

THE WEATHER
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in West portion Friday and probably
Saturday; gentle to moderate south-
west winds.

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WHITTEMORE WAS HANGED AT 12:16 THIS MORNING

NOOSE SNIPS LIFE THREAD OF YOUNG BANDIT

"That's All Right" He
Said When Told of
the Failure of Last
Effort to Save Life

HIS LAST REQUEST— AN ITALIAN DINNER

Maryland Penitentiary, Baltimore, Md., Aug. 13.—(AP)—Richard Reese Whittemore, head of a now shattered "million dollar crime trust" was hanged at 12:16 this morning for the murder 18 months ago of Robert H. Holtman, a Maryland Penitentiary guard. Whittemore was convicted of first degree murder on May 21 and sentenced to death after having escaped conviction by a jury disagreement in Buffalo, N. Y., where he was tried for murder in connection with the killing of a bank messenger during a \$3,500 hold-up.

An hour before midnight a crowd was gathering in knots near the prison entrance. It was for the most part shirt-sleeved and good-natured and police were having no difficulty in controlling it. Mothers with children in their arms and clinging to their skirts were scattered about.

There was no chance for the would-be spectators to observe anything, the death chamber being located well inside the penitentiary walls out of sight and hearing. A police detail allowed no one except officials, witnesses, and newspapermen to approach the prison entrance. The crowds were orderly.

Mrs. Margaret Whittemore, the condemned man's wife, bade him farewell early in the evening, entering the penitentiary through the hospital door from which Whittemore escaped on February 20, 1925 after fatally beating Robert H. Holtman, the guard.

Mrs. Whittemore was not allowed to kiss her husband. A heavy fine mesh screen separated them.

Rawlins V. Whittemore, the slayer's father, accompanied his daughter-in-law to the death cell for the last visit. He was not to be allowed by Warden to witness the death of his son.

The Case in Review

Baltimore, Aug. 13.—(AP)—Although at odds with the law from the age of short trousers, Richard Reese Whittemore's criminal career left him cast in a petty role until, at the age of 25 and with a noose dangling above his head, he crowded into the space of a few months most of the highlights of a fiction bandit's life.

He was a comparatively little known gunman, with a prison reputation for being "hard", when, serving a term for burglary, he walked out of Maryland penitentiary on February 20, 1925, with the keys of a mortally wounded guard. Thirteen months later, when a New York police night patrol picked him up as a suspicious character after a chase at gun points from the door of a night club, he was the active head of one of the East's most successful criminal organizations of recent years.

Whittemore went to the gallows for slaying the guard—Robert H. Holtman—the first important act for his brief, spectacular career. Holtman's skull crushed by an iron bar, the guard was killed and Whittemore escaped. Whether Whittemore actually was guilty of other murders laid by police at his door or that of his gang, may never be known.

Ate Italian Dinner

Baltimore, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Richard Reese Whittemore was tonight prepared to die, the last hope snapped by Oliver Wendell Holmes, having denied the writ of error at his Beverly Farms, Mass., summer home today.

The bandit leader who fatally wounded Robert H. Holtman, a guard in an escape from Maryland penitentiary, took the final adverse decision calmly as he had taken the long series of failures which attend this effort.

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MACK TELLS WHY SOME PEOPLE DO NOT LIVE

MISS COATS DIED YESTERDAY

Death at 11 O'clock Yesterday
Following Illness and
Major Operation

Miss Ruth Lee Coats, seventeen-year-old daughter of Rev. and Mrs. V. R. Coats, of West Walnut street, died at 10:44 yesterday morning following an illness of six weeks. She was removed to a local hospital several days ago and a major operation performed but she did not possess sufficient strength to rally from the shock.

Rev. and Mrs. Coats moved to Goldsboro from Smithfield several months ago, and have been operating the Ruffin's hotel. The deceased girl was a beautiful and attractive young woman and a member of the Free Will Baptist church.

At 1 o'clock today the body will be taken to St. Mary's Grove church in Johnston county and here the funeral services will be held and interment made under the direction of Rev. S. H. Styron of Pine Level.

Miss Coats is survived by her father and mother, one brother and three sisters. The brother is Shuford Coats of Benson, and the sisters are Mrs. W. Woodall, of Lumberton; and Mrs. B. J. Beasley, of Garner.

Young Negro Confesses Crime

Arrested last night at 10 o'clock and charged with robbing the home of Marvin Sherrard, of East Walnut street, during the last week in July, Waddell Dorich, 15-years old, colored, confessed to the crime, it was said by officers.

The capture was made by policemen Nick Gwaltney and Joe Howell, and Deputy "Chink" Rhodes, Dorich was taken at his home at Spruce and Denmark streets, Webbtown.

About \$27 was taken from the Sherrard home—two \$10 bills, a \$5 bill, a \$1 bill and some change.

Wholesale Dynamite Plot Discovered

Miami, Aug. 12.—(AP)—A wholesale dynamite plot in which the home of H. A. Hamp, president of the Hialeah chamber of commerce and the office of the Hialeah Herald were to be blown up was revealed this afternoon in a confession of W. A. White and the arrest of Kempton Green, director of the Hialeah Independence Day pageant on a charge of conspiring in the plotting.

It was charged by Mr. Hamp that on June 1 Green conspired with a number of unnamed persons to destroy his property.

Think 500 Will Attend Sunday School Convention

Five hundred members of the Wayne County Sunday School Association are expected to be in attendance for the annual convention of the Association at Grantham's high school, August 28 and 29, according to Miss Mary D. Bass, of Grantham, secretary of the Association.

The Sunday school Association numbers members in every section of Wayne county and a good percentage of the membership is expected to attend the two-day convention.

The principal address is scheduled to be delivered by Dr. A. J. Smith, pastor of the First Baptist church here and now in Franklin as manager of the Truett-McConnell meeting being held in the mountain city. Sunday school leaders look with interest to the address by Dr. Smith.

Other local pastor who will appear on the program are Rev. R. E. Pittman, of Mount Olive; W. M. Howell, of Goldsboro, and N. G. Duncan, of Falling Creek. D. J. Sims, in

BRING AUTO VICTIM HERE

Funeral at York Home on Her-
man Street at 4 O'clock
This Afternoon

The body of Mrs. W. A. Westbrook, of Greenville, who was killed in an automobile accident at Falling Creek, seven miles west of Kinston Wednesday afternoon, was on yesterday afternoon brought to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert York at 709 North Herman street.

Funeral services for Mrs. Westbrook will be conducted from the home of Mr. and Mrs. York at 4 o'clock this afternoon by Rev. C. V. Brooks, pastor of the Second Baptist church. Interment will be in Willow Dale cemetery.

Mrs. Westbrook was before her marriage Miss Madie Duxall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Duvall, of whiteville, and her parents, husband and one and four sisters survive. She was twenty-five years old and a member of the Christian church.

Acting pallbearers at the funeral this afternoon will be the following: J. H. Kirkman, John Moringo, E. L. Womack, L. L. Wiggins and W. F. Titton.

Give Attention To Mexican Problems

Washington, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Two developments turned the attention of the State Department toward Mexico as Secretary Kellogg was preparing to leave for White Pine Camp to talk over departmental problems with President Coolidge.

Ambassador Sheffield reported that he had interceded with the Mexican Foreign office on behalf of another imprisoned American, H. J. Grand, of Los Angeles, who was arrested a week ago and held without hearing on an unspecified charge.

While officials were assessing the possible consequences of that incident, Mr. Kellogg made an appointment for tomorrow which will give the American government its first official contact with the controversy in Mexico. He arranged to see J. Flaherty, Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus, and receive from him a resolution adopted at the recent convention of the order and asking that the United States intervene to protect Catholic clergymen from President Calles regulations.

BURY PIONEER PAPER MAKER

Jefferson, Ga., Aug. 12.—(AP)—Howard Land, 84, the first manufacturer of paper in the South, was buried late today near his home at Austell, Ga.

Will Outwit Wiley Bootlegger

Washington, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Something stronger than gasoline, just what is to be put into industrial alcohol in an effort to outwit the resourceful bootlegger. Prohibition officials reached this decision today and passed on to government chemist the problem of finding an effective denaturing agent, which will smell bad and make the alcohol taste bad, but will be harmless.

MRS. HALL'S KIN ARE ARRESTED

Brother and Cousin Are Charged
With Murder of Rector
and Singer

Somerville, N. J., Aug. 12.—(AP)—Willie Stevens, a brother, and Henry Carpenter, a cousin of Mrs. Francis Stevens Hall, were committed to the county jail tonight for a hearing tomorrow on warrants charging them with the murder of Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Britt, of Richmond.

Members of the Junior Order will be in charge of the services at the grave this afternoon, and interment will be in Willow Dale cemetery. The following members of the Junior Order will act as pallbearers: U. M. Wiggins, J. M. Southernland and W. L. Pears.

Sister Died in Like Manner
Less than a month ago Miss Betty Pearsall, aged 46, a sister of the man who died yesterday morning, was found dead in bed under circumstances much similar to those of the death of her brother. She retired feeling well, about two o'clock she called the neighbor in whose home she was spending the night and said she was ill. Later she said she would be all right. The next morning she was found dead when called to breakfast.

TRIBESMEN SAC KTRAIN

Constantinople, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Messengers received here from Aleppo say that Druses have sacked a train between Aleppo and Damascus, killing all the Armenian passengers, including a former chief of police of the latter city.

BRIDGE FALLS; 50 DEAD

Tokyo, Aug. 12.—(AP)—A bridge on the Nojromachi, one of the main thoroughfares of Akita, in Nago province, collapsed late yesterday. Thirteen bodies have been recovered and fifty persons still are missing.

Graves Is Ahead In Alabama Race

Birmingham, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Bibb Graves, who told the voters that he were elected "Alabama would not be the tail of the Tammany Tiger," was leading his nearest opponent, Charles F. McDowell, Jr., by 3,377 votes tonight. A count of second choice votes will be necessary by McDowell's friends concede that Graves' second choice votes will exceed McDowell's.

First and second choice vote are combined for each of the two higher candidates to receive a clear majority of all votes cast.

Graves' campaign was featured by an attack upon the larger newspapers of the state which he said were seeking to dominate not only state politics but also supported Hal Smith for president. He was believed to have received the vote of the Ku Klux Klan.

COTTON FUTURES

New York, Aug. 12.—Cotton futures closed steady at a net decline of 17 to 29 points. October 16:21; December 16:13; January 16:16; March 16:31; May 16:50.

Washington couldn't be, but did he spend his vacation fishing?

SERVICES FOR MR. PEARSALL 3 P. M.

Herman Street Merchant Died
Suddenly Early Thursday
Morning

Funeral services for D. M. Pearsall, 47-year-old, of East Ash street, will be held from the Free Will Baptist church on Simmons street this afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. B. P. Parks. Mr. Pearsall died suddenly Thursday morning at 2:30.

He retired Wednesday night in usual health, so far as is known. About 2:30 his wife was awakened by groans, called to her husband and got no reply. Investigating she found her husband dead.

Mr. Pearsall had for a number of years operated a grocery store on Herman street, was a member of the local Junior Order and Moose and Patriotic Sons of America and of the Free Will Baptist church.

He is survived by his wife, three brothers and one sister. The brothers are Elbert and J. E. Pearsall, of Goldsboro, and Albert Pearsall, of Richmond. The sister is Mrs. E. J. Britt, of Richmond.

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WATTS GUN WINS

London, Aug. 11.—Ornamental suspenders are the latest innovations of the beau brummels of Bond street. The new fad takes the form of steel or woven pictures on the shoulder straps of the braces and already has become popular. Some men's braces carry pictures of hunting scenes. Others have horse's heads. Even cricket and movies are represented.

ORNAMENTAL SUSPENDERS

Ashville, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Watts Gunn, of Atlanta, Ga., walker cup team member today eliminated Harry Ehle, young Asheville golfer, one up on the 18th hole in the championship flight of the invitation golf-tournament at the Biltmore Forest country club. Failure to sink a short put cost Ehle his match against the Georgia.

"G. M." CUTS MELON

New York, Aug. 12.—(AP)—Directors of the General Motors corporation today declared a stock dividend of 50 per cent in addition to the regular payment of \$1.75 on the common stock. Regular quarterly dividend is also payable on the new stock.

Expects That Neely Will Give Bond Early Today

H. J. Neely, 23, of Summertown, Tenn., will probably give bond early today for connection with the automobile wreck in which Dossie P. Traylor was killed last Sunday night. That Neely will give bond early today was indicated by a source here.

Bond for both Neely and Harold Grady, held in the same accident, has been reduced to \$2,000. The original sum fixed was \$5,000.

More friends came to the assistance of young Neely yesterday and it is thought that bond is expected to be given. Charles Owens and brother, of Raleigh, read an account of the accident in newspapers and Charles recognized Neely as a boyhood friend. Upon learning that he had not yet given bond, Mr. Owens and brother came at once to Goldsboro to assist Neely.

When the two Raleigh men left Goldsboro yesterday afternoon they said they would go as soon as possible to the clerk of court of Wake county and arrange for the \$2,000 bond necessary to let young Neely go free until the meeting of the grand jury on August 23.

J. W. Lowthrop, of Durham, was with the Raleigh men here today. Mr. Lowthrop feels that as soon as business will permit, his son, for whom Neely works, will come to his aid.

"I will certainly be glad to get out of here," said Neely yesterday, "for I want to tell the people of Goldsboro how I appreciate the kindness which they have done for me. People have been sending me cigarettes and the like and calling to see me."

Neely said that he would not return to Tennessee in case bond was arranged this morning, but would remain in Wayne county pending the action of the grand jury for which he is held.

QUICK WORK BY FIREMEN

Subdue Flames at Filling Station
Center and Ash in Record
Time

At 2:30 last evening a customer drove his Ford coupe up to the Tuxton Filling Station at Center and Ash streets and ordered the tank filled. Service men fell to their task and the loss was inserted in the tank.

A man occupying the car with the driver—names could not be obtained—nonchalantly lit a cigarette and tossed the flaming match out the open window. There was a sharp "puff" as the flames arising from the gasoline took fire, and the gas was burning merrily.

Almost at the same instant the fire alarm was turned in and in record time the firemen were on hand with their chemical apparatus. Some one else had leaped to cut off the flow of gasoline from the pump.

Under the efficient work of the firemen the flames spouting from the tank of the coupe were soon extinguished, but the supply of chemicals gave out before the last flame around the filling tank had been extinguished and burned on for several minutes.

The fire was damaged very little and was able to leave under its own power. The hood of the filling tank was turned off and out of the pump somewhat scorched.

SHOWS UP WORLD, HEARTS Declare That Conversion of Gives Way All Life

"Repentance" was the subject of Mack's subject Thursday night. His sermon follows:
"And the times of the ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men everywhere to repent."
Paul had just been driven out of Thessalonica. Athens was a house of mountain-minded men. Athens was the home of wealth and culture. It was also proverbial for its luxury and just. In spite of the brain of Athens, the devil was here and general manager. Paul's soul was stirred within him and he began to hold a public service. These philosophers, orators, and cultured rhetoricians, looked on Paul as a hobby. They organized a committee to Paul to give them an address on Mars Hill. There he was surrounded by the braves of that city. Now God's Word came to a halt. Paul had all men of all nations and all religions and in all languages, the great foundation stone of Christianity. It goes heaven high and is so important that it goes to hell's depths. It is not optional. Jesus Christ came out of the infinite's and walked the path of human life and said, "Repent ye shall likewise profit." We understand that conversion, repentance is a godly sorrow wrought in the heart of a sinful person by the Word and Spirit of God, whereby from a sense of his sin an offensive to God and defiling and endangering his own soul and from an appreciation of the mercy of God in Christ, he with grief and hatred of all his known sins, turns from them to God as his Savior and Lord. In other words, it is the response of the enlightened redeemed man to the call of God. It is the "I will" of the soul.

Repentance

The word "repent" in the text means change your mind, thing round about, change of your life as a wrong conception of God, and a wrong conception of God given us a wrong conception of life; and a wrong conception of duty; and a wrong conception of activity; and a wrong activity give us wrong habits; and wrong habits give us wrong character; and a wrong character gives us a wrong destiny. Omniscience is not His only attribute and His is not His only manifestation. Now when we have the dust washed out of our eyes with water that makes glad the city of God, and look thru God's telescope at the Lamb slain and let a vision of His love and mercy, this brings a consciousness that I am a sinner, and as a result of this consciousness that I am a sinner, contrition in the next step. "For Godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of; but the sorrow of the world bringeth death." He that covers his sins shall not prosper, but when confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy. And this brings forsaking of sin. "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon." And this brings repentance. "And if I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I restore him four-fold." And this brings reconciliation. These are the steps that slope thru darkness up to God.

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