



Four Gunmen, on Verge of Collapse, Pay Penalty For Murdering Gambler

Whitey Lewis, "Gyp the Blood," "Dago Frank" and "Lefty Louie" Die in Electric Chair at Sing Sing Within Forty Minutes Without Confessing

WHITEY LEWIS' ONLY ONE OF FOUR TO TALK

I Did Not Shoot Rosenthal," He Said, "the Witness Stannish—" Current Stopped Him Before He Completed Sentence

Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, N. Y., April 13.—The four gunmen convicted of the murder of Herman Rosenthal died in the electric chair at Sing Sing prison at the break of day this morning. None confessed his guilt and one mentioned the name of Charles Becker, the former police lieutenant found guilty of instigating the murder, but saved by the Court of Appeals reversal.

Of the four who died, Frank Seidenhner ("Whitey Lewis") made the only statement. Even he did not flatter his innocence. "Gentlemen," he mumbled, as they rapped him in the chair, "I did not shoot at Rosenthal. They who said I did were perjurers. For the sake of justice, gentlemen, I say I didn't. The witness Stannish—" "Whitey" did not finish the sentence. The strange harness had been fastened and the current shot his body toward in the chair. He had meant to say that Stannish, a waiter and a friend at the murder trial, had led to death intervened.

Seidenhner was the second man to die. "Dago Frank" (Frank Crofchi) was first. "Gyp the Blood" (Harry Brown) was third and "Lefty Louie" (Lewis Rosenberg) came last. A forty minutes flat all four were dispatched. This time would have been hurried had it not been for the crowding of newspaper reporters. Their numbers necessitated a shifting of witnesses for each execution. There was no untoward incident throughout the procedure. All waited quietly to see the first man die. A moment more and the door of the chamber had closed behind them. Warden Clancy had announced that "Gyp the Blood" would die first, followed by "Lefty Louie," "Dago Frank" and "Whitey Lewis." But as it transpired, the man who first came through the door was spared those who waited.

Four Rosenthal Gunmen



"LEFTY LOUIE," "GYP THE BLOOD," "WHITEY LEWIS" and "DAGO FRANK"

Witnesses Tremble Dawn was just creeping over the hills when the witnesses were admitted to the bare courtyard of the death-house. Many were aghast and trembling. From a printed list a clerk read off the names of those who were to see the first man die. A moment more and the door of the chamber had closed behind them. Warden Clancy had announced that "Gyp the Blood" would die first, followed by "Lefty Louie," "Dago Frank" and "Whitey Lewis." But as it transpired, the man who first came through the door was spared those who waited.

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HEROIC FIREMAN IS BURIED TODAY WITH THE HIGHEST HONORS

Entire Department Turns Out to Pay Tribute to Dead Hope Member

OVERCOME FIGHTING BLAZE

His Wife Had Pleaded With Him Not to Go, But He Answered Call to Duty

William H. Harris, who lost his life while fighting the fire in the Aughbaugh printery Wednesday night, this afternoon was laid to rest in the East Harrisburg Cemetery.

Hero of many a blaze in the days gone by, Harris, though advanced in years, had insisted on answering the alarm sent in late Wednesday night. Gently his wife had begged him not to go as he drew on his fire-fighting uniform.

"You are too old to go," she pleadingly insisted. Harris said nothing, wrapped his coat tightly around him, kissed his wife, and then hurried away to his duty and his death.

It was while fighting the flames when at their dearest that Harris was overcome with the heavy volumes of smoke that poured through the burning building. The fireman died while being rushed to the Harrisburg Hospital.

The highest honors of the department were paid to the dead Hope Company member to-day. Preceded by the Commonwealth Band playing a funeral dirge, the entire Fire Department wound through the city streets behind the hearse that carried the body to the cemetery.

The funeral service at Hope firehouse and marched to the Harris home at 1118 Montgomery street. The Rev. Harry Nelson Bassler, chaplain of the Hope Company, conducted the services at the home. The body was borne from the house to the

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COUNCIL TO NAME NEW COMMISSION AND CITY OFFICERS?

Understood That Planning Body Is to Be Appointed Tomorrow Afternoon

Harrisburg's first city planning commission, the license tax officer and the assistant city assessor, will be appointed, it is expected, at tomorrow's session of City Council.

Question as to the personnel of the commission has been the subject of general comment in municipal circles to-day.

M. Harvey Taylor has been giving weeks of thought to the subject of the new commission and it is generally expected that the choice of men who will form this body will be ready for council's approval at tomorrow's meeting.

Who is to be the license tax officer and the assistant city assessor, has not been decided definitely according to councilmen this morning. It is said that William Block's chances for the license tax job are of the best; furthermore, it is said, that he hasn't any chance. This applies too, to S. H. Garland, as city assessor.

Things are happening all along the line in the work of the department of parks and playgrounds. This morning work was started on the planting of two rows of elm trees and other foliage along that section of the Cameron Parkway through the armhouse grounds. This has been a rather barren spot, owing to the fact that it was only opened about a year ago and the planting will add much to the pleasure of this drive.

Superintendent Taylor has been directing the improvement of the roads in Wildwood Park with the split log drag, and these roads are understood to be now in fair shape. A little later when the dogwood blossoms appear and the buds burst in this great natural park, there is no more delightful outing than one can have right here on the edge of the city.

Through the kindness of W. B. McCaleb, superintendent of the Philadelphia division of the Pennsylvania railroad, a "battle ship" load of clinder has been supplied for the repair of the track at Island Park in preparation for the State high school meet next month. Some damage was done to the island playgrounds and field by the recent flood but it will soon be in shape for use. Superintendent Taylor is having the tennis courts on the island and at Reservoir Park improved.

Woman Seriously Burned While Lighting Fire

Mrs. Earl Yentzer, 19 years old, of 1507 Derry street, was seriously burned this morning while lighting her kitchen fire her apron caught in the stove. It was unnoticed by her. Then when she saw the flames she ran screaming into the yard.

Her whole body is scorched and her condition is serious. She was taken to the Harrisburg Hospital.

DIES FROM STROKE

Frank Leggo, of 509 Cumberland street, died suddenly this morning at his home from a stroke of apoplexy. He is survived by his wife, one son and three daughters. Private services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial will be made in the East Harrisburg cemetery.

KILKENNY CATS



POST CARDS PLAY PART IN CAMPAIGN FOR JUDGE KUNKEL

Want to see Judge George Kunkel, of Dauphin county, win the nomination for State Supreme Court Judge?

Of course you do, and here's how. Write to the Judge Kunkel Non-Partisan Campaign committee, Mechanics Bank Building, Market and Third streets, Harrisburg, and received by return mail as many postcards as you may need for mailing purposes to your friends in other parts of the State.

There is no politics in Judge Kunkel's campaign and his friends have set forth his qualifications for Supreme Court Judge on a card bearing his picture which they would like to see in the hands of voters in all parts of Pennsylvania. They have asked his other friends to help along the cause by sending these postcards to their friends.

The text of the Kunkel card is as follows: Primary Election Day, May 19th Before you are handed the primary ballot of your party, and whether you are enrolled or not, the election officers will hand you a non-partisan ballot containing the names of the candidates for the Supreme Court.

Mark your Ballot this way: GEORGE KUNKEL..... X (Dauphin County)

He is experienced, having served six years as District Attorney, six years as a member of the Legislature, and ten years as a Judge.

He is the Judge before whom all of the Commonwealth's Tax Cases against Corporations have been tried for the last ten years.

He is the Judge before whom the famous Capitol Graft Cases were tried in which the defendants were convicted and the State got back nearly two million dollars.

He was the Judge who upheld the Full Crew bill, and the Supreme Court, as it has in nine out of every ten cases, sustained him.

He is the Judge with such a record for fairness and ability that last year he was re-elected in Dauphin County without a single vote cast against him. Don't forget to vote for GEORGE KUNKEL.

Judge Kunkel Non-Partisan Campaign Committee, Harrisburg, Pa.

DEMOCRATIC WAR SCARES OFF PEACE ADVOCATE BRYAN

Secretary of State Too Busy With International Affairs to Come Here

Factionists who have rent the Democracy of Pennsylvania in twain and turned the militant spirit which made the party a terror in days gone by against each other will be out on the rampage in a score of counties again this week and indications are that the campaign for the gubernatorial and other State nominations to be made on May 19 will become more bitter than ever. The air in Philadelphia and Harrisburg is filled with charges and recriminations and the spectacle

Knowing the uncertainty of life, sound mind and memory, I make and declare this to be my last will and testament.—Maurice C. Eby.

With that brief introduction, ex-Mayor Eby penned his will October 2, 1906 in which he bequeathed all his property, real and personal to his sister, Miss Fanny May Eby. No estimate of the value of his estate is given.

The former mayor's will was probated to-day.

Proposals in Congress Not Favored by Wilson

Washington, April 13.—Proposals in congress to curtail the administration trust legislative program were not regarded to-day with favor by President Wilson. He said that while he had heard suggestions to cut the program short and enact only a trade commission bill, he deemed it necessary to keep faith with the country and carry out measures for a comprehensive trust reform.

Mr. Wilson was asked if he believed Congress could dispose of the trust program and other pending questions and get away from Washington by the middle of summer and he laughingly remarked that if an express schedule instead of a freight schedule were adopted there would be no difficulty. He added that he did not mean the cutting off of necessary discussion, but that the committees had worked very hard and had prepared legislation which he believed could be promptly disposed of.

Elevator Man Found Unconscious Near Shaft

Harry Atkinson, 811 Derry street, was found unconscious shortly before 2 o'clock this afternoon on the third floor of the Patriot building in which he runs an elevator. He was found near the elevator shaft.

Atkinson had suffered a stroke and was taken to the Harrisburg hospital where the probability of recovery cannot be obtained until this evening.

BANK BANDIT'S AGED MOTHER MAY HAVE HELPED HIM ESCAPE

Harrisburg Police Trying to Locate Mrs. Hohl Who Recently Visited Son

CRAWLED THROUGH WINDOW

Guard Saw Rope Hanging Along Jail Wall When Making His Rounds

Frank G. Hohl, of this city, arrested last week as the Altoona bank bandit, early yesterday morning escaped from the Hollidaysburg jail.

Altoona police believe that plans for Hohl's escape started with his mother, Mrs. Annie Hohl of this city, to the Blair county jail last Thursday.

The mother, who resides at 316 Court street, could not be found at her home either yesterday or to-day by the Harrisburg police. Search is being made for the aged woman, who, it is suspected, aided in her boy's escape.

In making his rounds in the Hollidaysburg jail yards at 6 o'clock yesterday morning, prior to his being relieved from night duty a watchman saw a rope hanging from the window of the cell in which Hohl had been placed. An investigation brought the discovery that the prisoner had escaped.

The Altoona Times says: "The bandit escaped by defying the laws of gravity and nature, squeezing his body through the window of his cell, an aperture scarcely large enough to admit a breath of fresh air, and thence climbing to the roof of the jail. While a guard placidly patrolled the jail yard to prevent the prisoner's escape, the man stole across the roof of the building to the front wall, where he lowered himself to freedom with the aid of a rope made of pieces of cloth torn from the mattress in his cell."

"Through a slit measuring just five and seven-eighths inches in width he forced his body, and then defying the laws of gravity, pulled himself to the jail roof, two feet above the window. From there he managed to climb over three sections of roof until he finally reached the front of the jail. Tying his readymade rope about the chimney, he lowered himself down the outside of the jail to the top of the wall surrounding the jail yard. From the top of the wall to the street

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Wreckage May Be From Missing Sealing Steamer

St. Johns, N. F., April 13.—The steamer Kyle, which was ordered by wireless yesterday to investigate wreckage supposed to have come from the missing sealing steamer, Southern Cross, was forced to put in here last night for coal. She sailed again at daylight to-day. The wreckage, which was sighted Saturday 100 miles southeast of this port by the steamer Bloodhound, included gear from a ship's deck, a seaman's sea chest, a man's cap and part of the bow of a small boat. It was drifting against a large ice floe.

The Bloodhound brought here the body of a seal hunter which was found lying beside the body of his dog on the ice.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair to-night, with light east wind; temperature about 35 degrees; Tuesday fair and slightly warmer.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night, temperature close to freezing in north portion; frost in south portion; Tuesday fair, slightly warmer; gentle to moderate north to northeast breeze.

River The river and all its branches will continue to fall to-night and Tuesday and probably for several days. A stage of about 7.1 is indicated for Harrisburg on Tuesday morning.

General Conditions Clear weather prevails east of the Rocky Mountains this morning, except in the Gulf States and along the South Atlantic coast, where light to moderately heavy rains have fallen in the last twenty-four hours.

It is to 22 degrees colder than on Saturday morning from the Lake region eastward to the Atlantic coast, and in the South-west.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 36; 2 p. m., 45. Sun: Rise, 5:32 a. m.; sets, 6:42 p. m. Moon: Rise, 11:05 p. m. River Stage: 8.2 feet above low water mark.

Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 61. Lowest temperature, 42. Mean temperature, 52. Normal temperature, 50.

MARRIAGE LICENSES Joseph Isoules and Terese Mohner, city. Raymond Grady Umholts and Ellen May Wolfe, city. Julius Augustus Speck and Julia Grace Knaub, city.

Have You Read the Advertisements To-day?

If not you may have overlooked an important opportunity. Each advertisement in this newspaper is a direct appeal to some one. It means profit to the one who answers as well as to the one who inserts it.

Your opportunity may be in this very issue. If not to-day—perhaps to-morrow. Look and see. If you do not know it already, you will soon find out that the advertisements are very interesting reading apart from their value in other ways.

Late News Bulletins

NO TRACE OF FRANK G. HOHL

Altoona, Pa., April 13.—Continued search has failed to bring forth any clue as to the whereabouts of Frank G. Hohl, the confessed robber of the Union Bank of this city, who escaped from the Blair county jail at Hollidaysburg early Sunday morning. It is expected that a reward will be offered for his capture.

BECKER TRIAL MAY 4

New York, April 14.—The second trial of Charles S. Becker, former police lieutenant, found guilty of murder with the four gunmen executed to-day, will begin on May 4, if the district attorney has his way. It was said at the district attorney's office to-day that Mr. Whitney will appear before a Supreme Court justice on Wednesday and move to set the trial for that date.

SAYS SYMPATHY IS AROUSED

Washington, April 13.—Senator Cummins late this afternoon, charged on the floor of the Senate to-day that a persistent and widespread campaign was being conducted to arouse public sympathy for the request for a five per cent. increase in freight rates on eastern railroads, now pending before the Interstate Commerce Commission. The senator expressed confidence that the commission would decide the question on its merits, but said the public was being misled by incorrect and exaggerated statements.

COPPER MINES VOTE TO WORK

Hancock, Mich., April 13.—The copper mine workers who have been on strike since July 23 last, voted yesterday to call off the strike, according to an announcement made to-day by Charles E. Hietala, district secretary of the Western Federation of Miners. The figures will not be given out until after a meeting of the district board this afternoon.

GUNMEN CONFESS?

Albany, N. Y., April 13.—Some of the gunmen are believed to have confessed before they died. Superintendent John B. Riley, of the State Prison Department, said to-day that statements would arrive here from Ossining to-day which would show that "no injustice had been done by the executions." He knew nothing of the nature of the statements.

New York, April 13.—The market closed weak. Stocks were poured out freely. A break in Steel to 59% had a damaging influence. Wall Street Closing—Chesapeake and Ohio, 52%; Lehigh Valley, 144; Northern Pacific, 111%; Southern Pacific, 92%; Union Pacific, 157%; Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, 99%; P. R. R., 110; Reading, 164%; Canadian Pacific, 198%; Amal. Copper, 75%; U. S. Steel, 59%.