. S. calls and decide whether mother or father is the more fit guardian for their three children.

## WILL INVESTIGATE FISHERIES PRODUCTS

Raleigh, Feb. 20.—Investigation of the affairs of the North Carolina Fisheries Company was requested to be made by the State Attorney General in a joint resolution adopted by the Senate today.

Both bodies agreed to hold a joint session during the day to elect trustees to State College and the University of North Carolina. Resolver sent forward a bill in the House to provide stricter life saving regulations for beach resorts.

Raleigh, Feb. 20. The joint resolution against the teaching of evolution was yesterday defeated in the second reading in the House.

The Senate passed the fish and fisheries bill.

At a meeting of the House committee on elections an unfavorable report on the Statewide Australian ballot measure was made. The House and Senate finance committees voted to report unfavorably the measure designed to repeal the law exempting foreign stock from taxation in North Carolina.

## United by President's Pardon



John Karlturas, 5, was kidnaped five years ago by his father when his mother obtained a divorce in Seattle, Wash., and taken to Alaska. His father abandoned him at St. Anthony, Idaho, and the boy was placed in reform school. Authorities had to obtain a presidential pardon for John before he could return to his mother in San Francisco.

## JOB STILL HOPES BILL WILL PASS

### Government Purchase of Bismarck Swamp Land Reauthorized by Appropriation Bill Added FEB to Senate

The permanent reauthorization of the Bismarck Swamp Land Reauthorization bill was passed by the Senate today. The bill, which was introduced by Senator C. W. Coker, reauthorizes the purchase of the Bismarck Swamp in North Carolina. The bill also provides for the purchase of other lands in the State. The bill was passed by a vote of 45 to 15.

## Let Off With Fine And Suspended Jail Sentence

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Justice Sawyer today let off a defendant with a fine and a suspended jail sentence. The defendant was charged with a violation of the prohibition laws of the State. Justice Sawyer, who was captured at a still in this section of Pasquotank known as "the desert" by Sheriff Canning one day last week and who was found guilty in the recorder's court on three counts Thursday and let off under continued judgment so as to give him opportunity to put on character witnesses Friday morning was given a fine of \$50 for possession, a fine of \$200 for possessing property intended for use in violation of the dry laws of the State, and a suspended sentence of 12 months in jail for manufacturing liquor. The sentence is suspended on condition that the defendant appear before the court once a month for the next two years and show that he is engaged in a legitimate pursuit and that he has not violated the State's dry laws.

"I do not believe that this defendant is the real owner of the still at which he was found," Trial Justice Sawyer declared. "I think that he was only a hired hand for somebody else. I wish I could get the man higher up, for unquestionably he deserves to be more severely dealt with than this defendant. However, if Pasquotank County had a convict farm to which I would send this defendant in lieu of sending him to the State Prison, I would send this defendant to it."

Then came the remark in which Judge Sawyer paid his respects to North Carolina jails in general and Pasquotank jail in particular.

The only case tried in the recorder's court Friday was that of John Williams, colored, who for reckless driving was let off with costs and a condition of payment of damages to John Liverman, colored, whom he ran into while Liverman was driving a horse and wagon.



Prize Poster  
WAR ORPHANS  
NEED YOUR HELP

Louis J. Bookwood of Pittsburg, Pa., took first prize of \$100 for the above poster he entered in the American Legion's national contest to obtain subscriptions to its \$5,000,000 endowment fund for disabled veterans and their orphans and families.

## RADIOFANS SEEK TO ELIMINATE 'GROUND'

Cooperation Supp. Parker Gives Them Valuable Data on Some Interference

Ways and means whereby interference may be eliminated or tracked to its lair was one topic of discussion at this week's meeting of the Elizabeth City Radio Club held at the Chamber of Commerce rooms in the Community Building Thursday night. At least the first step in this direction is believed to have been taken in securing the co-operation of the representatives of Superintendent Parker of the city's electric light system. Mr. Parker on Thursday night obligingly agreed to co-operate with the club in its search for the cause of the static hum in the radio steps commonly spoken of as a ground.

Thursday night at ten o'clock Mr. Parker, at the electric light plant, shifted the dynamo that the club members present might be at their seats listening in to ascertain if either of the dynamos were in themselves grounded. This explains the naughty wink the lights gave last night at 10. At ten minutes past 10 the street lights were cut off for two minutes in order that the radio fans listening in could tell if the street wires were causing the trouble. Then at 10:15 all the lights except the street lights were cut off for the same purpose. By this method of experimenting the members of the club were able to gather some most valuable and mysterious data on the sources of the interference.

At the next meeting of the club, which will be held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, Thursday at 7:30 p. m., February 26, this data will be digested and further action taken. Parker and others, for their kindly cooperation in making radio reception worth while in the city.

## PRISON WARDEN TO SERVE SENTENCE

Atlanta, Feb. 20.—A. E. Sartain, former warden of the Atlanta Federal penitentiary, and Laurence Rehl of Columbus, Ohio, were today found guilty of conspiracy to accept bribes.

Sartain was sentenced to a year and six months in the Atlanta prison while Rehl was given a year and a day. L. J. Fletcher, former deputy warden, was acquitted.

## HEAD OF HARDWARE ASSOCIATION DEAD

Lexington, Feb. 20.—Davis F. Conrad, aged 55 and president of the Hardware Association of the Carolinas, died at his home here early today after a long illness.

## ARTIST'S MODEL TO MARRY HIS NEPHEW

New York, Feb. 20.—Dorothy Knapp, model for Howard Chandler Christy, noted for his portrayal of feminine beauty, is to marry the nephew of the artist, Fehner Chandler.

## NEW TAX SCHEDULE HARD ON WORKMEN

Berlin, Feb. 20.—The new German tax schedule, according to the generally well-informed, will indicate that "conservative" tendencies in the policy of the Luther cabinet.

Two thirds of the tax burden will be borne by the workmen and the employees. The present arrangement, by which a man can escape paying an inheritance tax by leaving all his property to his wife as was done by Prince Stinnes in the hope that before his wife's death the tax would be completely abolished, is maintained. One and a half per cent of the turnover tax is maintained, but the property tax will be lowered to one half of one per cent on all property valued at more than 50,000 old marks.

Only those workmen and employees who earn less than 720 marks yearly are exempt from the income tax, as against an exemption mark of the equivalent of three thousand marks in England and twenty five thousand in France. The unearned income tax on property is abolished.

## WIFE WILL WIN FIRST PRIZE

New York, Feb. 20.—Inez Hayes Irwin, wife of Will Irwin, writer, was awarded the first prize in the sixth annual short story contest conducted by the O'Henry Memorial Committee. It was announced today.

## Author at 8



London, Feb. 20.—An official bulletin early today said that the king in spite of a somewhat restive mood was making slow progress toward recovery.

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## AGED WOMAN DEAD

Washington, Feb. 20.—Mrs. Elizabeth A. Long passed quietly away early Thursday morning at Mounts Creek where she has been making her home with her sister, Mrs. J. H. Jones. Apparently she was as well as usual at night but when her sister went to call in the next morning, she found her dead in bed. Death was attributed to heart failure.

Mrs. Long was about 75 years old. Her husband, a well known Confederate soldier, died several years ago, and since that time Mrs. Long had made her home with her sister Mrs. J. H. Jones.

## TO FIN BLAME FOR POISONING AFFAIR

Columbus, Feb. 20.—The Ohio Board of Pharmacy today requested the secretary of the Ohio Board of Pharmacy to conduct a personal investigation of the poisoning of three thousand marks in England and twenty five thousand in France. The unearned income tax on property is abolished.

## FERRY SERVICE FOUND BE IMPRACTICABLE

Ferry service between Edenhouse and Emperor, recently resumed, had to be discontinued Friday on account of low tide, according to reports received here today from travelers over the Coastal Highway. The Edenhouse-Emperor ferry, therefore, is now plying between Edenhouse and Edenton, and making three trips a day instead of the five that are made on the Emperor, Edenhouse run.

As soon as the regular boat on this run can be got off the way, ferry service between Edenhouse and Emperor, it is stated, will be resumed. In the meantime the boat now on the run will continue to make regular trips between Edenhouse and Edenton.

## Congresswoman Kahn To Seek No Special Favors

### Mrs. Florence Kahn of California, Who Fills Out Term of Late Husband, Expects to Play the Game Just Like a Man to Prove That a Woman Can

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San Francisco, Feb. 20.—When Mrs. Florence Prag Kahn, newly elected congresswoman from California goes to Washington to serve out the term of her late husband, Congressman Julius Kahn, who for 25 years served California in the House of Representatives, it will not be with the intention of seeking any special consideration or favors because of her sex.

Mrs. Kahn, if she is able to carry out her present intentions, is going to "represent" her Congressional district in all that the word implies. She is going to be "Congresswoman" in everything except the strict technicalities of gender.

She expects to fill her role of national lawmaker just as do her male conferees.

If speeches are necessary Mrs. Kahn is going to make speeches. On the other hand speeches remaining uncalled for, she is going to strictly observe a self-imposed rule of Congressional silence until she has something "worth while" to say.

Above all, with considerable pride in her sex, Mrs. Kahn is going to endeavor to prove that womanhood properly has a place in political and governmental affairs.

Outside of the fourth Congressional district of California which on Tuesday elected Mrs. Kahn to Congress, the impression may prevail that her election was largely a matter of sentiment in her own district, however, no such idea exists.

Last December in the same district when Congressman Julius Kahn died after representing the fourth continuously in Congress since 1898, it was undoubtedly sympathy and sentiment which prompted the movement to have his widow serve out his term.

Since then, however, conditions have changed. Strong opponents came out against Mrs. Kahn and it was necessary that she put up a real political fight to win. She did! Among other things she went out and made a lot of good political speeches. In them she showed such a comprehensive knowledge of national affairs and the workings of Congress that the voters forgot about sentiment and voted for her on her merits. Now they are quite outspokenly expecting big things of her—

among other things that she will demonstrate herself to be a real Congresswoman.

Aprons of her own plans in Washington Mrs. Kahn says: "One of the things which I learned during 25 years as the wife of a Congressman is not to be inquisitive. When things come up and not to talk too much, so I am not going to say that I will do any particular thing except to represent my district the best I am able. Two years hence I expect to go before the same voters who elected me this time and ask them to re-elect me solely on my record.

"If it is necessary to make speeches in Congress I will do so. Making a speech just because I am a woman isn't going to bother me. Of course my speeches may not be good ones. But they ought to be. I heard so many good speakers and so many poor ones during the years that my husband was a Congressman that maybe I can profit by the fine points and faults of both kinds.

"One rule, however, that I am going to carry with me to Washington, is, I am not going to talk too much. There have been members of Congress in the past, and probably there are some now, who talk all the time and say nothing. If I have something worth while to say I am going to say it—otherwise I am going to hold my peace.

"Also, if I feel called upon to say something, I am going to know the facts before I start. You can't say 'I think' or 'I guess' in Congress and get away with it. You must be able to say 'I know' and then prove it.

"There is no reason why, just because I am a woman, that I should not make an efficient member of Congress. In fact there is no good reason why women in general can't do just as good work in politics and public office as men. It is my belief that women as women, to be effective in politics, must have great numbers—for instance, in Congress if we had enough women members we might have a women's bloc. But lacking enough members for a bloc I propose to do the best I can. Possibly I may do well enough that other states might want to have women Congress members too."

## Insured Against Love



But nobody can stop us from falling in love with Sally Long, candidate for 1925's choice as most perfect Hollywood beauty who was brought a picture only after D. W. Griffith obtained \$100,000 against her falling in love and leaving his company.

## KING IS MAKING SLOW PROGRESS

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## FRANCE CONSIDERS LEVY ON CAPITAL

Paris, Feb. 20.—Official circles today conceded that the capital levy in some form is among the plans the government is studying for the solution of France's financial trouble.

## MARX AND CABINET OFFER RESIGNATION

Berlin, Feb. 20.—With the Marx, president of the cabinet, resigned today after failing to obtain a vote of confidence.

## Was One Man Who Felt He Knew President Coolidge

### Dr. Marion L. Burton Who Died This Week at Ann Arbor, Michigan, Spoke as Friend and Not Politician When He Made Nomination Speech

By ROBERT T. SMALL  
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Washington, Feb. 20.—Dr. Marion L. Burton, who died at Ann Arbor, Michigan, Tuesday, was one man who felt that he knew Calvin Coolidge. When he was called upon to place Mr. Coolidge in nomination for the Presidency at Cleveland last June, Dr. Burton spoke as a friend and not as a politician. He did not deal with issues. He gave his conception of the man.

Dr. Burton is held by many newspapers to have exceeded the Vice Presidency of Charles D. Sawyer, the Indiana family physician, young Calvin Coolidge, Secretary of Agriculture, Henry C. Wallace, Mr. Enten's work, wife of the Secretary of the Interior, and Fred W. Landon, of the Republican national committee, who was constant White House guest during the Harding regime.

President Coolidge chose both wisely and well in selecting Dr. Burton to present his name at the Cleveland nomination.

Mr. Coolidge knew of course that the nomination was assured long before the delegates gathered. He knew that his policies were generally understood, but he felt that he himself was scarcely known to the rank and file of the party.

Dr. Burton announced in a case that he would speak as a friend and not as a politician. His 45-minute address was a masterly piece of praise. Epigrammatic cologne rippled from his eloquent tongue.

"The climax of his address was when he referred to Mr. Coolidge in the words the latter had once employed in speaking of Lincoln: 'The great man of all time baffled all analysis and all description.'

Dr. Burton, who is already stated, felt that he knew Mr. Coolidge better than any of his political associates, because of the years he spent in company with him at Northampton, Massachusetts, before the President had sat in the seat of the mighty, gave his estimate of the man in rapid fire sentences, some of them as terse as any the man in the White House has ever uttered.

"I shall make no effort to exalt him," said Dr. Burton; "he does not need it. He is not a superman and would be the last to think so. There is not a trace of show or ostentation about him. He does nothing merely for appearance."

"It may be an example, but he would never set one."

"If it be said that he is rarely common, it must also be known that he is nobly uncommon."

"A great man is always simple and direct."

"He can see into the very heart of things."

"He never lacks dignity."

"He has moral fiber. There is a moral grandeur about him."

"You simply can't think of him as soft and flabby."

"He aims actually to do what he knows he ought to do."

"There is a rigor and a vigor to his life which suggests sternness and discipline."

"With him there is no compromise. When he knows what is right he follows it with restless and persistent endeavor."

"He seems the epitome of sheer self control."

He early learned that obedience is essential in a well-ordered group.

"Fidelity is a part of his being. He inherited it out of the background from which he came, a sturdy American. He is a practical idealist."

Such was the friend President Coolidge has lost and deeply mourns.

## FLIRTING WOULD BE MISDEMEANOR

Raleigh, Feb. 20.—Flirting with college girls would be classed as a misdemeanor punishable by fines of not less than \$5 nor more than \$50 or imprisonment for not less than ten days nor more than 30 under the provisions of a bill expected to be introduced by the Senate committee on education at its next meeting. Senator Swell of Lee is the author of the bill.

## FIVE KILLED WHEN TROLLEY RUNS OFF

Manila, Feb. 20.—Five persons including two Army officers were injured today and 14 others were injured when a runaway trolley dashed off a continental from the peak of Corregidor Island.

The car overturned on a sharp curve. Major John Hunter and Lieutenant Colonel R. E. Horner were the Army officers killed.

## HAS STRANGE COLLARD

Washington, Feb. 20.—Joseph H. Allgood, one of the prosperous farmers of Broad Creek, brought in town Thursday a 12-leaf collard which is a curiosity. This collard put out 12 stocks from the sides at perfect right angles to each other, the stocks on each side being of same thickness, the whole forming perfect sides from bottom to top. Each leaf was fresh and green, showing much vitality.

## COTTON MARKET

New York, Feb. 20.—Spot cotton closed quiet, middling 24.50, a decline of 15 points. Futures, closing bid: March 24.23, May 24.60, July 24.83, October 24.63, December 24.63.

New York, Feb. 20.—Cotton futures opened today at the following levels: March 24.30, May 24.65, July 24.90, Oct. 24.72, Dec 24.75.