

WIFE OF MURDERER AND SUICIDE REFUSES TO BURY HIS BODY

Marital Affection Overtaxed by Disclosure of St. Clair's Relations With Victim of His Crime.

Coroner Knight Receives Letter, in Which Woman Says She Has No Interest in Funeral of Her Husband—Mrs. Hall's Body Claimed.

Murder, suicide and infidelity proved to sever a test of the marital affections of Mrs. Charles C. St. Clair, who asked Coroner Knight today to dispossess of the body of her husband who killed himself on Monday after murdering Mrs. Edna Potter Hall in the Hotel Windsor.

The communication, which was signed by L. Quindro for Mrs. St. Clair, read as follows: "As Mrs. St. Clair has decided not to remove her husband's body from the Philadelphia morgue, but to allow it to be buried by the authorities, it will not be necessary for her to go to Philadelphia. We phoned you about it this afternoon."

A short time after the letter was received here A. B. Stein, a half-brother of the murdered woman, went to the morgue and identified the body of Mrs. Hall. He made arrangements with the undertaking firm of J. Lewis Good & Sons, 812 Spruce street, to have the murdered woman's body shipped to Waterbury, where she will be buried from the home of her late husband, Mrs. F. H. Potter, of Glenn street, that city.

The final chapter in the tragedy will take place tomorrow when the Coroner will hold an inquest for the formality of fixing the responsibility for the crime. There will be little to introduce as evidence at the proceedings. Only one cent was found in the apartment where the murder and suicide took place. In the hotel by the couple there was nothing but evidence of the deep infatuation of the man and woman for each other.

One bag contained a new bodice cap, a new giraffe and several pairs of silk stockings. In the other were a few of Mrs. St. Clair's belongings and the revolver with which he killed himself and his companion. The revolver was evidently purchased in this city. Three bullets had been fired, two of which St. Clair sent into his own brain to make certain of self-destruction, although there was evidence that he had fired at the murdering Mrs. Hall and delayed his own end for at least an hour after his first firing.

With the revolver was a new box containing 30 cartridges in a bottle of oil with directions for using the revolver. A small watch, still ticking when found, lay alongside the revolver. Under a program for a burlesque also found in this city, which the couple apparently attended before the murder and suicide was discovered.

Despite the fact that the authorities showed the dead woman's relative Mrs. Hall's last note, which was placed together and indicated her infatuation for the man who had killed her, Stein, who also lives in Woodbury, said he believed that the woman, who was 21 years old, was lured to this city by St. Clair. "Her parents are prostrated, but anxious to see her buried," he said today. "Her father is nearly 80 years old and is a veteran of the Civil War."

Stein verified the details already given by the coroner's officials relative to Mrs. Hall's body, which brought out the additional fact that his half-sister exerted a powerful fascination for men from her home.

TRANSIT BUTTONS POPULAR Demand Produces Supply of Thousands of Emblems.

Additional thousands of transit buttons have been ordered by Director Taylor to supply the seemingly never-ending demand.

DOPE USERS SEEK CURE AT BLOCKLEY

Thirteen Men and Two Women Addicted to Cocaine and Heroin Enter Hospital.

Thirteen men and two women, driven to seek a cure for the drug habit by the enforcement of the Harrison drug act which cut off their supply of cocaine and heroin, found their way during the night to the new drug ward, opened Monday at Blockley to care for such cases. Today there are 25 men and two women in the drug ward, the largest number ever assembled to take a drug cure at a Philadelphia hospital. Most of the victims were sent to Blockley by Lieutenant Smiley, of the 11th and Winter streets station, in the heart of the Tenderloin and the haven of the drug users. Since the drug prohibition went into effect there has been a steady stream of addicts to the police station in a state of physical distress and they have been sent to the drug ward, a part of which is the administration of diminishing quantities of cocaine. The sudden stoppage of the supply of drugs would be fatal to many of the habitual "cookers" in the Tenderloin, they say.

During the early evening five men and a woman called at the 11th and Winter street station to ask to be allowed to take the cure. The woman was Annie Norton, 25 years old, of 1519 Palmer street. She had been living in the Tenderloin two years, she said, and took to using drugs after her husband divorced her and her only child died.

All those who appeared before Lieutenant Smiley last night said that the Harrison act had put the price of the available supply of drugs at prohibitive heights and that only persons with money could buy it now. Therefore, they said, the best thing they could do was to try the Blockley cure.

Lieutenant Smiley summoned the district surgeon, Dr. John Egan, who has been called in to examine drug users since the Harrison act drove them to seek the Blockley cure. He was accompanied by an applied at the police station were addicted to drugs and then produced affidavits, which all were required to sign. These set forth that the signers bound themselves to pay for the cure as long as it was necessary to effect a cure.

They signed willingly, though with shaking fingers, and this morning were taken to the Blockley hospital. The first to apply last night were William Mendis, 43 North 7th street; Walter Harris, 21 South 21st street; John Toole, 21 North 9th street; Harry Bishop, 105 North street; and James Williams, 217 North 9th street.

These moving pictures excel anything ever before shown to the public. They breathe the spirit of war; they are the incarnation of the antithesis of civilization. Vividly they portray charges into the withering fire of the enemy; fully they show the stupendous conflict now raging in Europe.

The shrapnel bursts; there is an armored train in action; 11 of Germany's great 42-centimeter guns are spewing forth their hail of death; the trenches are shown; there is a charge of 200 and only 12 return! It is the last word in moving pictures.

The pictures which will be shown every afternoon at 2 and 3:30 o'clock and every evening at 8 and 9:30, will be brought to this city by the EVENING LEDGER.

CONGRESS PREPARING TO ADJOURN FINALLY

All Thought of Extra Session Abandoned—Three Appropriation Bills Pending.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—Congress was thrown into high speed today toward final adjournment at noon Thursday. All thought of an extra session was abandoned. Fate of three big appropriation bills, rural credits and the ship purchase measure hung in the balance.

Both sides made great strides toward cleaning up their calendars. President Wilson facilitated matters by signing four big appropriation bills. Remaining for final disposition before adjournment were the army, postoffice, agricultural, rivers and harbors, Indian and general deficiency appropriation bills. Conferees struggled toward a compromise on rural credits.

The ship purchase bill was stranded in the Senate, with failure almost certain. Handicaps on the agriculture and postoffice appropriation measures threatened their failure, too, with necessity for emergency resolutions to provide funds.

The conference report on the legislative appropriation bill was accepted by the House. The bill allows the customary 20 cents a mile for members coming to and going from the sessions of Congress. It also provides for a 10-cent daily rate for actual traveling expenses. A Senate resolution extending the terms of Congress to Ambassador Noyan, of Mexico, and Ambassador Gifford, of Brazil, and Ambassador Suarez, of Chile, who acted as mediators in the Niagara Falls conference in the difficulties between the United States and Mexico last year, was passed by the House today. The resolution provides that the President shall present each of the three Ambassadors with a gold medal appropriately inscribed.

STEGLER MAY PLEAD GUILTY IN PASSPORT FRAUD CASE His Wife Considers Damage Suits for False Arrest.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Richard Peter Stegler, under indictment charged with having fraudulently obtained a United States passport, repeated in detail yesterday the story of his alleged dealings with Capt. Boy-Ed, naval attaché of the German Embassy, to Assistant United States District Attorney Roger D. Wood. It is said on good authority that Stegler may change his plea of not guilty to one of guilty. If he does, his whole story of his alleged dealings with the German naval attaché will be made public.

Mrs. Stegler, wife of the prisoner, has not yet decided what action she will take against the reporters for the New York Staats-Zeitung, who, after luring her to a hotel, had her arrested there on a trumped-up charge of assault.

WONDERFUL WAR PICTURES Evening Ledger's "Movies" Coming to the Forrest Theatre.

Beginning with next Monday afternoon, the Forrest Theatre will show the most remarkable war pictures ever exhibited. They were taken on the battlefields of Europe and have just arrived—pictures of the most dramatic and daring deeds and brave men.

CHRISTIAN SCIENTIST DEFENDS HER ACTIONS

Woman Whose Child Patient Died Declares She Tried to Conform to Law.

Every Christian Science reader and practitioner in this city is eager to conform with the law and summon a physician when it is ascertained that the patient is afflicted with a contagious disease, such as mumps or measles.

Whenever I have been asked to treat a sick person who was afflicted with a contagious disease, I have requested that a physician be called. Josephine didn't show any signs of diphtheria until a few hours before her death. It is too bad that Josephine is dead, because she was a child who possessed a beautiful character.

Heartbroken over the death of Josephine May Wood, 7 years old, of 127 North 24th street, who died last Monday of diphtheria while under Christian Science treatment, Miss Dorothy J. Warmuth, a Christian Science reader, made this statement today in speaking of the girl's death.

Warmuth is a teacher of languages in the University of Chicago. She is married and has a child. Her husband, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Wood, were arrested yesterday on order of Coroner Knight, charged with criminal negligence.

They were released in \$500 bail. They will have a hearing March 11. Miss Warmuth described today her visit to the Wood home a few days ago. She denounced some of the stories which had been published about her arrest. "I simply did what any other Christian Scientist would have done," she said. "I was asked to visit the child by her mother. I called at the house the mother told me that the girl was suffering from mumps."

"The child didn't appear to be very sick. I suggested that a physician be called, but she wouldn't. She said she didn't think the child's condition was serious. Josephine was running around the house on February 22. The child's condition seemed to improve under Christian Science treatment."

"Her throat became hoarse and her spirits brightened. Last Monday, however, the child's condition became serious and she was taken to the hospital. When the doctor arrived and diagnosed the case as diphtheria I immediately left the house."

"I have committed no wrong. What I did in the Wood case is exactly what I would have done in a case where dear ones related to me might have been afflicted."

Mrs. Wood is prostrated. She and her husband came here from Bethlehem several weeks ago. When Josephine was born a Christian Science practitioner was present.

JOSEPHINE WOOD

Girl of 7 years, who was born and died under Christian Science treatment. Charges of criminal negligence have been preferred against her parents and against the woman healer who was called in before her death.

FRANKFORD TRAINS WERE TO BE THROUGH-ROUTED TO DANFORTH

It is thus made absolutely clear that the ordinance calling for the special election should not specify any routes whatsoever. Changes in certain portions of the routes may be devised by City Council, or may be ordered by the Public Service Commission, over which the City Council has no control. Under the terms of the ordinance drafted the loan funds could not be used for the construction of any of the facilities, the route of which may be determined by the Public Service Commission.

The ordinance eliminates the delivery loop and any provision thereof; it provides for no proper delivery facilities for the passengers using the Broad street subway. City Council should give careful consideration to the routes with all of the facts relating to locating and engineering the routes, problems and cost involved, before attempting finally and irreversibly to fix and determine such routes in a manner which will make their construction, operation and maintenance impossible by their having been designated in the ordinance calling the special election.

Fourth. The ordinance requested by the Department of City Transit calling for an increase in the indebtedness of the city to the extent of \$6,000,000 to be authorized for the beginning of transit development without any route being designated, with the City Council in a position to meet the expenditure of that money in a manner which will either require the existing railway system in the city to co-operate with the city in equipping and in operating the recommended high-speed lines, or to be required to provide the facilities for the operation of the high-speed lines, coupled with the elimination of the illegal and discriminatory exchange tickets on a basis which is fair and affords reasonable protection to the existing system, as aforesaid, or otherwise.

These are ample reasons why an ordinance, such as the one proposed, prepared in the usual and legal form, calling an election to authorize an increase in the city's indebtedness to the extent of \$6,000,000 for the beginning of the transit development, should be passed without specifying any routes.

What we are asking is absolutely fair—that the people shall be given the right to authorize an increase in the city's indebtedness for the beginning of the transit development, and that City Council shall reserve unto themselves the right to determine the routes rather than to attempt to fix and change the routes at will, and that the ordinance should be so drafted as to attempt to fix and change the routes at will, and that the ordinance should be so drafted as to attempt to fix and change the routes at will.

Supporters of the Blankenburg administration declared today that attempts were being made by the transit "pullbacks" to authorize an increase in the city's indebtedness for the beginning of the transit development, and that City Council shall reserve unto themselves the right to determine the routes rather than to attempt to fix and change the routes at will.

Director Norris also returned to his office for the first time since Mr. Stotesbury publicly denied the insinuations of the Mayor's Cabinet Director. Norris asked what his opinion was relative to the interchange of telegrams between Mr. Stotesbury and Mayor Blankenburg, and what he thought of charges made by the Mayor's Cabinet Director. Norris also made slanderous statements at the Academy of Music meeting.

Director Norris declined to discuss the matter. "I have nothing to say today, at any rate," he declared. "I have nothing to say today, at any rate, whether he refused to say whether he would make a statement later in the day or not."

JERSEY METHODIST MINISTERS INDORSE WOMAN SUFFRAGE

Give Enthusiastic Response to Mrs. Fehert's Appeal for Support of Movement to Defeat Liquor Men at Polls.

ATLANTIC CITY, March 3.—The New Jersey Methodist Episcopal Conference, with great enthusiasm, indorsed woman suffrage today, voting to do everything possible to align the church members of the State for equal franchise. Mrs. E. J. Fehert, of Plainfield, president of the New Jersey Suffrage Association, had asked the pastors to support suffrage.

"The Liquor Dealers' Association of this State has ordered its followers to defeat our cause," Mrs. Fehert wrote. "Can we depend upon the help of the good people of New Jersey?" "She can," a dozen pastors shouted, and a resolution of indorsement was adopted.

An allusion to "Billy" Sunday by Dr. W. D. Kelly, of New York, as "the man who came from the baseball field," brought the ministers to their feet. "If any man can make good and save souls," he said, "I say let him go ahead. It makes no difference what eccentricities he may have."

The New Yorker predicted, with irony, that the "609" might yet produce an evangelist "to save the pets of society." "We are with this man Sunday to a man—horse, foot and gun," declared the Rev. J. Morgan Lead, one of the militant leaders of Methodism in New Jersey. "We don't care whether he is a Methodist or a Presbyterian, for he is a man of God and dragging souls out of the mire."

Organization of the Conference was effected immediately after the memorial service, with Bishop Theodore S. Henderson, of Camden, in the chair, assisted by the Rev. J. M. Read, acting president of the conference. The conference was held at the Central M. E. Church this afternoon, with a sermon by the Rev. Thompson W. McKim, of Camden.

Dominey, young and old, interested in promotions in the shake-up to come when appointments are announced in the closing hours of the session next Tuesday, a pronouncement of Bishop Henderson respecting the relationship and duties of pastors and people.

Touching upon the poor salaries paid by some congregations constantly clamoring for higher salaries, Bishop Henderson said: "If some people didn't pray any better than they pray God would never hear them. Congregations, to qualify themselves for respectability, should praise up, pay up, pray up and push up. I never knew the right kind of a man to be hurt by praise. If he isn't the very best man, praise him enough and he'll become a man of God. If he isn't a man of God, praise him and he'll become a man of God. Praying will not give you anything, but it will give you a whole lot unless they also pay well. The great trouble in many churches is that too many of the members are leavers, who don't want to be lefters."

Most of tomorrow will be devoted to consideration of the conference claimants, or proposed pension fund plan, under which it is proposed to create a budget of \$100,000 to be amplified by bequests to provide a half-year retirement system for worn-out pastors.

Montpelier, which was "wet" last year, will be "dry" again, and Burlington will be "dry" again, and Burlington will be "dry" again, and Burlington will be "dry" again.

DE BEAUFORT, "SILK HAT" REPORTER, DIES IN BATTLE

Former Husband of Chicago Steel Magnate's Daughter, and Well Known in This City, Killed Fighting for France.

Philadelphia men who came in contact with newspaper men in years gone by learned today with somewhat of a shock that Count James Alexander von Mourik de Beaufort, better known in this city as the "silk hat reporter," had been killed in the fighting for France.

News of the death was contained today in dispatches from Chicago, where a friend of the count received a letter from the count's sister, Mrs. M. H. Killgallen, of Chicago, a steel magnate. He won her by a series of sensational exploits in the way of "making good" in accordance with the father's dictum. De Beaufort for almost a year worked in the steel mills of this city and Chicago by day, nothing more, and in the evening he was well educated and he gave deep attention to his work, so that he became in time an able reporter. Also he was much of an advertiser to the newspaper employing him and he was always sure of a job.

The count went back to his native France at the beginning of the war and baggy trousers of the old-fashioned style. He has been grubbing in a trench for the millions of his countrymen on the firing line. At Neuport, in a charge, he was found him and ended with sudden flames. He was always a very picturesque and interesting character.

It was whispered at various times that Count de Beaufort only worked hard getting into his overalls when he had today a serious effect on the utility of the entire subway by reason of increasing the length of stop. This would cut down the ultimate carrying capacity of the subway, reducing its possibility of serving the people and curtailing its earning power.

It is manifestly impracticable to deliver this traffic at only two stations. At the same time, the subway would thus be throttled and absolutely prevented from development to its ultimate capacity.

It would be futile to plan to transfer passengers from the east end of Broad street to the Market street subway or to the proposed Chestnut street subway due to space conditions of the underground stations. These two stations and the three subway reaches Broad street, they will not have discharged sufficient passengers to make room for transfer passengers from Broad street. Even were they transferred otherwise feasible, and thus the track capacity of the east and west subway would be used for this short-haul subway, with the long-distance high-speed service to West Philadelphia.

One important purpose of the recommended loop is to provide terminal facilities for the four tracks which will be necessary in North Broad street. By way of the loop a part of the North Broad street trains can be turned back after discharging their passengers. Manifestly, the subway tracks in North Broad street cannot be run into tracks in South Broad street, and in view of experience and present-day understanding of station terminals, it would be the utmost folly to contemplate any similar plan for any part of the North Broad street service. The city of New York has spent millions of dollars on the Centre street loop which leaves the sub-end terminal at the Manhattan end of the Brooklyn Bridge.

While from a traffic and financial standpoint it would be unwise to build a loop, it would not take people where they wish to go, and, at the same time, be manifestly unfair for the city to ignore established business as now located and distributed.

Further, a two-track delivery loop, with four tracks on the west side thereof in Broad street, will furnish terminal facilities for the recommended loop, which will extend northward from the City Hall building, connecting with the elevated structure over 20th street and 21st street to Roxborough.

THE WEATHER Official Forecast WASHINGTON, March 3. For eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey: Fair tonight and Thursday; moderate north winds.

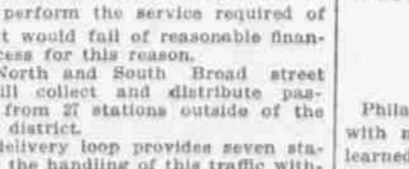
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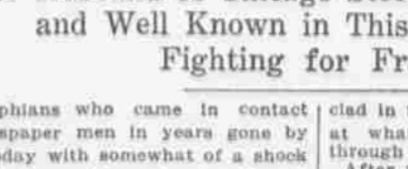
"Tonight I have a notion to put up straight and listen for awails, and I'll endeavor to show to you some of the things that are going on in the good old English style."



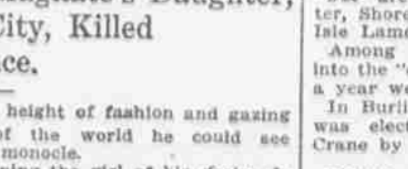
These words floated out on English Avenue over the heads of fully 300 persons who were assembled at the junction of Kensington and Lehigh Avenues. The crowd was getting larger every minute and clanging trolley bells mingled with the laughter and applause of the people.



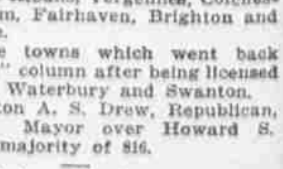
"I am the champion Lancashire clog dancer of the world," shouted McClatchen when he saw the policeman. "Yes, and I have \$100 to back him up right here on the spot."



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