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## GIRL IS ASSAILED AND THEN MURDERED

### Fifteen Year Old School Girl Falls Into Negro's Hands.

### MOB GATHERED TO STORM JAIL

#### For a Time It Looked Like Jail Would Be Wrecked, and the Negro Taken Out by the Crowd and Lynched for His Crime.

Shreveport, La., Feb. 21.—While returning home from school Margaret Lear aged 15 years, was attacked in the public road near her home, 2 miles west of this city, Monday afternoon, by a negro who attempted to criminally assault her. The young girl struggled with the man and screamed several times.

The negro then drew his pistol, and, pressing its muzzle against the girl's neck, fired. The girl fell unconscious to the ground, and her assailant fled to the woods.

Negroes who witnessed the act immediately gave the alarm. Miss Lear was lying when neighbors reached the scene, and died within a few minutes after she was removed to her home.

The negro was apprehended by a posse led by Sheriff Ward two hours after the murder in a cabin not far from the scene of the crime. He gave his name as Charles Coleman, and has been employed in the shops of the Kansas City Southern railway, in this city, and was at once lodged in jail, before the crime had become generally known.

As soon as it became known that the black was in custody, a crowd began to gather around the jail, and at 9 o'clock more than 1,000 men had congregated with the avowed intention of lynching the negro.

At midnight the crowd at the jail had dwindled considerably, and an attack by a mob is not now anticipated.

One hundred armed men composed of officers, soldiers and private citizens, are standing guard inside the building.

District Judge T. F. Bell, addressed the crowd, making an appeal for law and order.

### No Disquiet at Peking.

Peking, Feb. 21.—Foreigners here are receiving telegrams from relatives indicating that there is a feeling abroad over the possibility of an outbreak of Chinese hostility. No disquiet whatever is felt at Peking. All the foreign ministers agree that the Chinese here, both officials and people, were never more friendly towards foreigners, personally, although following an independent line politically. There is no anti-foreign movement in north China likely to lead to hostilities. The troubles at Canton and Shanghai are not felt here.

### Oldest Engineer Dead.

New York, Feb. 21.—David B. Bogert, said to be the oldest engineer in the United States, is dead at his home here from a complication of diseases. He was 86 years of age and for 36 years was employed, uninterruptedly as engineer by the Erie railroad. Mr. Bogert was in charge of the first engine to go over the Erie's entire system with hard coal as fuel. He was born at Tappan, Rockland county, New York. He never experienced a serious accident on the road.

### Disappears with Bank Roll.

Columbus, Ga., Feb. 21.—Lee Long, manager of the Racine hotel barber shop, gave his porter, John Williams, a negro, \$63 to carry to a bank and deposit. Williams took the money and left the shop, and has not been seen or heard of since. The police have been looking for him, but have been unable as yet to locate him.

### Canned Peas Blamed.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 21.—Robert Bass, aged 19, son of George Bass, 2208 College avenue, is dead, after 24 hours' sickness. The doctors said he had inflammation of the stomach, which developed after he attended a church dinner Friday night, at which canned peas were served.

## MURDERER USED AX ON VICTIM

### Ex-Sheriff Traynham Foully Slain at Roanoke, Va.

Roanoke, Va., Feb. 21.—Ex-Sheriff John B. Traynham, of Roanoke City, was foully murdered in his bed room in this city, his slayer crushing his skull and almost severing the head with an ax, which he carried away after committing the deed. The body was found lying across the bed in a pool of blood. Traynham was not known to have an enemy, and the tragedy is so far a mystery, the police having no clue.

It is believed he got out of bed during the night to answer a knock at his door, and that, as the assassin entered the room, he dealt Traynham a blow on the head, crushing the skull. The body fell across the bed, and several more blows were dealt, one cutting the throat and another splitting the chin and going through the neck. Other blows landed on the skull. Traynham's hands were cut, as if an effort had been made to ward off the murderer's blows. The intruder washed his bloody hands and left the bloody water in the room, after which he escaped.

A gold watch and some silver money and currency were not disturbed, and nothing was taken from the room.

Traynham was a confederate veteran, and was 69 years old. Dr. Traynham, of Pittsburg, Tex., is among his children.

### Want to Buy Philippines.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 21.—Some Japanese newspapers are advocating the purchase of the Philippines from the United States according to advices received by the steamer Athenian. The Yorodsu Hocho says the Philippines have cost the United States much money and no substantial advantages have been secured and that Japan could meet with more success, as the United States has failed because of racial differences between ruler and ruled, and the long distance which separates the government and the islands. Concluding, the Yorodsu Hocho illustrates Japanese success in Formosa.

### Lost Life To Save Child.

Luverne, Ala., Feb. 21.—Mrs. Bozeman, who lives at Seavright, discovered her baby in the cradle, on fire. She carried the child into the yard and deposited it in a tub that was partially filled with water. She then ran to the well, her clothing burning, and in her excitement either jumped or fell into the well, and was killed by the fall or drowned. Dr. Parker, of Seavright, saw the tragedy and called assistance. Mrs. Bozeman being a very large woman, almost two hours was required to remove the body. The mother and charred remains of the child were buried near Seavright.

### Trampled on Pictures.

New York, Feb. 21.—The Hungarian Literary Society, of New York, at a meeting Monday night tore down a painting of Emperor Francis Joseph, of Austria, cut it into shreds and trampled on it. An oil painting of President Roosevelt was substituted and three cheers were given for Francis Kossuth, the Hungarian leader. Following this a revolutionary committee was formed to raise funds for the party in Hungary and before the meeting closed \$2,500 was subscribed and a cable message was sent to Kossuth.

### Enroute to the Philippines.

New York, Feb. 21.—Four companies of the Eighth United States infantry, have left Governors Island for San Francisco, via New Orleans. The trip across the continent will be made by rail, and at San Francisco they will take ship for the Philippines on the transport Logan. There are 66 men to each company with 15 officers. They are to be joined at San Francisco by two companies now stationed at Ft. Slocum, two from Columbus, O., and four from Niagara and will sail from San Francisco March 5th.

### At Least Sincere.

New York, Feb. 21.—Speaking on the theme "The Bible on the Tongue of Lincoln," Rev. Dr. George T. Lemon, of Lucerne, N. Y., Monday, told those present at the Methodist preachers' meeting that after reading 1,000 books concerning Abraham Lincoln, he had come to the conclusion that there was no doubt of the sincerity of his religious convictions.

## TRAIN BLOWN UP; 3,000 ARE KILLED

### According To T-grams From Vladivostok.

### LOSS CONSIDERED EXAGGERATED

#### In Fire at Tokio 445 Houses Were De- stroyed and Several People Burned To Death—Korean Commits Patri- otic Suicide.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 21.—Another patriotic suicide in protest to Japanese occupancy in Korea is reported.

Mr. Chong, reputed the most prominent of Confucian literati in Korea, announced that he would commit suicide in protest to the convention with Japan, but the Japanese police prevented him from doing so, and returned him under guard to his native place.

His wife refused to admit him, stating that he would be eternally disgraced if he tamely abandoned his determination. He then went to a temple and swallowed opium, leaving a farewell document declaring that death was the only recourse at this juncture for a true Korean patriot.

Fire at Tokio destroyed 445 houses in the Asakusa district on Jan. 31. It is reported that several people were burned to death.

Telegrams from Vladivostok to Japanese papers report the destruction of a train loaded with soldiers which was blown up and precipitated into a river.

The loss of life is given as 3,000, but this is considered exaggerated.

### Maniac Fires Cannon.

Kingston, Jamaica, Feb. 21.—The garrison of Port Royal was alarmed by the report of a gun from the Apostles battery on the opposite side of the bay, followed by the hurling of a shell overhead. It was learned that the bombardier in charge of the magazine of the battery loaded a 6-inch gun and fired recklessly. The shell landed on one of the bays eastwards of Port Royal. A slight alteration of the flight of the shell in a northerly direction would have dropped it near the French warship now lying in this harbor. The incident, therefore, caused a sensation. The bombardier, who is believed to be insane, was arrested.

### Young Woman Suicides.

Huntsville, Ala., Feb. 21.—A telephone message from New Market, Ala., states that Mrs. Kingston, a young married woman of that town, was found in her kitchen, where she had committed suicide by hanging. The woman made a rope of her apron, and tied it around her neck to a rafter and kicked a box from under her feet. Domestic troubles are said to be the cause of the suicide.

### Mrs. Howe Seriously Ill.

New York, Feb. 21.—A special to the Tribune from Boston says that Mrs. Julia Ward Howe is seriously ill at her home in Beacon street, and her friends are alarmed over her condition. She had a severe attack of rheumatism, from which she has frequently suffered, and at her advanced age it is feared the attack which is worse than usual, may prove fatal.

### Arthur, Playwright, Dead.

New York, Feb. 21.—Joseph Arthur, the playwright, author of "Blue Jeans," "The Still Alarm," "Lost River," and other successes, is dead at the hotel Normandie. His death resulted from a complication of diseases. He was 57 years of age. Mr. Arthur's real name was Arthur Smith. He was born in southern Indiana, and was a son of Rev. John C. Smith.

### Jaas Apprehends no Uprising.

Tokio, Feb. 21.—The Japanese, while asserting that it has no present apprehensions of an anti-foreign uprising in China, has called the attention of the Chinese government to the advisability of adopting measures to prevent the present feeling of unrest from developing into an anti-foreign movement.

## WOUNDED THROUGH DOOR.

### Man Received Load of Shot Through Door Which Proved Fatal.

Danville, Va., Feb. 21.—Henry C. Yeatts, a young married man, was shot and fatally wounded by Mrs. C. Dove, who resides at Natal, this county, and about 19 miles from Franklin Junction.

It is alleged that Yeatts was drinking and went to the home of the dove woman, sending her husband off for some whisky.

During his absence the woman alleges that Yeatts made himself obnoxious, and she forced him to leave. Upon Yeatts' attempt to re-enter she opened fire with a shotgun upon him, the contents of the weapon going through the panel of the door and lodging in his breast. He died a few minutes later.

On account of the delicate condition of the woman, she was not arrested, but will be given a hearing in a few days.

## THREW CHILDREN OVERBOARD.

### Then Woman, Suffering with Mental Trouble Followed.

Fall River, Mass., Feb. 21.—The officers of the steamer Plymouth, of the Fall River line, found a part of a woman's wearing apparel and a note saying that she had thrown her three children overboard and was about to follow them herself in a state room just after the steamer left Newport on her trip from New York to this city.

The woman threw her three children overboard and committed suicide, is believed to have been Mrs. John Waters, of Brooklyn, N. Y., a daughter of Captain James Brady, collector of the port of Fall River.

Mrs. Waters and her husband recently removed to Brooklyn from Chicago. She was said to be suffering from mental trouble for some time past.

### Jersey City Official Dead.

New York, Feb. 21.—Walter Core, water surveyor of Jersey City for thirty years, dropped dead at his home in that city after he had attended a meeting of the water board at which a matter effecting his department had been discussed. It was charged that a firm had secured thousands of dollars' worth of water free by means of a secret connection with the city's water mains, and although Core was in no way to blame, having been in ignorance of the matter, the case caused him much concern.

### Unusual Honor Distinction.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Feb. 21.—The class of 1906 at Vassar college has the unusual distinction of having 21 honor girls and 10 honorable mentions. The honor list was announced Monday evening at the college and gave rise to the usual scenes of congratulations and doubtless also to some disappointment. An honor list of 34 fairly entitled the class of 1906 to be considered unusually brilliant in scholarship. The class of 1905 had 16 honors and 13 honorable mentions, a total of 29.

### Taggart's Men for Philippines.

Columbus, O., Feb. 21.—Companies C and D of the Eighth infantry, consisting of 145 men and five officers, in command of Captain Taggart, of Wooster, O., left for San Francisco, where they will embark on the transport Logan, March 5, for the Philippines. During this trip for the first time in the history of the United States army the men will experiment with a patent device for cooking while on a train.

### Texas Bank Liquidates.

Temple, Tex., Feb. 21.—The Temple National bank went into liquidation Tuesday as a result of rumors of its insolvency. Former Lieutenant Governor Pendleton, president of the First National bank, of Temple, takes over all obligations and will pay depositors in full. The liabilities and resources approximately \$500,000 each. The capital stock of the bank is \$100,000.

### Well Known Tailor Killed.

New York, Feb. 21.—Returning from the Metropolitan opera house early Tuesday morning to Bath Beach, Alberto Campora, well to do tailor, was killed and his body thrown heady a barn. His throat was cut and his body bore four stab wounds.

## PARTIES BROUGHT TO A DEADLOCK

### France And Germany Fail To Agree At Conference.

### PROLONGED CRISIS IS RESULT

#### Official Sentiment Is That Germany's Reply Tends to Destroy the Usefulness of the Conference by Making Agreement Impossible.

Paris, Feb. 21.—Germany's rejection of France's proposal at Algiers that that the proposed Moroccan police system shall be French and Spanish, has given renewed gravity to the Franco-German situation.

It is officially announced that Germany's action leaves France no course but to terminate the private negotiations and appeal to the judgment of the world before the open conference.

This decision suspends the meetings between M. Revoll, head of the French mission as Algiers, and Herr Von Radowitz, chief of the German delegation at which they have been seeking to find an accord.

The neutral powers, including the United States strongly approved of these private exchanges as being the best means of avoiding an open discussion of the controversy. The failure to agree and France's determination to end the private negotiations bring the parties to a dead lock. This promises to result in a prolonged crisis in which each side maintains the positions which it took up before the open conference. The sentiment in official circles is that Germany's reply leads to destroy the usefulness of the conference by making an agreement impossible.

Reports are in circulation to the effect that France intends to withdraw from the conference but they are not confirmed.

It is expected that the strained situation will have the effect of renewing the alarmist war reports and of arousing public apprehension.

### BOILING GLUE WAS IN VAT.

#### Into Which Man Fell With Fatal Re- sults—Was Walking Over It.

Hammond, Ind., Feb. 21.—While his wife and three children, for whom he had prepared a home in this city, were entering the harbor of New York, Vincent Bick, aged 37, met with a fatal accident here.

While walking across a plank spanning a vat of boiling glue at the Stein-Hirsch plant, Bick slipped and fell in. When he was rescued it was found he had received terrible burns. The glue hardened on him and death is but a question of a few hours.

In his pocket was a letter from his wife apprising him of his family's departure from Germany and the date of their arrival in New York, whence they were to proceed to this city to join her husband and father here.

### Busy Drafting Demands.

New York, Feb. 21.—The anthracite miners' committee engaged in drafting the demands to be made of the coal operators continues in session, working evidently upon minor details of the document, which will not be completed until after Mr. Mitchell returns from Pittsburg, Pa. Mr. Mitchell will go to Pittsburg Tuesday night and expects to leave on his return by Wednesday night. He called again at the Waldorf Astoria where the bituminous operators are holding their convention.

### Start a Run on a Bank.

Chicago, Feb. 21.—A run was started Tuesday on the Jackson Trust and Savings bank, it being thought by many of the depositors that the institution is involved by the failure of the Bank of America three days ago.

### Switch Engine Wrecks Fast Train.

Atlanta, Feb. 21.—A switch engine at 4:49 Monday afternoon ran into the rear of the Southern fast train No. 37, and wrecked three cars. The porter was injured, but not seriously. No one else was hurt.