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COMMANDER OF LEGION POST FOUND DEAD

E. J. Thomas, of Branchville, S. C., Dead 24 Hours Before Body Found

FOUND FROM CEILING

Of Dead Man Said To Be Touching Floor; Suicide Doubtful

BRANCHVILLE, S. C., Aug. 18 (By Associated Press).—State county officers tonight were endeavoring to clear up the mystery surrounding the death of E. J. Thomas, commander of the Branchville Post American Legion, whose lifeless body was found last night hanging from the ceiling of his room.

Though the theory of suicide has been abandoned entirely by officials, the inquest was ordered pending a complete investigation. State detectives have been requested to aid local authorities work out the case.

Thomas' body, stripped of all clothing, was found early last night by friends who went to his home when he failed to appear in town during the day. The body was hanging at the end of a stout cord, which was attached to the ceiling. Thomas had been dead approximately 24 hours, physicians said.

A physician who examined the body reported that death was not caused by strangulation. It was stated that the man's neck was not broken. Others who examined the body before it was put down, are said to have stated that Thomas' feet were touching the floor, and it is believed he could have adjusted his body so as to prevent choking.

Thomas was 33 years of age. He was said to be in good health, and so far as known had no physical troubles or other difficulties. He came here 11 years ago from Cleveland, Ohio, and was engaged in the tailoring business.

During the World War he served in the aviation corps. He lived alone in his home here.

Repudiates Confession He Killed Aged Sisters

MANCHESTER, N. H., Aug. 18.—Louis Labombardo, of Merrimack, N. H., who, the authorities assert, confessed to the killing of the Misses Helen and Georgiana Gills, aged sisters, at Hudson, N. H., July 22, has denied participation in the crime and has repudiated the purported confession; his counsel announced yesterday.

Labombardo is held in county jail here. Charles Lefebvre, 15 years old, said to have been implicated by Labombardo in his alleged statement to Attorney General Waldron in the State industrial school here.

Election of Schwab To House Proposed

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Aug. 18.—Representative A. H. Walters, Republican of the Twentieth Pennsylvania district, yesterday suggested that Charles M. Schwab, chairman of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, be given the Republican and Democratic nomination for Congress at the primaries next spring.

The suggestion was made in an editorial in the Johnstown Tribune of which Mr. Walters is editor and publisher. Mr. Schwab maintains his residence at Loretto, Cambria county. The editorial also contained an announcement that Representative Walters would not be a candidate for reelection.

Typhoon Damages Japanese Cities

OSAKA, Japan, Aug. 18.—A typhoon struck Osaka, Kyoto, Kobe and vicinity yesterday. The amount of the damage is yet to be estimated.

Several thousand houses were flooded in Osaka. The typhoon caused extensive interruptions in telegraph and telephone services, but the damage to railroads and shipping was slight.

Tokyo, Aug. 18.—A violent rain-storm flooded various parts of Japan yesterday. Several persons were drowned. Damage is estimated at between 15,000,000 and 20,000,000.

Seeks Parents



Mrs. Belle Cullum, 49, of Oklahoma City, has just learned that she was kidnaped from her parents in Springfield, Mo., in 1879 and has started a search to learn what became of her family after that time. She was two years old when kidnaped and until recently believed she was the daughter of the person who had reared her.

MANY VEXING PROBLEMS WILL GREET M'LEAN

State Prison Deficit And Other Pertinent Matters To Confront Governor

RETURNS NEXT WEEK

Executive Has Been Camping in Wisconsin Woods For Three Weeks

RALEIGH, Aug. 18.—The sporting deficit of the state prison, the much discussed "deficit" of the Morrison administration, and the probable eviction of several patients suffering with tuberculosis from the state sanatorium because of the lack of facilities, are among the many problems that will confront Governor McLean on his return here next week.

Governor McLean is now spending a three-weeks vacation at a camp, presumably in Wisconsin.

The prison deficit engaged the attention of the Governor before he left Raleigh, and at his request an exhaustive audit of the books of the institution is now in progress. This audit, according to state auditor Baxter Durham, is expected to be completed at any time. The prison deficit, which has been the source of much controversy in placed at various amounts. The accrued deficit up to and including June 30, 1925, was funded by the 1925 General Assembly, enabling the prison to start with a clean slate on July 1, 1925.

Other matters that will claim the Governor's attention on his return are the condition of the Caswell Training School, the situation at several state educational institutions, where it is reported that many applicants are being turned away because of the lack of room, and the status of revenue matters.

Former Governor Cameron Morrison, in a statement ten days ago promised that when Governor McLean returned to the state he would issue a statement in detail on the "deficit" question, which would challenge the claims as to the "deficit" on "accrued balance" which has been set up under the McLean system of "cash" financing.

Paris Zoo's Leopard Still at Large in Park

PARIS, Aug. 18.—The Abyssinian leopard which Saturday night escaped from the zoological garden and fled into the Bois de Boulogne still is at large. So far the animal has escaped the guns, dogs and even the eyes of the hunters, who are seeking it. None of the thousands of the Sunday throngs which visited the park saw any trace of the leopard and although the woods contain deer and sheep no victims of his appetite have been found.

Restaurant in the Bois de Boulogne report that their Sunday night business did not suffer on account of the animal being at large, but there was some falling off this morning in the number of persons taking their customary early promenades on foot or horseback in the park.

Uncle 22, Is Accused Of Killing Nephew, 18

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., Aug. 18.—Greene county, scene of many homicides in recent years, had another last night when Kenney Raines, 18 years old, was shot and killed by Cecil Raines, 22 years old, his uncle. The two, returning from a church service, quarreled over an old grudge. A rock battle was followed by shooting. Four bullets were alleged to have been fired by the elder Raines, two taking effect, causing the instant death of the younger.

Cecil Raines surrendered to Sheriff Malone. He said he had been set upon by three other men and shot in self-defense. Today he was held in \$1,000 bail for the jury. The dead youth was a son of Cleveland Raines. Funeral services were held this afternoon at his home near Hanstow.

BURNING SHIP IS SAVED BY CREW'S EFFORTS

Fire Aboard Shipping Board Vessel Extinguished After Calling For Help

BALTIMORE, Aug. 18 (By Associated Press).—With a burning fever under their feet and a fireboat racing toward them from Baltimore, the officers and crew of the shipping board freighter West Harcourt, today extinguished the blaze by their own efforts and continued their trip to harbor.

The fire was discovered in number four hold shortly after midnight as the ship was steaming past Hooper's Island, Chesapeake Bay. It was confined to the one hold where it had smoldered for some time according to advices received from its origin has not yet been determined.

Captain McLean, master, sent out wireless calls for assistance, and saying that he was returning to Baltimore. The freighter Torment sailed at 3:30 this morning in response to the appeal, expected to meet the burning vessel 35 or 40 miles down the bay. In four hours another message came from the distressed ship. It read: "Fire out. Proceeding to Norfolk."

Radio messages recalled the Torment.

AGREEMENT ON BELGIAN DEBT IS REACHED

No Interest Will Be Charged On Funds Borrowed During The War

TO PAY IN 62 YEARS

Repayment of Almost Half A Billion Stretched Over Half Century

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18 (By Associated Press).—All interest charges on money actually loaned to Belgium during the war with Germany will be foregone by the United States under terms of an agreement for the funding of the Belgian war debt to the United States reached today between American debt commissioner and Belgian representatives.

The American commissioners, with the approval of President Coolidge, agreed to allow Belgium to pay back to the United States \$171,000,000 loaned during the war over a period of 62 years without interest.

The balance of the debt, approximately \$244,000,000, which was loaned after the armistice, will also be paid back over a 62 year period with some remission of interest charge. An interest rate of 3-1/2 per cent after the first ten years was agreed upon for this part of the debt.

PLYMOUTH, Vt., Aug. 18 (By Associated Press).—President Coolidge was informed of the Belgian debt settlement here late today by the Associated Press, and made the terse comment that he had hoped for it, and expected it.

The executive was plainly satisfied. A statement made by him here yesterday after a conference with Secretary Mellon and Senator Smoot, of Utah, members of the debt commission, forecast today's settlement. The debt commissioners went over with him the proposed terms of settlement.

He'll Preside



When rural mail carriers meet in convention in Cleveland Aug. 24 to fight out the question of becoming affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, A. T. Griffin, president of the organization will handle the gavel and see that each speaker speaks in his turn.

Griffin's home is in Pleasantville, O., where he "covers" his route each day. He is opposed to affiliation with the A. F. of L. He is serving his third term as president of the association.

GERTUDE EDERLE FAILS SWIM CHANNEL

DOVER, England, Aug. 18.—Miss Gertrude Ederle was forced today to abandon her attempt to swim the English Channel owing to adverse weather conditions.

The end of her effort came when she was two-thirds of the way across, she was forced to quit because of nausea and seasickness caused by swallowing salt water.

TO CORRECT POSSIBLE MISCONCEPTIONS

In our issue of yesterday, quoting Mr. A. T. Griffin, in a short talk he made in the Kiwanis meeting the night before, we quoted Mr. Griffin as follows:

"Kiwanis Griffin followed Mr. Grinstead and stated that, although he was certain that the work in general of the various departments of the city was very efficient, he believed still more economy could be effected so that the tax rate can be reduced, and the efficiency of the city organization unimpaired."

In talking with Mr. Griffin yesterday we discovered that we slightly misunderstood what he meant to imply. Mr. Griffin stated that the city government is run economically and efficiently, and what he had in mind was, due to the fact that we now had our equipment and organization, the expenses would be slightly less than in the past. He also had in mind that the receipts should naturally be larger because of the amount of money being spent within the city limits in both residential and business improvement.

Rope Breaks; Six Die While Climbing Alps

GRENOBLE, France, Aug. 18.—The death toll among adventurous tourists in the Alps has been exceptionally high this year.

The latest disaster is reported to have occurred in the Ecrins pass, where six persons are believed to have perished yesterday, when the rope connecting them broke and all fell from a precipice.

A woman tourist from Pralognan fell and was killed while scaling little Mount Blanc.

JUNIOR ORDER MEETING AT WINSTON-SALEM

Indications That Attendance Will Be Largest in History Of State

WINSTON-SALEM, Aug. 18.—The State Council of the Junior Order United American Mechanics assembled here in annual session this afternoon, and indications are that the attendance will be the largest in the history of the state organization. The sessions will last for three days.

At the meeting this afternoon the credential committee passed on seating representatives from the various councils. Nominations for all elective offices will also be made today. The elections will be held on the last day of the meeting.

Wednesday the visitors will go to Lexington, N. C., to participate in the laying of the cornerstone of the new branch home there.

A feature of the meeting here, aside from the business sessions, will be the young musicians band from the national home at Tiffin, Ohio.

GOLDSBORO AFTER CONVENTION

WINSTON-SALEM, Aug. 18.—Goldsboro and Sanford are bidding for the 1926 convention of the state council of the Junior Order of the United American Mechanics, and a lively fight is expected to be staged tomorrow when the selection of the convention city is taken up. Invitations presented at the opening session of the order here this afternoon by residents from both places, backed by Juniors from other places, and the nomination of officers for the ensuing year were the high spots in the opening session.

CORNERSTONE LAYING OF JUNIOR HOME

Splendid New Orphanage Near Lexington Will Be Dedicated Today

DANIELS WILL SPEAK

Thirty-Eight Piece Band From National Home To Furnish Music

LEXINGTON, N. C., Aug. 18.—Hundreds of Juniors from all sections of North Carolina are expected here tomorrow to attend the exercises of the cornerstone laying of the branch orphan's home of the Junior Order United American Mechanics at South Lexington, three miles west of this city.

The program of the exercises includes addresses by officials prominent in the national and state councils of the order and other. Several bands, including the thirty-six piece band of the National Orphan Home at Tiffin, Ohio.

Josephus Daniels, former Secretary of the Navy, of Raleigh, is one of the speakers on the program. The exercises will be in charge of Lexington Council No. 21, Jr. O. U. A. M.

The administration building, in the corner of which the cornerstone is to be laid tomorrow, is 393 feet long and will cost, when complete, about \$250,000.

The branch home, according to the present plans, will be patterned after the National Home at Tiffin, Ohio. When complete, the new branch will accommodate about 1,000 children, and when the entire plant is finished it will represent an investment of approximately \$1,000,000.

Things are so complicated. Narrow minded people are thick headed.

Used Knife



Mrs. Pearl Edwards, 18, of Kansas City, Mo., is held on a charge of murder following the death of Miss Olga Elmonstein, 25. The two were seated in the office of a friend and Mrs. Edwards stabbed Miss Elmonstein, she says she did it in self-defense.

HANDLESS MAN CONFESSES TO KILLING GIRL

Thomas McAvoy Tells Philadelphia Police He Slew Florence Kane in New York

REVENGE HIS MOTIVE

McAvoy Had Been Arrested By Dead Girl's Brother, And Sought Vengeance

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 18 (By Associated Press).—A man giving his name as Thomas McAvoy, of New York, and who said he was the slayer of Florence Kane in Brooklyn, surrendered to the local police late today. He was held for identification by the New York authorities.

Miss Kane's body was found in a vacant lot near her home on May 29. Police expressed the belief that she had been strangled to death.

McAvoy, who has only one arm and no hands, told the local authorities that he had beaten Miss Kane out of revenge, but had not intended to kill her. He said that by had at one time been arrested by Miss Kane's brother, a police detective, and that he had sworn revenge. Being unable to carry out his threat against the detective, he said he had wreaked his sister. He declared that he had knocked her down, kicked her several times, and then fled. He was surprised, he said, to learn the next day that she was dead.

One of McAvoy's arms had been severed at the elbow, and the other at the wrist.

Tennessee Constable Killed From Ambush

LAWRENCEBURG, Tenn., Aug. 18 (By Associated Press).—Dan Smith, 35, constable of the fourth district of Lawrence county, was shot and killed in an ambush twelve miles south of here today, while approaching a still through a corn field on the farm of Dave Styles. Witnesses charging murder today for Styles' arrest. Smith, famed for his liquor raids, in this section, had been threatened repeatedly, and feared a gun fight when he entered the field, according to Dan Hardman, a neighbor named Carter, who accompanied him.

Civil Guards Battle Cadets Near Canton

LONDON, Aug. 18.—An Exchange Telegraph agency dispatch from Hongkong reports that disorders have broken out at Sikki, near Canton, where Chinese civil guards fired on a group of Whampoa cadets. The cadets immediately returned the fire.

Canton authorities are attempting to restore trade by facilitating the return of foreigners to the city and undertaking to guarantee their safety.

SIXTY GIRLS ENCAMPED AT HIGH SCHOOL

Four-Day Course in Sewing and Cooking Being Conducted By Miss Roberts

FRIDAY IS PARENTS' DAY

Splendid Program Arranged For That Day; Large Attendance Urged

Sixty girls, members of cooking and sewing clubs, representing every section of Wayne county, began yesterday a four-day course in sewing, cooking and home and health improvements, under the direction of Miss Janie Roberts, home demonstration agent for this county.

The girls, who brought their own provisions from their homes, are "camping" in the Goldsboro High School building, and last night started off their outing with a picnic party, at which soups and pounds of the best fried chicken, including ham "what am," and numerous other delicacies were served. Four pounds of ice cream, contributed by a friend of the movement, topped off the excellent menu.

Miss Roberts stated that she was particularly anxious for a large attendance at the high school Friday, which has been designated as Parents' Day, and for which a splendid program has been arranged as follows:

10 A. M.—Address and discussion on "Winter Gardens," conducted by R. A. Randall, of State College.

11 A. M. to 11:45 A. M.—Lecture on "Salads," by Miss Wrenn, of the Southern Cotton Oil Company.

12 Noon—Business session.

12:15 P. M.—Dinner.

1:30 P. M.—A talk on "Home Decorating," by Miss Maria Johnson, of Royal and Queen Furniture Company.

2:30 P. M.—Lecture in history, by Miss Minnie Lee Johnson, home demonstration agent in Wayne county.

Miss Roberts stated that each morning of their four-day session would be devoted to instruction and practical training, and that the afternoon would be given over to recreational arrangements.

Extortions Charged To Widow Of Envy

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—The Marquise de Juville, formerly Miss Adeline Stoeck of New York, and widow of a former Italian Ambassador to Japan, was accused of attempted extortion in a warrant sworn out yesterday by Harold B. Owen, the \$20-a-week quartermaster's clerk, who sued her for \$1,000,000 a few days ago.

As her hotel it was said that she had left the city and is believed to have gone to New York or Havana.

Bruce said that after a party on the night of August 8, when he and the Marquise had dined together, she accused him of stealing jewelry valued at \$1,600. He at first denied the charge, but after she had threatened him with arrest, he signed a contract agreeing to pay for the loss at the rate of \$10 a week. Then he fled with \$1,000,000 for the warrant charging extortion.

White Baby Rescued From Voodoo Death

HAVANA, Aug. 18.—Paula Rojas, a 3-year-old white girl, was saved from a horrible death at the hands of voodoo worshippers at Amante, Havana province, yesterday through the rapidity of a search after she had disappeared.

Paula, who lives with her parents on the Averhoff sugar plantation, was noticed away by voodoo worshippers, who bound and sagged her in a cane field and were in the act of performing their rites when a posse of searchers came upon them. Rural guards later captured a white man and a negro who had in their possession articles used by voodoosts in sacrificing life.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, Aug. 18 (By Associated Press).—Cotton futures closed steady, Oct. 23.25, Dec. 23.50; Jan. 23.10; March 23.41; May 23.75. Spot cotton quiet. Middling 24.00.

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