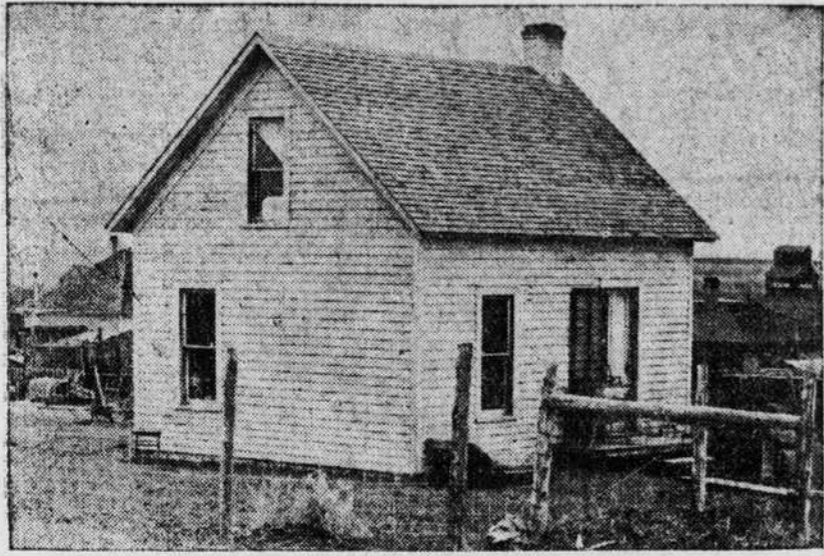


SCENE OF WIFE'S MURDER; THE MAN AND HIS VICTIM



HOUSE WHERE MURDER OCCURRED.

Presho, S. D., May 18.—Within the walls of an unpretentious little home in the residence portion of this town, Mrs. William L. Lansing was killed by her husband while the children were attending school not more than five rods away. The bruised body was hidden in the cellar of this little home and afterward the murderer and his children partook of supper there, after which he left under cover of darkness, was overtaken in a claim shanty 20 miles away on the Lower Brule reservation, opened fire on his pursuers and received a shot in return through the breast, from which he died within a few minutes.

The picture shows the husband, wife and one small child, as they appeared several years ago. The man and his wife had separated and she had started proceedings for divorce. This is supposed to have been the cause of the crime, which was one of the most aggravating deeds ever occurring in the state.



W. L. LANSING AND HIS WIFE.

POSED NEARLY 50 YEARS AS VETERAN OF THE CIVIL WAR

James Cunningham, Prominent in the G. A. R., Admits He Was Never Soldier.

New York, May 18.—James Cunningham, for years one of the best known Grand Army men in Brooklyn, admits that for nearly half a century he has been accepting the plaudits of his friends and in recent years a pension from the government under false pretenses. To United States Judge Chatfield he acknowledged that he never was an enlisted soldier, that he had no right to the pension he had drawn and that from beginning to end of his career the flag which he had draped about himself was false colors.

Cunningham may be sentenced to prison for five years and fined \$2,000.

NICARAGUAN PRESIDENT'S SON THEATER'S PIANIST

Washington, May 18.—While the distinguished father, M. Zelaya, president of Nicaragua, is keeping things at fever heat down around Salvador and Honduras, Alphonse Zelaya, only son of the South American president, and his American wife are earning their living in a 19-cent theater in Washington.

Young Zelaya is an expert pianist and can reel off rag time and the soulful ballads of the day with equal poise. To the strain of his playing of "Gee, I Wish I Had a Girl," the program of moving pictures in a Ninth street nickel theater is gone through with each night.

As the crowds succeed each other out in front of the brilliantly lighted cheap show place, Mrs. Zelaya, who was formerly Marguerite Baker, of Washington, sells tickets.

CAMERA ARTIST SNAPS TUMBLING WATER TANK



CAUGHT AS IT FALLS.

Just as an unsafe water tank at Vermillion, S. D., which had been condemned, started to tumble down after one corner of its foundation had been undermined, W. H. Lawton, a photographer there, made a snap shot of it, the result being a rather interesting picture.

After one leg, or standard, had been

undermined, the weight of the water in the tank caused it to break in two and it was just at that moment that the photograph was made. After starting to fall to one side, the huge structure came almost straight down and all that was left on the site was a pile of broken timber and twisted iron.

WYOMING COWBOY, OF "BUFFALO BILL'S," DIES

New York, May 18.—Harry Beebe, a Lander, Wyo., cowboy, with Buffalo Bill's show, died yesterday. Beebe's great toe was severely bruised last Monday, being stepped upon by a horse ridden by a fellow cowboy. Partial paralysis developed and death followed.

The distribution of hot springs in the United States coincides very closely with that of the mountain uplifts.

NEW PANTALON GOWN WILL RIVAL DIRECTOIRE

New York, May 18.—"Pantalon gowns," an innovation in woman's dress, more startling than the "directoire," are scheduled to make their appearance June 1. The skirt parts at the knee and reveals regular trousers.

Electric vacuum cleaners are rented out by the day by electric light and power companies of Minnesota.

TEXAS BABY'S BODY FOUND IN ENGLAND IN COTTON BALE

Child Caught in Press and Exported—Father Had Spent All in Search.

Galveston, Tex., May 16.—The finding of the dead body of a baby in a bale of cotton at Manchester, (England) mills is believed to be the solution of the disappearance of a 2-year-old son of George P. Hartman in Gillespie county, Texas, last December. The boy accompanied his father to a gin, where the father had several bales of cotton pressed. The child was lost and never found and the father spent all he had searching for tidings of his child, without result.

It is now surmised that in some way the child got into the cotton press and was crushed to death in a bale of cotton. The Hartman moved from Texas a few months ago to Louisiana. The description of the body and clothes answered to that of the Hartman child. The English cotton mills traced the bale to a broker in Texas, who in turn traced it back to the gin and to the fact that it was the product of Gillespie county.

SENT TO PERPETUAL EXILE IN SIBERIA

Moscow, May 16.—The trial of the members of the local social democratic organization came to an end here today. Eighteen of the prisoners were sentenced to perpetual exile in Siberia, and 20 others are to be imprisoned in a fortress for terms varying from one to three and a half years.

The exiles include Professor Rochkoff, of the University of Moscow, whose connection with the party for a number of years has been a mystery to the police. The authorities were aware that one of the most competent members of the general committee resided permanently in Russia, but they never identified this man with the noted university authority of Russia.

When Professor Rochkoff was betrayed by his own carelessness he went to St. Petersburg, instead of fleeing abroad, and continued his activity under a false passport for four years before he was arrested in 1908.

FARRAR AND SCOTT ARE TO BE MARRIED

New York, May 17.—Geraldine Farrar, the American prima donna of the Metropolitan opera house, and Antonio Scotti, the Italian baritone of the same company, who sailed for Europe this week, are to be married in Paris next month, according to a story published here, based on wireless messages said to have been received from Miss Farrar by friends.

The marriage is to take place, it is added, at the Church of the Madeleine in Paris. Once before, last fall, when the two opera stars came over from Europe together on the same ship, that they were to be married. The engagement, and it was said at that time the marriage would probably take place this summer.

MAY YOHE'S BABY GETS HER INTO LIMELIGHT

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Ottumwa, Ia., May 14.—With the purchase of the Sioux Falls, S. D., printing plant, John Morrell & Co., limited, of this city, have made a running broad jump and landed square in the packing field of the West. Thomas D. Foster, president of the Ottumwa concern, and John H. Morrell, manager, returned this afternoon from Sioux Falls, verified the reports of the purchase, which had preceded them to Ottumwa.

The deal is the consummation of a material expansion that has been contemplated for some time by the Ottumwa plant, although the most absolute secrecy has attended the various stages of the deal until the transaction was actually closed. The Sioux Falls concern has been closed for some time owing to extensive litigation, and the new proprietors assert that operation in the new field will probably be commenced by July 1. The Morrell plant secures the entire holdings of the big Sioux Falls plant and in addition negotiations are now pending for the purchase of 30 acres of additional property adjacent to the packing house.

The head offices of John Morrell & Co., limited, will still be in Ottumwa, the new purchase representing an expansion of business and territory.

HE HEARS HIS OWN FUNERAL SERMON
Gas City, Ind., May 14.—On his deathbed, Elias B. Burns, 88 years old, today heard his funeral sermon preached. After having been advised by his physician that he could live only a few hours more, Mr. Burns summoned his minister, the Rev. Henry Schwab, and 49 of his friends and neighbors, and asked them to give him the satisfaction of attending his funeral service in his bedroom. Hymns were sung and Mr. Schwab preached a sermon.

PARIS STRIKE SHOWS SIGNS OF COLLAPSE

Paris, May 17.—Instead of showing an increase this morning, the number of striking postal employees in the city seems to have diminished. The leaders of the strike, however, still talk boldly of developments, including the declaration of a general strike by the general federation of labor.

On the other hand the authorities, with the endorsement of the chamber of deputies behind them, insist that the movement will dissipate totally in a few days without recourse to the elaborate reserve arrangements that have been perfected.

At Lyons, Toulouse, Marseilles and some other places, the strikers today abandoned the struggle and returned to their posts.

SENATOR McCARREN IS SUED FOR \$100,000

New York, May 17.—Winslow Birnie, who was recently appointed guardian ad litem of "Patrick H. McCarran, Jr.," 5-year-old son of Mrs. Mary A. Dixon, has begun an action against Senator Patrick H. McCarran, of Brooklyn, for \$100,000 for an alleged breach of contract. It is set forth that the senator has failed to keep his promise to purchase and support the boy.

CONVICT RUSSIAN POLICE DIRECTOR

M. Lopukine Condemned to Five Years, but May Get Clemency.

St. Petersburg, May 17.—M. Lopukine, a former director of police, who was arrested at St. Petersburg last January on the technical charge that he was a member of the revolutionary organization, was today condemned to five years' imprisonment at hard labor.

It is reported Emperor Nicholas has decided to remit the sentence of imprisonment, considering that M. Lopukine has been sufficiently punished by his preliminary confinement in a fortress and the loss of his rights as a nobleman.

M. Lopukine was found guilty of knowing of the existence of a plot aiming to overthrow the state by armed uprising, terrorism and regicide, and of participating therein. He confessed the official secret of Azef's connection with the police, thereby removing an obstacle to the criminal activity of the plotters and rendering them material service.

RICH WIDOW KILLS HER ASSAILANT

Lyons, Kan., May 14.—Mrs. Myrtle Brewer, the daughter of wealthy parents at Little River, a small town near here, is in jail here today for killing Frederick Arn, a bridge carpenter. The case is a strange one.

Mrs. Brewer visited the marshal's office at Little River yesterday and said she had killed a man and asked to be locked up. Officers, who investigated, found the body of Arn in the yard of Mrs. Brewer's home. He had been shot through the heart and the bullet evidently had been fired from a window in Mrs. Brewer's house.

The woman refused to offer any explanation except to assert that Arn had attacked her and she was justified in killing him. She had borrowed a revolver from a friend the day before. The community is greatly excited over the shooting. Mrs. Brewer was brought here and placed in jail.

"H. A. W.'s MEMORY LAPSES."
McNell, Ark., May 17.—Claiming complete lapse of memory, a mysterious stranger has arrived here, the only means of identification being the letters "H. A. W." on his linen. He says he remembers he was in Texas and that he was a professor at a university, but his recollection further than that is blank.

BROTHER AGAINST BROTHER.

Tulsa, Okla., May 17.—J. H. Eaton, of Bucyrus, Ohio, subpoenaed as a witness before the federal grand jury that is re-investigating the Muskogee town lot fraud cases, is one of the latest arrivals from the east. Mr. Eaton is a brother of Walt R. Eaton, of Muskogee, one of the seven men previously indicted in these cases.

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THE MAN IT WAS WHO DIED

Winsted, Conn., May 17.—Taking pity on a horse as it ascended a steep hill in Colebrook, Napoleon Dureau, aged 54, of Bridgeport, alighted from a vehicle in which were his wife and W. H. Nichols, also of Bridgeport, and walked to the summit. Upon re-entering the carriage at the top of the hill Dureau died almost immediately of heart disease.

HEINZE PLEADS NOT GUILTY.

New York, May 17.—Augustus Heinze, already under indictment on a charge of over certification of his brother Otto Heinze's checks, was arraigned on a new indictment charging misapplication of funds of the Mercantile National bank, in March and October, 1907. He pleaded not guilty and the case was set for next Friday.

TORNADO IN OKLAHOMA.

Enid, Okla., May 17.—A tornado followed by a deluge of rain did much damage in the vicinity of Hunter and Pond Creek, north of here last night. Small buildings were blown down, but as far as known there were no deaths.

The Santa Fe, Rock Island and St. Louis & San Francisco tracks north, northwest and northeast of Enid, were washed out for a considerable distance, tying up all traffic into Enid.

FALLS IN CISTERN AND IS DROWNED

Marshalltown, Ia., May 17.—Herman Knoll, a prominent farmer, of Haverhill, aged 60 years, fell into a cistern last night and was drowned. The family was away from home at the time. The wife discovered his hat floating in the water and investigation resulted in finding Knoll's body. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

Omaha Girl, Stage Favorite, to Wed



New York, May 17.—Miss May Naudain, a young actress who in a few years has attained marked success in musical comedy and light opera, is engaged to C. H. George, of the New York banking house of Fowler & Co. They will be married next month, and Miss Naudain will permanently retire from the stage; in fact, she has already done so. She had been cast for an important role in "The Dollar Princess," which Charles Frohman is producing soon, and the first intimation of her engagement and approaching marriage came when she asked to be allowed to withdraw from her contract. While sorry to lose her from his force, Mr. Frohman said he had nothing to do but say yes.

Miss Naudain's advancement on the stage has been very rapid. She is the daughter of a banker and her home is in Omaha, Neb. She came to New York only five years ago. She had been educated for the grand opera stage, and her voice, a soprano of great range and sweetness, at once attracted attention.

TONSILS ARE BAD AS APPENDIX; ALSO ALLY OF WHITE PLAGUE

Chicago, May 17.—Wholesale cutting out of tonsils from the throats of every one subject to tuberculosis was advocated by physicians at the 54th annual convention of the Illinois Homeopathic Medical association, held in the Sherman house.

"Tonsils clearly had no friends among the assembled physicians. One doctor described them as 'things good for breeding microbes.' Another declared that no use for them ever has been found, and the agreement was general that their removal checked incipient tuberculosis.

"Twelve per cent of the children examined recently," said Dr. Richard H. Street, "were found infected with incipient tuberculosis. When the tonsils of these children were removed there was a complete recovery.

"After the removal of the tonsils a pathological examination is necessary to uncover any disease. The tonsils are veritable germ breeders."

RUSSIAN "ROBIN HOOD" IS KILLED

Mohilev, Russia, May 17.—The noted robber chieftain, Savitsky, the "Robin Hood" of the Russian revolution, has been killed by members of the rural guard, in a neighboring village, and after a fight that lasted for four hours.

Savitsky, who was a high school student when he took to brigandage, had been the terror of the police of the provinces of Tchernigov and Mohilev for several years, but he was a source of amusement to the rest of Russia on account of his dare-devil exploits. He delighted in playing fantastic tricks upon the police. Once on a wager, disguised as a priest, he visited the governor of this province and other officials. It was his custom to rob only the rich and he distributed his spoils among the poor.

WRITING WINS BRIDE FOR NEWSPAPER MAN

Kansas City, Mo., May 17.—With the picturesque stage settings of far-away Australia and the drifting sands of Wyoming, and the principal characters, the daughter of an English sea captain, born in India, and a newspaper writer whose assignment was the creation of laugh provoking paragraphs known as "little boomerangs," the most interesting chapter of a "stranger than fiction" romance has been written in the recorder's office, where a marriage license was issued to Miss Vera M. Craig, of Perth, Australia, and newspaper man.

Some few years ago McCaw was given employment on the paper made famous by Bill Nye. His assignment was the "little boomerangs" column. Judge David Craig, of Wyoming, appreciated the "boomerang" to such an extent that he regularly mailed copies of the publication to his niece in Australia.

McCaw's column interested her and as the years went by the young woman began longing for a sight of the fascinating country on the opposite side of the globe. Opportunity came finally through a visit to Wyoming relatives. There she met McCaw, and when a better job called him to Kansas City an "understanding" had been reached. The marriage is the sequel.

AMERICAN MEN ARE TOO GOOD-ELINOR GLYN

Author of "Three Weeks" Springs Some Refreshing Comments Upon Visit Here.

New York, May 15.—Elinor Glyn, author of "Three Weeks," has come to bat with a new book, founded on impressions of her American visit. She finds our men are altogether too good. American reporters, the English authoress declares, work like rat terriers.

20 ARE VICTIMS OF DYNAMITE AT ALBANY

Albany, N. Y., May 15.—At least 20 men were killed yesterday by a premature blast of dynamite in a stone quarry operated by the Callanan Improvement company, near South Bethlehem, 11 miles southwest of Albany. The dead:

JOHN HOYT CALLANAN, vice-president and general manager of the company.
CHARLES D. CALLANAN, a brother.
LEROY M'MILLAN, assistant secretary.
JOHN HENDERICKSON, a steam driller.
FRED SNYDER, master mechanic.
JAMES MALONY, blacksmith.
WILLIAM HAUMES, fireman.
FRED ZAPPERT, agent of the National Power company.
TWELVE ITALIAN WORKMEN.

One thousand pounds of dynamite exploded and the bodies of the victims were hurled hundreds of feet by the concussion and so badly mutilated as to be almost beyond recognition.

Italians with shovels found here and there portions of bodies and brought their gawsome loads in boxes to the engine house, which served as a temporary morgue.

PLAN A BANK TO CLEAR FOR TRUST COMPANIES

New York, May 15.—Edwin S. Marston, president of the Farmers Loan & Trust company, has suggested a plan by which all the trust companies may be accorded clearing house facilities, thereby obviating the necessity for the cumbersome method of clearing trust company checks "over the counter."

The plan involves the organization of a large bank, with a state charter, which will become a member of the New York Clearing House association, and through which the non-clearing house banks and trust companies may clear.

Clark Williams, state superintendent of banking, is said to favor the plan, and metropolitan bankers generally regard it as overcoming the difficulties that have prevented the admission of trust companies to clearing house privileges on equal terms with national banks.

BLACK HAND PURSUED EVEN IN DEATH

Cincinnati, Ohio, May 15.—Detectives have discovered a clue indicating that Salvatore Rizzo, fruit dealer, who died suddenly at his home here Tuesday morning, after having received threatening letters from the Black Hand, was given poison. Rizzo was warned by the Black Hand that if he did not leave several thousand dollars with certain persons in Pittsburg, his life would be forfeited. He turned the letter over to the police. Last Saturday, according to the detectives, Rizzo was approached at the market by a man claiming to be a fruit salesman, who gave him a new variety of banana to eat. Rizzo ate it and took violently ill soon after.

Much excitement was caused in the Italian quarter here today when, during the ceremonies over the body of Rizzo, a candelabrum was overturned and the coffin set on fire. The blaze was quickly extinguished, but not before the palbearers' hands were scorched. Word went through the Italian colony that the Black Hand was pursuing Rizzo even after death.

MUCH AT STAKE IN TOBACCO TRUST CASE

Washington, May 15.—The most important trust-busting case now pending, in the opinion of the waiting business interests of the country, is the tobacco trust case.

That case is to be decided by the supreme court sometime the latter part of the present year, or early next year. It is understood in circles here which maintain close relations with the big powers of finance, New York, that a number of big things in finance are awaiting word from the courts as to this case.

In the tobacco case the government has sought to have the American Tobacco company thrown into the hands of a federal receiver, for the purpose of administering its affairs and making certain that the combination is dissolved. This corporation is a huge holding company, with control of the stocks of an immense number of tobacco and related corporations. The government case against it is based on a vast deal of evidence gathered from many sources, but resting on the broad proposition that the concern is a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

Like Oil Case.
If the government shall win in this case, there will be small doubt of its success in the suit for dissolution of the Standard Oil company. The evidence in both cases follows the same lines, though in some regards the government has been able to secure more complete and satisfactory evidence to sustain its theory in the tobacco case than in that of Standard Oil. The tobacco case is farther ahead, having already gone up to the supreme court, while the Standard Oil case has but recently been submitted to the circuit court at St. Louis. It is the common expression that the decision of one will be the decision of both, though this is declared by the lawyers not to be by any means necessarily true.

MR. COMFORTER IS "NAILED" AT "PEN"

Pittsburg, May 15.—Having in his possession a lengthy essay, entitled "Words of Comfort to Helen Boyle" and insisting that he wanted in the penitentiary to see the woman, Thomas Comforter, 48 years old, of Altoona, Pa., was arrested at the doors of the big prison early today.

Comforter is believed to be mentally unbalanced. The authorities are holding him pending an investigation.