

4 MURDERS, 2 ROBBERIES.

Birmingham Makes This Record in 24 Hours.

Birmingham, Ala., March 11.—Four murders and two highway robberies is the record for Birmingham and vicinity within the twenty-four hours ending Sunday night.

J. P. Billions was shot and killed by his stepson, Jno. Riley, at Helen-bess at an early hour Sunday morning.

An unknown white man was found murdered in a field Sunday afternoon near Short creek. One man has been arrested charged with the crime and officers are on the trail of another.

Bragg Thomas, a negro, was murdered by an unknown man near Oxmoor Sunday afternoon.

Will Alexander, another negro, brutally murdered his wife Sunday afternoon at Fossils, on Red mountain, south of the city.

F. H. Carpenter, an aged farmer, while driving across the mountain on Sunday night, was held up and robbed of all the money he had.

One negro in the heart of the city held up three others Sunday night, on one of the principal streets and relieved them of all their money.

DOCKS BURNED AT BRUNSWICK.

Warehouses and Cars Burned and a Steamer Damaged—Loss \$80,000.

Brunswick, Ga., March 11.—Fire at an early hour Sunday morning burned about 250 feet of P. D. Aiken's lumber docks on Academy creek together with six warehouses in which were stored about 40,000 crossties, also eight box cars of the Atlantic Coast Line and one of the Atlanta, Birmingham and Atlantic, causing a loss ranging from \$55,000 to \$75,000, covered by about 75 per cent insurance.

The four-masted schooner Eagle Wing, loading ties, was scorched and lost top sails, main top mast, and probably main mast, causing a loss around \$5,000. A survey has been called for by the schooner. She will make temporary repairs here, and then proceed after completing cargo.

The four-masted schooner Alma E. A. Holmes was at the same docks, but was saved with no damage by tugs Coney and Inca, which subdued the flames with their fire pumps. The docks will be rebuilt. The fire, because of its location, is thought may have been of incendiary origin.

Boy Shot with Parlor Rifle.

Columbus, Ga., March 11.—On the farm of his father, John L. Willis, south of Columbus, Sunday afternoon Bery Willis, aged 14 years, was hit in the left groin with a ball from a parlor rifle accidentally discharged by his young cousin, John Henry Talbot, standing some distance away. His left leg was paralyzed, and the hemorrhage was so great that it was feared that he could not recover. Late Sunday afternoon physicians left for the Willis home to perform an operation on the boy.

Guests Fled from Flames.

Mobile, Ala., March 11.—Shortly before 1 o'clock Monday morning fire broke out in a cafe on lower Dauphin street and soon enveloped a three-story building. The fire communicated to other buildings and drove the guests out of the St. Andrews hotel, but the fire department made a hard fight and controlled the fire. Two three-story buildings on lower Dauphin street were gutted and slight damage was done to adjoining buildings. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

Hardy in Muscogee Jail.

Columbus, Ga., March 11.—C. D. Hardy, who has been confined in Harris jail at Hamilton, awaiting trial on the charge of murdering his father-in-law, Charles Brooks, at Chipley, was brought to Columbus and placed in jail. He was carried from this county to Hamilton a few weeks ago, but for some reason it was decided best to bring him back to Muscogee jail. It is claimed that Hardy is hopelessly insane.

"Water Pearl" Dead.

New York, March 11.—Water Pearl, the big 3-year-old colt, owned jointly by Sidney Paget and E. R. Thomas, died at Sheepshead bay on Sunday. He had been sick only 36 hours. The colt was one of the best 2-year-olds out last year, and won over \$42,000 for his owners. They refused an offer of \$100,000 for the horse last summer. Water Pearl was insured for \$25,000.

Died From Poisoning.

Tuscaloosa, Ala., March 11.—The death of Laura, the 7-year-old daughter of Mrs. T. T. Stepp, occurred at the residence of her mother, in Shady Dale, near the Bryce hospital. Her death was due to poisoning, but of what nature could not be determined. The only thing she had eaten that could have caused the trouble was the candy, but of that there is not certainty.

DUEL TO DEATH WAGED BY MEN

Negro Robber and White Merchant Kill Each Other.

CLOTHES FIRED; BODY BURNED

Indications Are that There Was a Desperate Struggle, and It is Probable that the Robber Had an Accomplice.

Columbia, S. C., March 11.—C. B. Green, 45 years old, and married, a merchant of Shandon, a suburb of this city, was waylaid and killed by Edward Marshall, who himself was killed by Green. Robbery was the motive.

The shooting occurred about 11 o'clock, but the bodies of the men were not discovered until about 3 o'clock.

When found, Green's clothing was on fire, his body being badly charred around the heart, and side, where the bullets took effect, and a roll of greenbacks were burned in twain.

The feet of the men were less than a foot apart, showing that they faced each other when they were killed. At Green's right hand lay a 32-caliber revolver, with four empty chambers.

Near Marshall's right hand was a 41-caliber six-shooter, with five empty chambers, while a 38-caliber pistol, which had not been fired, was at his left hand.

Under his body was a well-made leather slingshot or sand bag, having two pounds of small shot in the end. Near his head lay two burglar's masks, one having two bullet holes in it, and was clotted with blood.

Marshall was shot twice through the head and once through the right breast, while Green had three bullets through his heart. The back of his hand was covered with blood, indicating that he may have had a struggle with his assailant. Several pieces of silver were found scattered about Green's body.

The finding of the two masks and three hats leads to the belief that Marshall had an accomplice, but up to this time no arrests have been made. Marshall was 24 years old, unmarried and the son of the manager of the large apartment store of J. J. Mimaugh, of this city.

The fact that Marshall had a pistol in each hand, it is hard to understand how he was able to manipulate the sandbag.

The tragedy has caused a great sensation in this city.

Claimed To Be Jas. McNally.

New York, March 11.—A man who said he was James McNally, once the King of the Green Goods Men, walked into the center street police court on Sunday, and, with tears in his eyes, asked to be sent to the work house. He said he was without a home and without means of support. He was sent to the work house for three months. The man was in a pitiable condition, the result of the long use of drugs and of exposure. Recently he had drifted to the Bowery lodging house district, but his physical condition was such that he could not even earn the pittance required to live there.

Will Deal in Hotel Supplies.

New York, March 11.—To save the profit that now goes to the middleman, proprietors of large hotels and restaurants of this city are considering the organization of a co-operative corporation which will deal in all kinds of hotel and restaurant supplies. Aaron Rodenweisen, of Montreal, has been in the city for two weeks interesting them in the plan, and it is expected that a company with \$10,000,000 capital will be organized. Stock in this corporation will be sold only to proprietors of hotels and restaurants.

Fire Proof Mail Car.

New York, March 11.—The first fire-proof American mail car, practically all steel, left the Pennsylvania station in Jersey City at 10 o'clock Sunday night, for Washington. It is 70 feet long, or 10 feet longer than the maximum length the government recognizes in paying for mail transportation. Only 370 pounds of fire-proofed wood are used in its construction. The letter and paper cases and boxes are of metal. The life of the postal clerk aboard the new car will be safe as that of a traveler on board a Pullman.

Two Killed in Explosion.

Metuchen, N. J., March 11.—Two men were killed and a number of others hurt and Metuchen was shaken and threatened with many fires Monday when a boiler of a locomotive on the Pennsylvania railroad exploded while drawing a freight train through town.

RAILWAY STRIKE AT LOUISVILLE

Was In Its Incipency Marked by Much Disorder and Violence.

Louisville, Ky., March 11.—The first few hours of the strike of the employees of the Louisville Railway company, which was inaugurated Sunday morning, was marked by much disorder and violence.

The strikers or their sympathizers, who were quiet and orderly for the first two hours after the company began to run cars, gradually grew bolder and before noon, several people had been injured, stones were thrown through car windows, cars were held up and the motormen and conductors routed.

Many arrests were made, but the police did not appear to have the situation under control in many instances.

Shortly before noon Chief of Police Geunter was hastily summoned to Fourth and Hill streets by Captain Jacobs, the latter claiming that his detail of men, numbering 50, were insubordinate and either could not or would not make arrests of those creating disorder in the hall vicinity. Chief of Police Geunter went to the scene in an automobile and took charge in person.

The casualties reported at the car barn were: Motorman Pierson, cut on head by a rock.

C. Buckhold, clerk in the railway's general offices, hit by a brick while acting as conductor of a car.

E. Allen, clerk of the railway company, struck on the nose by a brick while acting as motorman.

A. Carter, pushed off the car while trying to adjust the trolley.

Robert Watts, a clerk in the treasurer's office of the railway company, struck by a stone.

Ben Greer, a conductor, assaulted with a black jack.

MONSTER WAVE SWEEP VESSEL.

Fearful Experience of the French Line Steamer LaSavie.

New York, March 11.—The French liner LaSavie, from Havre March 2, carrying more than 1,000 passengers, arrived here Sunday after perhaps the most severe experience of the trans-Atlantic liners that have recently reported rough weather at sea.

The steamer ran into a series of gales, which increased in violence until Thursday, when a monster wave swept the main deck, and forced Captain Tournier to bring his trembling craft to. She drifted eight hours before the voyage could be safely resumed.

This wave, which measured, the officers say, about 50 feet in height, broke over the ship from the forward port side. In a moment tons of water flooded the vessel, shattering a heavy oak door which opened into the corridor outside the smoking saloon.

Great volumes of water rushed in, swept along the corridor and then poured down the grand stairway into the main dining room. The heavy iron stairway leading to the main deck down to the promenade deck was also washed away by the flood.

Occupants of the smoking room were thrown to their feet, and when, upon taking themselves, they opened the door to learn what had happened the water from the corridor rushed in upon them. It invaded the cabins and state rooms, many of them being flooded to a depth of several feet.

Fighting with Honduras.

New York, March 11.—A bit of interesting news regarding the Honduras-Nicaraguan war developed here Sunday. It was that General Francisco Coruz Sandoval, the veteran soldier of fortune, is fighting under the Honduran standard. General Sandoval, who is a Mexican by birth, has been missing some weeks from the Latin-American colony here, of which he was a prominent figure.

Wounded by Bomb Explosion.

Yalt, Crimea, March 11.—Colonel Dumbadze, commandant of the garrison here, was slightly wounded and his adjutant and his coachman were seriously wounded by a bomb thrown at the colonel's carriage from an upper window in a house on a street through which he was driving. The man who threw the bomb committed suicide.

Will Make World Tour.

London, March 11.—Prince Edward and Prince Albert, two eldest sons of the Prince of Wales, it is understood will, in due course of time, make a tour of the world in a battleship. Prince Edward will eventually go into the army and Prince Albert into the navy.

Protests Against Treaty.

St. Thomas, D. W. I., March 11.—Former President Morales, of San Domingo, who is here, has issued a protest against the treaty between his government and the United States. He declares that the treaty is injurious to the welfare of San Domingo, and asks his countrymen to reject it.

WITH MANY SHOTS NEGRO IS RIDDLED

Surrounded In House and Shot Into Do1 Rags.

DIED FIGHTING LIKE A DEMON

Negro Desperado Had Wounded an Americus, Ga., Policeman while the Officer Was Attempting to Arrest Him—Murderer Alco Captured.

Americus, Ga., March 11.—Surrounded in a house and fighting to the death like a demon at bay, Bill Reese, the negro desperado who on Sunday morning mortally wounded Police Officer William Morris, was shot into doll rags at 7 o'clock Sunday night, his carcass being fairly riddled with buckshot and pistol bullets.

Shortly before dusk it was ascertained that Reese was concealed in a dwelling on Davenport street, a negro suburb. A detachment of five policemen and Deputy Sheriff Fuller went hastily to the point designated and quickly surrounded the house.

Deputy Fuller and Policeman Willis rushed to the door, whereupon the negro Reese opened fire with a revolver. Reese advanced, firing upon the officers, and Policeman Willis received a bullet through his right hand. At this, the other officers opened fire with guns and pistols, and the desperado fell, pierced with innumerable bullets, expiring instantly.

The carcass was brought immediately to the police barracks, where hundreds of curious people viewed it. Willis, the policeman who was not seriously wounded, Police Officer Morris, who was shot by the desperado Reese while resisting arrest, is in a precarious condition at the hospital.

The killing of Reese by the officers created considerable excitement, but no trouble is apprehended.

The crime for which the officers sought to arrest Reese was the shooting before daylight Sunday morning of Policeman William Morris, of the Americus police department, while that officer was attempting to arrest Reese, who was wanted for disorderly conduct. It is thought that the officer is fatally wounded.

Reese fired twice, shaving Officer Morris in the abdomen, the second bullet penetrating his wind-pipe and throat, and lodging in his neck.

Morris was conveyed to the Americus hospital and his recovery is very doubtful. Reese escaped after shooting the policeman.

Another negro with Reese at the time was captured and turns out to be a Florida murderer with a reward of \$1,000 upon his head.

Morris has been on the local force for years, and is a careful and excellent officer.

Legislative Inquiry Began.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 11.—The legislative inquiry into the new state capitol contracts and accounts was begun here Monday. The investigation grew out of allegations made during the last state campaign that there was gross extravagance, over-charges and duplication of it was in the ornamentation and correction building. The capitol was built under the direction of a capitol building committee at a cost of \$4,000,000. It was furnished and equipped by the board of public grounds and buildings at a cost of nearly \$9,000,000. The investigation is being conducted by a committee created by the present legislature.

Shipbuilders on Strike.

Detroit, Mich., March 11.—The union shipbuilders in the Ecorse and St. Clair plants of the Great Lakes Engineering Works, walked out on Monday, leaving only the machinists, carpenters and laborers at work in those yards. The men at the Wyandotte yard of the American Shipbuilding company, went to work as usual Monday morning, but are expected to quit during the day. Dispatches from Bay City say that the men at the American Shipbuilding company's yards there are at work as usual and probably will not strike.

Attorney Longfellow Testifies.

New York, March 11.—Frederick W. Longfellow was the first witness called by District Attorney Jerome when the Thaw trial opened Monday morning. Longfellow formerly was Thaw's attorney. Mr. Longfellow was estopped from giving any definite testimony as to Ethel Thomas' suit on the grounds that he was acting as Thaw's counsel and his dealings with him were confidential. Justice Fitzgerald sustained the objection to Mr. Longfellow's testifying as to service of papers in Ethel Thomas' case against Thaw.

CHARGE WOMAN WITH MURDER

Coroner's Jury at Eastman Gives Verdict Against Mrs. Freney.

Eastman, Ga., March 11.—Probably a thousand people witnessed the burial of W. P. Harrell Sunday afternoon, conducted with Masonic honors, while the rain slowly fell. The Masons and Knights of Pythias attended en masse. Mr. Harrell was killed Saturday afternoon by Mrs. Sallie Freney.

The coroner's jury returned a verdict Sunday morning of murder against Mrs. Freney, and held a man by the name of Rye as accessory.

Mrs. Freney has been operating a boarding house for some time. On being arrested, Mrs. Freney claimed that Mr. Harrell had made improper proposals to her, and that she shot him in consequence, but this is not believed to be true.

Mr. Harrell has filled various positions as county officer and was a highly esteemed citizen. It is believed that the shooting was occasioned by Mr. Harrell threatening to dispossess Mrs. Freney unless she should pay up her rent and on account of ill-feeling engendered on account of other matters.



JAMES STROTHER.

[One of the brothers recently acquitted at Culpeper, Va., for a father they had forced him to marry their sister.]

No Inquiry Yet Arranged.

Yokohama, March 11.—The crew of the wrecked steamer Dakota has been discharged. The Europeans will be sent to America on the American steamer Tremont. The Asiatics will be sent to Hong Kong. The majority of the passengers left here will take the steamer Siberia. The hotel and other expenses were paid by the Great Northern steamship company, owners of the Dakota. The American consul has sent \$150 to the governor of Chibu prefecture, for distribution among the fishermen who assisted in the rescue of the American passengers. No salvage measures have yet been taken. An official inquiry has been arranged, steps having been taken for the preservation of evidence. Captain Francke of the Dakota is still at the scene of the wreck, awaiting the decision of the underwriters.

Will War on Opium Vice.

Chicago, March 11.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Washington, says that the United States government has taken the initiative in inaugurating a new war on the opium vice. Following a careful sounding of Great Britain, China and Japan, the three countries directly interested, Assistant Secretary of State Bacon, with the approval of President Roosevelt, has extended an invitation to all the powers having possessions in the far east to participate in the national conference which shall devise measures for the suppression for the use of opium, if this is possible, or at least its restriction. Negotiations on this subject have been in progress since last September. The powers which have been asked to take part besides those named are France, the Netherlands, Portugal and Germany.

Human Soul Has Weight.

New York, March 11.—Dr. Duncan McDougall, of Haverhill, Mass., who is at the head of a research society and has had four other physicians associated with him in a series of experiments covering six years, believes that the human soul has a definite weight which can be determined when it passes from the body at death, according to a Boston dispatch to the Times.

Little Girl Killed.

Birmingham, Ala., March 11.—As a result of attempting to blow out the light of a kerosene lamp, the lamp exploded, fatally burning the 12 year old daughter of John Legal, at Centerville. The girl died a few moments afterward.

To Indict Engineer.

It is very probable that Engineer John T. McCorkle, formerly in the employ of the Southern Railway but now employed by the Louisville & Nashville Railroad, will be indicted for criminal carelessness, as the South Carolina railroad commission has decided that he is responsible for the collision of southbound passenger train No. 41 and the first section of No. 74, a freight train, which occurred at Liberty on Christmas morning. The commission has turned the case over to Solicitor Boggs, of this circuit.

It will be recalled that No. 41 and No. 74 collided about 100 yards north of Liberty about 12.10 Christmas morning. No. 74 had orders to remain in the siding at Liberty to allow No. 41 to pass. The engineer of No. 74 pulled out on the main line and started toward Greenville without any signals or orders from the conductor. He met No. 41 in about ten minutes and the heavy freight engine crushed to pieces the passenger engine. No one was killed, but the negro fireman on No. 41 was injured.

The cause of the wreck was to have been investigated in Greenville some time ago when the collision of Nos. 38 and 40 was investigated by the commission, but it was impossible to get any of the witnesses for witnesses for the investigation. Commissioner Earle later took testimony on the wreck, and it was on his findings that the commission decided to turn the case against McCorkle over to Solicitor Boggs.—[Anderson Mail.]

Is Harriman Backing Foraker?

Washington Dispatch to New York American.

Is Edward H. Harriman booming Senator Joseph Benson Foraker of Ohio, for the republican presidential nomination in 1908?

Will Senator John C. Spooner of Wisconsin, who has resigned his seat to practice law, beginning May let to take charge of Harriman's management, and interests and cooperate in the boom of Foraker?

These two questions asked about the capitol today were significantly answered when it was learned that Harriman, Spooner and Foraker gathered at a quiet little dinner lately at the home of Senator Depew. They were Depew's only guests.

Many declare Foraker made a bid for the nomination when he caused the Brownsville inquiry. It was looked upon as a bid for the negro delegates from the South to support him in 1907 convention. He is accepted as an avowed candidate.

Harriman's influence for Foraker would be a tremendous factor in the convention. Every effort was made to keep the dinner conference quiet.

It is noteworthy that the two senators who met Mr. Harriman at the dinner opposed violently a railway rate bill which would have regulated the railroads.

Leading up to It.

"Beg pardon, sir," said the man in a suit of faded black, "but are you carrying all the life insurance you want?"

"Yes sir," answered the man at the desk, "I am."

"Could I interest you in a morocco-bound edition of the works of William Makepeace Thackeray?"

"You could not."

"Don't you need a germ proof filter in your house?"

"I do not."

"Would you invest in a good second hand typewriter if you could get it cheap?"

"I have no use for a typewriter."

"Just so. Would an offer to supply you with first-class imported Havana cigars at ten dollars a hundred appeal to you?"

"Not a cent's worth."

"That being the case," said the caller, "would you be willing to buy a 10-cent box of shoe polish just to get rid of me?"

"Great Scott! Yes."

"Thanks. Good day."