

CRIME NEAR DETROIT

MUTILATED CORPSE FOUND IN CLUMP OF UNDERBRUSH.

Remains Those of a Woman—Ground for Several Yards About Scene of Murder is Torn Up, Indicating a Terrible Struggle on Part of Victim.

The badly mutilated body of a woman about 35 years of age was found in a clump of underbrush in Ham-track, near Detroit, Mich., Sunday. The condition of the body indicates that the woman was assaulted and killed.

The body has not been identified. It was found by Justice of the Peace Munch, of Highland Park. It was lying on its back with the skirt carefully drawn over the face. The skull was crushed and the face and body were covered with bruises. The clothing was disarranged. A handkerchief, supposed to have belonged to the victim, was found several feet away, as was also her purse, which had been torn open, and nothing which might serve to identify the body left in it.

TRAGEDY IN HOTEL ROOM.

Blacoot Shoots Two Men in North Carolina Town. Paul Cameron Collins, cashier of the bank of Hillsboro, N. C., and John Hill Bunting, a traveling salesman of Wilmington, N. C., were shot in their room at the Gladstone hotel at Black Mountain, N. C., Saturday by Policeman F. C. Watkins, of that town.

Policeman Watkins, who came in Saturday and surrendered to the authorities of Asheville and was placed under \$500 bond pending developments, claims that he was called from bed by the proprietor of the hotel who stated that the men were creating a disturbance in their room, cursing and threatening the guests of the hotel. When he reached the hotel the policeman claims that he heard the men using the language attributed to them; that on entering the room he was attacked by Collins and Bunting, who upset the lamp, and that he drew his revolver and shot in the darkness to protect himself. Watkins says he fired twice and the men fell away from him. A light was secured and Collins and Bunting were seen lying on the floor of the room, both bleeding profusely.

\$4,000 IN CASH IS TAKEN.

Trusted Bookkeeper in Bank Leaves Cleveland, O.

J. E. Alford, secretary and treasurer of the Continental Trust and Savings Bank company, of Toledo, O., Saturday announced that \$4,000 of the bank's cash is gone and also gave out the information that a trusted bookkeeper in the bank has been missing since July 28. No trace of the employee has been discovered since he left the bank the evening of July 28. According to Mr. Alford, the teller had put on the time lock fifteen minutes after counting the money in the safe. The several packages of \$5 and \$10 bills are supposed to have been abstracted during the interim.

Packages of \$1 and \$2 bills similar in size, were substituted for those of bills of larger denomination, and the bands showing the larger amounts had been shifted to them. The bookkeeper did not go home that night, and his wife telephoned to the bank the next morning. She disclaims all knowledge of his whereabouts. The books were all found to be in excellent shape. Mr. Alford said The loss was covered by a bonding company of Scranton, Pa.

Sloux City Live Stock Market.

Saturday's quotations on the Sloux City live stock market follow: Top hogs, \$6.25. Top hogs, \$7.65.

Murder and Suicide.

Grant Siers, of Kansas City, Mo., 54 years old, late Saturday shot and killed his sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary Siers, at her home in that city, and then killed himself, following a jealous quarrel.

Gen. Atwood Expires.

Brig. Gen. Edwin B. Atwood, 65 years old, who was placed on the retired list in 1903, died suddenly in Chicago Sunday.

NEGOTIATIONS HAVE FAILED.

Japan to Proceed with Antung-Mukden Line.

The negotiations between China and Japan for the construction by the Japanese of the Antung-Mukden railroad in accordance with the convention signed several years ago by Prince Ching, then the Chinese minister of foreign affairs, and Baron Komura, the Japanese foreign secretary, and which have been in progress at Mukden since 1907, have failed, owing to disputes between the contracting parties arising from the interpretation of the clauses in the convention providing for the policing of the line.

Japan had formerly intimated to the Chinese her intention to proceed with the construction of the line within a time limit which Japan considered reasonable, regardless of China's objection.

The entire railroad question, therefore, will be transferred from Mukden to Peking, and this made part of the whole Sino-Japanese question concerning Manchuria, the negotiations for the commencement of which were concluded July 27.

A dispatch from Tokio says that Japan Friday officially notified the powers of her intention to proceed immediately with the reconstruction and improving the Antung-Mukden railroad without the consent of China, diplomatic negotiations having failed to overcome Chinese opposition.

The note outlines the entire course of negotiations relative to the improvement of the railroad up to the present. It declares that throughout the discussions China has had recourse to her well known policy of obstruction and procrastination, has evaded the just and reasonable demands of Japan and raised collateral questions regarding police authority and other matters, thus delaying a settlement.

China's reply of June 24 is mentioned, and the note declares that Japan's rights under the treaty of 1905 were disregarded and the provisions of the treaty wholly nullified thereby.

TAPT TO COVER 13,000 MILES.

His Western Trip Will Be a Notable Journey.

President Taft left Washington late Friday afternoon for the summer capital at Beverly, Mass., and will not return to Washington until the middle of November next. Remaining at Beverly with his family until September 15, he will start west on that day on a tour that will embrace all but eight or ten states of the union and both of the territories in the far southwest.

Before his departure Taft made public a tentative outline of his trip through the west and south this fall. It will embrace a journey approximating 13,000 miles and will be one of the most notable ever made by a president. It will be as diverse as could well be imagined, and no "seeing all America" tour could be devised to embrace as many points of interest in so brief a space of time as President Taft will give to his jaunt to the Pacific coast and back through the south. The president, accompanied by Secretary Fred W. Carpenter, Capt. Archibald W. Butt, his military aid, several White House attaches, and perhaps a guest or two for various parts of the trip, will travel in a private car attached for the greater part of the trip to regular trains.

During his tour the president will traverse the Royal gorge of the Rocky mountains, will visit the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition at Seattle, will spend three days in the famed Yosemite valley, will stop off at the Grand canyon of the Colorado, will greet the president of Mexico on the international bridge over the Rio Grande at El Paso on October 16, will make a four days' sail down the Mississippi river from St. Louis to New Orleans, with various stops en route, and will spend four days on the ranch of his brother, Charles P. Taft, near Corpus Christi, Tex.

ONE KILLED; 34 HURT.

Chicago Electric and Pennsylvania Suburban Trains Collide.

Thirty-four persons were hurt and Motorman O. P. Best killed when an electric car in which were a number of laborers and eight women and five children was struck by a Pennsylvania suburban train at the One Hundred and Third street grade crossing in Chicago Thursday night.

Four or five are injured so seriously that there is little hope for their recovery. The injured motorman said before he died at a hospital, whether he and a number of the injured were taken, that the accident was caused by the brakes on his car refusing to work at a critical moment. There are no gates at the crossing and no flagman was stationed there.

The passenger train, running at a speed of forty miles an hour, hit the street car squarely in the center and turned it upside down in a ditch fifteen feet away.

Laborer Robbed by Tramps.

John Gustafsen, a laborer in Rochester, was attacked by a bunch of hoboes, beaten and robbed of a hat and 30 cents. This is the first serious case.

Bubonic Plague in California.

The first case of bubonic plague in California in a year has been discovered in Alameda county by the federal and state officers. The victim is a boy named Joseph Mondoza, aged 13.

Canadian Pacific Wreck.

The Canadian Pacific railroad express, eastbound, for Toronto, was derailed near Winnipeg, Man., Friday. Many passengers were injured but none were killed.

TARIFF BILL A LAW.

Senate Passes It and Taft Affixes His Signature.

The tariff has been revised and the extraordinary session of congress has been brought to a close. Both houses adjourned sine die officially at 6 o'clock Friday night. That is the time entered upon the journals, but as a matter of fact the adjournment was taken in the house at 5:38 p. m. and in the senate at 5:58 p. m.

The closing hours of the session were uninteresting. The revision had been according to the desires of some and with the hearty disapproval of others, and the last two days had been consumed by members of the senate in expressing their satisfaction or dissatisfaction, as the case might be.

The conference report on the bill was agreed to by the senate by a vote of 47 to 31 when the vote was taken at 2 p. m. and soon afterward the concurrent resolution making certain changes in the leather schedule was adopted by both houses.

President Taft arrived at the capitol at 4:45 p. m. and entered the room set aside for the occupation of the president on the concluding day of the session of congress. His appearance there, the first since his incumbency as president, caused members of congress to desert the two chambers and form in line to be received by him. There was a constant procession of handshaking statesmen through the president's room from the time of his arrival until his departure at 5:50 o'clock. Just as the hands of the gold clock in the president's room reached six minutes past 5 o'clock, the Payne tariff bill, as the measure will be known, was laid before the president. He picked up a pen supplied by Chairman Payne, of the house ways and means committee, and which had been used by the vice president and the speaker in signing the bill, and attached his signature. After writing "William H. Taft," the president added, "Signed five minutes after 5 o'clock, August 5, 1909.---W. H. T."

Under the words, "general welfare of the community," Sunday baseball probably will be permitted.

WILL TRY TO BREAK WILL.

Kansas City Saloonkeeper Left \$117,000 to Charities.

A suit to break the will of Charles Schattner, a wealthy saloonkeeper and politician, who died a few months ago at Kansas City, Mo., leaving \$117,000 to local charities and about \$25,000 to negro employees, has been filed by Eugene Schattner, a brother. The estate was valued at \$200,000. Eugene Schattner alleges that his brother was addicted to the use of intoxicants, which impaired his mind and made him incapable of making a will when the instrument was drawn. He also alleges that Mary E. Yates, a negro housekeeper, to whom the will gave \$10,000, exerted undue influence over his brother. A negro porter and a negro nurse were also beneficiaries under the will.

PROTECTION FROM LIGHTNING.

Official of the Weather Bureau Tells How Rods May Be Put Up.

Prof. Henry, of the weather bureau, in a bulletin just issued, entitled "Cheap Protection from Lightning," declares more attention should be given the question in view of the fact that 500 to 800 people are killed and an immense amount of property destroyed by lightning every year. Prof. Henry shows how lightning rods that are "inexpensive yet effective" may be put up by everybody. The following is his list of necessary materials:

Enough galvanized iron telegraph wire to serve for the rod, a pound of galvanized iron staples to hold the wire in place, a few connecting tees and a pound of aluminum paint. "While iron is not as good a conductor as copper," says the professor, "it is less likely to cause dangerous side flashes and it also dissipates the energy of the lightning flash more effectively than does copper."

French Army Commander.

Gen. Charles Louis Tremaux has been appointed commander in chief of the French army, in succession to Gen. de LaCroix.

Three Governors Visit Victoria.

Gov. Charles E. Hughes, of New York, and his secretary; Gov. John A. Johnson, of Minnesota, and his staff, and Gov. Marlon E. Hay, of Washington, sailed from Seattle for Victoria Thursday.

Gasoline Explodes; Fatally Burned.

While filling a lighted gasoline stove the can exploded, throwing the burning fluid over Mrs. A. V. Smith, of Sandwich, Ill. Her injuries are fatal.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

PILED RAILS ON THE TRACK.

Young Man Held at Crawford Admits Story of Bandits is Untrue.

Walter Berger, the 18-year-old farmer lad who is in jail at Crawford in connection with the attempted wrecking of the Burlington train near that place, according to officials has confessed. He now tells the officers that he alone did all the work of piling rails on the track which might have put the heavy Burlington train into the ditch. He says that he alone is implicated and that the story he told about being bound to the fence by two masked robbers while they piled the rails on the track is all wrong. He says that he put the rails on the track to stop the train that he might get aboard for Alliance to receive medical treatment. This last part of the story is not believed by the officers nor by the railroad officials.

Berger at first told a thrilling story of being tied to the fence by the two masked bandits, who threatened to shoot if he moved. He told of a scuffle with them after he had worked himself free from his bonds. His former story was that after he ran from the bandits they shot and hit his little finger. It is not believed that his last story of doing all the work himself is the true one, as he does not bear the best kind of a reputation. Some red paper was found nailed to a post at which he had been practicing target shooting. This paper has been traced to Berger, as it was wrapped around a new shirt, which he had bought a couple of nights before at Harshand.

STORM LOSS PROVES HEAVY.

Ninety-Eight Farms Were Swept by the Hail.

The Friday night hail, wind and rain storm that swept from northwest to southeast through Hartington and vicinity, was more destructive than at first supposed. The storm started southwest of Fordyce, near the west line of Cedar county, and took every thing in its path to the place southwest of Laurie. In some places the storm was two miles and at others five miles in width. Some fields of corn are a total loss; others may make a third of a crop with favorable weather.

Every field of oats in the path of the storm is a complete loss, many pastures are chopped up as if run over with a disc. A careful estimate shows that 98 farms were visited by the storm. While it is hard to estimate the damage, it is believed by the most conservative that it will exceed \$125,000, with little or no hail or tornado insurance. Many farm houses were left without window glass on the north and west. So far as heard from twelve horses and coits were cut badly in the barb wire fences as the storm drove them through. Five head of cows were found in the path of the storm struck by lightning.

HORSE KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE.

Police Making Diligent Effort to Find Driver of Car.

The police department is making diligent efforts to ascertain the identity of a man, woman and child who passed through Grand Island in an automobile, presumably from the eastern part of the state and bound for Kearney. When the machine approached the canning factory in the eastern part of the city it met a team driven by two stock yards men, who were trailing a horse at the rear of their buggy. The autoist kept up full speed in passing the stockmen and started in so closely behind the latter that they struck the horse, causing a leg and hip of the animal to be broken and the collision snapping the rope to which it was tied to the buggy and almost causing further damage and accident. The driver of the machine saw what had happened, but kept up full speed through the city and on westward, never stopping to ascertain whether any of the men had been hurt. The horse, valued at \$100, had to be shot immediately.

VICTIMS OF THIEVES.

Gov. Shallenberger Touched for \$130 at Marshalltown, Ia.

Gov. Ashton C. Shallenberger, of Nebraska, is not favorably impressed with Iowa, or at least with the honesty of one of its citizens. The governor went to Marshalltown, Ia., to deliver a chautauqua address recently. When his excellency finished his address he missed his pocketbook, which contained \$130. He reported the theft to the police, but is unable to say how he was victimized. He thinks he left his pocketbook on the writing desk at his hotel, but it may have been taken from his pockets on the chautauqua grounds. The police are working on the case.

BEATRICE MAN KILLED.

Was Caught Between Engine and Water Tank of Threshing Outfit.

George Meyers, a former Beatrice resident, was killed near Palmer, Kan., by being caught between the engine and water tank of a threshing outfit. The threshing men were going up a hill, Mr. Meyers driving behind with the water tank. The engine broke loose and came back with terrific force against the water wagon, almost severing Mr. Meyers's body. He was 28 years old and leaves a young widow.

Wanted for Burglary.

Sheriff Fenton and Deputy McFarland, of Falls City, arrested a man named Jake Edwin Saturday, who is wanted across the river in Missouri for robbing two stores and a barber shop. He had some of the stolen goods with him when arrested.

Beatrice Man Found Dead.

Stephen Starling, for thirty years a resident of Gage county, was found dead recently at the home of C. H. Kelley at Beatrice, where he had been living. A coroner's inquest was held

BEAT HIS BOARD BILLS.

Julian Franklin is Taken to Louisville Where He Owes Hotel Bills.

Julian Franklin, who recently was arrested at Omaha for attempting to beat his bill at the Rome hotel, has been taken to Louisville to answer to the charge of cashing worthless checks. Requisition papers were secured from the governor without any objection on the part of Franklin's attorney.

Detective Warren says Franklin has passed bad checks in several cities of the south and that in each case his parents in Philadelphia have come forth with money to get him out of the trouble. Franklin was in Louisville the latter part of July and became very intimate with several of the drug firms there. He stayed around the Taylor drug store a great deal of the time and finally went broke. He secured the confidence of the proprietor of the drug store and got him to cash a couple of his checks.

At once he left Louisville and was traced to St. Louis, Kansas City, Chicago and then to Omaha. He came to Omaha about the middle of July and registered at the Rome hotel. There he ran up a bill of \$60 and, when he could not settle it, was arrested. His folks sent money to pay this bill and Franklin was released. Instead of immediately getting out of town he stayed around two days, or just long enough for the Louisville authorities to learn that he was in Omaha and have him locked up until Detective Warren could reach the city.

Since his second arrest in Omaha Franklin has made a big effort to secure money from his parents to settle for his folly at Louisville. Two telegrams were sent saying his parents would fix up his debts, but no money has come.

LET'S MAN GO BY MISTAKE.

Opens Door and Bird Flies and Now He is a Much-Sought Birdie.

Through the mistake of Jailer Jas. Talbot at the county jail Eugene Kitcher, who was brought to Omaha from Milwaukee for breaking into a residence on July 11, was given his freedom and now all the detectives of the police force are looking for him. Kitcher was bound over Monday morning to the district court for trial. In the afternoon, at fifteen minutes of 3, he, with three other prisoners, was taken to the county jail from the city jail. In transferring the prisoners the mittimus for each one was given to Jailer Talbot. Enclosed in the mittimus for Herbert Johnson was an order for that fellow's release.

Kitcher informed the jailer that he was expecting some men in a few minutes to give bond for his release. The jailer glanced at the mittimus for Johnson and thought it was an order of release for Kitcher, so he unlocked the big iron door and shoved the housebreaker into the clear air of freedom.

Shortly after the mistake was discovered there was all kinds of scurrying around the police station and city jail. Detectives flew in all directions in pursuit of the lucky criminal. Kitcher had made a fast retreat and the officers did not catch him.

SHOT DEAD ON A DOORSTEP.

Charge of Murder Made by Omaha Police Against Truck Gardener.

Evidence in the possession of the Omaha police leads to the charge against James Phillips, a truck gardener, of being the murderer of Marshall C. Hamilton. Friends of Phillips say that he was jealous on account of attention paid his wife by Hamilton. Friends of Hamilton say there is nothing to this report. Hamilton was called to his door and shot, dying instantly. A young brother was with Phillips at the time of the shooting, but he has disappeared. It is believed that he and his brother are hiding in the woods north of Florence. The sheriff and his deputies are working on the case and expect to make an arrest soon.

DR. CARR BOUND OVER.

Nebraska Health Board Contesting His Right to Office.

Dr. E. Arthur Carr has been bound over to the federal court on the charge of opening a letter sent to the secretary of the state board of health. He was examined before United States Commissioner Marlay and furnished a bond for \$500. Carr was named as secretary of the state board of health by Gov. Shallenberger and the old board is contesting his right to serve.

Boys Drowned in Missouri.

Homor Velle, 12-year-old son of Policeman Velle, and an unknown boy of about the same age, were drowned in the Missouri river. They were in swimming and wading out on a sandbar and got beyond their depth and were swept away by the current.

Youth Drowned While Bathing.

Earl Clark, aged 22, son of Postmaster Clark, of South Omaha, was drowned in Lincoln creek, near Utica, while bathing with companions.

Work on Auburn Water Plant.

Work has begun on the Auburn waterworks, and a large force of men is ready to get to work as soon as they can be called on.

Hartington Cigarmakers' Strike.

All of the men at the Hartington cigar factory, eight in number, went out on a strike recently. J. R. Isaacson, the proprietor, claims a union shop in a small town is unsatisfactory and will open a non-union shop and continue the business.

Charles Knapp Still Alive.

Charles Knapp, of Madison, who shot his wife and then put the gun to his own head and sent a bullet into his brain, is still alive. Mrs. Knapp is improving rapidly and will recover.



- 1492—Columbus embarked from Palos on his first voyage of discovery.
1619—First legislative assembly in America met at Jamestown, Va.
1684—Treaty of peace concluded at Albany between the Colonists and the Five Nations.
1711—A British and Colonial fleet sailed from Boston for the conquest of Canada.
1773—The city of Guatemala laid in ruin by the earthquake and the eruption of a volcano.
1776—The Declaration of Independence was engraved and signed by the members of Congress.
1782—Rhode Island refused to give Congress the power to levy an import duty of 5 per cent.
1789—First issue of the Pittsburg Gazette, the first newspaper west of the Allegheny mountains.
1794—Fall of Robespierre and end of the Reign of Terror.
1795—Commissioners of the United States met the Indian chiefs of Western tribes at Greenville, Ohio, and concluded a treaty of peace.
1802—First issue of the Western Spy at Cincinnati.
1816—First Presbyterian congregation in Missouri was organized at Bellevue settlement, in Washington County.
1822—The New Orleans Prices Current appeared in New Orleans.
1824—Opening of new bridge across the Thames River in London.
1842—Abolition riots took place in Philadelphia.
1846—Congress passed a tariff bill reducing the duties on imported goods.
1850—Delegates from Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and the New England States met at Portland, Me. to discuss the project of a railway from Halifax to Portland.
1854—Yellow fever became epidemic in New Orleans.
1856—Kansas rejected the Lecompton constitution for the second time.
1864—Federalists made an unsuccessful assault upon Petersburg, Va.
1866—Race riots in New Orleans on the reassembling of the State convention... Gen. William T. Sherman commissioned Lieutenant General.
1868—Proclamation by the Secretary of State that the fourteenth amendment to the constitution of the United States had been ratified by three-fourths of the States.
1870—Benjamin Nathan, a wealthy Hebrew citizen of New York, found murdered in his home; the mystery of the crime was never solved.
1872—Cuban privateer Pioneer seized by the United States marshal at Newport, R. I.
1873—Large section of Portland, Ore., destroyed by fire.
1874—Kansas militia engaged in battle with Comanche Indians on the Canadian River... Gen. Custer's expedition reached the Black Hills.
1876—Colorado admitted to Statehood.
1883—Southern exposition opened in Louisville.
1884—The Imperial Federation of Great Britain and Her Colonies formed in London.
1894—War declared between China and Japan.
1895—Serious flood in Fort Scott, Kansas.
1898—Military expedition, under Gen. Brooke sailed from Newport News for Porto Rico... Spain accepted the American conditions of peace.
1899—Final sitting of the Peace Conference of The Hague.
1900—Lord Roberts proclaimed the annexation of the Transvaal to Great Britain.
1908—Typhoon at Canton, China, sank the Chinese vessel Ying-King, drowning 300 natives... Forest fires devastated several towns of British Columbia.
War of Labor Unions Begun.
A test of strength between the United Mine Workers of America and the members of a local union known as the Provincial Workmen's Association at the Sydney (Cape Breton) collieries of the Dominion Coal Company was begun when the former organization ordered a strike to enforce its demand for recognition. The local union, which was formed originally with the aid and consent of the union, remained loyal as a body, although some of its members had been won over to the American organization. The company charges that the American labor leaders have sought to divert the Canadian coal trade. Stockades have been built about the mines and preparations made to prevent any forcible interruption of the work. Armed deputies were placed on guard.
A New Illuminant Offered.
The Engineering and Mining Journal recently reported the successful commercial introduction of a new illuminant called blue gas in Germany. It is delivered to customers in liquid form in steel cylinders, from which it is poured into the gasometer of a given room or house. It is said to be cheaper than petroleum, while giving more powerful light and more intense heat. It is a hydrocarbon compound, free from carbon-monoxide.