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BOCHE GIVES HIMSELF UP

SLAYER OF JARMER SENT FOR AN OFFICER.

SHOWS EFFECTS OF STRAIN

HAS BEEN SLEEPING OUT IN THE WOODS AT NIGHT.

SAYS PURSE CONTAINING \$860 WAS STOLEN THAT NIGHT.

AWOKE AT SUNSET IN PIG PEN

Herman Boche Did Not Know He Had of . Killed Jarmer, He Says, Until Mon- While 1 day of This Week-Has Retained to me, s. Senator Allen to Defend Him.

The News: Wounded slightly in two mer had conxed him into the redlight district against his will, claiming to but he said, 'No, by ---, you're not have been robbed of more than \$800 going home," Boche declared today. just before he shot and killed Frank Jarmer on Wednesday morning, May a result of having slept out in the home, Boche says he remembers that woods every night save one during he shot his revolver; how many times, the week following the shooting, Her- or that it had killed a man, he did man Boche, the Norfolk farmer for not know until he was told, whom a fruitless search had been indulged in over this part of the state ever since the tragedy, today gave gave himself up today. It is a 38himself up at the camp of his cousin, calibre English bulldog revolver with Fred Boche, south of Norfolk, and two loaded shells still in its chamber. was brought to the county jail at this | From the moment when he fired the tions put to him and apparently not pig pen only a short distance from the trying to conceal any of the facts of place where the tragedy occurred. Bothe case as he views them, Boche gave che recalls nothing. When he did the full story of the incidents leading awake he says he started down the up to his shooting of Jarmer, what he river towards his own farm. At this recalls of the shooting itself and the time he had no definite idea of what dreamlike week through which he had had taken place. He did not even Frank Jarmer. The senator eighteen lived between the moment of the trag- know that the officers had been searchedy and the moment when, almost in- ing for him all that day, nor that a sane from wandering about the woods, murder charge had been placed against lives of Tilden with an ax. he asked that an officer be brought him. secured from Boche after he had been placed in the Madison farmyard. county jail was that gained by J. B. Donovan, editor of the Madison Star-Mail, and the story of Boche as told thing had happened, and faintly reto Mr. Donovan was substantially as calling that he had shot at Jarmer in printed below.

Had Money on Fatal Night. pockets on that fatal night, according came out and spoke in German. He to his own story. He says that he had sold horses, cattle, hogs and hay and that he carried two purses with him. a long one containing about \$860 and says that when he left the resort with man-cried out, "Halt," But Herman Jarmer early Wednesday morning he Boche did not know what the word felt for his purse and it was gone. He claims Jarmer had been feeling of impulse was to run away. So he ran was in custody; he seemed to feel his pockets at intervals ever since and four bullets from the sheriff's rethey left the saloon together.

Boche Wanted tol Go Home. He says that he wanted to go home and Jarmer insisted that he get into a waiting hack and go up town. When he felt for his money and found it gone he says that he has a dim recollection of shooting. He thinks he re- in pain, almost constantly. calls shooting two or three times. Did Not Know He Killed Jarmer.

time know that he had killed Jarmer. field to hunt him and his son, who him under arrest. works at the farm, here gave him the first intimation he had received of near his own farm.

Awoke Near Resort in Hog Pen.

Jarmer Gave Him Drinks. Boche said that late Tuesday night, Jarmer saloon. Jarmer greeted him where he found his children. cordially and asked him to take a drink. Boche says he declined but siege out of doors and by the mental him to take another drink. At mid-this any longer or I'll go crazy." night he and Jarmer left the saloon

avenue, where they ate a lunch. Then he says Jarmer suggested that they take a trip into the redlight district. Says He Did Not Want to Go.

"I told Jarmer that I would not go with him," said Boche today. "I told little corn did he eat until Monday him that I had too much money in my pockets and that it would be unsafe for me to go. Jarmer demanded that I get into a hack and said he only wanted to go for a minute. Finally, after he had coaxed for some time but still against my will, I got into hack had started out, I felt my head begin to swim. I believe I was doped.

Says Jarmer Felt of His Pocket. "While still in the hack I noticed that Jarmer kept trying to feel of my pocket with his fingers and I told him keep his hands away from me.

or we reached the house girls ce asked me to buy a bottle & didn't mind the dollar, so I bous tle and later drank more. While 1 % re Jarmer came over to me, s. of beside me and grabbed my . scket."

Boche says L. recalls little else of Madison, Neb., May 8.—Special to that night's dissipation until he left the house with Jarmer. He says he remembers feeling for his purse and places as a result of the four shots it was gone. Then he wanted to go fired at him a week ago tonight by home but says Jarmer insisted that he Sheriff Clements, declaring that Jar- get into the hack and return to town. "I told Jarmer I was going home,

At This Oath, Boche Shot. At this oath and at the moment 1. and looking like an insane man as when Jarmer declared he could not go

38-Calibre Gun. Boche still had his gun when he

place. Frankly responding to all ques- gun until he awoke that night in a

Hid in the Buggy Shed.

Half realizing, though, that some a quarrel, he did not go into the house. Herman Boche had money in his Then the dog barked and his wife answered her in German,

Did Not Know What "Halt" Meant. into his eyes and blinded him. A volver closely followed him, one imprinting a slight but painful wound in his right hip and another perforating che to take him into custody, refused his trouser leg and grazing him just to make any statements. below the left knee, on the inside.

As a result of this hip wound, Boche keeps his hand on his back, as though

Stayed in Woods That Night. That night and every other night But Boche says he did not at that since then, until Monday, Boche hid himself in the woods near the river's He did not learn that he had slain the edge in the vicinity of his own farm. man until Monday night of this week On Monday night he went to the farm has been wrecked off San Jose and will not become effective until when his son told him of the farm of of his brother-in-law, Carl Sorg. His Carl Sorg, a relative living eight miles own son works there. He told his son northeast of Madison. On Monday to get him something to eat and while night Boche says he went to that farm he ate the food his boy told him that reports, nearly 200 of these have been ever, since the acts are as yet without to ask them to bring his wife to him, he had killed Frank Jarmer and that He learned that she had gone to Wake. officers were searching for him to put

Wanted to Give Self Up Then. Boche says that the instant he Jarmer's death. He slept in the hay. found out that he had killed Jarmer loft on the Sorg farm that night and he wanted to give himself up. He that was the only night he has slept asked that his wife be sent for but under cover since the shooting. All she had gone to Wakefield to hunt other nights he slept out in the woods for him. And so he slept in the hayloft at the Sorg farm that night, with her engines. his mind made up to surrender at the Boche says he knew nothing after first possible moment. He said that BENJAMIN C. WRIGHT ACQUITTED his quarrel with Jarmer until he awoke he had wanted to give himself up all at about sunset that night in a hog of the time and he would like to have Death of His Wife and Daughter Due pen near the resort at which the trou-surrendered the night the sheriff shot ble occurred. He did not realize what at him, had he known it was an offihad happened and only now has the cer and not some avenger who was most hazy recollection of what took after him, and had he known the meaning of "halt."

Asks to Have Suspense Ended. And so when Tuesday morning April 29, he went up town in Norfolk dawned Herman Boche was ready and and got a drink of whisky at the Bey- anxious to surrender. Toward even- Denver university, counsel for the gram of the election of officers was erage saloon. Then he went into the ing he ventured over to his own home, state, at the request of the district carried out by the imperial council

The father, worn from his long

Sends For Cousin, Fred. and went to a restaurant on Norfolk! He instructed his son, Julius, to

bring his cousin, Fred Boche, whom Herman assured he wanted to surrender. He returned with Fred Boche to the latter's camp on the Elkhorn for the night, and at daybreak the cousin went to Norfolk Junction, telephoned up to Constable J. H. Conley and asked that he go down and allow the fugitive to give himself into secure custody. The officer found Boche at he camp and drove with him to Mad-

Was Not in Touch With Family. Bothe says that he was at no time in touch with his own family or relatives excepting Monday night when he slept in the Sorg barn. Only a night and most of the nights when he slept out in the woods the temperature got down below the freezing point.

He Shows Effects of Strain. Of all this strain from lack of food and from sleeping out in the bitterly in an affidavit he made to the attorney cold nights, Herman Boche shows a FECOLLECTIONS OF SHOOTING the back with him. Shortly after the tremendous effect. He shakes and twitches nervously and his eyes have a look that would be singled out as state of Texas, from which it had those of an insane man.

> Jarmer Had Tried to Borrow. Boche says that Jarmer had been trying to borrow money from him with which to pay his license money to the city.

Asked if he were accustomed to carso much money around in his pockets, Boche said that he generally carried about \$200, but that this extra sum on that night was from a live stock sale. He said that this money was his own and was not from the Boche estate.

"It All Seems Like a Dream." "It all seems like a dream that I have been through," said Boche today when he was placed, for the second time within eighteen years, in the Madison county jail charged with mur-

Boche was taken to the Madison hotel for dinner and then immediately to the jail, where he was allowed the liberty of the corridor.

Asked if he were in the habit of visiting the resorts where he killed Jarmer, Boche replied: "No: I have no business there."

'Why didn't you shoot Clements Wednesday night?" was asked. "Why, I didn't want to kill any body," Boche replied.

SENATOR ALLEN RETAINED

Attorney Who Cleared Boche Once Will Try it Again.

Madison, Neb., May 8. - From staff correspondent: Former United States Senator William V. Allen has been retained to defend Herman Bo che in his trial for the murder of years ago succeeded in acquitting Boche in his trial for murdering George

The News' staff correspondent to take him into custody. The first He took Lehman's boat and crossed reached Madison at 3 o'clock this afternoon from Norfolk on the freight train, and found that Herman Boche and his wife were closeted with Senator Allen in his private office.

Seals Boche's Lips. Boche, after he had told his story to Editor Donovan was taken to the ofbut hid himself in the buggy shed fice of Senator Allen and the moment the latter had been definitely retained in Boche's defense, Boche was in structed to seal his lips and talk of his case to nobody. Senator Allen Then a darklantern's glare flashed would neither allow Boche to make any statements whatsoever, nor would a small one containing about \$50. He man's voice—he did not know what he make any statement for his client,

Sheriff Clements told The News' staff representative that he was very \$2,300. "halt" meant, he says, and his first glad Boche had given himself up and greatly relieved that the search had ended and the arrest made. Constable Conley, who was sent for by Bo-

FRENCH STEAMER WRECKED

6hip Strikes Rocks Off South American Coast-All Saved.

Montevideo, Uruguay, May 9 .- The French transport maritime steamer Poitou, from Marseilles for this port, Ignacio, on the coast of Uruguay. She is understood to have had 300 passengers on board, and, according to laterescued and are on their way to this city The vessel and her cargo will probably prove a total loss.

According to later dispatches all the passengers are safe. The crew will remain on board until all hopes of refloating the vessel are abandoned. The dispatches say there has been no loss of life. The Poitou has a heavy list to port and has broken on a level with

to Gas Heater,

Denver, May 9 .- The trial of Benjamin C. Wright, formerly of Benton Harbor, Mich., charged with the murder of his wife and five-year-old daughter, was ended abruptly, when, after hearing the testimony of Professor W. D. Engle, instructor of chemistry at attorney, announced that the case of the Mystic Shrine, Frank C. Roundy against Wright would not be contin- of Chicago being advanced to the of Jarmer insisted. Later, under anoth- strain upon him, entered the home structions from the court, returned a the other officers being elected to the er protest, he says Jarmer induced and declared, "My God, I can't stand verdict acquitting the defendant. Pro- next highest point. St Paul was fessor Engle testified that carbon awarded the next session of the immonaxide poisoning, generated, he be- perial council, to be held in that city lieved, by a gas heater, caused death. July 14 and 15, 1908.

C. PIERCE IN CUSTODY OMAHA WAREHOUSE COLLAPSES FATAL FIRE AT KANSAS CITY

OIL MAGNATE GIVES HIMSELF UP TO ST. LOUIS POLICE.

FIGHTS EXTRADITION TO TEXAS

Makes Application for Writ of Habeas Corpus to Prevent Being Taken to Lone Star State on Perjury Indictment-Released on \$10,000 Bond.

St. Louis, May 9 .- Through his attorney J. D. Johnson, H. C. Pierce, chairman of the board of the Waters Pièrce Oil company, surrendered himself on the indictment returned against him in Texas charging perjury general of the state of Texas, the purpose of the affidavit being to reinstate the Waters Pierce Oil company in the been ousted from doing business on the grounds that it was a part of the Standard Oil company.

Attorney Priest, in an application for a writ of habeas corpus, enters a general denial to the charge that Mr. Pierce had sworn to a false affidavit

Attorney Johnson made the following statement concerning the purpose of the habeas corpus proceeding "Mr Pierce is being deprived of his libert in violation of the United States con stitution" Attorney Johnson said "and he will fight extradition in the federal courts here. This will resulvirtually in a trial of the perjury charge in St. Louis. All its legal phases will be argued here. Mr Pierce will contend, in the first place that the indictment charging him with perjury is improperly drawn, and is not in accordance with the law.

After the writ of habeas corpus had been read to Chief Creecy at the Four Courts. Mr. Pierce, in the custody of Chief of Detectives Smith, and ac companied by Attorneys Priest and Johnson, was taken to the United States Circuit Judge Adams, The the babeas corpus proceeding against Chief of Police Creecy to prevent Pierce being taken to Texas. Pierce was then released on bond in the

COOPER OUITS WISCONSIN RACE

Explains Withdrawal by Desire to Break Senatorial Deadlock.

Madison, Wis., May 9.—The with the withdrawal of Congressman H. A. still. Cooper. Mr Cooper said his action was caused by an earnest desire to assist, if possible, in breaking the pro-

The development at the caucus was the gain of Hatten, who increased his vote over the joint session from 16 to 22. The fifty-eighth caucus ballot resulted as follows: Esch. 22; Hatten, 22; Stephenson, 27, Sanborn, 5; Hudnall, 7; McGregor, 7, scattering, 12. Of the Lenroot strength, Stephen son received six votes.

Fire at Ashland

Ashland, Neb., May 9 .- The plant of the Ashland Light Mill and Power company, situated one-half mile from the town, was totally destroyed by The loss is \$10,000. Insurance,

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Nebraska Will Not Have Peduction in Freight Rates Until July 4.

Lincoln, May 9 .- The state railway commission finds its hands are temporarily tied in the matter of reduc ing freight rates and express company charges under the new law. The difficulty arises from the fact that senate file No. 325, the maximum freight rate bill, and senate file No 255, the one reducing express charges. do not carry the emergency clause July 4. Both these measures empower the commission either to raise or low er the rates therein specified. Howforce, the commission cannot proceed under them. The railway commission law, house roll No. 305, gives the board general authority to fix or alter rates of any kind and in any way, but the members fear that if they adopt any schedules now the carriers affected will come into court, claiming that the action taken supersedes the maximum rate laws.

The maximum freight law, when it takes effect, will reduce rates 15 per cent and express company charges 25 per cent. Chairman Winnett of the commission, however, said that body would not show undue haste, waiting until July 4, ore at least until the attorney general had rendered an opinion declaring the act creating the commission would not conflict with the other law.

Shriners Elect Officers.

Los Angeles, Cal., May 9.- The proued, the jury, in accordance with in- fice of imperial potentate and each of

Grocery Building in Debris.

Omaha, May 9.-With a roar that could be heard for blocks around, the east end of Paxton & Gallagher com pany's building on Jones street, from Ninth to Tenth streets, crashed its six stories of brick and masonry into one heap on the ground, mingled with canned goods and kitchen hardware kept on each floor, about 6 30 a. m. Without a creak or other sound of warning a little more than half of the six-story section on the Ninth street end of the building collapsed sudden ly and in the brief interval of a second lay like a pile of worthless rub bish, leaving exposed to view each floor of the portion still standing as though the atructure had been severed from top to bottom with a knife. The loss is about \$60,000.

As the accident was providentially timed, when no one was in the build ing, except the night watchman, and he being in the office at the Tenth street end of the building, just in the act of putting on his overcoat prepara tory to going home, when the crash resounded in his ears, not a person was killed or injured.

TWO MAKE SIX-MILE TRIP UNDER POLICE PROTECTION.

Mobs Gather and Hurl Missiles, but Serious Trouble is Averted by Officers-Two Dead and Two Dying as Result of First Clash.

San Francisco, May 9.—The police for the first time since the commencement of the street car strike furnished actual protection for two of the Unit-States district court before United ed Railroads cars manned by twentyone strike breakers, and as a result court set to o'clock Saturday morning of this protection these gars were run as the time for trial on its merits of over six miles or track without the firing of a shot. Four men a strike breaker and the biners members of the electrical workers' union, were injured. There was intermittent hurling of mussiles by union crowds at various points along the route and for two or three miles a mob of at least 1,000 men and boys ran with the cars, yelling calling epithets, daring the non-inion near to get off the drawat of Mr. Lenroot last night as a ween brought temporarily to a stand-About twenty police officers and pa-

trolmen, led by Calef Dinan, some of them in automobiles, a number mounted on horses and others afoot, accompanied the cars. Assistant President Mullalley, Superintendent Chapman and other officers of the United Railroads kept pace in automobiles with the cars. The route selected was through the better class of business and rusidence streets of the western addition. From its coma number of heads were bruised.

ploye, twenty-one years of age, died; were uriven back to the windows facat the Emergency hospital. He was ing Locust and Ninth streets. There shot through the abdomen Two oth | was but one fire escape on this end of ers, Albert C. Palm, a chauffeur, and the building, that on the Locust street Nathan Leiser, a sixteen-year-old boy, side. This was quickly filled with are not expected to live,

FLOCKMASTERS ARE ALARMED

Wool Growers' Declare that Eastern Buyers Combine to Lower Prices.

Wool Growers' association has issued clety woman. She was waiting in a a circular advising sheep men through nearby drug store, where her husout the state that a conspiracy is be | band's dead body was brought in, and ing planned by eastern wool buyers fainted. to force down the price of wool in Miss Alexandria Blumberg, a Russpite of manufacturers demands. Pro- sian countess, who came to America ducers are advised not to sell their two years ago, and who had a studio wool under any circumstances at less on the fourth floor, was overcome by than the 1906 market and the associal smoke and carried from her room by tion offers to buy the wool at last a fireman, who started down a ladder year's prices if eastern buyers will not with her. When the two were within pay as much.

of the offer the association will be stream of water on them, knocking incorporated and capitalized, becoming them from the ladder. Miss Blumpractically an independent exchange berg was picked up unconscious, sufcontrolling the Wyoming output,

IRISH BILL NOT POPULAR

to Redeem Campaign Promises. London, May 9 .- The United King-

dom has had one full day to digest reach, and fireman stretched out an Mr. Birrell's Irish bill, but not the iron rod a urged her to climb down smallest note of enthusiasm for the it. The woman slid down the rod to proposed council has been heard in the ladder and was finsily landed any quarter. The proposed measure is recognized everywhere to be a faint hearted attempt to redeem campaign promises.

seems to hit the mark. Ireland appears even less pleased than England. Paul Deschane who declared the deblocks which may eventually cause and revolutionary organization comthe downfall of the Campbell-Banners posed of only 200 000 of the 12,000,-

ONE PERSON KILLED AND SIX OTHERS MISSING.

BLAZE IMPERILS MANY LIVES

Lack of Exits in University Building Cause of Death and Injuries to Many-Fifteen Hurt While Escaping-Property Loss \$250,000.

Kansas City, May 9 .- Fire here destroyed the five-story University building corner of Locust and Ninth streets, rausing a property loss estimated at \$250,000. One life was lout, six persons are missing and may be buried in the rulus and fifteen persons were more or less seriously injured. The debris is still burning. The building was occupied by Montgomery Ward & Co., as offices and by numerous artists and musicians, who lost everything

The known dead. George Demare, an art instructor.

Among the missing a Miss Maud Wittholl, plano tear" last seen at the window of her studio, on the fifth

Injured: Miss Alexandria Blum berg, a Russian countess, skull fractured, may die; Maud Speyer, fell from ladder, serious; Mrs. Eva S. Boyle, Sherbian Mo., fell from ladder, serious. J. M. Knanchfield, fireman, leg broken, William Van Dusen, fireman, serious; Peter Karagaard, violin FOUR PERSONS ARE INJURED teacher fell from fire escape, serious.

But One Means of Exit,

The building contained two small Auditoriums, one of which, that on the third floor, was used by the Kansas City Atheneum, which was holding a sension when the fire started, half a hundred prominent women being in attendance. The third, fourth and fifth floors were occupied by artists and musicians, and some of the upper rooms were used as living apartments. Many of the studios were furnished elaborately and contained valuable musical instruments and works of art. There was but one elevator in the building, adjoining a stairway, the only means of exit.

The fire started in the basement, in a quantity of twine in the Montgomery Ward store room, close to the ele-Ten minutes after the fire broke out the flames began shooting up the elevator shaft, and all escape save by the fire escapes was shut off. The halls quickly filled with a dense. curs and fight, cheering voluterously sufficienting smoke, and ter minutes rater when the that the upper and have rived on the scene, people growded atmost every window, appealing for help, while scores of others, mostly women and girls, filled the fire escapes. and were climbing wildly to the In many of the studio pils were taking lessons. The firemen were slow in getting to work and the first ladders placed by them against the building failed to reach

above the third floor. Fire Escape Quickly Filled.

Inside the wildest panic prevailed. mencement to its finish the police dis- When the alarm of fire was first played decision, energy and determina- sounded the women in the Atheneum tion in dealing with the shouting, rooms considered that a joke was behowling crowds. When necessity arose ing perpetrated, and no effort was they did not hesitate to draw their made to leave. A moment later, as clubs and use them, and as a result the room filled with smoke, there was number of heads were bruised.

A wild scramble for the exit. After the second death as a result of the first rush for the hallway, which Tuesday's street car riot occurred had now become so filled with smoke when John Buchanan, a car shop em- that escape there was impossible, they wildly excited women.

George Demare, art instructor in the Central high school and a portrait painter, who came to this country four years ago from Paris, jumped from his studio window on the afth floor and was picked up dead. De-Cheyenne, May 9.-The Wyoming mare recently married a prominent so-

thirty feet of the ground, the firemen Should the growers take advantage below, in their excitement, turned a foring from a fractured skull. The fir wan was painfully injured.

There were many thrilling escapes. Misa II len tarnes, who had a studio Recognized as Faint Hearted Attempt, on the fifth floor, stood at a window calling a help while flames played within a ew teet of her. A ladder put up ward the window failed to safely on the ground.

Labor Debate in French Chamber

Paris Mry 9.-The general debate Mr. Balfour's taunt of Mr. Birrell in the chamber of deputies on the that his heart was not in his work, government a policy in labor matters was intiked by a brilliant address by Irish legislation and the imperial moverary had allowed itself to be lot conference appear two stumbling by the Pederation of Labor, "a noisy 000 workers in France!