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MAN AND WOMAN KILLED BY AUTO

TWO DEAD IN FATAL ACCIDENT NEAR TECUMSEH, NEB.

JUMPS OFF CULVERT; DROPS

The Touring Car Plunges Down Fifteen Feet into Ravine—Mrs. William Riordan, a young widow, and William Bourlier, a Farmer, Dead.

Tecumseh, Neb., Aug. 31.—Mrs. William Riordan, a young widow, and William Bourlier, a farmer, were instantly killed this morning when a touring car belonging to Bourlier in which the two were riding jumped from a culvert into a fifteen foot ravine, imprisoning the two. The chauffeur, Rene Detierre, escaped unhurt.

PHILADELPHIA GETS GREAT RAIN

DOWNPOUR HAS CONTINUED SINCE A WEEK AGO WEDNESDAY.

Philadelphia, Aug. 31.—Philadelphia and vicinity are being swept by one of the heaviest rain storms in recent years.

From 6:55 o'clock Wednesday night, August 23, until noon today the precipitation has amounted to 9.08 inches. The downpour continues and the record of twenty-nine years ago probably will be equaled.

TEN SEAMEN ARE SNATCHED FROM SEA

SURVIVORS OF STORM TELL OF THRILLING EXPERIENCE IN OCEAN.

New York, Aug. 31.—Ten seamen snatched from death in the great storm that battered the south Atlantic coast were brought here today by the Clyde line steamer Mohawk. Last Tuesday morning the Mohawk rescued them from the crumbling hull of the schooner Malcolm B. Seavey while the sea was pounding their ship to pieces on a reef off Georgetown, S. C.

Brief news of the rescue came yesterday in a wireless dispatch. The rescue was thrilling. A boat from the steamer could not get nearer the Seavey than fifty yards and one by one the exhausted men, lashed to what was left of the schooner's rigging, untied the ropes and threw themselves into the sea and were hauled aboard the small boat by lines thrown to them as they struggled in the tremendous waves.

FLOATER PROVES TO BE BUTCHER'S SLAYER

BODY FOUND IN MISSOURI RIVER IS THAT OF ONE OF MURDERER BROTHERS.

Logan, Ia., Aug. 31.—The body found in the Missouri river near Modale, Ia., last night has been identified by officers as that of Charles Parlow, one of the slayers of Marshall T. George, Butcher of Missouri Valley. The body of Parlow's brother, also wanted for the murder, was found in the river near Omaha a few days ago. Both are believed to have lost their lives while trying to escape from a posse.

17 DEAD IN THE STORM

Work of Rehabilitating Stormswept Charleston Has Begun.

Charleston, S. C., Aug. 31.—Mayor Rhett is directing the work of rehabilitating stormswept Charleston. A campaign of repairing and disinfecting is on. Today the death list was seventeen and the property damage estimated remains at a million dollars. Reports from exposed islands are that only two lives were lost. The victims were caught on James Island. The property damage is very heavy. It is said by planters that long staple cotton and rice have been almost wiped out. Houses have been wrecked and cattle and livestock killed.

BATTLE CREEK MAN IN A SALOON FIGHT

JOHN MILLER, SALOONKEEPER, IS SLASHED—FAMILY WON'T TALK.

There was a cutting scrape at Battle Creek Wednesday night in which John Miller, a saloonkeeper, was wounded. His assailant was not arrested.

Just how badly Miller was slashed, is unknown. His family have assumed an air of mystery, refusing to give out information, preferring to accept whatever notoriety may come from publication of rumors. The cutting occurred behind Miller's saloon.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Temperature for Twenty-four Hours Forecast for Nebraska.

Maximum 87
Minimum 52
Average 68
Barometer 29.84
Chicago, Aug. 31.—The bulletin issued by the Chicago station of the United States weather bureau gives the forecast for Nebraska as follows: Generally fair tonight and Friday; not much change in temperature.

40 HOURS OF RAIN IN OHIO VALLEY

RESULT IS EARLIEST NAVIGATION ON RIVER FOR TWENTY YEARS.

Columbus, O., Aug. 31.—Forty hours has resulted in the Ohio river reaching a normal stage, the summer after-drought navigation has resumed. Millions of bushels of coal have been started southward. Fifty million bushels of coal are being shipped from Point Pleasant today for Cincinnati and Louisville. The resumption of navigation this year after the drought is the earliest in twenty years.

ROOSEVELT RAPS PROPOSED CHARTER

HE WRITES CAUSTIC EDITORIAL, FLAYING IMPOSITION UPON THE PEOPLE.

New York, Aug. 31.—The proposed new charter for New York City, especially that part which increases the powers of the mayor, is attacked by Theodore Roosevelt in an editorial published today in the Outlook.

"The methods of imposing a charter," says Col. Roosevelt, "upon people of New York—it would be rank absurdity to speak of the process as granting a charter to the people of New York—by those in power at Albany (unfortunately the events of the past session have made most men feel that this is merely a roundabout way of saying those in control of Tammany) give an almost ideal illustration of how not to act in the matter of self government."

The former president objects particularly to provisions for increasing the mayor's authority over the finances and education system of the city and to taking away the governor's power to remove the mayor upon charges. He also finds fault with what he terms "the method of thrusting the charter upon the city," and contrasts these methods with the wide agitation and publicity that proceeded the adoption of a constitution by Arizona and New Mexico which "contain together not much more than one-tenth of the population of New York."

RAIL COMMISSIONS FORM NATIONAL BODY

MEETING IN NEBRASKA RESULTS IN PROPOSED NATIONAL ORGANIZATION.

Lincoln, Aug. 31.—The members of the state railway commissioners and the state physical valuation engineers in conference here adopted the report of a committee on permanent organization and thereby completed the initial steps in the formation of a national body to include these two groups of officials. The new body will be largely taken from the Mississippi valley states although New Jersey is also one of the states to be represented.

The report states that the association is to be formed for the purpose of mutual benefit and exchange of information, more specifically to secure uniform methods of physical valuation and of accounting. No political significance is hinted at.

The control of the organization is placed in the hands of an executive committee to be composed of one member from each state commission and one from the interstate commerce commission, Chairman H. J. Winnett of the Nebraska commission being selected as provisional chairman. This committee will have power to admit into the organization such persons as they may see fit who are not members of railroad commissions.

The commissioners from Oklahoma, Nebraska, South Dakota, Iowa and Kansas held meetings after the adjournment of the conference and passed resolutions deploring the Sandborn decision in the Minnesota two-cent passenger rate case and appointing a committee to brief the arguments of the commissioners and present them in the United States supreme court at the hearing of the appeal.

AVIATOR FATALLY HURT.

Flying for Benefit of Another Air Victim's Widow, He Falls.

Freeport, Ill., Aug. 31.—Fred Heagle, 26 years old, an amateur Chicago aviator, was probably fatally injured and a number of spectators were hurt when Heagle's biplane fell fifty feet during an exhibition flight. The exhibition was for the benefit of Mrs. Daniel Kremer, whose husband was killed a short time ago, when trying for a pilot's license in Chicago.

WON'T RESORT TO PLEA OF INSANITY

BRAINSTORM CLAIM WILL NOT BE USED FOR BEATTIE.

WAS MAN WITH GUN A HUNTER?

Defense Brings on Witnesses to Testify to Having Seen Bearded Man With Gun Near Scene of Murder. State May Claim He Was Hunter.

Chesterfield Courthouse, Va., Aug. 31.—Continued attack as to the veracity of Paul Beattie in his story of the purchase of a shotgun for his cousin Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., brought out at the trial today a statement from E. H. Nebblitt, superintendent of a paper mill, that he saw Paul with a shotgun a day after he claimed to have delivered the weapon to Henry.

On cross examination Nebblitt said that he had only yesterday given this information to counsel for the defense, because he did not think it was of much importance until Paul Beattie denied it on the stand.

Several other witnesses told of Henry Clay Beattie, Jr.'s good reputation in his community.

Chesterfield Courthouse, Va., Aug. 31.—A thick fog hung like a pall over the little brick courthouse where Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., on trial for wife murder, is fighting for his life today. The prisoner, after a restless night, gazed wearily from the barred window of the jail in the rear of the courthouse at the flooded roads and rain-soaked fields stretching away for miles around.

The defense was prepared to resume its attack on the evidence presented for the commonwealth and many witnesses were summoned to appear today to give testimony on points of the case which the prosecution had built up to support its charges that Henry Clay Beattie killed his wife with the shotgun purchased for him by his cousin Paul.

Won't Use Insanity Plea.

Harry M. Smith, Jr., counsel for Beattie, today put an end to the rumors that ultimately insanity will be offered as a defense for the prisoner by making a definite announcement that under no circumstances would such a plea be entered. It was the announced intention of the defense to ask that the court have the jury visit the scene of the crime, but the muddy roads may cause a postponement of this for several days.

David Weinstein, son of a pawnbroker, from whom Paul Beattie purchased the shotgun, was the first witness for the defense today.

"The commonwealth knew you were the boy who sold the gun to Paul Beattie," asked Harry M. Smith, Jr., counsel for the defense.

"Yes."

Not Summoned by State.

"You were not summoned by the prosecution?"

"No."

"Paul Beattie testified that you took the gun apart into three pieces and wrapped it up in paper and put his name on it. What do you say about it?"

"I did not take it apart. It was a very old fashioned gun and I did not know how."

"What time of the day?" continued Mr. Smith, "did you sell the gun to Paul Beattie?"

"Saturday morning between 10 and 12."

"When you sold the gun to Paul Beattie, did he say he was a watchman and wanted the gun to be used on Mayo's bridge, where he worked?"

"He did."

Refute Paul Beattie's Story.

"Did you know Paul Beattie before that Saturday?"

"Yes, a little more than a week."

"How did you become acquainted with him?"

"He worked for Mr. Stegler nearby and came in one day to buy a pistol. I told him we did not have any."

Paul Beattie had previously testified that the only time he had entered the pawn shop before was to borrow a dollar and get it. The witness denied having loaned him a dollar and added that Paul had been in the pawn shop four or five times.

Tells of Bearded Man With Gun.

Testimony corroborative of the story told by Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., that a bearded highway man killed his wife with a shotgun, was introduced by the defense in the Beattie trial yesterday, when W. R. Holland, who lives in the vicinity of the Midlothian turnpike, where the murder occurred, declared that he had seen a bearded man with a shotgun about five hours before the tragedy.

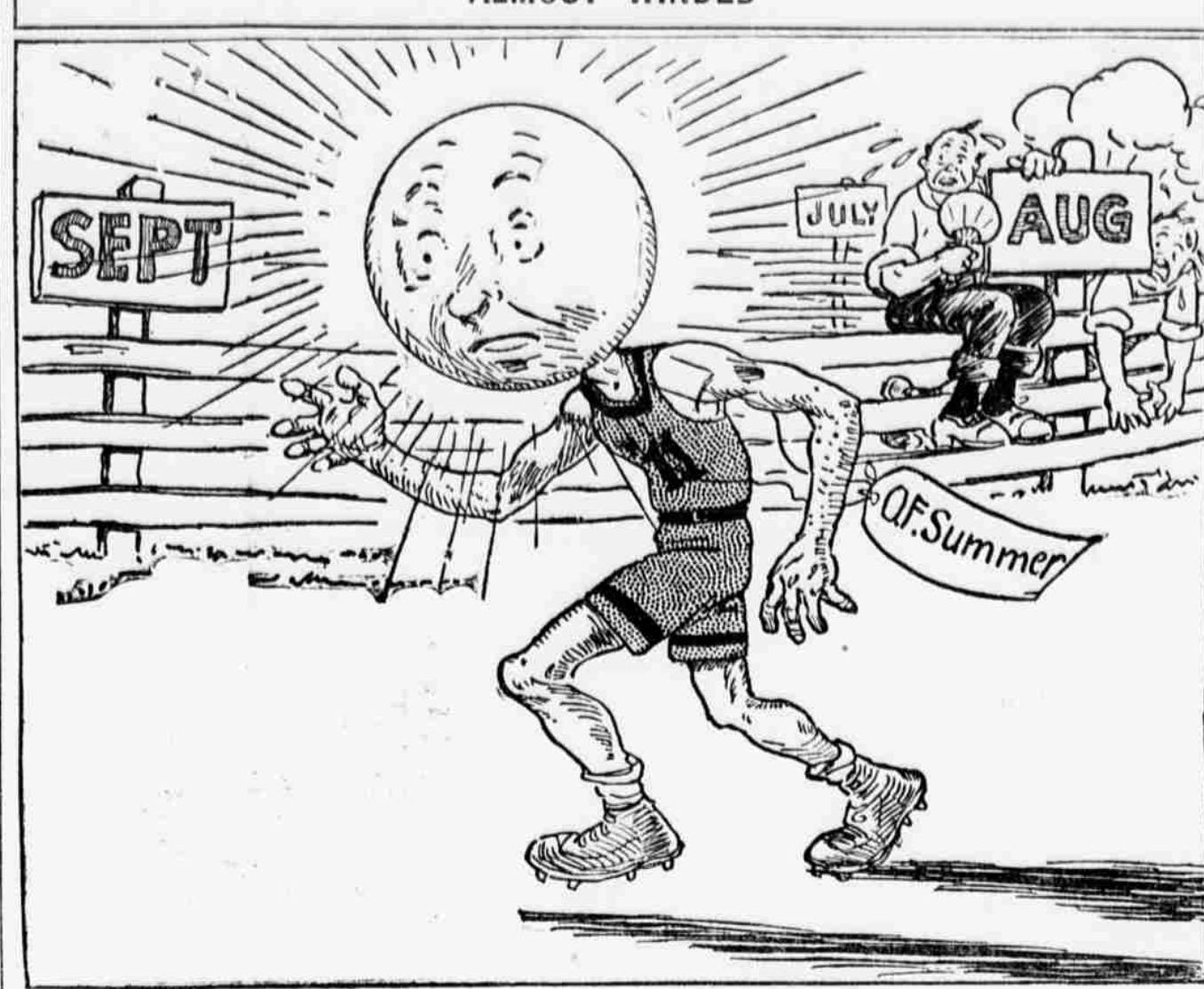
It was the first move of the defense after the prosecution rested its case at noon to establish the veracity of the prisoner and besides Holland's statement concerning a man with a shotgun, Eugene Henshaw, a farmer who testified the Midlothian turnpike daily, testified that he saw a strange looking man prowling around on three different days before the murder.

Only a Squirrel Hunter?

It is reported that the prosecution is ready when its time for rebuttal arrives to put on the stand the man who passed along the railroad tracks where Holland said he saw a man with a shotgun, and that the new witness will say he was squirrel hunting that day.

The defense sought to show that

ALMOST WINDED



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"TAFT WILL WIN" --NORRIS BROWN

NEBRASKA SENATOR SAYS THE TARIFF WILL BE CUT.

RECIPROCITY WILL BE A HELP

The Price of Wheat Raised in This Country Will Not be Lowered, But Demand for Our Products Increased. Taft a Near-Progressive.

Omaha, Aug. 31.—Senator Norris Brown of Nebraska spent most of Wednesday in Omaha on his return from Washington.

The senator is pretty well pleased with the work accomplished by the last congress. It was one of the best sessions in years, but according to his views no more so than will be the next session if the work cut out is taken up and pushed along.

Asked if the coming visit of President Taft to Omaha and Nebraska has any political significance, Senator Brown replied:

"While there may be politics in the tour, the president is not making the trip to boom his own campaign or make political capital or votes for himself. He wants to meet his western friends and get fully in touch with the situation, business, political and otherwise, in this and other sections of the country."

As Senator Brown views the situation, tariff is now and will be for some time to come the paramount issue with the republican party. Along this line he said:

Expects Lower Tariff.

"The passage of the reciprocity measure was the opening wedge. I do not expect to see free trade, but I do expect to see, and that before very long, a reduction of the duties upon a vast number of products and manufactured articles that now are protected. In the east where the interests had more or less influence with members of the two houses, you notice how the votes stood when the roll was called."

"In the west and south, where the common people elect senators and congressmen, these members, while they did not seek to throw down the bars and let everything free from every where, they took the position that the greatest good should be done to the greatest number, instead of voting to give protection to a favored few."

Taft Will Be Re-elected.

Senator Brown denied that reciprocity with Canada would tend to reduce the price of wheat raised in this country and declared that it must undoubtedly increase the demand for American products.

The senator, while not classing President Taft as a progressive, thinks he has many ideas in common with them. Said he:

"President Taft has outlined a plan of action that is perfectly consistent with the ideas of the progressives, or insurgents as they are sometimes called. My idea is that in 1912 he will receive the republican nomination for the presidency and will be elected beyond any question of doubt."

FATAL FIRE IN TOPEKA.

Damage Amounting to \$100,000 Results From Blaze There.

Topeka, Kan., Aug. 31.—One man was burned to death and one was seriously injured and property loss exceeding \$100,000 resulted from an early morning fire in the business district of Topeka today. The J. F. Dresser Furniture company and the Gibbs Clothing company are the heaviest losers. W. V. Evans, photographer, who lived in his studio, lost his life. E. E. Babcock, acting fire chief, was seriously hurt by a falling ceiling but will recover.

FLIES AT GRAND ISLAND

But Aviator is New at Game and Nearly Hits Grandstand Crowd.

Grand Island, Neb., Aug. 31.—Aviator Dickson of the Curtis Aviation company made a pretty flight yesterday, though he was not completely familiar with the machine and did not allow for sufficient space to stop it after alighting and dashed into a barrel of gasoline and a grandstand post, quite badly damaging the machine.

MISS MURPHY WAS INSULTED

THAT WILL BE DEFENSE IN THE VALENTINE TRIAL.

HAD NO MERCENARY MOTIVES

The Defense Will Claim That Sellers, the Ranchman Who Was Hanged, Offered Personal Indignities and Miss Murphy Told Brother.

Lincoln, Aug. 31.—A Lincoln firm of attorneys, Tyrell & Morrissey, who have been engaged to defend Miss Eunice Murphy, accused of inciting the murder of her lover, Charles Sellers to secure his property, gave a glimpse into their plans for defense this morning.

Mr. Tyrell states that Miss Murphy had undoubtedly told her brother, her cousins and the Weed boys of a story of personal indignities inflicted on herself by Sellers which had impelled the crime, but that it could be shown that her actions were not prompted by mercenary motives nor did she expect to see murder result.

Valentine, Neb., Aug. 31.—Eunice Murphy steadily refused to see any person save the judge and her attorney today. She talked with the judge on common topics but has not touched on the crime in any manner.

It has developed that the prosecution will try to prove that before going to an Omaha hospital to submit to an operation, Sellers told Miss Murphy that his insurance and his property was left to her. After his murder his brother was found to be the beneficiary. The preliminary hearing will be September 9.

Valentine, Neb., Aug. 31.—Special to The News: Miss Eunice Murphy arrived here yesterday from Independence, Mo., accompanied by her attorney, Mr. Kelley, and was immediately arrested by Sheriff Rosseter on the charge of inciting the four men now in jail to murder Charles Sellers. The exact date of her preliminary trial has not been set but it is thought it will be week from next Saturday. She is going to stand trial and the case will be hotly contested on both sides.

A MURDER AT A FUNERAL

Quarrel Over Electric Battery Ends In Tragedy When Mourners Meet.

New Orleans, Aug. 31.—A quarrel of six months' standing over an electric battery ended yesterday in the killing of Joseph Hasselback, 23 years old, by his brother-in-law Charles Romback, while relatives and friends were assembled for the funeral of their mother-in-law, Mrs. Henry Brink. The shooting occurred in a room adjoining that in which the corpse lay and it drove from the house all the mourners. Romback surrendered to the police.

RATTLER BITES DAKOTA GIRL.

The Mother Uses Butcher Knife to Cut Out Infected Flesh.

Pierre, S. D., Aug. 31.—Myrtle Olson, a 9-year-old girl of Lantry, was bitten in the leg by a rattlesnake and was hurried to her home. Her mother considered the case as one which required heroic action and after tying a ligature above the wound, slashed with a table knife the place where the fangs had entered and washed out with kerosene. Later she covered the wound with salt, then waited for a physician who had been called. The result of this treatment was that there was but little swelling from the bite and the child is walking about, little worse for the experience.

SHE'S FREE, PARSON JAILED.

Kansas Woman Sentenced to Rock Pile, Purged of Contempt.

Cola, Kan., Aug. 31.—Mrs. Ella Reese, recently sentenced to the municipal rock pile, was purged of contempt by Judge Smeltzer here last night and permitted to go at liberty unconditionally. Mrs. Reese was freed after she had testified in the case against Rev. Howie Line, who was charged by Mrs. Reese with questionable conduct. Rev. Mr. Line, fined \$50, was unable to pay the fine and went to jail.

TRACK MEN MAY STRIKE.

Chairman of Committee is Discharged and it Causes a Row.

Seranton, Pa., Aug. 31.—National officers of the Maintenance of Way Employees union have been summoned to confer with national Vice President Vurpia, and a local grievance committee of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western system regarding difficulties that have arisen on the Lackawanna system.

The track men sent a committee to ask a wage increase and track Foreman M. W. Foley, chairman of the committee, was discharged the following day. The company says he was discharged because he overstayed his leave of absence. The men allege he was dismissed because he was the head of the committee. The men now insist upon the reinstatement of Foley and the national officers of the union were asked to take charge of the situation.

They declare there will be a general strike over the whole system if Foley is not reinstated.

WAVE OF CRIME IS ALARMING.

New York Starts a Big Crusade Against It.

New York, Aug. 31.—All the Italian detectives in the city, seventy-five in number, were summoned to police headquarters and assigned to stem the wave of Italian crime.

The seriousness of the situation became apparent when it was learned that the Italian government had received through its consul here a list of crimes by natives of that country since the first of the year and was much exercised by the showing. It was stated that the detective bureau has a list of no less than 5,000 Italian ex-convicts believed to be in New York city at this time.

The immediate provocation of the Italian crime crusade was the two kidnaping cases reported to the police and still unsolved. In addition the police records show fourteen cases of bomb throwing since July 14.

The action of Police Commissioner Waldo practically revives the once famous Italian detective bureau, which was disbanded only a month ago.