

MERCHANT IS SLAIN

NOTICED TO HOTEL ROOM BY A FAKE SALESMAN

ROBBED AND MURDERED

Indianapolis Police Were on Murderer's Trail While Crime Was Being Committed.—Had Worked Similar Trick on Merchants of Other Cities.

Convinced that the young man who Monday brutally murdered and robbed Joseph Schlansky, a clothing merchant, in a hotel at Indianapolis, is the person who has committed similar crimes in several Eastern and Middle Western cities, the police department of Indianapolis Tuesday night asked officers in every large city east of the Mississippi river to watch for the slayer. They believe the murderer is Joseph Ellis, about twenty-one years old, of Richmond, Va. Investigation of the murder of Schlansky showed that it had been coolly planned and the escape so cunningly carried out as to throw off suspicion temporarily.

The body of Joseph Schlansky was found late Monday night in a hotel at Indianapolis, which had been occupied by a man who had registered as "W. R. Anderson, Louisville, Ky." A string cord had been tied around the merchant's throat and he had been shot through the head. Anderson is said to have told that he was a salesman, called at Schlansky's store and asked him to go to his room in the hotel where he said he had some goods to show the merchant. When Schlansky failed to return, his family notified the police. The merchant's watch and about twenty dollars also were missing. The slayer left tax notes in which he said he had started to rob the merchant and then killed him.

After a long and fruitless search the police were able to locate a man who had registered at the hotel under the name of "W. R. Anderson, Louisville, Ky." He was a young man, about twenty-one years old, and had a watch and about twenty dollars missing. The slayer left tax notes in which he said he had started to rob the merchant and then killed him.

In every case that was called to the attention of the police it was said the boldness with which the robber worked had thwarted suspicion until his victim was found. The man did not attempt to use any disguise. That the murderer of Schlansky is Joseph Ellis, the police say they feel certain. He was identified at Louisville by photographs sent from his home and also from photos sent out by the Pittsburgh police, who wanted the man, under the name of Brokaw, for an attack on a merchant there.

At the time that Schlansky was murdered four squads of detectives were seeking Ellis. A telegram from the Louisville police department had been received earlier in the day asking the Indianapolis police to arrest Ellis. The squads made an investigation throughout the afternoon and night. At the hotel where Schlansky was killed the clerks did not remember a guest answering Ellis' description.

Joy Riders Are Shot.

At San Francisco, Kate Coulson, thirty-five years of age, was shot in the neck Friday and George Kovack, night watchman in a garage, and William Acker, a chauffeur, were shot dead after the three had been riding most of the night in an automobile. A. R. Coulson, husband of the wounded woman, is being sought by the police. Mrs. Coulson is believed to be fatally wounded.

Striking Pupils Suspended.

One thousand pupils of the three Syracuse, N. Y., high schools were indefinitely suspended late Monday following a strike in the morning as a protest against new hours of study, nine o'clock in the morning to two-thirty o'clock in the afternoon. The striking pupils, many of whom were girls, escaped through windows and side doors, paraded the business streets and held an indignation meeting.

HOT TIME IN TENNESSEE

SPEAKER OF HOUSE SAYS GUN MEN ARE AROUND.

Members Pull Off Coats to Show Themselves Unarmed and Denounce Others as Cowards.

Sensational charges of the bringing of two suit cases of guns into the office of the superintendent of the capitol at Nashville, Tenn., and of the presence of gunmen in the hall of the Tennessee House of Representatives, were made on the floor of the House Tuesday by Speaker Stanton. Serious trouble at one time looked certain after the speaker's charges. Several inflammatory speeches were made. At the afternoon session Tuesday a motion to investigate the speaker's charges and to bring George C. Renfro, superintendent of the capitol, before the House was voted down.

Speaker Stanton, after charging that scurrilous articles had appeared in newspapers threatening to unseat him and that threats and efforts of intimidation had come to him for the past several days, said: "There are two suit cases of guns now in the office of the superintendent of the capitol sent there by friends of Gov. Hooper, and even this will not intimidate or scare me. I am speaker of this House and propose to remain so to the end. I do not propose to be intimidated by Gov. Hooper or his gunmen and their efforts to force me to make rulings will do them no good."

Representative M. Farland, following Mr. Stanton, after pulling off his coat to show that he was not armed, denounced the man who "brings down weapons in his pocket and declares that any man guilty of such a practice is a coward."

Representative Lex Stone threw back his coat to show that he was unarmed, turned to Mr. M. Farland and said: "Any man who would call a set of armed men to guard the door of the capitol is a coward."

INVITATION TO WILSON

Columbia Offers Highest Home as Winter Residence

Mr. W. H. H. of Columbia, S. C., has offered the highest home as a winter residence to the president of the United States. The house is a beautiful one, situated on a hill overlooking the city. It has a large garden and a swimming pool. The offer was made to the president-elect, Woodrow Wilson, and he is expected to accept it.

Mr. Wilson said that if he made his winter home anywhere else than in Washington, it would be in Columbia, but that it looked as if he would spend the coming winter hard at work at the White House. He expressed the hope that he might be able to accept the invitation after the next winter. The delegation was presented to the President by Representative A. F. Lever.

NO NOMINATIONS.

President Wilson Does Nothing About South Carolina Offices.

Although it was expected that President Wilson would send to the Senate nominations of a district attorney and a marshal for South Carolina Thursday this was not done. When the senate on Monday remained in session for such a brief length of time that no nominations could be received, it was generally supposed that action on the South Carolina matters would be taken Thursday and there was some surprise here that nothing was done. Nothing of a definite kind having transpired in this matter Thursday it is not known whether the president will send these nominations in when the senate meets again or whether he will wait a few days.

Finds Wife and Child Dead.

When Carl Hirsch, a glass cutter, entered his home at Monaca, Pa., he discovered the dead body of his infant son in the bath tub, and its mother, Mrs. Ida Hirsch, hanging to a beam in the cellar. The woman had drowned the child and then committed suicide.

COTTON SEED MARKETING

PROPOSED RULES FOR GRADING ARE DISCUSSED.

Further Action Toward Establishing Cotton Seed Marketing Division in Agricultural Department.

A conference Wednesday afternoon at Columbia between representatives of the Cotton Seed Crushers' Association, independent cotton seed buyers and representatives of the State Farmers' Union with Commissioner Watson over the proposed grading and rules for marketing of cotton seed in this State resulted in a decision to leave the next step in the hands of the joint committee of the Farmers' Union and Seed Crushers' Association, which is called to meet in Columbia next Tuesday for the purpose of passing further on the matter.

Besides the marketing committee, of the Seed Crushers, B. F. Taylor, secretary, and W. B. West, the assistant secretary, were present; Dr. Able, of St. Matthews, representing the independent seed buyers, while President Dabbs, Secretary Reed, R. M. Cooper, B. Harris and R. M. Morrison, of the executive committee of the Farmers' Union, attended the conference, which was held in the library at the capitol.

Commissioner Watson explained that while there was no law directing his department to take charge of the cotton seed marketing, still, in the interests of the great mass of producers and the cotton seed oil mill business, which is large, and both consumer and producer, and acting on requests he had formulated the rules and regulations for grading and marketing after a conference between himself and representatives of all interests.

In formulating this tentative plan, he said, he had delayed putting it into effect in order to get the drift of popular sentiment. Having gained considerable information on it, he had called an advisory conference. He said he did not propose to do anything until the joint committee of the seed crushers and the Farmers' Union met and discuss the present a workable plan. He said he would be glad to accept any plan that would be agreed upon by the two bodies.

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THREE DIE IN CAR CRASH

Electric Railway on Long Island Is Scene of Head-on Collision.

Three persons were killed and a fourth injured in a head-on collision of two electric railway cars on Long Island. The cars were traveling in opposite directions and crashed into each other. The driver of one of the cars was killed. The other two cars were also damaged.

A hotel near the scene and a number of residences nearby were thrown open for use as emergency hospitals. Many ambulances and a corps of physicians were summoned to the scene. The Pennsylvania railroad issued a statement saying the accident had been caused, so far as could be determined, by the negligence of the operator at Whitestone Junction, who allowed the train bound for New York to leave the double track before the other train had cleared.

Gaynor's Friend Suicides.

Morris Metzgar, a wealthy resident of Far Rockaway Beach, and a lifelong friend of the late mayor, hanged himself in his barn Monday afternoon as Mayor Gaynor's body was being carried to the grave. The floor of the barn was littered with newspapers, giving accounts of the last honors that were being paid Mayor Gaynor. Friends of Metzgar attribute his suicide to grief at the loss of his friend.

Win or lose, we take pleasure in the fact that we have conducted an honest, fair campaign for the marshaling. We made no charges against any of our competitors, and would scorn the office if we had to resort to such mean, low methods to win it.

Mother and Babe Burned. Mrs. M. Hutchinson and her infant son, of Foss Valley, Cal., were found dead Wednesday in the cellar of the Hutchinson home, which was destroyed by a forest fire.

DEPEND ON FARMERS

MUST AVERT MEAT FAMINE BY RAISING BEEVES

TWO EACH EVERY YEAR

American Meat Packers Declare if Decrease in Production Is Not Stopped Question of Supply Will Be Serious—Suggest Substitution of Corn for Cotton.

The responsibility of averting a future meat famine was put up to small farmers by speakers at the eighth annual Convention of the American Meat Packers' Convention at Chicago Monday. All the speakers agreed that if the decrease in meat production of the last ten years is not stopped the question of the meat supply for the people of the United States will be most serious. Among the remedies suggested by the speakers were:

Every small farmer should raise at least two beef steers a year to offset the decreased production of the great ranches of the West.

The remaining ranges should be cut up in farms to put all farmers on an equal footing.

Development of the hills of New England with their bountiful springs and prevailing shade as a beef producing country.

Substitution of corn for cotton in the Southern states and the consequent development of cattle and hog production.

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The farmers are not complaining because of the price of meat. They are complaining because of the price of feed. The price of feed is high and the price of meat is low. This is a situation that must be corrected.

Among other causes for the shortage of meat is the fact that the number of head of cattle is decreasing. This is due to the fact that the price of feed is high and the price of meat is low.

The report declared that the action of the government in changing the character of labels on canned goods, after once they had been accepted by the government, cost the packing industry \$25,000,000 annually. Speakers at the national convention of butter and egg men urged the need of national legislation to regulate the storage of these products in order to avoid repeated charges of price raising and monopoly.

TOAST WITH WATER.

Drunk to President Wilson and President Poincare.

A toast to President Wilson and President Poincare and the traditional friendship between France and the United States was drunk in water Monday night by Secretary Bryan and the visiting French commission selecting a site at the Panama-Pacific fair. The news leaked out when Maj. J. J. Dickinson, who was host, made a positive denial of a published story that Mr. Bryan had not drunk when the champagne glasses were raised for the toast, and that the French visitors were offended. Maj. Dickinson explained there was no champagne at the dinner, merely an old fashioned cocktail, which the Frenchmen had expressed a curiosity to taste, and that as Mr. Bryan proposed the toast near the end of the dinner it was drunk with water.

Gives Life to Save Her Baby. Chased by a cow afflicted with rabies while she was carrying her baby to the hospital, Mrs. Mary Arliss, of Pittston, Pa., saved the life of the little one by throwing it into an open store door. The next minute the woman was fatally gored.

MAGNIFICENT FUNERAL

GAYNOR'S BODY PASSES DOWN CROWDED STREETS.

Over a Million View Cortege on Its Way to Cemetery—Ex-President Taft a Pallbearer.

Historic Greenwood Cemetery, the resting place in Brooklyn of many famous dead, received the body of New York's late mayor, William Jay Gaynor, at mid-afternoon Monday, after funeral services in his honor that were without parallel in the history of the city. In the presence of the family, the honorary pallbearers, including William Howard Taft and city officials, among them Mayor Kline, the flag-draped coffin was committed to the grave in the Gaynor family plot. The brief Episcopal service was read by the Rev. Frank W. Page, former pastor of St. John's, the church where the mayor worshipped.

A million people, it is estimated, saw the funeral cortege move slowly, first from the city hall, where thousands had witnessed the body lying in state Sunday, to Trinity Church, where Bishop Greer conducted the solemn services; then back past the City Hall across Brooklyn Bridge, through Eighth avenue home, and on to the cemetery.

Upon the bridge, hung in black, traffic did not move. City employees stood six feet apart, heads uncovered, as the police-escorted catafalque proceeded into the mayor's home borough. Below, the river noises were stifled. Not a craft blew its whistle, not a gong was sounded. The funeral train across the bridge and for a distance in Brooklyn paralleled a favorite route of the mayor, who in all kinds of weather was accustomed to walk to and from City Hall.

The bell in the tower of the borough hall in Brooklyn tolled for the first time in many years. Numerous church bells also sounded their measured beats. Trinity's first and then in Brooklyn in Brooklyn public schools turned forth their pupils, who stood among the mourners in the streets. In the mayor's own neighborhood girls and residences were draped in black, while flags fluttered at half mast.

Heading the throng of marchers was a single line of eight mounted police. Behind them came in the order named the police band playing the measured strains of the Dead March, a regiment of mounted police "beats" and another regiment of police on foot in lines that stretched across Broadway from curb to curb. Next was the coffin.

With the official flag of the mayor draped over its head, the coffin lay ten feet above the roadway upon a catafalque whose sombre folds of crepe were unrelieved by color. A great wreath of white chrysanthemums lay on the right of the basket and another wreath of orchids and ferns lay on the left and a third rested at the dead mayor's feet.

Sixteen coal-black horses heavy with black trappings flanked on the right by a single file of police and on the left by firemen, drew the catafalque through the street, as the basket passed through two walls of spectators held to the curb by an unbroken line of police every man bared his head and only the blue-capped patrolmen remained covered. Of these there were 3,000 in the line of march or on duty along the way of the funeral train.

When the church services had ended the great masses of flowers that had been in Trinity and the City Hall were sent to various hospitals, the choicest among them, orchids and chrysanthemums, to St. Mary's in the Hoboken, N. J., institute, where Mr. Gaynor lay after being shot down three years ago.

CONFESSES TO MURDER.

Alabama Boy Said to Have Admitted Killing His Father.

Essick Gibson, sixteen years old, has confessed to the murder of his father, Alex Gibson, at his home, near Greenville, Ala., is what they say, who Monday arrested young Gibson and placed him in jail. The boy is said to have declared he crept into his father's bedroom and crushed the sleeping man's skull. Then he closed the door, locking a little dog in the room with the body. Young Gibson, according to the alleged confession, then went to his brother's home and told his brother of the crime, requesting that he be allowed time to make his escape. A neighbor is said to have discovered Gibson several days later. Officers say the boy charges his father with cruelty.

Accidentally Kills Brother.

While playfully snapping a pistol at his brother Sunday night, Samuel Knight, aged twelve years, shot and killed Paul, two years older. The boys, sons of Henry Knight, a farmer of the Barksdale section of Laurens county, were at the home of a neighbor, Edgar Tumblin, when the accident occurred. It seems that the boys thought the weapon was not loaded, but after snapping it a few times one chamber was discharged with the result as stated.

MAYOR GAYNOR'S WILL

HE LEAVES AN ESTATE VALUED AT \$2,000,000.

His Two Sons, Three Daughters, and Widow Share Wealth—Married Daughters Get Little.

The will of William J. Gaynor, late mayor of New York, as filed Wednesday at New York, leaves to the widow his Brooklyn residence and 500 shares of Royal Baking Powder Company stock. The remainder, with the exception of minor bequests of the estate, is divided, two-sevenths to each of two sons and one-seventh to each of three unmarried daughters. The value of the estate is estimated at \$2,000,000.

The two married daughters, Mrs. Harry Vingt and Mrs. William Seaward Webb Jr. received \$1,000. The share of Rufus Gaynor, a son, who was with the late mayor when he died aboard the steamer Baltic, is placed in the hands of the trustees, who are instructed to pay him the income until he is thirty years old and then to surrender the principal if they judge him capable of handling it wisely.

In a codicil Mayor Gaynor describes Rufus as "a good boy always, without bad habits, but, it may be, too easy, and liable to let go of what he has, not knowing how hard it is to accumulate property." The will directs the trustees to end their trust for Rufus "provided they are satisfied from his past life and business capacity and habits that he will not let it slip through his fingers, and I want him judged fairly in this respect."

Rufus is now twenty-four years old. He is the oldest son. Norman Gaynor is just twenty-one. When the will was made, May, 1909, his father directed that his share of the property be held in trust until he became of age. The only other beneficiary mentioned in the will is the late mayor's maiden sister, Mary Gaynor, of Utica. Miss Gaynor receives a house her brother owned in Utica and the income of 115 shares of Baking Powder stock to be held for her in trust during her life time.

The legacies to three unmarried daughters, Helen, Marion, and Ruth, also are placed in the hands of a trustee to be held until they are twenty-five years old. Until they are twenty-five these daughters are not to receive more than \$1,500 a year; after that and until they come into possession of their full shares, they shall receive the entire income.

No explanation is given of the apparent discrimination against the two married daughters, both of whom are divorced and married without their father's knowledge or consent. The will provides that any heir who contests the division of the estate shall automatically forfeit his legacy. Mayor Gaynor prepared the instrument in his own handwriting. It covered ten pages of foolscap.

NEGRESS BURNS TO DEATH.

Half-Witted Camden Girl Loses Her Life in Fire.

Locked in a house while her mother was picking cotton in a field nearby, an eighteen-year-old negro girl was burned to death Tuesday morning at her home, on lower Market street, near Vaughan's ginney at Camden. The girl was half-witted and at one time was an inmate of the insane asylum. The supposition is that she set fire to some cotton, which was piled up in a corner of the room. Mr. Garner, who operates a ginney nearby, together with several hands, saw smoke emitting from the cracks of the house. They knocked down the doors and when George DuBose, a negro, attempted to rescue the girl she rushed into another room, and in a few minutes was calling for help, but no one could enter on account of the flames and smoke.

WILL GET FAVORABLE REPORT.

Lever Agricultural Extension Bill Said to Please.

The House committee on agriculture held a hearing Tuesday on Chairman Lever's agricultural extension bill, as modified after his recent conferences with Senator Smith, of Georgia, and agreed almost unanimously that it should be reported favorably to the House the first thing after opening of the December session. The committee had the pleasure of having Secretary Houston present at its sessions for the first time. He and B. T. Galloway, the Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, both addressed the committee in behalf of the Lever bill, and representative of the American Federation of Labor assured the committee that the measure had the endorsement of that important organization.

Ohio Flood Loss.

A total money loss of \$163,000,000 was caused by the Ohio floods last March. The United States weather bureau estimates that sum, which includes loss to railroad, telegraph and