

MASKED MEN ROB RAILROAD TRAIN

Five Persons Held Up by Three Men on Golden State Limited Near Sheffield, Ill.

SHOOT HOLES IN SIGNAL TUBE

Open Fire When Porter Declines to Give Stop Signal.

HAD BEEN RIDING ON THE TRAIN

Desperadoes Probably Boarded it at C. B. & Q. Crossing.

GOOD DESCRIPTIONS OBTAINED

Railroad Officials Think Men Will Be Traced Down—One Man is Supposed to Have Lost \$12,000.

CHICAGO, April 21.—Five persons were robbed of money or valuables or both by three masked holdup men who went through the sleeper Nottingham of the Rock Island westbound Golden State limited a few minutes after midnight at Sheffield, Ill., forty miles east of Moline.

After the robbers had finished their work they shot holes in the air signal tube connected with the engine and thus brought the train to a standstill and made their escape.

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As soon as the robbers entered the Pullman they forced the porter to lock the doors. Only the occupants of one Pullman were disturbed.

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Mary Herron, 108 Madison avenue, Chicago, \$5.

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Presence on the train of the three robbers has not been accounted for. It is thought perhaps the men boarded the limited at the crossing of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad, near which a Burlington train was held up some time ago.

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KANSAS CITY, April 21.—Nine passengers on the Rock Island's Golden State limited, robbed between Bureau and Sheffield, Ill., early today, reported losses to the local police when the train arrived here today. M. E. Delano of Chicago is said to have lost \$1,200, but this cannot be verified.

YOUNG FARMER KILLS FRIEND; ENDS OWN LIFE

STURGIS, S. D., April 21.—Because of a fancied grievance, Richard Stahl, aged 25, a farmer living near Piedmont, late this afternoon shot and killed Mayor Elmer Ladd of Sturgis. He surrendered and a little while later cut his throat from ear to ear in his cell and died in a few minutes.

Ladd, who was about the same age as his assailant, was talking with an attorney in the latter's office when the infuriated farmer entered and fired four shots from a big caliber gun. Ladd was struck by the second shot in the head. No one witnessed the shooting as the others ran before the firing commenced.

Ladd was the cashier of the defunct Meade County bank at Sturgis and was born and raised here, and held in high esteem.

The bank trouble is not believed to have any connection with the shooting, Stahl being crazed over financial losses on his ranch. Both men leave wives and small children.

OLDEST RETIRED OFFICER OF ARMY DIES IN CALIFORNIA

CORRADO, Cal., April 21.—Lieutenant Colonel Frank Brinkman, aged 91 years, died today at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Uriel Zeebe, wife of Rear Admiral Zeebe, retired. Colonel Brinkman was the oldest retired army officer in the United States. He served with distinction in the civil war and in the Indian campaigns afterwards. His body will be taken to Keokuk, Ia.

MUSE INQUEST TO BE HELD THIS AFTERNOON

An inquest will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon by Coroner Crosby to determine the cause and nature of the death of Mrs. Eva Muse and Florence Banks, colored women, alleged to have been murdered by James D. Muse, colored.

Details of the bloody fight which took place in the Muse home between Muse and the two women, of their death, and the setting afire of the curtains and beds and the murderous attacks upon Captain Henry P. Jaacks and Assistant Chief Deesen will be brought out. The statements made at the inquest will be taken down and used later in the trial of Muse for murder.

Muse was resting easily at St. Joseph's hospital yesterday afternoon, though his various wounds are bothering him considerably. He makes no comment about the incidents of Friday night.

Seven Young Wolves Captured.

TECUMSEH, Neb., April 21.—Specials—William Gasson and Fred Jaacks captured seven young wolves in a galvanized iron drainage tube under a road east of the city yesterday. The animals were driven into the tube, and the men stopped one end of the cylinder and crawled into the other and captured the same.

Warship Will Go to Mexican Coast to Aid Americans

WASHINGTON, April 20.—President Taft probably will send a warship soon to the west coast of Mexico to enable Americans isolated in Sinaloa and other states to leave the disturbed districts. An announcement by the State department tonight declared this action likely in view of the general anxiety for Americans in those localities.

State department officials pointed out that with the suspension of railroad communication and the interruption of telegraph service, many American citizens on the west coast of Mexico, especially at Los Mochis, in Sinaloa, as well as in the vicinity of Mazatlan, are isolated. This fact, together with many reports of increased lawlessness on the west coast, is causing much anxiety to Americans in the region affected and their friends in the United States. Many requests and expressions of anxiety have reached the State department.

State department officials declared this action "necessary because otherwise there is no way to learn of the safety of those Americans who are at present not only entirely cut off from communication with the outside world, but deprived by the cessation of railroad service of any means of leaving."

The sending of a vessel to the coast of Mexico sets a precedent in the present revolutionary disturbances, as heretofore the United States navy has refrained from cruising in Mexican waters. A British vessel last year, however, landed marines on the western coast of Mexico to enable foreigners to escape the effects of a threatened attack by rebels.

EL PASO, Tex., April 20.—According to advices a week old, but just received here, the entire state of Sinaloa, like that of Chihuahua, is now in rebel hands.

Thirty Americans who had concentrated at the Rhoades ranch at Navolota and who had planned to escape to an island in the event of fighting, probably did so, and by this time, it is thought, have been rescued by a boat, which was planned to send them from Guaymas. On April 9 500 rebels attacked Navolota and drove out the garrison of thirty-five federalists.

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Wealthy Hebrew Endows Chair in Catholic School

BALTIMORE, April 21.—Cardinal Gibbons, who is chancellor of the Catholic university at Washington, was the recipient Friday of a gift of \$25,000 for the university.

The donor is a wealthy Hebrew from the middle west, but his name is withheld. He said that he regarded the Catholic church as the great bulwark in the United States against "bad features of socialism and anarchy and for the upholding of law and order." Moved by these considerations, he offered the sum named to be paid in five annual installments, either to found a lectureship by means of which socialism would be studied analyzed and attacked, or five scholarships for students who would pursue special investigations along the same lines.

The cardinal accepted the scholarship offer and expressed his gratitude.

Filings Are Rejected On Controller Bay

JUNEAU, April 21.—The Juneau land office has notified Frank N. Davis of Lake Mills, Wis.; Arnold L. Scheurer of 28 Central Park West, New York City, and James J. Ryan of Katalia, Alaska, that their filing of notices of claim on shore lands on Controller Bay, Alaska, have been rejected because of non-compliance with the laws. The land was filed upon February 13, 1911.

On April 20, 1911, Senator La Follette of Wisconsin introduced a resolution in the United States senate calling upon the secretary of the interior to furnish all facts connected with coal entries made upon lands withdrawn from the Chugach national forest reserve in Alaska and later restored to the public domain under order of President Taft.

It was alleged in newspaper articles about this time that Richard S. Ryan, said to be a representative of the Guggenheim-Morgan syndicate, had been permitted, through the instrumentality of President Taft and then Secretary of Interior Ballinger, to obtain control of the whole water front in Controller bay, the natural harbor for the shipment of coal from the Berlin river fields.

In July was published what purported to be a letter from Richard S. Ryan to Richard A. Ballinger concerning these lands. The letter began "Dear Dick" and was signed "Dick." Both Ryan and Ballinger denied all knowledge of the letter. The local office's action is expected to be the last chapter of the story.

Best Chance for Help Lost.

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"Mr. Phillips said he was a fool," Bride testified, referring to the chief operator on the Titanic, who lost his life, "and told him to keep out."

No effort was made to re-establish communication with the Frankfurt, although Phillips felt certain that the vessel was much nearer than the Carpathia, with which communication had been established. This, Bride said, Phillips judged by reason of the greater power of the Hertian waves.

Senator Smith expressed astonishment at the statement. He repeatedly pressed the witness to explain why the aid of a vessel many miles nearer a sinking ship was not invoked. Bride evaded a direct answer by saying he did not know, that probably the Frankfurt's operator could not understand and that Phillips, his superior, had used his own judgment.

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SHIP'S OPERATOR RELATES STORY

Harold S. Bride, Surviving Wireless Sender of Titanic, Tells of Last Hours of Vessel.

LAX CONDITIONS ARE INDICATED

Frankfurt Gets First Call and Considers it Trivial.

SCENE OF HEARING IS CHANGED

Isamy and Franklin to Testify in Washington Monday.

CAPTAIN GOES DOWN WITH SHIP

Smith Sticks to Bridge and Witness Sees Him Jump Without Life Belt Just as Vessel Goes Down.

NEW YORK, April 21.—The White Star line has received a wireless, dated April 20, from the cable ship Mackay Bennett stating that the steamer Rhea reports passing wreckage and floating bodies at the scene of the Titanic disaster. The Mackay Bennett reached the scene at 3 o'clock Saturday evening and reported that operations would be begun Sunday.

NEW YORK, April 21.—With dramatic suddenness the senate investigation of the Titanic disaster came to an end yesterday so far as the New York hearing was concerned. It will be resumed, however, in Washington on Monday when J. Bruce Isamy and P. A. S. Franklin, chief officers of the White Star line, and more than a score of officers and crew of the sunken vessel will appear before the committee.

Incident to the sudden close of the hearing here was the story of Harold S. Bride, the second and only surviving wireless operator of the Titanic. His tale was one of suffering and death. He told of the final plunge of the vessel. Its captain's end was also revealed. He leaped from the bridge when the waters were closing over the ship.

In connection with the transfer of the hearing to Washington it was intimated that the power of the senate in federal territory would be undisturbed in getting at the real facts and no question of state rights could arise to interfere. Throughout the hearing also officials of the White Star line had portrayed the dangers of sailors' boarding houses in New York as a reason why those detained by the committee should be allowed to sail on the Lapland which left today.

Titanic's Operator Testifies.

Throughout the hearing in the morning Wireless Operator Bride, crippled as a result of his exposure and seated in an invalid's chair, told his story of the last moments of the Titanic. His narrative, drawn from him piecemeal by Senator Smith of Michigan, chairman of the committee, held enthralled the committee and the audience. When his ordeal ended he was almost on the verge of collapse.

After the hearing was resumed in the afternoon, announcement of the change of base was made. Herbert J. Pittman, the third officer of the Titanic, had been called to the witness' chair. Senator Smith directed one question to him, relating to the whereabouts of the ship's log. The witness said he did not know. Promptly Mr. Smith resumed the committee's decision to announce the inquiry in Washington on Monday. Later he issued a statement giving in detail his reasons for this sudden change in plans.

The committee devoted its entire day to an investigation of the connection of the wireless with the disaster. H. T. Cottam, the operator of the Carpathia, that was the first to establish certain testimony sought to establish certain testimony had given on the stand yesterday and this soon was ended. Then came the star witness of the day.

Bride was wheeled to the end of the stage. He was hollow cheeked and weak and had just come from a physician's care. His nerves were unquiet and he looked at his interlocked fingers incessantly.

Boy Gets Small Wages.

Like Cottam, who is 23 years old, Bride is merely a boy. Neither had any telegraphic experience previous to taking up wireless telegraphy and both told tales of long hours at low wages and days and nights spent without sleep.

This inexperience and the mental condition of the young operators were the two points on which Senator Smith bore persistently. He had put Cottam through a grueling examination in which the youth testified that he had not slept more than eight or ten hours between Sunday night, when the Titanic called for help, and Thursday night, when the vessel docked here. Bride's story was one that bore out virtually all that Cottam's had established, except that his was one of nervous strain and worry and high-keyed suspense.

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IN NEBRASKA—WHY DON'T YOU SHY YOUR HAT IN THE RING? From the Minneapolis Journal.

NO CHANGE IN THE FIGURES

Primary Election Results Definitely Known Sunday Morning.

ROOSEVELT'S LEAD IS GROWING

Other Offices Settled by the Voters in Manner that Leaves No Room for Doubt or Argument.

Additional returns from the Nebraska primary elections have not altered the relative positions of the leading candidates for the principal positions. Roosevelt's majority over all continues to grow. Clark has the democratic endorsement. Norris is slightly ahead of Brown for the endorsement for United States senator on the republican ticket, and Shallenberger has a lead over Thompson and Reed on the democratic ticket that seems to be safe. Newton polled a considerable number of votes for the office of governor on the republican ticket, but Aldrich is far ahead of him. On the democratic ticket Moreland has a commanding lead over Metcalfe. For national committee man the republicans selected R. B. Howell and the democrats P. L. Hall. No returns have been tabulated yet on the state officers below governor, nor on the candidates for electors, delegates-at-large, district delegates or congressmen outside of the Second district, where Howard Badrick won the nomination.

The returns from the state to date are:

Table with columns: Republican Preference, Roosevelt, La Follette, Taft,velt, etc. Lists candidates and their vote counts for various offices.

Kansas City Official Found Dead in Hotel

CHICAGO, April 21.—Gustave Pearson, 65 years old, city comptroller of Kansas City, Mo., was found dead in bed in his hotel this afternoon. He is believed to have died of heart failure.

Pearson had registered at the hotel several days ago. When he was called earlier in the day he failed to respond. The hotel employee, thinking he was asleep, made no effort to arouse him until this afternoon.

KANSAS CITY, April 21.—Gustave Pearson, who was found dead in Chicago today, was comptroller of Kansas City up to last week, when the newly elected city officials were installed. Pearson was not a candidate for re-election, contesting instead for the republican nomination for mayor. He was defeated.

WILL PAY POST TRADERS

Long-Standing Accounts to Be Taken Up at Early Date.

MANY CLAIMS ARE ON FILE

Plan of Secretary Fisher is to Send Special Agents to Reservations to Adjudicate Pending Matters—Blackburn to Annapolis.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, April 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Senator Gamble of South Dakota, chairman of the senate committee on Indian affairs, said today that the secretary of the interior is soon to take up for settlement the long standing accounts of the Indian post traders. These accounts are mostly for the necessities of life, furnished by the traders to needy Indians, and many of them are of years standing. Two years ago Secretary Ballinger and Commissioner Valentine issued an order that all these claims be verified and sent to the Indian office in Washington. Under this order 180,000 claims have been submitted. An appropriation of almost \$200,000 will be required to adjust them.

The estimate for the appropriation is being prepared in the interior department and will be attached to the general Indian appropriation bill. A large portion of these claims was filed by the post traders of North and South Dakota and a movement to secure a re-transfer of the claims from Washington to the reservations was begun last December by Senator Gamble and Representative Burke. The plan of Secretary Fisher is now to send special agents to the reservations to adjudicate the claims.

Representative Lubeck stated today that Paul F. Maxwell, whom he appointed to Annapolis, had decided not to enter the examinations, and that the first alternate, Caspar K. Blackburn of Omaha, is now at Annapolis to prepare for the place. Blackburn is the son of Thomas W. Blackburn of Omaha, and has been attending school in New Hampshire.

Dale F. McDonald of York, who came into the office early in the winter took the civilian's examination for a commission as lieutenant in the army, received notice today that he had passed the examination successfully, and will receive a commission. He does not know where he may be assigned for duty. His commission will be issued probably about two weeks.

N. B. Sweitzer of Neligh, government surveyor, left Washington today for Nebraska to look up some surveys in the Sixth district and attend to other government business.

F. T. Williams of South Omaha, O. W. Todd of Lincoln, Verne L. Benson of Odell, Otto W. F. Neutman of Renton, L. E. Moore of Lebanon, Neb., have been appointed railway mail clerks.

WARNED OF ICEBERG AHEAD?

Steward of Titanic Says First Officer Was Given Notice.

TELLS STORY OF MONEY BOAT

Member of Crew in Hospital Asserts American Millionaire Paid Few Men to Row Family to Safety.

NEW YORK, April 21.—Three warnings that an iceberg was ahead were transmitted from the crew's nest of the Titanic to the officer of the doomed steamship's bridge fifteen minutes before it struck, according to Thomas Whiteley, a first saloon steward, who now lies in St. Vincent's hospital with frozen and lacerated feet.

Whiteley, who was whipped overboard from the ship by a rope while helping to lower a lifeboat, finally reached the Carpathia aboard one of the boats that contained, he said, both the crew's nest lookouts. He heard a conversation between them, he asserted, in which they discussed the warnings given of the presence of the iceberg. Whiteley did not know either of the lookout men's names and believes they have returned to England with the majority of the surviving members of the crew.

"I heard one of the men say that at 11:15 o'clock, fifteen minutes before the Titanic struck, he had reported to First Officer Murdoch that he fancied he saw an iceberg," said Whiteley. "Twice after that the lookout said he warned Mr. Murdoch that the berg was ahead. I can't remember their exact words, but they were indignant that no attention was paid to their warnings. One of them said: 'No wonder that Mr. Murdoch shot himself.'"

Tells of Money Boat.

Whiteley, in telling of various experiences of the disaster that had come to his knowledge, said that on one of the first boats lowered the only passengers aboard were a man whom he was told was an American millionaire, his wife, child and two valets. The others in the boat were firemen and coal trimmers, he said, seven in number, whom the man had promised to pay well if they would man the lifeboat. They made only thirteen men in all.

"I don't know the man's name," said Whiteley. "I heard it but have forgotten it. But I saw an order for \$5 which this man gave to each of the crew of his boat after they got aboard the Carpathia. It was a piece of ordinary paper addressed to the Courts bank of England."

"We called that boat the 'money boat.' It was lowered from the starboard side and was one of the first off. Our orders were to load the lifeboats beginning forward on the port side, working aft, and then back on the starboard. This man paid the firemen to lower a starboard boat before the officers had given the order."

Whiteley explained that the reason he thought the crew's nest lookout had started back to England was that he had read that besides the senior officers only quartermasters had been retained as witnesses by the senate committee investigating the disaster, and that they could not be in hospitals, as they had not been injured.

Culled From the Wires

War between the Ring Kong and the Sing Suey Tong broke out again in San Francisco, Stockton and Fresno. Two were killed in Stockton and several wounded.

Dr. Lee De Forest, scientist and inventor, obtained an order in superior court in San Francisco Saturday dismissing his suit for divorce from Nora De Forest, a daughter of the well known suffragist, Harriet Stanton Blatch.

THOUSANDS SHOW GRIEF FOR DEAD

Tribute of Flowers, Song and Speech Paid Profusely for Lost Omaha Citizen.

MEMORIAL FOR EMIL BRANDEIS

Prominent Men Speak of His Good Achievements Here.

LABORED MODESTLY, BUT WELL

Friends, Acquaintances and Employees Bow in Sorrow.

HIS MONUMENT IMPERISHABLE

Institutions He Built Will Stand as a Lasting Reminder of Life Well Spent—Flowers on Graves of His Father and Mother.

A final tribute of flowers, sacred songs and words of praise and regret was paid Omaha's well beloved citizen, Emil Brandeis, who met death bravely with 1,000 others when the ill-fated steamship Titanic sank, at the Brandeis theater yesterday morning. The theater held an assemblage the like of which never before gathered there and 1,500 were turned away for lack of room.

Poor and rich, low and high, the learned and the unlearned, gathered at the place of mourning, a saddened crowd but proud of the brilliant, successful and tender-hearted Omahan who met death with a heroism that bequeathed his friends and relatives a sacred heritage.

The stage was smothered with fragrant flowers, symbols of sorrow sent by commercial and civic organizations and innumerable friends. An illumined portrait of the dead faced the audience from the center of the stage. Furled flags, leaning at half-mast, had been placed at each side of the stage and over the boxes.

C. H. Pickens Presides.

Charles H. Pickens presided. Muffled music from the orchestra began the program. Rabbi Frederick Cohn, Miss Mary Munchhoff, G. W. Wattle, Senator G. M. Hitchcock, Victor Rosewater, Robert H. Manly, John L. Kennedy and Rev. John Matthews, all of whom had known and admired Emil Brandeis, participated in the memorial service.

As Mr. Pickens rose a silence, unbroken by the lightest whisper, enveloped the audience. "We are assembled here to pay our last tribute to Emil Brandeis," he began.

"Nearly 2,000 years ago a man who has ever since stood before the world as an example of brotherly love, charity and good will toward man said: 'Greater love hath no man than this, that he gave his life for another.'"

"This is what Emil Brandeis has done. It is fitting that we honor this man, who with a smile met a condition imposed upon but few men in history, that of giving up his life that a weaker one might be saved."

Monument to His Memory.

"It is fitting that we pay our tribute to the splendid character of this man here in this building which is a monument to his memory. He spent many happy hours within these walls. It was in this building that he had his office, his workshop, where he worked out the problems of his busy life."

"Mr. Brandeis was identified with many different organizations of this city, all of which depended upon his counsel and advice. This is particularly true of the knights of Ak-Sar-Ben, of which organization he was an active and enthusiastic member, and in which he took a great deal of pride."

"No proposition of public nature was ever brought to his notice that did not receive his advice, his hearty co-operation and his generous financial support."

Community Will Miss Him.

"As a community we will miss him. He was the type of man no city can spare. To many of us he was the type of friend no one can spare, but I think the best thought we can take away with us this morning will be that as citizen and friend we have the memory of him performing as a simple act of duty the most heroic act a man can perform, helping the women and children into the lifeboats, giving them a word of cheer, and, as the last boat passed out into the distance, leaving him standing on the deck of the ill-fated ship, meeting the last moment of his life with an unflinching courage."

"He died as a man. To the strains of 'Nearer, My God, to Thee,' his life went out."

Rabbi Cohn in his invocation thanked God for the example set by Emil Brandeis, both in living and in dying. "He died like a hero, with a smile upon his lips, without fear, without reproach."

Following the invocation Miss Munchhoff sang in a clear, sweet voice "Come Ye Disciples."

Wattle Pays Tribute.

Speaking of Emil Brandeis as a public spirited business man, Mr. Wattle gave a "simple recital of his many deeds for the upbuilding of Omaha."

"It is proper that such representative organizations as the Commercial club, the knights of Ak-Sar-Ben, the Ad club and our citizens generally should meet here today to pay a tribute of honor

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