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BODY WAS PLACED ON RAILROAD TRACK

Death Was Necessary To Hide Robbery.

WHITE MAN IS HELD FOR CRIME

Unconscious from "Dope," Baker Was Put on Track and His Body Was Soon Ground to Pieces by a Coast Line Train.

Bainbridge, Ga., Feb. 23.—James T. alia "Peacsie" Goode, who has figured before the courts in several escapades in the recent past, has been jailed under suspicion of being implicated in one of the most revolting crimes in the history of this county.

Since the death of young M. M. Baker, who was run over and killed Saturday night by a Coast Line passenger train, in the yards here, Sheriff Patterson and the officers have been at work upon clews indicating that there was foul play. It is now apparent that Baker was "doped" and then robbed a short while before train time, and laid upon the track for the train to finish the work.

It is alleged that he was seen in company with Goode and others a few minutes before his mangled body was taken from beneath the wheel.

Baker was known to have quite a sum of money on him, which has never been found. His watch, however, was brought in by Goode the night of the accident. Goode stating that he happened to find it near the place where the train struck Baker. This is one of the links of testimony against him.

Others are thought to be implicated, but no further arrests have been made.

Goode was formerly a resident of Montgomery, Ala., but has family connections here.

MURDERED AGED HUSBAND.

In Order that She Might Marry Younger Lover.

Des Moines, Iowa, Feb. 23—Just before swallowing a fatal dose of poison, an act of self-destruction committed after all hope of securing a pardon from the Iowa legislature had apparently vanished, Sarah Kuhn wrote with her own hands a confession, in which she admitted putting to death her aged husband, Jacob Kuhn.

The confession details the plot which resulted in the death of her aged shoemaker husband, and gave to her a supposed freedom to wed a younger lover, a hope never realized.

Two years ago the legislature was split over the question of a pardon.

Negroes Meet at Tuskegee.

Tuskegee, Ala., Feb. 23.—Negro farmers from every section of the state met here Wednesday for the fifteenth annual session of the Tuskegee negro conference. Teachers from nearly all the educational institutions in the south for negro youths, with many white and negro visitors from the north, were also in attendance. Thirty states and the District of Columbia were represented in the total attendance. Booker T. Washington presided.

Peru's Future Centered in U. S.

New York, Feb. 23.—General A. A Caceres, ex-president of Peru, who has just arrived in this city from Lima, spoke enthusiastically of the railroad and international growth of the Republic and said: "The future of Peru is centered in the United States, and we hope for even closer relations."

Woman Killed by Car.

Akron, O., Feb. 23—While going to induce her husband to leave a saloon, where he was drinking, Mrs. Nellie Jones, aged 60, was struck by an interurban car and instantly killed. The husband learned of her death while in jail five hours later, having been arrested for intoxication.

Third Battalion for Philippines.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 23.—The third battalion of the Eighth infantry, consisting of 262 enlisted men under command of Major C. P. Terrett, has left Fort Niagara for San Francisco enroute for the Philippines.

MORE BOMBS SHAKE GIRARD.

Efforts of Authorities To Put a Stop to the Annoyance.

Columbus, Ga., Feb. 23.—"Bomb throwing" continues to be the order of the day in Girard, Ala., just across the river from Columbus although Girard doesn't happen to be in Russia, and the motives of the anarchists are the most serious in the world.

At the same time, while the efforts of the "amateur anarchists" have been actuated by the sole desire to make a noise and scare the town, some serious results are already credited to the escapades. Mrs. Martha Rogers, the aged mother of John F. Rogers, of Girard, is in a state of nervous prostration as the result of the heavy explosion of a dynamite bomb near her residence. It was a terrific explosion, shaking windows in the three cities of Columbus, Phenix City and Girard. Mrs. Rogers' condition has been serious since the occurrence.

Marshal Floyd, of Girard, was eating supper when a bomb was discharged not far away. He rushed out and saw a man running off. He followed and was gaining on the fugitive when he unfortunately stumbled and fell. When he arose the man was some little distance away. The officer fired at him, but the bullet did not take effect.

INVENTOR LOST HIS LIFE.

Was Testing Life Saving Apparatus He Had Invented.

Chicago, Feb. 23.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Lawrenceburg, Ind., says:

"Warren Mitchell, a young inventor, lost his life when testing an apparatus which he had invented for preventing the loss of life from skating on thin ice. The device consisted of a light frame work to be fastened about the skater's body and extending three feet on each side.

"Mitchell took his contrivance to Tanners creek and while skating his foot came in contact with an obstruction and he was thrown headlong on the ice. The ice gave way and the upper part of his body went under the ice. The device about his waist hampered him so that he could not raise himself up and when taken from the water he was dead."

Lincoln Cabin Logs Removed.

New York, Feb. 23—After being stored three years in the cellar of an old mansion in College Point, the logs that formed the cabin in which Abraham Lincoln was born have been removed to a storage house in this city. They were the property of David Greer, a New York builder, who had bought them from A. W. Bennett. The latter owned the Lincoln farm and the log cabin was taken apart and sent to Buffalo for exposition during the Pan-American exposition. There are over 200 logs and a door and one shutter of the cabin window, besides a few pieces of boards.

Woman's Body Is Found.

Oisinning, N. Y., Feb. 23.—A woman's body with the head severed from the trunk has been found by the New York Central tracks near here. Both suspicion and mystery attach to the case because there was no mutilation to the body except where the neck had been severed. It is considered possible that a train killed her. She was well dressed and wore rings containing sapphires and pearls.

Firefighters Fight a Duel.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 23.—A Jackson, Tenn. dispatch says that a desperate duel was fought there late on Wednesday afternoon between E. A. Rogers and W. A. McCann members of the local fire department. McCann was wounded four times and will die of his injuries. Rogers was shot through the right breast and his condition is serious. A jealousy about a woman caused the trouble.

In Behalf of Fast Mail.

Mobile, Ala., Feb. 23.—The directors of the chamber of commerce have adopted strong resolutions urging congress not to cut out the appropriation for the fast mail to the south, citing that the returns fully justify the expenditure, and calling on representatives and senators from this state to do all in their power to retain the fast mail facilities.

YOKE OF CHINA IS GALLING TO CHINESE

Prominent Missionary Makes A Statement.

SAY REVOLUTION IS IMMINENT.

Deep Seated and Unconquerable Antipathy Toward Manchu Dynasty Is Said To Be Cause of the Brewing Revolution.

San Francisco, Feb. 23.—Dr. T. W. Ayers, who has been engaged in hospital work in North China for five years past, in connection with the Southern Baptist mission, has arrived from the Orient.

In discussing the situation in China, a subject on which he is well informed, he said: "All of the trouble now brewing in China is directly attributable to a deep-seated and unconquerable antipathy toward the government. The feeling of dissatisfaction is spreading, and to my mind a revolution is imminent. The anti-foreign feeling is merely one of the expressions of the movement, which has for its purpose the unseating of the Manchu dynasty and the establishment of a republican form of government in its stead. The boycott on American goods is an expression of the same revolutionary purpose. These things are merely the means to an end. It is a matter of interest that a month or so ago 12,000 students who returned to China in a body from the schools they had been attending in Tokio had a great many unkind things to say of the rulers of their own country.

"These students, who are members of the better classes in China, are responsible for the growth and propagation of the anti-foreign sentiment and for the boycott.

"The anti-foreign movement is not directed particularly toward the missionaries. The doctrine that is being spread abroad in the empire is that the foreigners are there to grab territory, and the Chinese can see that the missionaries are not in China to make money or grab territory."

May Reinstate Metcalf.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Yielding to representations that a careful investigation will disclose that he was innocent of wrong doing, Postmaster General Cortelyou has ordered the reopening of the case of James T. Metcalf, chief of the money order division, who was dismissed, later indicted, and the case finally nolle prossed. It was charged that Metcalf had been improperly connected with contracts for postal supplies. Mr. Metcalf may be reinstated if the investigation satisfied the postmaster general of his innocence.

Lawyer Is Held for Bribery.

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 23.—H. G. Millar, representing himself to be an attorney from Chicago, has been placed in jail here on a charge of bribery. He was representing three pickpockets arrested here during fair week last November, and offered Deputy Sheriff Cathcart $200 to get certain state witnesses out of the way. The deputy took the money and turned it over to the court with a report of the circumstances.

Refused Him Whisky.

Valparaiso, Ind., Feb. 23.—Joseph Negeskinski, a farmer, of Jackson, this county, while returning from a wedding made a demand on O. J. Sackman, at Burdick, for whisky. Being refused, he attacked him with a hammer. Sackman's injuries may result fatally. Negeskinski was brought here and placed in jail. Two men who were with him escaped.

Man Has Close Call.

Albany, Ga., Feb. 23.—Neill L. Logan, a prominent Society street resident, had about two minutes to spare when he was awakened by the roaring of flames. His dwelling was then enveloped from end to end, and, while he was in the yard drawing on his clothes, the roof fell in. Mr. Logan is deaf in one ear, which accounts for his close call.

TO ESTABLISH A PAPER MILL.

Columbus To Have a New $100,000 Industry.

Columbus, Ga., Feb. 23.—While buying six acres of land on North Highlands as a site for the $100,000 paper mill, which he and associates will establish, C. K. Hartzell also acquired 21 acres for individual holding from the North Highlands company. The land he bought includes that on which the North Highlands casino stands, and extends to the Chattahoochee Falls company's lands, embracig the greater part of the old North Highlands park property.

Whether it is used for park or manufacturing purposes, Mr. Hartzell is satisfied that he had a good thing in this tract of land. He is a hustling young Philadelphian, who came south three years ago to learn the paper mill business, and spent three years in the paper mill at Marietta, Ga., mastering the practical details of the business.

GAVE HER LIFE TO SAVE JASPER

Search Being Made for the Grave of Sally St. Clair.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 23.—A committee of the Sons of the Revolution, consisting of T. P. Ravelel, chairman; W. G. Carlton, Thomas Gamble, Jr., and W. R. Leaken, is engaged in a quest of the burial place of Sally St. Clair, the sweetheart of Sergeant William Jasper, and the Molly Pitcher of the south.

The burial place is supposed to be somewhere on the banks of the Santee river, in South Carolina, where the body was interred after her death in one of the sanguinary conflicts between Marion's men and the British.

The story goes that Sally St. Clair, who had distinguished herself as a man and enlisted in the continental force, lost her life in trying to save that of Jasper.

BLACKBURN TO STAND TRIAL.

North Carolina Congressman Indicted By the Grand Jury.

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 23.—The federal court grand jury has returned two true bills of indictment against Congressman E. Spencer Blackburn, of the eighth North Carolina district, charging him with practicing before departments at Washington, while a congressman, and receiving fees for his services.

Congressman Blackburn is accused of receiving $500 from Ace Dinkins and $100 from A. P. Davis. Each bill contains two counts.

No action looking toward the arrest of Blackburn has been taken. The bills of indictment contain several pages of typewritten sheets.

His Eyes Burned Out.

Morgantown, W. Va., Feb. 23—By the explosion of dynamite at Sturgiss, 8 miles south of this place, at the plant of the Decker's Creek Stone and Sand company, Joseph Nicholson was killed and Benton McMillan, Joseph Shaw, Solomon McKinney, James Moore, J. B. Hilling and William Rodgers were seriously injured. They were thawing the dynamite when a blast near by caused it to explode. Nicholson's both legs were blown off, and Shaw and McKinney's eyes were burned out. McMillan cannot recover.

Will Hold Summer School.

Knoxville, Tenn., Feb. 23—Formal announcement is made that the fifth annual session of the summer school of the south will be held at the university of Tennessee, this city, July 19 to 27, inclusive. This school was originally established here under the auspices of the general education board. It is attended by more than 2,000 teachers from all parts of the south.

Fatal Coffee Grain.

Danville, Ky., Feb 23.—A grain of coffee killed the infant son of David N. E[illegible] merchant of Parksville. The child had been treated for pneumonia, but a post mortem showed an erroneous diagnosis.

Guilty of Murder.

London, Ky., Feb 23.—The jury has brought in a verdict of life imprisonment against Elmer Taylor for killing Joseph Monroe at Beast Bernstadt last summer. Both were negroes.

$100,000,000 FOR SHOOTING CHINK PRIDE

Hull Accuses Rockhill Of Offering Bribe For Peace.

BETTER BUILD MORE WARSHIPS

Says He Acted "Injudiciously" in Intimating that Boxer Indemnity Will Be Returned If the Celestials Are Good at This Time.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Chairman Hull, of the military affairs committee, in presenting the army appropriation bill to the house urged the necessity of complete preparedness as to our army and navy for trouble in the Orient. He declared that any nation not prepared to defend its position in China might as well haul down its flag and quit the Pacific.

Speeches on tariff, immigration and the Payne customs houses bills, consumed the balance of the day. Mr. Hopkins, of Kentucky, uncovered many methods of inducing immigration to the United States, much of which he declared to be decidedly undesirable.

Calls Rockhill "Injudicious."

Mr. Hull had read a newspaper dispatch from Pekin, which had been sent him from the Orient, and which he vouched for as entirely accurate, which gave an amount of an interview between Minister Rockhill and Mr. Na Tung, president of the waiwupu. Mr. Rockhill reminded the Chinese official that the United States intended to return the 20,000,000 pounds sterling, its part of the Boxer indemnity.

Mr. Hull characterized these utterances on the part of Mr. Rockhill as "injudicious."

"I do not believe that the representative of this government had a proper conception of the character of the Chinese people," continued Mr. Hull, "when he offered them a bribe of 20,000,000 pounds sterling, or whatever the United States' share of the Chinese indemnity may have been, to be good."

"They are a people," he said, "that in my judgment would take any such offer as that as an indication of our being rather more afraid of them than otherwise, and it seems to me that a man ocupying his position should have let whatever information that was necessary, come from the government of the United States direct and not have given it to the newspapers."

Against Returning Indemnity.

Mr. Hull said he had been informed extensively of the Chinese situation. He read a lengthy letter, the author of which he declined to divulge, which rebutted the idea that Japan was causing trouble in China. Mr. Hull indorsed this view and also the proposition in the letter that the Boxer indemnity ought rather to be used to build battleships for the United States than be returned to China.

Mr. Hull pointed out that it was decidedly to the interest of Japan to preserve order in China in order to retain her markets in that country; China he said was passing through a transition from ancient to modern civilization, "and while that is going on every government that has business relations with her must be ready to protect themselves or else pull down their flag and leave the Pacific ocean and [illegible]stroy their trade."

Raisin Corner Failed.

Fresno, Cal., Feb. 23—At a meeting of the Central California Raisin Growers' company the dealers voted to disband the company and to return to the growers the half cent a pound held out for the purchase of packing houses. This year the price of raisins was fixed at too high a rate, and the dried fruit failed to sell. The Mercantile company, of San Fancisco, finally took over the whole crop at three cents a pound.

Fifteen Were Killed.

Walsenburg, Col., Feb. 23.—The official list of dead as a result of the explosion in the Maitland mine of the Victor Fuel company, is given out as fifteen. Fourteen bodies have been brought to the surface and one remains in the mine.