

W. A. PINKERTON, DETECTIVE, DIES

Famous Criminologist Passes Away at Los Angeles; Reformed Criminals

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 11.—William A. Pinkerton, world-famous detective, died here this morning at the Hotel Biltmore.

One of the first noted American criminologists to advocate and practice humanitarian methods in dealing with felons, William Allan Pinkerton, head of the Pinkerton National Detective Agency, was credited with having reformed more safe blowers and bank robbers than any other man in the country.

Primarily a thief-taker, Mr. Pinkerton spent more than 50 years of his life running down criminals of all classes, yet he always stood ready to proffer a helping hand to the unfortunate malefactor whose repentance was genuine and whose desire to reform was sincere.

Knowing criminals and their methods, their weaknesses, and their human side as perhaps no other man of his time had known them, Pinkerton never sympathized with the theorist and sentimentalists who sought to reform desperate, wanted men by kind words, but he did know that a little help and a little encouragement in the right place were frequently more effective than imprisonment. Scores of former criminals scattered over the country are now living honest and useful lives as a result of the reform measures practiced by the arch enemy of their criminal days.

Detective Agency
William Allan Pinkerton and his brother, Robert A., succeeded to the business of their father, Allan Pinkerton, when the latter died in 1884, after founding the detective agency which bears his name. This was before the powerful armor-plated vaults, electrically operated and protected, were heard of, and safe blowers were in their hey-day. Determined to specialize in bank protection, William Pinkerton enlisted the support of leading financial institutions of the country and then made a detailed study of their methods.

"You leave my people alone and I'll leave you alone. If you don't I'll follow you to the end of the earth."

This warning made a deep impression upon many of the most dangerous thieves, and after a few convictions had been obtained, there was a noticeable decrease in the number of bank robberies. Some scoffed at the big detective's warning, but most of them were caught in time.

William A. Pinkerton was born in Dundee Illinois, April 7, 1843. He was educated in public and private schools and when ready for college entered Notre Dame University.

Government Pays The Seaboard \$750,000

New York, Dec. 12.—S. Davies Warfield, president of the Seaboard Air Line Railway company, said tonight that the road had received \$750,000 cash in final settlement for the period of public operating during the war. Announcement was made in Washington recently that negotiations between the company and the government had been concluded. "The settlement," Mr. Warfield

Monroe, Dec. 12.—Mrs. Powers, a native of this county, took a room at the Joffre hotel about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, went to it, put on a dressing gown and drank a bottle of poison. At 9 o'clock this morning, when the clerk had neither seen nor heard anything of her since she went to the room, and made an investigation, her body was found in the room. She had not used the bed and must have died in a few minutes after going to the room.

She left a note saying that the deed was the result of unhappiness with her husband, who is a printer, supposed to be working in Winston. They had lived in Columbia, Wilmington and Winston. She was about 38 years of age and the daughter of J. M. Trull, of this county, the father and brother came to the undertaking establishment today to carry the body home for burial.

Mrs. Hand must have contemplated suicide for some time, for some months ago she is said to have sent her father a letter intimating that it was her purpose.

TOWN PROPERTY SOLD YESTERDAY

Successful Sale Is Conducted By Local Land Auction Company

A most successful sale of town lots, residences and business property was conducted in Dunn yesterday by the Johnson & Blanton Land Auction Company, which company recently moved its headquarters from Cattleburg, Ky., to Dunn. The McD. Holliday property, including the old Holiday home and twenty-seven residential lots, was sold for a total of \$16,440. This property was sold for Dr. H. C. Turlington, who purchased it early this year. The Holiday residence was purchased by Martin Williams for \$8,400, while the lots were purchased by a group of people from the town.

Locknow Square, was sold for \$6,000. This property was bid in by J. N. Croel, Sr.

Six lots belonging to L. J. East on Washington street were sold for a total of \$1,475 and were purchased by several different people.

The J. N. Croel, Jr., residence, Cumberland street and Elm avenue, was sold for \$6,825.

The B. Z. Blackman property, on the Dunn-Clinton highway just beyond the town limits, was cut up into 23 lots and sold for a total of \$3,500. This was the first sale conducted here by this home company and it was a decided success, owners of the property sold being highly pleased with the sale. More than a thousand people attended the sale and the bidding was lively.

The Jersey milk cow given away to the holder of the lucky number was won by Mrs. Julius McLamb. She sold the cow for \$72.50.

said, "was based on the annual rental value to the government of \$5,800,000 as compared with the so-called certified standard return of approximately \$6,500,000. All federal control accounts against the Seaboard, including trust account, are settled."

PRODUCES OFFICE BILL

For Erection Of Building In Dunn

Homer L. Lyon is a member of the House of Representatives from North Carolina. He is again introducing in Congress a bill providing for the purchase of a site and the erection of a new office building for the United States Department of Agriculture in Dunn, North Carolina.

Following is an exact copy of the bill, which was introduced on December 5, 1923, by Mr. Lyon: "A bill to provide for a site and public building in Dunn, North Carolina."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be and he is hereby authorized and directed to acquire by purchase, donation, or otherwise, a site for a building, including heating and vent-

ilating apparatus, and approaches, for use and accommodation of the post office of the Government at Dunn, Hertford county, State of North Carolina, the cost of said site not to exceed \$15,000 and the cost of said building, including heating and vent-

Will Hold Meeting To Discuss Hog Cholera

A meeting at which hog cholera and methods by which it can be controlled is to be discussed will be held at the Hertford County Colored Training school here, Wednesday evening, December 19. F. D. Owen, hog cholera specialist, representing the United States and State Departments of Agriculture, will address the meeting. The public is invited to attend the meeting.

Mrs. Asby Wood Died Tuesday Afternoon

Mrs. Asby Wood, aged about 35 years, died Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at her home near Roseboro, of pneumonia. Deceased is survived by her husband and seven children. She was a daughter of Hannibal Jernigan, who lives about 4 miles east of Dunn, and was well-known here. The funeral was conducted from Stony Run church by Rev. Chas. Johnson, of Benson, Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock and interment was made in the church cemetery.

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A Farmer's Profit On Road Building

A land owner in a Southern State had a large property of many acres, a beautiful house, and a big pear orchard in bearing. Family circumstances made it necessary for him to sell his property, which was valued about a hundred thousand dollars. Putting it in the hands of some other real estate men, the property owner received several calls from prospective purchasers. He met these purchasers at the railroad station, escorted them six miles over a good State road, and half a mile over a very rough and humpy dirt road to his house.

COOLIDGE NAMES NEGRO FOR PLACE

None of them purchased. Acting on the advice of one of the real estate men, the owner spent five thousand dollars and made that last half mile as good as the State road. The property was sold at a price which included the cost of the road, plus a profit on the road, within one month of its completion. What happens in one case will happen in another. A good road greatly increases the value of all adjacent realty, especially farms.

Will Select A Site For New Courthouse

Payetteville, Dec. 11.—One hundred and eighty-three thousand dollars of county school bonds were sold by the Cumberland county commissioners yesterday, when bids were received from 15 bond houses. C. W. McNear and Company, of Chicago, were the successful bidders. The Cumberland county company paid a premium of \$5,157.77 on a basis of \$ 1-4 California, to be director of the Bureau of Standards. Henry H. Cannon, of New York, now serving under recess appointment was named Commissioner of Immigration of New York.

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Our Delicious Home Made FRUIT CAKE

Will Please You

We have used the very best of materials, and put the utmost of care into the preparing of the fruit, the mixing and baking, and the result is the same delicious cake that you would make and bake in your own home. We are offering this cake to you, without the bother and trouble of baking, without having to worry about whether or not it is going to turn out all right, for the very reasonable price of sixty cents per pound, cheaper by a great deal than you can bake your own. We would be pleased to have you come in and try a piece, so that you can see how good it really is.

Our main special for the Christmas Holidays will be that good OLD FASHIONED POUND CAKE, made from the best butter, eggs, flour and sugar that money can buy. Orders should be placed now for what you may need, so that you will not be disappointed.

We will have a full line of fancy cakes, layer cakes, cookies, and small cakes of all kinds, ready for the grand rush on Christmas Eve.

If you have a friend that you would like to send a fruit cake to, we have some beautiful gift boxes, and would be pleased to pack and mail it for you.

FOR SALE

Stock of Groceries, Store Fixtures, Scales, Etc., complete.

AT AUCTION

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22

At 12 O'clock M.

Howard Co. Main

to get a bar-

SANTA URGES THAT YOU SHOP IN DUNN

Also Warns Against Waiting Until Last Minute to Do Your Shopping

It can be truly said that Christmas is a busy time for one who has not yet started his shopping. While it is true that Christmas is only a few days distant, there are many who have not yet started their purchases. Remember that the problem of shopping for those of one's family who are away from home is a busy one. The Dispatch is today issuing a "Shoppers' Guide" which should aid shoppers in their shopping. The merchants of Dunn have prepared a list of their customers and are ready to serve them. The merchants and the oldest—and most successful—merchants have been in the business for many years. It is today's paper which will give you the names of the merchants who are offering interesting suggestions and at the same time offer suggestions for your shopping. The merchants of Dunn are ready to serve you. The merchants of Dunn are ready to serve you. The merchants of Dunn are ready to serve you.

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Colonial Theatre

MONDAY ONLY

"Above All Law"

A Love-Melodrama of Bewildering Beauty—It's A Paramount Picture.

TUESDAY

"What Wives Want"

Fame, Riches, Love or Money? A MODERN DRAMA OF TODAY

's Bakery

NORTH CAROLINA