

BARN AT VILLANOVA BURNED TO GROUND WITH LOSS OF \$85,000

Thirtieth Outbreak of Nature Recently in Montgomery, Delaware and Chester Counties

POLICE SAY INDICATIONS POINT TO INCENDIARISM

Woman Rescues Cattle, Said to Be Part of the Finest Herd in Section—Horse Cremated

Firebugs early today evaded road patrols maintained in Chester County by State police and set fire to the barn on the estate of Catherine Morris at Villanova. The building was burned to the ground, with a loss of \$85,000.

POLISH PRESIDENT, G. NARUTOWICZ, IS ASSASSINATED

Successor of Pilsudski Killed While Visiting Art Exhibition

VICTIM OF MURDERER BELONGED TO RADICALS

Notable Career as Foreign Minister Preceded Elevation to Presidency

By Associated Press

Warsaw, Dec. 16.—Gabriel Narutowicz, president of Poland, was assassinated this noon.

M. Narutowicz was shot while visiting an art exhibition. He died a few minutes later.

There have been continuous disorders ever since President Narutowicz was elected by the National Assembly one week ago today. On that occasion there was tumultuous clamor growing out of his unexpected choice to succeed General Pilsudski, the battle between rival factions and the police resulting in four deaths and the injury of more than 100 persons.

President Narutowicz took over the supreme executive authority from Marshal Pilsudski only two days ago, the ceremony occurring at noon Thursday at the Belvedere Palace, the official home of the President.

The opposition to the choice of M. Narutowicz as first President of Poland, came mainly from the Nationalists, representing the purely Polish population, the members of this party resenting the election of a man who, they declared, represented the non-Polish and radical elements. The Nationalist Deputies, after the election, announced officially that they would refuse to support Narutowicz or any Cabinet appointed by him. They asserted he was elected by the votes of the Jews, Ukrainians, Germans and Russians, receiving only 186 Polish votes, while 227 Polish votes were cast for Count Zamoski.

Under the law the Speaker of the House, Mieczyslaw Rataj, acts as President in the event of the death of the President, and is required at once to convene the National Assembly to choose a new Chief Executive. M. Rataj was reported to be in the city, and is a prominent member of the party supporting former Premier Witos.

Gabriel Narutowicz was elected President of Poland by the National Assembly on December 9. He had been Minister of Foreign Affairs. His election was a victory over the extreme nationalist Pilsudski, who was a relative of General Pilsudski, the retiring President.

Narutowicz was a member of the various Polish cabinets since June, 1920, when he was appointed Minister of Public Works under Premier Grabki. He was reappointed to this position by Premier Ponskiowski.

Narutowicz enjoyed an international reputation as an engineer.

Former President Pilsudski, though himself forced out of office by the conservative opposition, scored a personal victory over his opponents through the election of Narutowicz as his successor.

SENATE TEST ON SHIP BILL EXPECTED TODAY

Opponents to Move to Replace it by Farmers' Measure

Washington, Dec. 16.—The first test of strength in the Senate Administration Shipping Bill appeared in eight today, when opponents of the measure announced that during the day's session they would move to discontinue the bill and to substitute in its place the Norris bill to create a government-capitalized corporation to buy and sell farm products.

The move to call up the Norris bill, the first of the agricultural measures, was opposed by some of the Senators. Senator Jones, of Washington, in charge of the shipping bill, told the Senate he was willing to give up the bill for any agricultural bill having a majority of 25 votes.

Opponents of the shipping bill, however, contended that, on the basis of a poll made by one of their leaders, Senator Brookhart, of Iowa, they would command about fifty-five votes, a safe majority.

LEAVES \$25,000 TO ERECT MONUMENT TO BUCHANAN

\$280,000 for Charities Bequeathed by D. F. Buchmiller, of Lancaster, Pa.

Lancaster, Pa., Dec. 16.—A total of \$280,000 to public charity and \$250,000 for a public park and its maintenance, is bequeathed in the will of Daniel F. Buchmiller, local manufacturer, which was admitted to probate today. The bequests, the will states, were "prompted by his love for his native city and desire to have his name perpetuated in this city."

Mrs. Mary B. Ledwith, wife of W. M. Ledwith, of Philadelphia, and daughter of the late Mr. Buchmiller, is co-executor of the estate with the late President James Buchanan.

POLISH PRESIDENT, BRUNEN CASE JURY RE-ENACTS MURDER AT SCENE OF CRIME

Check Up on Statement of Powell as to Way Man Was Slain

TOWNSFOLK SAY 'VOICES' MADE KILLER CONFESS

Phonograph Near Condemned Cell Used to Break Silence of Prisoner, Is Story

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They spent an hour in and about Brunen's former home at Riverside, where he was shot to death the night of March 10 as he sat in the kitchen of his home, reading a newspaper.

The jurors reconstructed the events of the tragic night from the narrative of Charles M. Powell, the confessed murderer, who accuses Mohr of having plotted and urged the crime.

They pulled down the kitchen window blind to eight inches of the bottom, and then while one of their number sat back in a chair with his back to the window the other went outside and one by one shot near the barn, satisfying themselves that Powell could have seen and slain his victim from that position.

Examine Bullet Holes

Then they spent some time examining the bullet holes in the wall of the kitchen where the wild shots from Mrs. Brunen's revolver embedded themselves when she and her husband fought last Christmas morning.

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They pulled down the shutters of the window where, according to Powell's story, he and Mohr stood the night before the crime re-enacting. They went also to the place where Powell said the shotgun, well oiled, had been hidden until the moment came for the commission of the crime.

The scene is now occupied by John Stenolski, who bought it for \$600 some time after the murder. Chained to the cellar door was a friendly young fellow, according to Powell, who waved his tail when the jurors stooped to pat it. At the barn however, they found a colic which welcomed them with snarls and had to chain it up during their visit.

Afterward the jurors went to the railroad station nearby, and saw where Powell and Mohr got into a motor car, and where they returned to Mount Holly, where the trial is to be resumed Monday.

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WALLACE REID REPORTED FIGHTING FOR HIS LIFE

Film Actor in Hollywood Sanatorium After Suffering Breakdown

Los Angeles, Dec. 16.—(By A. P.)—Wallace Reid, film actor, is "fighting for his life" in a small Hollywood sanatorium, it was reported today. The actor, who is 37 years old, is suffering from a nervous breakdown, it was said.

Reid suffered a breakdown nearly two months ago after his health had been failing for three years, they said, and for several weeks he has been under the care of two physicians and two nurses.

They said they believed "the big struggle was over" and that plans for the immediate future included nothing more than to "nurse him back to health and his place in the motion picture world."

Some time ago it was announced the actor's eyes were troubling him and later that he had gone into the mountains for a rest. It was about a week after his return from the mountains that his condition necessitated his going to the sanatorium.

Do YOU WANT A JOB? THERE ARE plenty of them advertised in the Help Wanted columns today on pages 22 and 23.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR HELP? PERHAPS the very person you need is advertising under Situations on page 25.—Ad.

Daugherty's Foes Unable to Lift Club to Hit Him

Would-Be Impeachers Haven't Half of One Per Cent Chance Before Volstead's Investigating Committee

By CLINTON W. GILBERT Staff Correspondent Evening Public Ledger

Washington, Dec. 16.—Attorney General Daugherty is fortunate in his enemies. That much may be said by one who looks at the collapse of the impeachment proceedings against him. This impeachment, let me make a comparison which shows its unwisdom. Let us suppose that an unpopular character has left the ice on the sidewalk in front of his house every winter. It is a town scandal. A prominent citizen falls on this ice and breaks his head and dies.

Now let us suppose that a fool of a District Attorney has the owner of the sidewalk indicted for murder instead of proceeding against him for violating a sidewalk ordinance. That is what this impeachment of Daugherty was, in effect, he had only violated a sidewalk ordinance.

Impachment proceedings have only succeeded once or twice in the history of the country. They allege high crimes and misdemeanors. And whatever one may think of the Attorney General, and a good many people have never thought highly of him, no one seriously thinks him guilty of high crimes and misdemeanors.

Big Contract to Prove

It is a large contract to prove high crimes and misdemeanors. When your antagonist is trying to hit you with a club so heavy that he cannot lift it from the ground, it is a good time to turn upon him with a well-directed blow. That is what happened to the impeachers.

The personalities are interesting. Continued on Page Six, Column One

LAST-MINUTE NEWS

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SUPREME COURT JUSTICE PITNEY RESIGNS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Associate Justice Pitney, of the Supreme Court, today sent his resignation to President Harding to take effect January 1.

SEVEN AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT SEATS DOUBTFUL

LONDON, Dec. 16.—It is considered probable that the government of Premier Hughes will lose seven seats in the Australian Federal elections today, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Melbourne, giving the country party, the agriculturalists, the balance of power. Premier Hughes himself has been recruited to Parliament.

SCHOOLBOY SENDS LONDON SKEPTICAL BLACK HAND NOTE ON LOAN TO BERLIN

Youngster Needing Christmas Money Sends Death Threat to S. 12th St. Physician

Speechless at Arrest

Visions of a Black Hand organization as the author of a threatening letter to Dr. John H. Hendon, of North Twelfth street, had divided the party of a very much frightened schoolboy who wanted money for Christmas.

By Remig, formerly a Toronto's physician, received the letter Thursday. Crudely drawn "black hands" sprinkled the page. The physician was ordered to place \$25 in an envelope last night on the steps of the Hendon School, Twelfth and Erie streets.

Sudden and mysterious death would overtake Dr. Remig, the letter threatened. If he failed to obey the order of the "Black Hand," he was told to consider that \$25 was a mere trifle compared with the privilege of seeing the sun rise each morning.

Bullet, Bomb or Knife?

Dr. Remig's experience in the Corporation of a loan with considerable success, reflect the attitude taken yesterday in responsible circles in the financial center of the city. The Daily Telegraph's diplomatic correspondent, "consider" it unlikely that any confidence in Germany can be sustained for some time.

Equally, it is probable that the apprehensions of several other responsible circles, though it is clear that the apprehensions of the financial center are not necessarily based on the same grounds.

Some of the newspapers discuss the question editorially.

Washington, Dec. 16.—By A. P.—Further information concerning Germany's economic situation, disclosed today in official dispatches, indicates a rapidly tightening credit situation and a resultant increase in the Reichsbank's discount rate.

The Reichsbank has increased its discount rate to 16 per cent, and has discontinued the sale of Treasury bills.

A tremendous increase in the Treasury's floating debt, now aggregating \$1,000,000,000, was reported today by the Treasury Department.

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HERRIN VICTIM, DYING, DENIED CUP OF WATER

Newspaperman Says He Tried to Quench Thirst of Hoffman

TESTIFIES ONE DEFENDANT HALTED ERRAND OF MERCY

Gives Vivid Description of the Way Strikebreakers Were Treated

DEFENSE FIGHTS EVIDENCE

State to Put Two Important Witnesses on Stand Monday

By a Staff Correspondent of the Evening Public Ledger

Marion, Ill., Dec. 16.—Two of the State's most important witnesses took the stand yesterday and two others are promised for Monday to connect at least two of the defendants in the first of the Herrin massacre trials with alleged conspiracy to murder Howard Hoffman and his non-union associate at the Lester Strip mine last June.

There will be no session of court today.

Up until yesterday testimony submitted by State concerned most directly Peter Hiller, Lewis Mann and Joe Curnaghan. Yesterday, the remaining two defendants, Bert Grace and Otis Clark, were identified as having been among the rioters.

The defense barely tonight the admission of evidence through witnesses William Goodman, a farmer, and Donald M. Ewing, a Chicago newspaperman.

Their names were submitted to the defense by the State and as November 14, after an original list of witnesses had been prepared and presented with the indictment, Judge Hartwell at that time permitted the additions to the witness list, stipulating that the State furnish a bill of particulars outlining the character of testimony these witnesses would give.

The State did, and Judge Hartwell yesterday allowed the testimony of both witnesses to be admitted.

While these men were on the witness stand, Goodman most of the morning and Ewing all afternoon—lawyers for the defense fought against the admission of testimony whenever it was not clearly covered by the bill of particulars.

Tried to Give Drink of Water

Ewing arrived on the scene of the rioting on the morning of "Bloody Thursday."

"At the Herrin City cemetery I saw six men lying in the road," he said in substance. "They were tied each to the other by the neck with a stout rope. Three were dead, three breathing, and of the last three, two were writing on the ground as if in great pain. One of these had a jagged wound in his stomach, and a slash across his neck. I learned later at the hospital that he was Howard Hoffman. The two were crying for water. Men were standing around with pistols, but no one tried to give them a drink of water. People were sniffling on the porch. There was a nail there. I took it, filled it with water, and went back to the men. When I got back, I saw that the witness pointed out the defendant and he carried a gun. I did not know his name at that time. He pointed the gun at me in what I took to be a threatening way and asked me to keep away from the wounded man. I saw him put his foot against Howard Hoffman. He said, 'You'll get no water here, you fool!'"

The cross-examination of Ewing by Attorney Neely for the defense was long. It was in the nature of direct examination to discover a discrepancy in the time he took to get to the cemetery took place. In the end, just before adjournment, Neely asked Ewing to remember.

"I will never forget it," said Ewing. "Because I wanted to remember him. I will never forget it."

At the Ewing stand, the details of Neely's clothing on that day drew a broad grin from the defendant, who appears to enjoy the trial.

William Ewing, who was on his way to the strip mine from Herrin, when he met a portion of the rioters at Greensburg, Crossing.

"I saw the rioters with their arms raised and their mouths open as if they were shouting 'people,'" he stated. "I saw Otis Clark there. I've known him for twenty-five years. He had a pistol. It was evident during the parade that he was carrying a pistol. I was afraid to tell him he was a rioter."

"He I have to answer," he asked once.

It irritated the Judge, who said: "Yes and quick."

This witness continually qualified his statements and professed them with

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TO OPERATE ON FOGEL

Physicians' Decision Final Effort to Save Life of Phillies' President

Herman Fogel, former president of the Philadelphia Phillies baseball club, who since Sunday has been lying at the point of death at his home, 2844 North Locust street, has been recommended to undergo an operation. Although it is hoped he has been held out for the recovery of Mr. Fogel, who is suffering from paralysis, it was decided at a consultation to operate.

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