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STRANGLER'S DEED

Seventeen-year-old Girl Is Murdered in Cemetery.

BURIED IN NEWLY DUG GRAVE.

Miss Annie Schumacher Had Gone With Choice Flowers and Plants to Decorate the Family Plot.

Rochester, N. Y., Aug. 10.—The police have a most mysterious and baffling mystery on their hands in the murder of pretty Miss Annie Schumacher, seventeen years old, whose body was found in a lonely spot in Holy Sepulcher cemetery.

The spade which was used to bury the girl was identified as having been stolen from a cow barn of St. Bernard's seminary, near the scene of the murder.

That the victim fought desperately for her honor and her life was shown by the battered condition of her body and her clothing, which was in tatters.

A wound in the head had caused the blood to soak the ground. The girl's left breast had been torn nearly off, and her throat showed the effects of the death grip of her assailant.

The dead girl lived with her mother, Mrs. Mary A. Schumacher, and sisters. She left home on Saturday afternoon, carrying choice flowers and plants with which to decorate graves in the family plot in the cemetery.

When Miss Schumacher did not reach home by 7 o'clock Saturday evening her mother became alarmed. The girl has several married sisters in the city, and all were notified, but none had heard from her.

Detestatives working on the case believe the girl was followed to the cemetery by the assassin and attacked as she was making her way to the gate on the return. The scene of the crime is on the east side of Charlotte boulevard and near the bank of the Genesee river. It is a most lonesome spot.

The appearance of the body was horrifying. On the head lay a large stone, the weapon used in the murder. The girl's face was battered almost beyond recognition, and there were bruises all over the body and limbs.

Dried blood in the girl's finger nails show that she must have left marks of her struggle on her murderer's face, and there is every hope of apprehending him.

Miss Schumacher was the youngest of eight sisters. There are also two brothers in the family. The girl, while seventeen years of age, looked more youthful. She was of medium build and pretty.

40,000 AT G. A. R. CAMP.

Governor Van Sant and W. L. Ketcham Are Leading Candidates.

Salt Lake City, Aug. 10.—The second day of the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic found 40,000 veterans and visitors quartered here.

Of the fourteen past commanders in chief now living five are in attendance. They are Generals S. Burdett of Washington, Eli Torrance of Minneapolis, John R. King of Baltimore, Corporal James Tanner of Washington and General Charles G. Burton of Nevada, Mo.

For commander in chief Governor Van Sant of Minnesota and W. L. Ketcham of Indiana are the leading candidates.

BOY GUILTY OF MURDER.

He Slashed Little Girl to Death and Hid Body in Bushes.

Welch, W. Va., Aug. 10.—A jury here found John Thomas, eighteen years old, guilty of criminally assaulting and murdering Lulu Stafford, ten years old, and recommended life imprisonment.

Thomas assaulted the girl, slashed her to death with a knife and then hid her body in the bushes in the court-house yard.

Archbishop Keane to Retire.

St. Louis, Aug. 10.—Archbishop John Joseph Keane of the Roman Catholic archdiocese of Dubuque is to retire from active duty on Aug. 18, when a coadjutor is to be recommended. He was born in Ireland in 1839 and ordained in 1866.

JAPAN REBUFFS CHINA.

Says Railroad Question Is Closed and Won't Negotiate.

Pekin, Aug. 10.—The Chinese foreign board and the grand council have been in consecutive conference with Prince Chun, the regent, on the Japanese situation since the issuance of Japan's note announcing her intention to proceed immediately with the reconstruction of the Antung-Mukden railroad without China's co-operation.

The regent showed great anxiety at Japan's attitude of coercion, which was supported by Great Britain, and he urged that the foreign board accelerate a settlement of the question in order not to provoke Japanese hostility.

Great Britain's support of Japan in her aggressive action has made a deep impression on Chinese statesmen, who point out that Great Britain's attitude developed simultaneously with the war alarm in Europe.

China in her formal reply to Japan's note asked that Japan suspend work on the Antung-Mukden railway in Manchuria and stated that China wishes to continue the negotiations. China added that she hoped for an amicable settlement of all outstanding differences.

Japan's reply to this request was firm. It was made plain the negotiations concerning the Antung-Mukden road had been closed forever in so far as they related to that section of road between Mukden and Chiesiangtun and that it would not be necessary to suspend work to reach an agreement upon that one strip.

GREECE MAKES SOFT REPLY.

Says She Will Leave Cretan Question to the Powers.

Athens, Aug. 10.—The Greek government has sent a formal reply to the port's note which asked Greece to express her disapproval of the annexation agitation in Crete and formally to declare that she had no ambitions regarding the island.

In her reply Greece protests formally against the complaints contained in the Turkish notes and gives instances of her constant endeavors to maintain friendly relations with Turkey.

Also in the Cretan question, the note continues, the Turkish government itself several times has had the occasion to proclaim that the conduct of Greece has been frank and loyal. Then, declaring that Greece can only leave the question of Crete to the protecting powers and conform to their decision, the note repeats the assurance that Greece, being in no way implicated in the annexationist movement in Crete, will preserve the same correct and loyal attitude as in the past.

Greek Flag Lowered.

Khania, Crete, Aug. 10.—The Greek flag which was run up over the fortress and the Cretan military barracks here the day following the evacuation of the island by the international troops has been lowered as a result of the protests of the four protecting powers.

ROOSEVELT, JR., AVIATOR.

Ex-President's Son Will Make Ascensions in Balloon.

New York, Aug. 10.—Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., temporarily abandoning the carpet manufacturing business in Connecticut, came to New York to make arrangements to become an aviator. He visited A. Holland Forbes, acting president of the Aero Club of America, and filed an application for membership.

Since making two trips in signal corps balloons young Roosevelt has determined to go in for the sport and may purchase a craft. At any rate he will apply for a pilot's license, to qualify for which he must make ten trips in a balloon.

He arranged to make ascensions near Pittsfield, Mass., with Mr. Forbes within the next two weeks. Mrs. Alice Roosevelt Longworth is contemplating making a trip with Mr. Forbes from Lenox, Mass.

OPPOSITION TO JUDGE.

Republican League Says He Is Too Active Politically.

Utica, N. Y., Aug. 10.—The Republican league of Onondaga county, of which ex-Assemblyman Morwin K. Hart is the president, has decided to oppose the renomination and election of Supreme Court Justice W. E. Scripture of the Fifth judicial district.

Justice Scripture's term of office expires this year, and he is an avowed candidate for a second term. The Republican league opposes him on the ground that he has been too active politically.

The league proposes to place delegates in every primary district in opposition to his candidacy.

Forest Fire Near Glens Falls.

Glens Falls, N. Y., Aug. 10.—A forest fire on French mountain, about five miles north of here, has devoured sixty acres of timber.

"Don't Tell My Wife."

There is nothing in this beautiful old world of ours, that has as much attraction for the average man, as a young and handsome widow.

There seems to be a bond of sympathy between all mankind and this branch of femininity, probably for the reason that she was bereft of the cause of all her earthly joys and sorrows, so early in her young life.

For this reason, the eight American widows, who will be seen here—at the Lyric—with Mr. Howard Hall's newest musical comedy, "Don't Tell My Wife," on Tuesday evening, August 17th, are one of the most interesting features with this bright and amusing attraction.

They are certainly good to look at, and they wear some stunning gowns.

BASEBALL RESULTS.

Games Played in National, American and Eastern Leagues.

NATIONAL LEAGUE. At St. Louis—New York, 4; St. Louis, 2 (10 innings). Batteries—Raymond, Crandall and Schiel; Backman and Phelps.

At Chicago—Brooklyn, 2; Chicago, 0. Batteries—Bell and Bergen; Overall and Archer.

At Pittsburg—Pittsburg, 10; Boston, 1. Batteries—Maddox and Gibson; Ferguson and Graham.

At Cincinnati—Philadelphia, 3; Cincinnati, 0. Batteries—McQuillen and Doolin; Ewing and McLean.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS. W. L. P. C. Pittsburg, 69 27 719 Philadelphia 44 53 454 Chicago, 66 31 479 St. Louis, 49 54 425

AMERICAN LEAGUE. At New York—New York, 3; Cleveland, 0. Batteries—Warhop and Kleinow; Falkenberg and Bemis.

At Boston—Boston, 2; Chicago, 1. Batteries—Hall and Carrigan; Scott and Payne.

At Washington—St. Louis, 8; Washington, 7. Batteries—Graham, Dineen, Bailey and Criger; Witherup, Johnson, Gray and Blankenship.

At Philadelphia—Philadelphia, 7; Detroit, 1. Batteries—Krause and Livingstone; Willett and Beckendorf.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS. W. L. P. C. Detroit, 62 39 314 Chicago, 48 52 480 Philadelphia 61 49 504 St. Louis, 45 44 411

EASTERN LEAGUE. At Jersey City—Jersey City, 3; Rochester, 1.

At Newark—Newark, 6; Toronto, 1. At Providence—Providence, 11; Buffalo, 0.

At Baltimore—Baltimore, 9; Montreal, 5. STANDING OF THE CLUBS. W. L. P. C. Rochester, 57 42 576 Toronto, 49 50 496

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OFFICIAL CROP PREDICTION.

Corn 3,000,000,000 Bushels, Wheat 723,000,000 Bushels.

New York, Aug. 10.—A crop of over 3,000,000,000 bushels of corn and 723,000,000 bushels of wheat was indicated in the government report, for which grain markers all over the world and Wall street especially have been expectant for the last week.

The condition of corn was 84.4 against 89.3 in July. This reduction of five points was greater than had been anticipated, and it showed how much damage had been done by the combined forces of heat and drought in some states and floods in others.

A month ago the condition of spring wheat was 92.7, which was extremely high. On Aug. 1 it was 91.6, ten points above a ten year average for that date. The estimated spring wheat crop is 290,000,000 bushels, which compares with an actual yield last year of 290,000,000 bushels.

The winter wheat has practically all been harvested and is now moving to market, so the only interest in the report was as to the total harvest, which was 432,920,000 bushels, or about 5,000,000 short of the 1908 crop.

BANK CLOSED AT NORFOLK.

The Traders and Truckers' Unable to Realize on Its Paper.

Norfolk, Va., Aug. 10.—The Traders and Truckers' bank, doing a large banking business here, closed its doors, announcing that owing to its inability to realize upon its paper the institution had been forced into liquidation.

President Gordan attributed the failure to unwise loans made during the Jamestown exposition period and inability to realize sufficiently to meet demands since. Assignment was made to James H. Winston, trustee. The bank officers say that depositors will be paid in full.

ALABAMA IS NOW DRY.

Governor Comer Signs the Carmichael Prohibition Bill.

Montgomery, Ala., Aug. 10.—Governor Comer signed the Carmichael prohibition bill in the presence of Mrs. J. B. Mell, president of the Alabama division, Woman's Christian Temperance union, and other women.

Under this act it is unlawful to sell or to store any liquids containing more than one-half of 1 per cent alcohol. Locker clubs are declared illegal, and the possession of a United States internal revenue license is considered prima facie evidence of guilt.

Brooklyn Woman's Fatal Fall at a Pike County Hotel.

Miss Mary Cumberson, of Brooklyn, L. I., died at the Conashaugh House in Pike county on Saturday night of injuries due to a fall and fracture of the breastbone sustained by falling down stairs on Monday, August 2d, at the house where she was a guest for the summer.

The bone had penetrated her lungs, and, although she was skillfully treated by a physician, the injury was of such a nature that she failed to rally. She was aged about 75 years.

The remains were taken to Brooklyn by Undertaker C. H. Wood, of Milford, on Sunday afternoon on Erie train four.

The deceased is survived by one niece living in Brooklyn.

ADDITIONAL PERSONAL.

James G. Conger and daughter, Dora, are at Bayshore, L. I., for the next three weeks.

Lawrence Grambs of Scranton, arrived in town Sunday night for a visit.

Fred Kreitner, wife and son are visiting in Scranton and other points in the valley.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bryant left on Saturday for the seashore, to be gone two weeks.

Frank Lestrangle, who has been on a visit to his father, left for Scranton on Sunday.

James I. Pennington, who is employed a Carbondale, spent Saturday and Sunday in town.

Miss Julia Schimmel has returned to her home in this place, after a visit with Carbondale friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Holmes left Friday for Montreal and other points of interest in the Canadas.

Thomas Gill and Samuel Saunders of White Mills left Tuesday for Seattle and other cities in the far west.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Doyle, of Carbondale spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Lowe, of South Main street.

Mrs. Christian and Miss Ida Hook left for Scranton Friday, having as their guest Mrs. Lena Spalthof of New York.

Mrs. Henry Dolmetch and daughter are on a visit to relatives and friends in Pittston and Wilkes-Barre.

Mrs. N. J. Spencer and son, Carl, left Monday for Mt. Pleasant on a visit to her father for the next four weeks.

Mrs. William Boland and children, of Scranton, spent Sunday at the home of Dr. and Mrs. E. T. Brown, of North Main street.

Miss Louise Engleman of the metropolis is being entertained at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Krantz on upper Main boulevard.

Albert and Horace Clark have returned to their home in Philadelphia, after spending two weeks at the home of their uncle, Edward Clark, of Cliff street.

Miss Beatrice Hovey left on Friday morning for Staten Island, N. Y., where she will remain ten days. Her sister, Miss Agnes, left on Sunday and will join her.

The Rev. Mr. Beach and Mr. Paul W. Gardner, dined with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gardner on Monday, enroute from Forest Lake, after spending a few days there, to Scranton.

Mr. Morris Schwartzkopf and daughter, Miss Florence, of West Pittston, who were guests of Hon. and Mrs. Leopold Feurth, returned home on Friday. Miss Florence made an extended stay in town.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brown, daughters Bessie and Emily, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Emery, Mrs. Benjamin W. Fitch and daughters, Edith and Katherine, are at the Brown farm at Elk Lake for the month.

The Rev. Mr. Hopp conducted services in the German Lutheran church at Hawley last Sunday evening, it being the occasion of the fifth anniversary of the Rev. Mr. Lucas, pastor of that church.

Miss Mollie Menner and Miss Grace Salmon have returned from an extended and interesting trip to Canada, taken by the way of the Lakes. Miss Menner also visited friends at Millville, N. J., before returning home.

Mrs. Lot Atkinson, formerly of Hawley, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Stiller and daughter, Adelaide, Mr. and Mrs. Farrington and son Edgar, and Mrs. Papley and son Osborne, all of Brooklyn, N. Y., are sojourning at the Club House, Big Pond, where they will remain until after Labor Day.

A terrible electric storm visited Pittsburg Thursday last. Buildings were struck by lightning, conservatories demolished, by hail, trees uprooted and lawns despoiled, the streets covered by water and mud, delaying traffic several hours. Several dwellings were washed away.

THE WAYNE CO. PA. SOCIETY OF NEW YORK.

Coming to Honesdale Old Home Week.

Chas. S. Penwarden, secretary of The Wayne County, Pennsylvania Society, of New York City, has issued the following circular to members of that society:

"Referring to our circular letters of June 18th, June 25th and July 10th on the subject of 'Old Home Week,' and especially referring to our communication of July 21st advising the postponement of the affair until September, it now gives me pleasure to announce that the Committee has been in conference with the local committees and representative men in Honesdale, and that they have definitely decided on September 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th as the dates on which they will celebrate 'Old Home Week,' or 'Old Home Days.'"

The Honesdalers are delighted to know that we will participate with them on the auspicious occasion. A royal welcome is assured us and a fine time is anticipated, as solicitous letters have been received from the Honorable Chief Burgess, Committeemen and others. There seems to be a great deal of enthusiasm over the affair, and our Society should co-operate in a body at least one hundred strong. So take notice!

It is proposed that we so arrange our business affairs so as to be able to go with our families and friends on the Erie train leaving Jersey City at 3:15 p. m. on Saturday, the 4th of September, arriving in Honesdale about eight o'clock the same evening. A delegation will meet that train and will receive us in a most cordial manner. During the period of our sojourn, the Society's Headquarters will be at the Allen House, where you will find a representative awaiting you.

Owing to the large number who have expressed a desire to attend the "Old Home Days," it will be necessary to make arrangements for one or more "special" cars to accommodate the crowd; therefore, it is advisable that you promptly advise our Committee just how many will be in your party and whether or not you wish reservations in a Pullman car. Do this at your earliest convenience.

In conclusion, you are again urged to promptly notify our committee of your intention to go with us on the 3:15 p. m. Erie train from Jersey City on Saturday, the 4th of September, and you are requested to do all you can to make the affair a success."

Yours truly, CHARLES S. PENWARDEN, Secretary.

DASTARDLY OUTRAGE.

Two Cows Killed by Paris Green Mixed With Salt.

Friday morning Richard Freethy and James Smith discovered that they each had a sick cow in the pasture lot, rented by them and in which, also, were eight other cows. An investigation soon revealed the cause of the trouble. Piles of salt, mixed with Paris green, were arranged in a wide circle in the lot, in the centre of which was left a pail of water, the pail being furnished by the miscreant, who did the poisoning. In order to make the job sure. Several other cattle, evidently, from their actions, had taken some of the salt and poison, but only the two mentioned have died.

That Honesdale harbors such a cowardly miscreant is almost incredible, and if he is discovered we shall not feel a little sorry for him, for the punishment will be swift and sure.

Those "Stickers." We wish to suggest that the 20,000 seal stickers now being issued to advertise Honesdale's Old Home Week, are not made for the purpose of ornamenting your neighbor's doors, show-windows, walls, or anything of the sort, and don't make a nuisance of yourself by so doing. Put them on the back of your letters, postal cards, and on bundles, boxes or anything of the kind, which is going outside of Honesdale. Every one here, who is not deaf and blind, knows, or will know, all about it. Send the stickers out of town. That's the purpose for which they were constructed.

Old Home Week.

Chairman H. Richards, of the decorating committee, says that he could make a handsome display providing that three arches could be built for \$60. He stated that he had made arrangements with an electrical and bunting company to make a house to house canvass for individual decorations among the business places.

Have the arches, by all means. George Heycock, clerk at Hotel Allen, spent Sunday at his home in Carbondale.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING.

Important Meeting Held at City Hall Last Week.

Meeting of council called to order at 8 p. m. Members present, McCarty, P. R. Murray, G. M. Genung, Martin Caulfield, Thos. Canivan, G. W. Penwarden and Mayor Kubbach. Treasurer reports \$122.42 on hand. Burgess Kubbach reports that he has extended the freedom of the city to the Maennerchor Singing society and asked permission of the city hall if necessary.

N. B. Spencer appeared before the council in regard to police service during Old Home Week. President McCarty was instructed to confer with Mr. Spencer and use his own judgment in regard to extra police duty.

Mr. Miller appeared with a petition, signed by 36 residents living in vicinity of East and Fifteenth streets, for a light at corner of East and Fifteenth streets. Mr. Genung was appointed a committee to have light placed at that place.

Street Commissioner reported that the steam roller, in their estimation, was too heavy to use over cross walks, but that the commissioner would repair the streets in the same old way. The committee was continued and was instructed to do the work as quickly as possible.

Motion was made and carried that Judge Wilson, the attorney of the borough, be instructed to ascertain the rights of water company, as per charter, and also ascertain the rights of the borough to force Mr. Torry to lay walk on Seventeenth street, and report next meeting.

Gong committee report was accepted and committee instructed to finish their duties.

Committee on police calls reported and report accepted, with call card, and the secretary notified to have a number of cards printed and notify police to make calls to the central on upper two boxes and lower two boxes every half hour, and to the central boxes every two hours, alternately.

Committee on light, report accepted and continued on 17th and East Extension street light.

Mr. Gammell was given privilege of stringing a banner, advertising the Wayne County Fair, across the street at Pell's drug store, providing he did not interfere with Old Home Week decorations.

Mr. Canivan reports that the National Elevator Co. would like to have the town remove the motor from their building, and Mr. Canivan was instructed to have it removed to the old electric light plant.

Motion was made and carried that the borough borrow \$600.00 from the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, on demand note, at 5 per cent. Secretary Kimble was instructed to ascertain the vacancy on the board of health.

Motion was made and carried that the following bills be paid: G. W. Penwarden, \$26; W. W. Kimble, \$25.25; N. B. Spencer, \$10.00; J. J. Canivan, \$38.75; Levi Degroot, \$40.00; Frank McMullen, \$3.00; P. R. Murray & Co., \$21.50; Thomas Bracey, \$19.60; George Blake, \$1.00; Dr. Schermerhorn, \$13.40; O. M. Spettigue, \$41.50; A. E. Pendergast, \$7.50; John Simons, \$7.50; Lawrence Weidner, \$28.07; J. Fisher, \$12.85; Cortright & Son, \$16.00; T. Sweeney, \$10.50; J. M. Lyons, \$25.00; J. F. Carroll, \$12.50; Wm. G. Ball, \$12.50; Chas. Truscott, \$6.25; Harry Rockwell, \$6.25.

Churchill's Body Recovered from Big Hickory Pond.

After dragging the Big Hickory pond for nearly an hour on Sunday, the body of Ralph Churchill who was drowned while in bathing there Sunday, was recovered and the remains were shipped to Walton, N. Y., his former home, where they will be interred.

Churchill, in company with a number of friends started out shortly after dinner Sunday. He later decided to go in bathing. The rest remained in the vicinity. They heard no outcry but about ten minutes later the bather had disappeared. His body was found in about twelve feet of water. It is thought that he walked to the point where the water increases in depth without warning and being unable to swim, sank immediately.

Churchill's home was in Winwood and was employed at that place as inspector for the Borden Condensed Milk company.

Bitten by a Dog. James McDonald, of Bunnelltown, met with a painful accident by being bitten by a dog on Monday. Mr. McDonald went fishing in the afternoon and when returning, his dog, which accompanied him, started to fight with another dog. Mr. McDonald endeavored to separate the animals and one of them bit one of his hands, badly lacerating it.