

Prodigal Instructor in Vocal Returns to His Cage; Mistress Happy

"Old Pal," noted vocal instructor, has returned. The police search for him has been ended. "Old Pal" is the property of Mrs. Ed Riley, 218 North Sixteenth street, a canary importer. He is a wise old fowl, and a great singer. Mrs. Riley has given him a high salary of bird seed and

cattle bone for years for his services in teaching younger birds to whistle "Why Don't You Answer Me?" Thursday morning "Old Pal" disappeared. The younger birds gathered for their singing class, but the teacher wasn't there. Mrs. Riley notified the police and detectives searched trees and cats in the neighborhood. Friday, Mrs. Riley gleefully told police to call off the search. "Old Pal" fluttered slowly through the door Friday morning.

State's Case Against Suspect Weakens as Witness Falters

Woman Said to Have Viewed Slaying Denies All Knowledge of Crime When Questioned.

Hope that the arrest of four men Thursday had solved the mystery of the murder of James J. Spellman, killed in a gun battle with bandits in his grocery store last May, was partially dispelled Friday morning when an Italian woman, believed to have witnessed the shooting, denied any knowledge of the crime. This woman, whose name is being withheld by police, was questioned after Mrs. Ella Hughes, who caused the arrest of the four men, told police that the woman had been in the store at the time of the shooting and could identify Spellman's assailants.

Claims She Heard Plot. According to Mrs. Hughes, she overheard the four men planning the holdup and shooting underneath her window and hurried to the store at 1106 North Seventeenth street to warn Spellman. She said she found the Italian woman in the store wringing her hands over the body of Spellman, who was already dead. Mrs. Hughes declared the woman had been made ill by the shock, and that she took her to the Hughes home and cared for her for some time.

This story was denied by the Italian woman Friday morning. She declared that she had entered the store some time after the shooting, after a crowd had already gathered. She denied that she went to the Hughes home when she became ill, and said that she knew Mrs. Hughes only casually.

Held as Witness. As a result of her statements, Mrs.

Kimball Grows Fall Crop of Strawberries

Bridgeport, Oct. 24.—Mrs. R. D. Wilson has just finished picking more than a gallon of luscious strawberries from a patch about 30 feet square in the backyard of her home at Kimball. The berries have been bearing continuously since June 20, and the recent frosts that destroyed practically every other kind of vegetables and fruit did not seem to injure the plants.

Hughes is being held at the city jail as a material witness, and will be questioned further regarding her knowledge of the crime.

The four men, all of whom are charged with murder and have been identified by Mrs. Hughes as the men she heard plotting beneath her window, are Floran Martinez, 1131 North Seventeenth street; Zenor Recora, 1618 Nicholas street; Andrew E. Swift, 1480 Spencer street; and Spec G. Gibson, former janitor at the city jail.

Deputy County Attorney Dan Gross announced Friday morning that he would file murder charges Friday afternoon against the four men charged with the murder of James J. Spellman, despite the fact that the Italian woman who was relied upon as an important witness has denied any knowledge of the crime. Gross made his announcement after reading the sworn statement of Mrs. Ella Hughes, 1412 North Seventeenth street, who declares that she overheard the men plotting the crime.

Pawnee County to Vote on Wolf and Coyote Bounties

Table Rock, Oct. 24.—The question of whether or not Pawnee county shall pay a bounty on wolf and coyote skins will be settled at the general election November 4. The state law prescribes that the payment of bounties shall be decided by the electorate of each county. To this end County Clerk A. R. Loch will have prepared special ballots. A bounty has not been paid in this county for the past two years. Voters in this county this year will receive four ballots from the judges of election.

Hospital at Columbus Given Highest Rating

Columbus, Oct. 24.—Twelve Nebraska hospitals, among which is St. Mary, in Columbus, have been placed on the accredited list of the American College of Surgeons for this year, according to the annual announcement of approved hospitals in the United States and Canada made by Franklin H. Martin, M. D., of the college in New York this week. St. Mary hospital qualifies in class A, the highest class, in which are rated the hospitals of 100 or more beds capacity.

Kimball Couple Hold Golden Wedding Jubilee

Bridgeport, Neb., Oct. 24.—Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Brothers of Kimball celebrated their golden wedding anniversary this week, spending the day with their children and grandchildren at the home of their daughter, Mrs. D. R. Atkins. There were 39 guests. The couple came to Cheyenne county 35 years ago and have reared a family of five children that have 29 grandchildren. There has been no death in the family.

McLaughlin Visits All Towns in York County

York, Oct. 23.—M. O. McLaughlin, candidate for congress in the Fourth district; M. M. Wildman, candidate for the state legislature, and Perry Redd, candidate for state senate, visited every town in York county Thursday. Senator Dibble of Iowa was a member of the party and made talks at a number of towns. A male quartet and a bugler in the party added interest to the street meetings.

West Point Hill Graded.

West Point, Oct. 25.—Grading of the first three miles of the West Point-Oakland road, was completed this week. This work was so arranged by the Schlueter Bros. Construction company that at no time was traffic shut off. The road is now a continuous grade from the city limits, making an incline over the previous high hill at reasonable as possible. The grading of this road makes hauling heavy loads from the city much easier.

Recluse, Burned to Death, Leaves Sum to Mission Society

Estate of Woman Who Used Leaves for Fuel Will Be in Excess of \$35,000.

The Home and Foreign Missionary society of the Episcopal church will receive the bulk of the estate of Mrs. Eugenie Earle, 92, who was burned to death in her home, 3830 Charles street Thursday morning. St. Andrew church, Thirty-second and California streets, gets \$1,000. The estate amounts to \$35,000 at least and may total two or three times that much, according to William E. Davis, executor, and A. C. Hancock, attorney.

"We won't know till we have gone through the great mass of papers in the house," said Hancock.

Will Made Last September. The aged woman made her will September 3, 1924, and it was then sealed and deposited in the county court.

It provides that the executor shall sell two of her houses at 966 and 950 North Twenty-seventh street and use part of the proceeds to pay the bequest to St. Andrew church and also \$100 each to Mrs. R. E. Westergate, Mrs. J. W. Metcalfe and Mrs. Lola M. Drake, neighbors who have been kind to her.

To her nephew, Milton H. Beckwith of Riverside, Cal., she left the house at 3830 Charles street and a tract of five acres at Sixty-ninth and Evans streets; also her clothing, books, etc. The residue of the estate goes to the missionary society.

Funeral will arrive here Sunday. The funeral will be held Monday.

Niece Left Out.

A niece, Mrs. Frank H. Palmer, Syracuse, N. Y., is not mentioned in the will. The will of Edith Earle, daughter of Mrs. Earle, was filed in county court just after her death last March. She was a teacher in the Omaha schools as was also another daughter, Maybelle, who died several years ago. Neither of the girls ever married.

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Funeral services will be held Monday at 2 p. m., at St. Andrew Episcopal church, 1317 North Forty-second street. Rev. D. J. Gallagher, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in the family lot at Prospect Hill cemetery.

Heavy Frosts Hurry Ripening of Corn Crop

Beatrice, Oct. 24.—Heavy frosts have occurred in this section of the state this week, the temperature dropping as low as 30 degrees. Farmers say the freezing weather will assist in ripening the corn and make it much easier to gather.

Woman Struck by Car in Serious Condition

David City, Neb., Oct. 24.—Mrs. L. A. Peterson of this city suffered a badly hurt knee, fractured rib and other severe injuries when struck by a passing car. Being also afflicted with pleurisy, she is in a serious condition. The car was going slowly when the accident occurred.

Marvin Ward Seriously Ill.

Marvin Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ward of Chicago, formerly of Omaha, is seriously ill in a hospital in Chicago, threatened with typhoid fever. Mr. Ward, who was formerly associated with Burgess-Wash company, is now with the Davis Goods company of Chicago.

Get Out and Vote!

THE Get-Out-the-Vote committee, made up of women who believe everybody should vote, has completed a house-to-house canvass of the whole city. The gigantic job was done entirely by women who worked without any compensation purely in the interests of good citizenship. Today they distributed also a large number of dodgers calling attention to the fact "Last Chance to Register, October 24, 9 p. m."

DOUGLAS COUNTY. Total possible vote 100,000 Registered Thursday 2,472 Total registered 7,386 Percentage of possible vote not registered 22.6 Registration closes at 9 tonight.

CHINESE WAR IS OFFICIALLY OVER

(Continued From Page One.) sea what troops he could form from his contingents at Shanhaiwan, and intends to establish a new base, probably at Tachow, Shantung province, on the Tientsin-Pukow railway, according to a seemingly reliable report received from Tientsin tonight. The report declared that General Wu and a considerable portion of his army withdrew from Shanhaiwan to Chinwangtao, nearby port, late last night, and said the belief was that they had boarded Chinese warcraft and transports in Chinwangtao harbor. Their destination was given as "Shantung."

May Cut Off Retreat.

Other reports said that two brigades from the army of General Feng Yuhsiang, now in control of Pekin, and two brigades from the army of General Hu Ching-Yi of Szechwan province are planning to occupy Tientsin and the Tangshan district where the principal coal mines of the section are located to cut off General Wu's retreat.

First complete reports from Peking since the overturn of the government said that at 9 a. m. yesterday the Eighth mixed brigade and the 41st and 43d regiments with one artillery regiment and one machine gun section attached to the 11th division, under General Feng, entered the city, immediately occupying all gates, every railroad station, and all telephones and telegraph offices. The president's office was swiftly surrounded, and eight field guns and groups of machine guns put in place at the west gate.

Will Spare Tsoo Kun.

President Tsoo Kun, apprised of the approach of those forces, at once convened an emergency cabinet meeting. He requested V. K. Wellington Koo, the foreign minister, and General Lu Chin, the war minister, to approach the foreign legations with a request for shelter. Both of the ministers refused.

General Feng was reported to have announced in Pekin today that on provision that Tsoo Kun agrees to suspension of hostilities and his own retirement from office, he will be permitted to depart from Pekin unmolested.

Li-Cheng, accountant general for the president, and Wang Kei, finance minister, were reported under arrest.

Reports credited the coup d'etat to the scheming and intrigue of Tuan Chi-Jui, former premier, who lately has been living in retirement at Tientsin. Tsoo Kun went out of power with the Anfu club, former powerful pro-Japanese political clique, of which he was a leader.

Bishop Beckman Conducts Confirmation of a David City

David City, Oct. 24.—Confirmation services were held this week at St. Mary church. The parochial school children, the David City band and members of the K. of C. Lodge met Bishop Frances Joseph Beckman, who had charge of the confirmation, at the train and escorted him to the church. Bishop Beckman made an address and confirmed 63 girls and 51 boys. In the evening a program was given by the school children and the bishop gave a talk.

Boatrice—R. A. Glandon, who has been in charge of the Scouler-Bishop Grain company, has resigned. L. A. Patterson is in charge temporarily.

Business Growth of U. S. Hangs on Election--Gary

Chairman of Steel Corporation Declares Ship of State Too Scaunch to Be Turned Over to Underwriters.

New York, Oct. 24.—Business conditions during the next four years depend largely upon the result of the coming election. E. H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel corporation, declared in his presidential address to the American Iron and Steel Institute today.

"Every well-informed business man or woman," he said, "knows that if the best men are elected there probably will be continued and increasing prosperity, and if others less capable and less worthy are selected we may expect depression and disturbances in business, less production, more idleness, less comfort, more distress; a decided interruption to legitimate progress that will not be easily nor soon overcome."

Mr. Gary said he was convinced the public had been right during the last few months in believing the election returns would be satisfactory, as shown by the steady and persistent increases in the volume of business. With such a result, he added, the country could look forward through the autumn and succeeding months with hope and confidence.

"Our ship of state is too great, too fine, too solid, substantial and strong," he declared, "to be pronounced unseaworthy on the words of unscrupulous, unintelligent or inexperienced men, and then turned over to a board of underwriters."

Outlining qualifications which he believed a president of the United States should possess, Mr. Gary said: "He should be willing to lend his influence and devote his talents to legitimate business progress and general prosperity, and likewise to prevent, and penalize corruption and wrong. He should endeavor to assist and to protect the poor, the weak and the suffering, and at the same time be willing to help the rich, the strong and the happy when it is indisputably right to do so."

Business throughout the United States has shown a persistent though

Robbers Strip Kiddies' Walnut Grove at York

York, Oct. 24.—Children at Mothers' Jewels' home are mourning the loss of the year's crop of walnuts grown in a grove on the home farm. No clue was left except automobile tracks.

somewhat irregular growth since last May, with the volume expanding each succeeding month, according to Mr. Gary.

HELP EUROPE HELP ITSELF--COOLIDGE

(Continued From Page One.) themselves alone, who are neither oblivious to duty or to charity but who cherish as individuals and as citizens the golden rule of action among our own people."

Russian Relief. American relief during the famine periods in Russia had prevented, he declared, the spread of bolshevism over a large proportion of Europe. But for this relief, he added, civilization "which has been set back a generation in Russia, would have had the same setback over a half score of other countries. Peace would have been impossible."

"We disapprove of the Russian government," he declared, "but America in the last eight years has expended more than \$18,000,000,000 through various wartime and relief agencies in charities, donations and loans, Coolidge recalled.

"We might have taken the attitude," he continued, "that we had completed our obligation to Europe the day the armistice was signed. But the object of America in the war was greater than military victory. It was the maintenance of human institutions, re-establishment of orderly governments and preservation of civilization itself in Europe."

"I do not recount these things in a spirit of vain glory. It was the good fortune of America to be able to help in such a time. The story would be fairly told if I omitted to add that already many of the nations that received help in this crisis have begun to repay the credits advanced by our government. Others have indicated their intention to repay as fast as their economic strength permits. There has been a fine demonstration of good faith, a full realization of obligations."

HERZBERGS 1519 1521 DOUGLAS ST Saturday in Girlie Nook A Special Selling of GIRLS' SMART, NEW HATS Three Unusual Groups \$1.50 \$2.50 \$3.50 Hats that are chic as one can imagine—shown in every new color and styles aplenty to meet every little girl's whims. All New Fabrics Every New Trimming Girlie Nook—Fifth Floor

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