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Government Agents Unearth Plots of Wholesale, Assaults and Assassinations Planned By Reds For May Day - Propaganda Used in Textile Districts Said That Strikes Would Reduce High Cost of Living.

MAY BAY ASSASSINAT

GALS HAD PLANNED

(By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, April 30.-Warning that they had been selected by radical elements for assault or assassination as part of a May day demenstration had been received from department of justice ngents today by more than a score of federal and state officials. Announcement of the discovery of the plot by government agents was announced last night by Attorney General Palmer.

The assassination and assaults were te have been a part of the May day program planned by the communist inbor party and other radical groups, Mr. Palmer said, adding that the cou-tomplated violence was to be incident to attempts to bring about strikes in all the basic American industries in behalf of peace with soviet Russia.

Information the attorney declared in msion of the department indicated the radical agents have been working "in connection and unison" with those who have been active in instigating disorders that day in Europe.

"Juhuman treatment" of the soviet overnment of Russia by the United States and the allied powers has been al-leged by agents of the radical movement. supecially in their propaganda among foreigners in industrial centers, Mr. Palmer assorted, adding that the pro-Falmer asserted, adding that the pro-posed strikes and other disturbances were intended to impress upon American ofcons with Russia must be resumed.

The propaganda used in the textile manufacturing districts, Mr. Palmer and, included the argument that strikes uld reduce the high costs of living.

# **MT. HOLLY MATTERS**

Correspondence of The Daily Gazette.

MT. HOLLY, April 30 .- The parson age of the Methodist church, which was recently sold to Mr. W. L. Tucker, is being moved to its permanent location on the Chimney Rock road.

Mr. Guy Howard has sold his house and lot near the station to Mr. E. O. Auten, who gets possession at once. Mr. Howard has gone to Spindale, where he holds a splendid position with a cotton mill.

Excavation has begun for another brick building in the rear of the postoffice. As soon as finished, this building will be occupied by an up to date moving picture theater.

The Gaston Brick Company is rebuilding its yard No. 1, equipping it with up to date machinery, including oil driven machnery, something new in these parts.

Miss Jordan, of the high school facully, apent the week-end with her parents t Rutherfordton. So also did Miss Grigg, of the primary department.

The junior clas of the high school entertained the senior class at the home of Miss Faith Kohn recently. Members of the faculty present were Supt. E. A. Thompson, Principal Excell Rozelle, Miss White and Miss Purser, Mr. and Mrs. John Holland and daughter, Amy, who is the class mascot.

At Hillerest, the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Costner, the mite so-

Mr. E. F. Reid, Division Freight and Passenger Agent Will Have Offices in Gastonia on Second Floor Groves Build-ing — All Traffic Matters of C. & N. - W. Will Center Hese

N. W COMES TO GASTONIA

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT C. &

Removal of the traffic department of Removal of the traffic department of the Carolina & Northwestern Railway to Gastonia from Cheeter, S. C., has been decided upon, according to announce-ment made this acternoon. Final ar-rangements were completed with the leasing by C. I. Loftin of the second floor of the Groves building, on the first floor of which is located his printing plant. Mr. R. L. Butt, general freight agent of the C. & N.-W. Railway, with offices in Atlanta, and Mr. E. F. Reid, division freight and passenger agent of the Carolina & Northwestern Railway, were in the city and closed the arrangements. Beveral weeks ago the matter was taken up between officials of the company and the Chamber of Commerce and negotiations continued until today when the two named arrived with authority from headquarters for the change. The transfer of the offices will be made as soon as the offices can be remodelled for occupaney.:

Realization of Gastonia's wonderful industrial growth and a desire to be in position to give better service to the city brought about the decision to move the traffic department here. The coming of Mr. Reid and his office force will mean the centering of all traffic matters dealing with the railroad here. It will also mean immediate attention to the constantly developing needs of the city as they arise.

"Gastonia's growth has been most remarkable." said Mr. Butt this morning, "especially in regard to the place ta ken in the yarn industry.

"It is centrally located on our road too, and it will be of advantage to us to move this office here and the removal will likewise we trust be of advantage to Gastonia as it will place us in a position to give most prompt attention to matters



Messra. Matthew Hale and Hugh MacRae, of South At-lantic Export Company Con-fer With Gastonia Bankers and Business Men Quota of \$10,000 Is Subscribed. Gastonia bankers and business men took \$10,000 stock in the South Atlattic Ex-port Company last evening in 10 minutes. port Company last evening in 10 minutes. following a brief presentation of the company's aims and prospects of Mr. Hugh McRae, of Wilmington, and Mr. Matthew Hale. This was the maximum amount Gastonia was asked to subscribe to this corporation. Mr. J. Lee Robin-

**GASTONIA MEN SUBSCRIBE** 

son presided at the meeting. Because of the fact that the coming of Mr. McRae and Mr. Hale was not known" until late in the afternoon, word having been received by phone from them at High Point, it was not possible to advertise the meeting. Word was passed around among the business men and manufacturers and a representative crowd gathered in the directors room of he Citizens National bank at 6 o'clock. Those present were more or less familiar with the aims of the South Atlantic Export Company and Mr. McRae devoted most of his time to telling of

what had been accomplished in the short time since its organization. Up to the present time agencies have been established in a dozen or more of the leading countries of the world. These agencies are engaged in placing southern goods on the markets of the world. These goods are being shipped largely from southern ports. Inquiries for raw, and manufactured goods are being received from almost all quarters of the globe. Experts have been employed and are now located in the leading trade centers of the world, including Bombay, India, Melbourne and Sidney, Australia, in Italy, Austria, South Africa, the Scandinavian countries, South American cities, and numerous other great buying centers. Business men in the various towns and cities in the far South Atlantic states, North and

South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, are being asked to subscripe a total capital of \$400,000 and present indications are that this amount of stock will be raised without any trouble. Following Mr. McRae, Mr. Hale told

of the recent success the South Atlantic

# **JAMES R. HUIRT PROVES** A MODERN BLUEBEARD Has Married Twelve or Fif-

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**GLASH PREDICTED IN NEW** 

## teen Women and Probably More - Has Murdered Two and Others Met "Accidental" Deaths - Attempted to Kill Himself.

(By The Associated Press) LOS ANGELES, Calif., April 30-At least two of the numerous women James R. Huirt is alleged to have married in various parts of the country were murdered by him, two others met "accidental" deaths while with him, and he 'might have murdered more,'' according to an alleged confession made public early today by J. Morgan Marmaduke, his attorney, and county officials. Huirt said he "could not remember" what happened to some of the women because of his still weakened condition resulting from two attempts to commit suicide, the reputed confession said. He lay on a cot at the county hospital as he talked. Huirt has been held here several days

while officers investigated reports of numerous marriages.

He married "twelve or fifteen women, probably more," Huirt was quoted as saying. A desire to kill obsessed him four years ago, Huirt was alleged to have said, and women were his special victims, there being no direct motive for their deaths, and no desire to kill men, children or animals.

Nina Lee Deloney, killed with a hammer at Long Beach, Calif., and Elizabeth Pryor, whose head was crushed with a sledge hammer near Plum, Washn., were the "wives" whose murders the officers

EL PASO, Texas, April 30 .- Rein forcements for the Chihuahua City loyal troops and also for the revolting Carranza garrison which went over to the Sonora revolutionary movement, presented possibilities for a serious clash, observers of developments in the new Mexican uprising said today. Possession of the Chihuahua state capital would mean a serious blow to the federal forces because of possible interruption to commu-

(By Associated Press.)

MEXICAN UPRISING

nication with Mexico City, it was pointed out, and the rebels would gain in control of the supply center.

Although Juarez military officials asserted danger in an uprising there in sympathy with the Sonora revolt was past, outposts were stationed last night to prevent a possible surprise attack on the border port and American army officers at Fort Bliss held troops in readiness for instant use in case a skirmish endangered the lives on the American side. General J. G. Escobzar, Juarez commander, and other Mexican federal officers continued to minimize the dangers to the central government from the Sonora revolt. General Escobar said the clash yesterday in Pulpito pass was a mere skirmish. He declared the troops at Casas Grandes were adequate for protection of the state from invasion by Mayoand Yaqui Indians through the mountain passes.

The situation both at Juraez and Torreon was declared to be quiet.

#### REPUBLICANS MEET IN CAUCUS OVER BONUS BILL

WASHINGTON, April 30-House republicans, divided into two factions over the sales tax plan for raising funds for soldier relief legislation, will meet in party caucus tonight to iron out their difnces. There was no indica today what would be the result. Both sides lined up during the day, the insurgents admittedly in the minority seeking to gather strength to convince the regular leaders that exactment of the relief bill as planned could not be accomplished with the sales tax among its provisions.

#### CHICAGO CHIEF FORESTALLS MAY DAY DEPREDATIONS (By The Associated Press)

CHICAGO, April 30-More than 350 persons were in city jails here today as a result of what John C. Garri'y, chief of police, termed a "spring clean-up of ariminals." Included in the number were alleged burglars, highwaymen, minor oriminals and radical suspects.

Chief Garrity, warned by State's Attorney Hoyne and the army intelligence buresu here that "reds" intended to stage a "carnival of assassinations" tomorrow, said he did not look for extensive May Day depredations, but had takan advisable precautions.



(By The Associated Zeess.)

COLUMBUS, Ohio, April 30 .- By margin of but 307 votes, Harry M. Daugherty, of Columbus, national campaign manager for Senator Warren Q. Harding, was defeated in Tuesday's primary for delegate at large to the republican national convention at Chicago, complete returns from the state showed last night.

The returns gave Daugherty 107,375 wates and his rival, William H. Boyd, of Cleveland, a Wood delegate, 107,682. The other three delegates at large electod are Harding men. The other votes

Myron T. Herrick 132,366, (Harding); Frank B. Willis 123,130, (Harding); John Galvin 120,106, (Harding); Ed. ward G. Turner 106,124, (Wood).

Senator Harding probably will have \$9. of the 48 Ohio Delegates to the Chicago convention pledged to him. Major General Leonard Wood spparently has won two delegates in each of three districts, one delegate in each of two districts, and the one delegate st large, a total of nine.

There is a possibility that the official count, to take place here early next ck, may change the results in the Daugherty-Boyd contest.

/ The complete returns give Senator Harding a plurality of 16,303 votes over Major General Wood for the presidenhial preference.

The vote stands: Harding 125,561; Wood 109,258.

### JOE TURNER CONFESSES

GREENVILLE, S. C., April 30-Jos Turner, the negro who is held in Lynchburg, on the charge of murder of a policeman, last night confessed to the killing of Policeman J. L. Kitchen and A. M. Blair in Greenville, October 5, a. M. Biair in creasurity, bettoor of, last year, according to a statement made to the press by Sheriff Willis, who re-turned this morning from Lynchburg.

Mrs. John F. Abenraciby, of Me adenville, who has been ill for some

ciety of the Lutheran church of the Good Shepherd celebrated its silver anniversary. The society was organized while Rev. J. F. Moser was pastor. The guest of honor was his wife, Mrs. Moser, who now lives in Charlotte. In the receiving line were the officers, Mrs. E. H. Kohn, Mrs. J. A. Costner, Mrs. A. P. Rhyne, Mrs. A. C. Lineberger and Mrs. B. L. Jenkins All members of the congregation were the invited guests. The decorations were lilies, orris, potted plants and ferns. Delicious refreshments, consisting of a salad course and cream and cake were served. The birthday cake was the old-fashioned pound cake, so seldom seen these days, adorned with .25

lavender candles, the whole resting upon a centerpiece of cluny lace, bordered with tiluc. The society has had but one secretary, Mrs. J. A. Costner, and in appreciation of her faithful service the society presented Mrs Costner with a handsome piece of silver, suitably engraved.

One of the largest and most delightful functions of the season was the reception given Tuesday night by the faculty of the graded school at the home of Mrs. T. L. Wade, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Rozzelle. The home was tastefully decorated with ferns and dogwood blossoms. The guests on arrival were received by Misses Roseman and Purser in the living room. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Thompson introduced the guests of honor, Mr. and Mrs. Rozzelle. Misses Shipling and Rankin presided over the punch bowl. During the evening ice cream and cakes were served. Music during the evening was furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Detter, and Mrs. F. B. Rankin sang. During the evening sev-

eral hundred guests called. Mrs. J. A. Costner and Mrs. E. H. Kohn spent Tuesday in Lincolnton, Mrs. Kohn also spent the week-end in Wingate with friends.

Mrs. Blackwelder, of Concord, is visiting her son, Mr. T. Q. Blackwelder, manager of the chemical plant.

# PUBLIC OPENING OF

COLORED HOSPITAL The colored hospital will be open for inspection Monday and Tuesday, May 3 and 4, till 6 p. m. We especially in-vite our white friends.' During these two days we will appreciate such gifts as soaps, washing powders, gowns, towels, sheets, pillow cases, blankets, spreads cooking and eating utensils. A committee of colored women will serve refreshments.

On Wednesday May 5, at 1 o'clock the building will be opened for public service, at which time several prominent white citizens will make short adderases All gifts for this day will go for running expenses. Come and see the build-DR. H. J. ERWIN. ing.

-Mrs. Frank Wilson, who has been in a hospital at Rock Hill, S. C., for eatment, has returned to her home ar Bethel. Mrs. Campbell, who is firs Wilson's sister, is with them, to take care of Mrs. Wilson and her lit-

# Owing to Duties Connected With Solicitorship Mr. Wil-son Finds Hinself Unable to Devote Time to Making Race For Congress.

Solicitor Geo. W. Wilson, who entered the lists for the nomination for Congress from the Ninth district some days ago. makes announcement that he has withdrawn from the race.

He states that "the duties of the solicitorship will require so much of his time between now and the June primary that he finds it impossible to prosecute a campaign as it ought to be done, and that he, therefore, declines to make the race for Congress, and withdraws his name from the list of candidates." He adds that "he will not hold his friends to their generous promises of support for which he thanks them sincerely."

This announcement by Solicitor Wilson reduces the number of candidates in the district to five and leaves Major A. L. Bulwinkle the only Gaston county candidate.



# - 100 MR. PELHAM MORBOW.

News of the death of Mr. Pelham Morrow, of Hamlet, whose critical illness was mentioned in Thursday's Daily Gazette, was received here at a late hour last night. Death came at 10:20 Thursday night following a serious illness of only 24 hours from a stroke of apoplexy:

Mr. Morow was about 65 years of age and is survived of his widow and one daughter, Mrs. Robert Clark of Hamelt, and three sisters, Mrs. B. J. Caldwell, of Gastonia; Mrs. Lou Cathey, of Sheffielo, Ala., and Mrs. J. H. Cloninger, of Moresville, Deceased was a brother of the late Mr. LeRoy Morrow, father of Messrs. Holland and Norman Morrow,

of Gastonia. Mr. Morrow and his family were formerly residents of Gassonna, having moved to Hamlet some 10 or 12 years ago. His only son, Mr. Earl- Morrow, who was quite popular here, met his death in an automobile accident in December, 1913. Deceased was an active and loyal member of the First Presbyferian church, of Hamlet, and his funeral will be conducted there at-11 o'clock Saturday morning. Mrs. B. J. Caldwell and Mrs. Fannie Morrow, left yesterday morning for Hamlet upon receipt of the news of Mr. Morrow's critical condition, and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Morrow and Mr. and Mrs. Holland Morrow leave today to attend the funeral.

Do not miss "Along the Mountain Trail" at the Central School Auditorium tonight. It's full of wholesome humor and tear - producing pathos. 30 p 1

Maritime Corporation, an allied organiza-

tion, had experienced in obtaining 12 of the latest and largest steel ships from the United States Shipping board for shipping between southern and foreign ports. When the corporation first asked for ships in order that shipping from Southern ports might be put on a somewhat equal footing with northern ports,

the board offered the corporation one old wooden ship at a rental of \$25,000 per month. This was refused. Recently, with the solid backing of the congress men and business men of the South Ati Seven women are listed as missing. They lantic, Middle Western and Mississippi | include beside the four named in the al Valley states, the board was induced to give the southern ports 12 of the best steel ships on the same terms on which the northern ports secure them. These ships are now sailing out of southern ports to all parts of the world and are

carrying full cargoes on every trip. "Adjustments of freight rates have been secured which enables the Western and Middle Western manufacturers to route southern ports instead of through New York as has always heretofore been the case. Mr. Hale presented a glowing picture of the possibilities of the south developing an enormous foreign commerce. There is no reason, he said, why goods drowned. produced in the south should have to go through New York and Boston to get to foreign countries. The northern banks, export houses and commission men have fattened for lo these many years at the expense of the south. This condition should be changed. It can be

changed. It is being changed. Following these two brief talks the business men present told Mr. McRae and Mr. Hale that the \$10,000 stock allotted to Gastonia was taken.

## WESLEYAN METODISTS TO

The Wealeyan Methodist church through its forward movement commission has launched a campaign for \$1, 000,000 to be raised during the month of May by popular subscriptions in cash and pledges. Rev. Edward M. Graham. president of the North Carolina annual conference, who is the conference director for the Forward Movement, wishes the announcement made that Gastonia's quota for this financial drive is \$7,000. and that the pastors of the Wesleyan Methodist churches in the ciy will at once make special appeals both to their congregations and to the business men in order that Gastonia may "go over the top.' Rev. Mr. Graham is very optimnstic regarding the outcome of the financial drive in his conference, and is confident that he can report Gastonia as being one of the first cities to raise

its quoa. The funds raised in this campaign are to be used to increase and maintain the mission interests, both home and foreign, also to strengthen and make more efficient the educational in-stitutions of the church.

PANAMA, April 29-General John J Pershing arrived here today to make an inspection of military forces in the canal

said Huirt confessed

The partial "confession," said the officers, related to the deaths of Bertha Goodnich and Alice Ludvigson. Miss Goodnich was tipped out of a boat in Lake Washington, near Seattle, and Miss Ludvigson was drowned in a river in Idaho, they said.

A party immediately left for the place near San Diego where Huirt said he buried Miss Delanoey's body.

More than twenty-five marriages have been attributed by the officers to Huirt. leged confession, Mrs. Gertrude Wilson Seattle : Beatrice M Andrews, of Can ada and England; and Agnes Wilson, Alberta, Canada,

The first to die, according to the al leged confession, was Miss Ludvigson. Huirt was quoted as saying he was in a boat with her, fishing in a river in Idaho. His memory was weak as to the exact time and location. The boat, he their goods for foreign markets through stated, jammed against logs which were lashed to the bank of the river, and he and Miss Ludvigson tried with their arms to free the raft. When he broke away, he narrated, the woman lost her balance and fell into the river and was

> He said Miss Goodnich died when she fell from a launch into Lake Washington while trying to go from the stern to the center. Later on the officers said, Huirt himself referred to the death as "a murder.

In the Pryor case, the officers said, he asserted the woman attacked him with a hat pin and he shoved her so violently that she fell and struck her head against a box.

He believed she was dead, he was said to have declared, but to make certain, struck her with a hammer.

Miss Deloney, he was quoted as saying, he killed at a camp near Signal Hill, at the edge of Long Beach., Calif., January 26, last, after they quarreled about letters he had received from other women. The officers said Huirt told them he

did not know his right name, but admitted having used many aliases.

He said he knew nothing of his par ents, but did know he was born somewhere in the south. He said he had little education.

He admitted, the officers said, that he had no direct motive in killing his victims, some of the slaying following viol ent quarrels.

He said, they declared, he had killed some women who " had no money." "Something just told me to do it,

he was quoted.

He told them he obtained a certain sat isfaction in the very act of murder, the officers said, and experienced a sense of relief that the woman in each case was dead .

Attorney Marmaduke, representing Huirt, stated that the alleged confession had been given to the district attorney and been given to the instrict attorney. "in the best interests of his client." Huirt was arrested December 10, at his home in Hollywood. At that time, ac-cording to the police, he was preparing to take his intest wife on a trip into the

-Dr. J. M. Peterson, a prominent physician and lawyer of Spruce Pine. who is a candidate for the democratie nomination for Congress in the ninth district, is spending today in Gastonia in the interest of his candidacy.

mountains. He was taken into custody for investigation in connection with the operations of a gang of confidence emn. Nina Lee Deloney, whose home was at Eureka, Montana, married Huirt, the officers said, under the name of Charles N. Harvey at San Francisco, December 5, 1919. She was last seen at a hotel at Santa Monica, Calif., January 26, 1920. She had property valued at \$20,000. Some of it was found in Huirt's possession, the officers declared.

Bertha A. Goodnick, Spokane, Washn. married Huirt, they said, under the name of H. L. Gordon, June 11, 1919, at North Yakima, Washn. Her body was found near Plum station, Washington, a short time afterward. Trunks belonging to her were located in Vancouver, Washington, warehouse.

Alice M. Ludvigson, whose home was in Seattle, married the man under the name of Andrew Hilton, the officers said, October 6, 1917, at Port Townsend, Washington. Property of hers, various papers, her will and their marriage license, they declared, were found in Huirt's possession.

Elizabeth Pryor was a waitress of Wal lace, Idaho and Spokane, Washn. She married Huirt, according to the officers, under the name of Milton Lewis, at Conr D'Alene, Idaho, March 25, 1918. Her picture and some tax receipts in her name were among Huirt's effects when he was arrested, they added.

### ONE VICTIM WAS KENTUCKY GIRL

### (By The Associated Press)

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 30JNine Lee Deloney has been identified by relatives in this vicinity as a former resident of Hodgenville, Ky. No word had been received from her since January 25, when a postcard dated at Tiajuana, I ico, and bearing her name, was received by her sister, Mrs. Alice Noyes, of Flord Knods, Ind., a village near Louisville. It recited that "We are going to South America. Don't expect to hear from me for three months." Mrs. Noyes, and cording to Louisville police reports, said the handwriting was not that of her siter.

Mrs. Deleney laft Kentacky a ago with her husband for Gateway Later the couple separated. If loney went to Alanka and from California. Letters from her an her sumrings on December 5, 1 Churles N. Harvey.

# RAISE MILLION DOLLARS