

SEEKS KILLING JOB

Woman Asks to Spring Trap on Slayer.

'HE KILLED HER DAUGHTER.

Mother Says Murder Verdict Is an Answer to Her Prayer—Convicted Man Sings After Hearing Verdict. Child's Body Found in Reservoir.

Pittsburgh, March 3.—When Edward Exler was convicted of the murder of twelve-year-old Lillian Schadle the child's mother, Mrs. Mary Schadle, asked that she be allowed to spring the trap at his hanging.

Mrs. Schadle said she expected the verdict and that her prayers had been answered.

Exler, hearing the verdict of the jurors, smiled at them in contempt and while being led across the "bridge of sighs" began singing the chorus of "Goodbye, Darling, I Must Leave Thee."

Lillian Schadle left her home the day before Thanksgiving to make some purchases. She was last seen going into the stable in the rear of Exler's home with Exler. Her body was recovered the next evening from the Fall Hollow reservoir. It was found at the autopsy that she had not died from drowning.

It was discovered that Exler's mother had taken the suit he wore the day the child disappeared to a dyeing and cleaning establishment. Spots were found on it. A bloody shirt was also found behind a trunk in the room of Exler.

NIGHT IN CELL FOR BERGDOLL

Brewer's Son Caught in Philadelphia in Unlicensed Car.

Philadelphia, March 3.—Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, termed by the police of various counties as the "speed maniac," who spent a night in a cell, was confronted by eight warrants and was held in \$1,000 bail for court. Young Bergdoll had been captured when running his racing automobile after his license had been revoked and was taken into court handcuffed. The brewer's son was arrested in the company of Charles Krause, who frequently accompanies Bergdoll in his aeroplane flights.

Besides numerous cases now in court there are said to be twenty warrants out for Bergdoll in other counties. He has always evaded arrest in his high powered yellow racing car.

DIES TELLING WAR TALES.

Civil War Veteran Collapses While Describing Soldier's Death.

Connellsville, Pa., March 3.—While relating war stories Omer Beal, seventy-four years old, a veteran of the civil war living in Springfield township, dropped dead. Beal was describing to some fellow veterans how he broke the news of a soldier's death to the widow, who fainted.

"It was like this," he said. "She"—At this point the veteran collapsed in his chair and did not rally. Beal came recently from North Dakota and located in Springfield township, along the Mud pike. He lived alone in a little house, but had frequent visitors.

KILLED IN FIGHT FOR LIQUOR.

Two Shot Dead in Battle For Case of Whisky.

Philadelphia, March 3.—Peter McArthur, a former seaman on the steamer Mongolian, was killed, and William McClaren, a fireman on the ship, was shot through the leg when a party of seamen attempted to remove a case of whisky from the vessel's cargo. A pier watchman and a custom's official who interfered were set upon and used their revolvers.

McArthur fell with the first shot. Isaac Grace, the watchman, was in a semiconscious condition when the police arrived. Four seamen were arrested.

2 KILLED, ENGINEER BLAMED.

Jury Charges Him With Negligence. Locomotive Strikes Caboose.

Connellsville, Pa., March 3.—The jury impaneled by Coroner H. J. Bell to conduct an inquest into the deaths of Ernest A. Burton and Alva A. Snyder, employees on the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie railroad, in a wreck near here two weeks ago, placed the blame on the engineer, Charles S. Griffin of Newell.

Griffin was in charge of the locomotive which struck the caboose in which Burton and Snyder were riding. He is charged with negligence by the jury.

HEAD OF HOME CONVICTED.

Superintendent Failed to Properly Care For Inmates.

Somerset, Pa., March 3.—Samuel U. Shober, superintendent of the Somerset county home, was convicted of criminal negligence in office for failure to properly care for the inmates of the institution.

Shober was charged with malfeasance in office, selling diseased meat and misdemeanor. The charge of selling diseased meat was abandoned.

BETHANY.

Bethany, March 3.

Rev. J. E. Pritchard spent the week in Wilkes-Barre visiting friends and attending the "Sunday" meetings.

The Union H. M. R. Circle had a very interesting meeting at the parsonage on Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. E. S. Bierly as leader and the usual number present. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. E. Gammell on Tuesday afternoon, March 11th. Mrs. I. J. Many is the leader.

Marjorie Hauser, Ella Gammell and Russell Starnes attended the supper at Mr. and Mrs. Jackson's on Wednesday evening at Pleasant Valley.

Miss Mattie Strongman, of Honesdale, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. J. Hauser.

Mrs. J. B. Cody spent several days last week at the Lippert home in Haines. She expects to visit in Honesdale before returning to her home in Scranton.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid will serve a chicken pie dinner at the home of Mrs. W. J. Ogden Wednesday, March 5. All are cordially invited.

Rev. and Mrs. Pritchard attended the farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. Allison at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Bates in Prompton on Monday evening.

We wish to correct the error in regard to the name of Mrs. Hensey. It should have been Mrs. William Hensey.

The men are through filling the ice houses, nine of them, and are now getting ready for the maple syrup business.

David E. Manning is thinking of moving his family to Honesdale this spring.

DREHER.

Dreher, March 3.

Ice sufficient for this season's wants, is being gathered and stored and the ice famine that was threatened has been averted. Unless we should have a big fall of snow later in the spring and plenty of rain fall, there is likely to be a scarcity of water to fill up the springs, wells and feeders for the larger streams, but it is some time yet until ploughing and planting time begins and no need to apprehend a short water supply. We are apt to meet trouble half way.

Dr. Bielen, of Scranton, has located at Newfoundland. He has office and rooms in the Gilpin mansion and is prepared to give medicine and consultation to those in affliction.

Mrs. Madge Searle, who has been spending some time with her son, Morrel Searle, and family of this township, went to her former home in New York City on Feb. 24, where she will be the guest of her son, Eli Searle and family. She expects to return to Wayne county in the spring and may be a permanent resident here.

John A. Francis, of Reading, and Mr. and Mrs. W. G. House of West Bethlehem, were guests of J. W. Hauser and family on Feb. 23rd and 24th.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Houck of Hyde Park, Scranton, were guests of A. C. Angel and family on Feb. 23. Fred Seig, of Greentown, has been awarded the contract to carry the mail (daily) between Panther, Pike county, and Cresco, Pa., to be in effect July 1st and to continue for four years.

H. R. Miller has opened a branch store in the Dutot building at Gouldsboro.

John Hazelton has caught three fine foxes in the last ten days.

The late Dr. William F. Decker was a great sportsman in his day and at the time of his death had some forty guns and rifles and more than a dozen different fishing rods and fittings. Some of these hunting and fishing implements are great curiosities and were highly prized by the owner.

Mrs. Henry Stucker was called to Port Jervis a few days ago, to visit her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Spurbuck, who is seriously ill with a complication of complaints.

William Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Martin, is quite ill with pneumonia and is in care of Dr. A. J. Simons.

LAKE COMO.

Lake Como, March 1.

The Ladies' Aid society held a Martha Washington supper in the hall Friday evening, the proceeds of the evening being \$18.25.

Mrs. S. H. Madigan attended the funeral of her brother-in-law in Binghamton Friday.

Thomas Shope, of French Woods, is the guest of his daughter, Mrs. F. M. Woodmansee.

Miss Louise Tood, teacher at Cold Spring, spent Sunday at her home here.

Miss Mae Conklin, who is spending the winter in Dillontown, was the guest of her mother the past week.

C. E. Woodmansee, of Equinunk, was a caller in town last Friday.

SCOTT.

Mrs. Matilda Severance, of Scranton, is spending a few days with her son, W. O. Severance.

Mrs. Andrew Goodrich and children, of Justus, visited her sister, Mrs. Maurice Vall Friday.

Miss Mabel Wheeler is spending a few days with her friend, Miss Albertine Lee, of Greenfield.

Mrs. Lucy Potter and Miss Minnie Knapp attended the Aid at Marshal Hoppers of Wallsville last Thursday.

Ira Knapp lost a horse recently.

Miss Hazel Wetherly visited Miss Ethel Rhodes over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Legrand Jordan made a business trip to Scranton on Monday.

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PRESIDENT'S QUARTERS.

Section of Room in Capitol Awaiting President Wilson.



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The president's suit in the capitol at Washington have been beautifully decorated and is awaiting the new president. Above is shown a corner of one of the rooms.

TAFT GRANTS HEIKE PARDON

President Commutes Sentence of Sugar Weigher, Who Is Ill.

Washington, March 3.—President Taft commuted the sentence of Charles R. Heike, former secretary of the American Sugar Refining company, who was convicted of complicity in the underweighing frauds affecting that concern. Heike was sentenced to imprisonment for eight months and to pay a fine of \$5,000 and costs. The sentence is commuted to the payment of the fine and costs.

President Taft decided to show mercy in Heike's case on representation that the convicted man was ill at his home. A physician sent there by the department of justice reported that Heike's condition was such that imprisonment probably would cause his death. Heike has been under bail since his conviction on Jan. 27. The United States supreme court affirmed his conviction, and since then strong efforts have been made to induce the president to save him from the penitentiary. An investigation ordered by the attorney general resulted in information that led the president to grant the commutation.

Heike, who lives at 58 Montgomery street, Jersey City, was convicted of conspiracy to defraud the government in connection with the "sugar weighing frauds" at the customs docks in Brooklyn. He appealed from the sentence on the ground that because, as he had testified before the federal grand jury concerning the affairs of the American Sugar Refining company, he could not legally be tried and punished. The United States supreme court decided against him and sustained both sentence of imprisonment of eight months in the New York county penitentiary and the fine of \$5,000.

CHAIR FROM A GALLOW.

Relic of the Only Hanging in Wayne County.

Rochester, N. Y., March 3.—After resting for nearly fifty years in the garret of the Wayne county jail the gallow on which William Fee was hanged in 1830 has been brought forth and has been made into an armchair.

The chair has been presented to Deputy Sheriff Cornelius J. Collins of Lyons. The old gallow was of oak, and its beams are now carved into a gawsome form, in which the deputy sheriff may rest in his hours of leisure. The hanging of Fee was the only one in the history of Wayne county. All of the judges, attorneys and court attendants at the trial have long since died.

PIER PROBLEM NOT SETTLED.

Secretary Stimson Leaves Data For His Successor.

Washington, March 3.—The question of the renewal of the permit of the war department for the temporary extension of the White Star piers in the North river probably will be one which Secretary Stimson's Democratic successor will have to decide at an early date.

Secretary Stimson said that he had not renewed the permit for the pier extension and that he does not intend to unless he receives information that the board of estimate and apportionment of the city of New York has acted in accordance with the city's agreement with the war department.

MRS. BOURNE MAY SUE.

Senator's Wife Admits She Is Considering Divorce Proceedings.

Portland, Ore., March 3.—Without revealing any definite intention of beginning divorce proceedings against her husband, United States Senator Jonathan Bourne, Jr., admitting that such a step was under consideration, Mrs. Jonathan Bourne, Jr., arrived in Portland.

Mrs. Bourne left Washington last Monday. She said she had formed no plans.

Kaiser Touches War Chord.

Berlin, March 3.—The Kaiser, who was present at the launching of a Dreadnought at Wilhelmshaven, made an address, in which he said that the launching of such battleships was the empire's greatest need in the present serious hour.

DAMASCUS.

Damascus, March 3. Members of the Damascus branch of the Dairyman's League are feeling jubilant over the way matters in their line are shaping. They think the day is not far distant when they will have a controlling power in naming the price of their lactical product.

Members of the M. E. church held their annual reunion in the church on Thursday evening last. The weather conditions prevented many from attending who otherwise would have had the weather been favorable.

Riparian dwellers are not disturbed in feelings over the icy conditions of the Delaware this spring as it looks now as though it will let them off easy.

We have two reliable noon-day marks here in this "neck-o'-woods." One is the Honesdale gong and the other is the Standard Oil gong. This latter is located at their pumping station at a point between Cochection and Skinner's Falls, where the crude petroleum is forced up over the mountain. Both these gongs receive the time over the wire, but the gong here has stopped sounding before the Honesdale sound has reached here. But this may be accounted for by the sound from Honesdale having farther to travel. As sound waves are computed to travel 1088.4 feet per second this would consume approximately about one minute in time for these sound waves to travel to this point in the Delaware valley, from Honesdale.

The game laws will never be as it should be so long as it discriminates against freholders hunting upon their own possessions at will. These farmers pay a tax upon this land besides the purchase money, and then, the idea of a few men called "law-makers" saying you must not shoot anything upon that property of yours only as we dictate to you. Is not that putting it pretty strong for a free and united country? Then, too, in the matter of fishing. No law should dictate to a man from propagating fish in private waters and using them at will any more than he should be restricted from rearing and using domesticated fowls or animals.

If you intend to plant some fruit trees this spring and especially on clay bottom, try dynamite. About one-third of a stick to each hole will give you satisfying results. If the hard pan be very thick and you want to break it deep, use more dynamite. With this explosive most of the force is downward. If you are planting on very wet ground by using a strong force, and breaking up the hard pan to a greater depth it makes an underground. To get the best results the dynamiting should be done in the fall to let the frost act on the pulverized particles of hard pan or clay. After the explosion is made some manure ought to be spread over the top. Before ready to set the trees these holes ought to be opened up to the sun and left a while to warm up. Try this plan.

Milk producers around Galilee are just now gratified over the prospect of having another milk establishment opened at that place at once. There have been many ups and downs in the milk business at that place since the first advent of a butter factory there. The last few years in the management there put on the cap shelf. Farmers lost heavily by company failures. Valentine Scheldel, one of the members of the late firm operating there opened up again at the old stand last April. But confidence in him had been so badly shaken up that his patronage was small. The milk that formerly went to Galilee, went to Hankins, Callicon, Cochection and Milanville.

Borden's sent teams to Galilee for the milk but charged ten cents a can for drawing it to their plant in Cochection. This reduced their profit to the producer. Messrs. Joffer and Perlham, New York City gentlemen, have looked the situation over at Galilee and have decided to establish a manufacturing plant there. They are negotiating for the Scheldel building. If they can buy this building will receive a general overhauling. Concrete floors will take the place of the wood floor and all other improvements on the same line. If this building can not be bought satisfactorily they have options on the old cheese factory formerly owned and operated by the late George Abraham, now the property of Ernest White. The two buildings are only a few rods apart. We understand that the intention of the above Messrs. Joffer and Perlham is to manufacture all the milk at their plant in Galilee either in butter, cheese or cream, or into all of these products. They will contract with the farmers twice a year fixing a price then for the succeeding six months and make payments to the farmers every fifteen days or semi-monthly. This is one good feature as letting it run a month makes the farmer wait too long for his money for the product he delivers. The project is likely to be beneficial to the place as business has not been fairly active for the past year. More people will go there with milk and that means more trade for the merchants. When the wheels of industry hum all concerned wear broader smiles. That means something.

(From Another Correspondent.) Howard Keesler, of Rutledge, who is the mail carrier between Rutledge and Damascus, had a very narrow escape from death while crossing the railroad track in front of the Erie depot at Cochection, N. Y., on February 27. Mr. Keesler had occasion to visit the freight house at Cochection and while crossing the tracks to reach the other side, was hit by an east bound fast freight train traveling at the rate of 32 miles per hour and was thrown 60 feet in front of the train, landing him between the two tracks.

The engineer on the train saw the accident and brought the train to a standstill as soon as possible. There were a number of men standing nearby when the accident occurred and all expected that the young man would be crushed to death, and it was only by a great miracle that he escaped death. When picked up, the young man was conscious as to what was going on and insisted that he be allowed to walk unaided, which of course he was unable to do. With the help of several who were ready to render assistance, he was carried

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to the home of Dr. William M. Appleby, which is but a short distance from where the accident occurred. When examined by the Doctor, it was found that there were no broken bones, but there were several cuts on the face and head which required a number of stitches to be taken to close the wounds. After being made comfortable by the Doctor, he was removed to Damascus village, across the river, to the home of his grandfather, David M. Berry. According to latest reports, he was as easy as could be expected, after having had such a shaking up.

STEENE.

Steene, March 1.

Seward Tennant, a prominent lawyer of Schoharie county, N. Y., died very suddenly at his home Monday morning, February 24. Mr. Tennant arose as usual and came down stairs partly dressed, saying to his mother that he had a severe pain in his stomach. He sat down in a chair to lace his shoes when suddenly his mother heard a strange noise. Turning around she noticed him sliding off his chair. He gasped a little and breathed his last. Mr. Tennant is survived by his mother, one brother, Horace, one sister, Myrtle. Mr. Tennant is first cousin to Mrs. J. E. Haley, of Steene, Mrs. Isaac Ball of Honesdale, Mrs. Charles Baker of Waymart.

At the present writing the Bobolink is confined to his home with a severe attack of the grip.

Almost everybody in this section is down with the grip or bad cold. M. A. McMahon is now hustling 12 and 14 inch ice in the cars and shipping to a firm in New Jersey.

John Jenkins, who has been quite ill, is around again.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

Newfoundland, March 1.

Mrs. E. E. Bird had a rag bee on Wednesday of this week. Those present were: Mrs. A. Phillips, Mrs. J. J. Heffley, Mrs. J. Kerr, Mrs. J. Gilpin, Mrs. M. Searle, Mrs. Voeste, Mrs. C. L. Burrus, Mrs. R. C. Pelham, Misses Ella Eck, Mae Heffley, Emma Brown, Beulah Pelham and Masters Virgil Pelham and Edward Bird. An enjoyable time was spent.

E. T. Cross has been visiting friends in this vicinity for the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Burrus, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Pelham and children spent last Thursday with Mrs. Burrus and Pelham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Swartz of Moscow.

Mr. Phillip Eck spent the day with Sam Burger of Madisonville.

W. Martin is sick with pneumonia. His friends hope for a speedy recovery.

John Kerr is suffering from a severe attack of asthma.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hause and daughter Marie, spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hause.

Phillip Eck spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Reub Seig.

Mrs. Geo. Bartleson is spending the week with friends in Moosic.

Mrs. Mary Bartleson is staying with Mrs. William Norris.

Mrs. J. J. Heffley is able to be out again after being sick.

George Eck, of Gouldsboro, spent Sunday with Phillip Eck.

The East Sterling Ladies' Aid met Thursday at the home of Mrs. Thos. Ehrgood.

CENTERVILLE.

Centerville, March 1.

A thunder storm passed over this vicinity Saturday evening. Mrs. Elizabeth Garrity, who was taken seriously ill a few days ago, is able to be around again.

Mary Lane is spending a few days in Scranton.

Elizabeth Garrity, of Scranton, spent Saturday and Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Garrity, of this place.

John Kimble, of Scranton, also spent Sunday as the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kimble. We are glad to hear that Patrick Ryan, who was ill with pneumonia, is getting along nicely.

A. N. Surplus, of Ledgedale, was a caller in town on Sunday.

INDIAN ORCHARD.

Indian Orchard, March 1.

Should the weather prove favorable the dairymen here and at the lake will finish harvesting their ice.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather there was little doing at grange hall on Saturday evening. Should the weather prove favorable there will be considerable doing at the next regular meeting when we hope there will be a large attendance.

Stella Swartz, of Red Ridge farm, is spending several weeks with Mrs. O. D. Henshaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith, of Towanda, attended the latter's father's funeral on Friday last and spent the week's end with relatives here and Swamp Brook.

William Box, of Binghamton, N. Y., has been visiting here of late.

Edward Richards of East Beachlake, and Minnie Barnes, of Beachlake, were among callers here on Friday last.

P. L. Brame and daughter, Mrs. George Ham, who have been seriously ill, are improving in health quite rapidly.

E. C. Ham, wife and daughter, Margaret, spent Sunday with Wm. Maloney and wife of Laurella.

R. E. Bayly of Laurella, was a recent business caller at the home of E. C. Ham.

Several strangers from this place attended Pomona Grange at Honesdale last week.

Mrs. Frank Compton is spending the winter with the Miss Beardslee.

J. W. Spry and wife had as their guest on Friday last J. Decker of Honesdale and his niece of Hancock, N. Y.

Floyd Bayly, of Honesdale, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bayly, recently.

The next Ladies' Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. Samuel Gregory when a good time is anticipated.

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