

## MAN AND GIRL DIE; MYSTERY IN NOTES

### Walla Walla Hotel Is Scene of Tragedy.

## POISON AND REVOLVER USED

### Couple Are Student, 18, and Marriage Relative, 50.

## CORONER'S INQUEST IS ON

### Cause of Young Woman's Death Not Fully Determined—Demise of Pair Makes Third by Violence in 24 Hours.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., April 10.—(Special.)—The result either of a murder and suicide or a double suicide, the bodies of Mary Hawn, 18, and C. M. Frazier, 50, were found on a bed in a room in the Grand Hotel this evening. Both were fully dressed, except that the man had removed his coat. The man's head was at the foot of the bed, the girl's at the head. Coroner Cookerly estimated they had been dead 12 hours.

It is supposed that the girl's death was due to poisoning, as some small capsules containing a white powder were found near, though marks on the neck may show strangulation. The girl's face was not distorted, however. The man used a revolver on himself, muffled the report with a blanket. Considerable time elapsed after death before the bodies were discovered.

## Families Are Related.

A daughter of the man married the girl's father several years ago, after the death of the girl's mother, making him the girl's step-grandfather. The girl's home is in Tappan, and she had been attending St. Vincent's Academy here. The man is said to be a traveling man, though he looks more like a retired farmer. He had been at the hotel two weeks. He is supposed to be from the central part of the state.

## Two Notes Were Left. There is a Mystery in This, Both Being in the Same Handwriting.

The girl's simply said: "Notty Mrs. Nellie Hebbis, 410 South Tappan avenue, Tappan, Wash." The man's said: "Dear Daughter: This is to say good-bye. I hate to do this, but am powerless to prevent it. You will find my papers in my satchel. May God forgive."

Papers found in his valise showed he owned a restaurant in Prosser and some stock in a Wendell, Idaho, mine. Inspection of the satchel's contents tonight showed the papers were relative to his business affairs, and a mutual benefit policy for \$1500 from United States Railway Mail Service; \$500 of the sum was to go to the girl and the balance to his daughter. The correspondence showed that he had planned to transfer it all to the girl.

## Long Walks Taken.

The man and the girl have been in the habit of taking long walks together.

He has been paying for her tuition at St. Vincent's Academy and has visited her frequently.

The girl left the academy yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock and did not return.

The discovery was made about 3:30 this afternoon by the chambermaid. She was sent up from the office to learn if Miss Hawn was in the room, an inquiry having come from St. Vincent's Academy because of the girl's nonappearance. The man had been in the habit of sleeping until about noon, or later.

A coroner's jury was called for tonight and adjourned till tomorrow morning. An autopsy will be performed on the girl tonight to determine the cause of death.

The girl's father is L. O. Hawn, who lives at Ellensburg. He has been notified, and is expected to arrive tomorrow.

This is the third violent death here in 24 hours. Alice Welles committed suicide last night by taking carbolic acid. She left a note, but gave no reason for the act.

## TURKS REPULSE BRITISH

### Attack on Lines at Tigris River Falls to Break Through.

LONDON, April 10.—Lieutenant-General Sir Percy Lake, commander of the British forces in Mesopotamia, reports that the British attack on the Turkish position at Sannayat, on the Tigris River just below Kut-ul-Amara, failed to break through the Turkish lines. The report says the operations were much hampered by floods, which are extending.

## LA FOLLETTE HAS 15 VOTES

### Majority of Wisconsin Delegates Instructed for Him.

MILWAUKEE, April 10.—The list of La Follette delegates to the Republican National Convention was increased today when the official count of the Second District showed that both La Follette delegates were elected instead of one. The latest figures now show that La Follette will have 15 delegates from Wisconsin and Governor Philipp 11.

## MINES AND SHELLS BESET NORWEGIAN

### CAPTAIN OF SAILING SHIP DEFIES BRITISH CRUISER.

### Order to Stop in Dangerous Part of Sea Disregarded Despite Four Shots From Warship.

NEW YORK, April 10.—The Brablock, a Norwegian sailing vessel, which arrived today from Kolding, Denmark, reported escaping from a choice of destruction in seven floating mines and guns of a British cruiser when she was beating through the passage between the Orkney Islands and Scotland.

When off the coast of Scotland the Brablock encountered winds so heavy that she was driven into the Orkney passages, which, unknown to her captain, are mined and closed to all but naval vessels.

When half way through a British cruiser ordered the ship to lay to. Being at the helm of a "windjammer" and a gale blowing, the captain declined to maneuver in the dangerous waters.

Four shots from the cruiser still failed to convince him that he was in more danger from the cannon than from the mines and he kept on. It was not until he reached open waters that he hoisted to and received a boat from the pursuing cruiser.

The naval officer threatened to take the Brablock into a prize court, but when the captain convinced him that the ship was in ballast and bound for New York for a munitions cargo for England he allowed her to proceed.

## INSULT TO FLAG PROBED

### Labor Official Accused of Shouting: "Down With Stars and Stripes!"

NEW YORK, April 10.—Mayor Mitchell today requested President William G. Wilcox, of the Board of Education, to investigate an alleged insult to the American flag at a meeting held here last night in the Washington Irving High School. Pointing out the state law covering such offenses, the Mayor said:

"It seems to me unpeppering that there should be heard in a public school in this city such utterances as I understand were made."

The speaker to whom the alleged insult was attributed was James H. Maurer, president of the Pennsylvania State Federation of Labor. In opposing the proposed establishment of a state constabulary in New York, he was quoted as having shouted: "Down with the Stars and Stripes!"

## LAKE PORTS ICE-BOUND

### 100,000,000 Tons of Iron Ore and Grain Await Shipment.

CLEVELAND, April 10.—Backwardness in the opening of the navigation season, together with great increase in demand, has caused a congestion of freight in Lake ports amounting to 100,000,000 tons of iron ore and grain, according to a statement issued by the Lake Carriers' Association.

The weather continues to hold the ice in Upper Lake ports and it probably will be May 1 before navigation really is under way, says the statement.

## VOTE FOR WILSON GAINS

### Milwaukee Total 10,000 More Than for Clark and Wilson, 1916.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 10.—President Wilson polled a Presidential candidate at the recent primary election 21,299 votes in Milwaukee County, with several precincts still missing. This, compared with four years ago, shows that President Wilson received practically 10,000 more votes in Milwaukee County than was polled for both himself and Speaker Clark in 1912, when the total was 14,961.

## DEFENSE FOLK USE DODO

### Emblem of Extinct Bird Portrays "Defenselessness."

CHICAGO, April 10.—A wood and papier mache figure of a dodo, emblem of defenseless, carried on a ponderous motortruck, was drawn through the downtown streets of Chicago today.

It was the answer of preparedness advocates to a demonstration of last Saturday, when a huge figure of a dinosaur labeled "all armor and no brains," was paraded through the streets by anti-preparedness forces.

## CIVILIANS TO HAVE CAMP

### Applications for Enrollment Pour In to General Wood.

PORT TERRY, N. Y., April 10.—A civilian military encampment on lines similar to the Plattsburg camp, it was learned today, will be held here during July. It is expected that between 500 and 1500 men will be in quarters during that period. Many applications for enrollment, it is said, have been made already to Major-General Leonard Wood.

## HYDE CASE IS REOPENED

### State Files New Poisoning Charge to Prevent Dismissal.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 10.—A new information charging Dr. B. Clarke Hyde, of Kansas City, with poisoning Colonel Thomas H. Swope, millionaire philanthropist, by strychnine and cyanide of potassium, was filed by the Prosecuting Attorney today. The new information was made necessary by motions for the defense, who sought to quash further prosecution.

## T. R. "PERNICIOUS" DECLARIES BARNES

### Candidacy Is Described as Periodical.

## SUPPORT WILL NOT BE GIVEN

### Sporadic Support Ascribed to Declarations for Defense.

## BOSTON REPORT DENIED

### Statement Calls Attention to Simultaneous Appearance at Boston of Mr. Roosevelt and Story of New York's Fealty.

NEW YORK, April 10.—(Special.)—The enmity between William Barnes and Colonel Roosevelt that began in 1910 over the Republican gubernatorial nomination and has continued with increasing bitterness on both sides ever since is not going to be patched up this year. Mr. Barnes emphasized that fact today when he issued a statement denying there was any truth in a report from Boston that at a recent Harvard dinner he had said there was a possibility of the Colonel's obtaining the Republican nomination this year and that he would be prepared to support him for election.

Mr. Barnes hinted there was a connection between appearance of this story from Boston and Mr. Roosevelt's appearance in that city.

## T. R. Called Pernicious.

The very idea of his recognizing the likelihood of the Colonel's nomination and that he would support him in this event Mr. Barnes described as a characteristic slander upon his knowledge of political conditions as well as upon his character. He went still further and made this comment on the Colonel: "Mr. Roosevelt is an enemy of the American Republic and the most pernicious influence in this country upon the public mind—not even excepting Mr. Bryan."

Mr. Barnes issued the following statement: "This year the periodical candidacy of Mr. Roosevelt for President of the United States is based upon 'appeal' and such sporadic support as he is receiving comes from his declaration in behalf of proper National defense.

## Rights of Others Ignored Is Charge.

"Mr. Roosevelt is not responsible for any natural phenomenon nor has he a patent on the obvious. That this country should be properly defended—as it is not defended now—is not open to debate.

"There is a principle of Americanism, however, which is foreign to Mr. Roosevelt."

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## MRS. JOE HOWARD COMMITS SUICIDE

### ACTOR-WRITER'S BRIDE OF 4 WEEKS SHOOTS SELF.

### Hotel in Omaha Is Scene of Tragedy. Following Nervous Attack. Father Is Millionaire.

OMAHA, Neb., April 10.—Mrs. Joseph E. Howard, daughter of Michael Killgallon, millionaire steel magnate of Chicago, and wife of Joseph E. Howard, actor and writer of popular songs, committed suicide by shooting at a local hotel tonight. An actress, Mrs. Howard was with her at the time, said Mrs. Howard was temporarily demented.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard were married in Los Angeles four weeks ago. In Omaha today she saw her husband for the second time since her marriage. Mrs. Howard was described as being nervous. She told him she intended to leave for Chicago in the afternoon, but later changed her mind.

Two weeks ago Mrs. Howard telegraphed her father to meet her in Salt Lake City. The father complied, but it is reported did not see his son-in-law.

Joe Howard monopolized the spotlight in Portland about two months ago when he was made the defendant in a sensational breach of promise suit brought by Mrs. Edna Witherspoon, of 7402 Fifty-sixth street Southeast. He was playing at the Orpheum Theater at the time.

Mrs. Witherspoon, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Reiman, contended that Howard had failed to keep his promise to marry her, so she asked \$50,000 damages.

Howard did not seem to take the suit seriously. He admitted that he had promised to marry Mrs. Witherspoon. He insisted he was not in earnest. He left town without even filing an answer to the suit.

He allowed it to come to trial by default. Mrs. Witherspoon, on March 22, obtained judgment for \$6823.

## RELIGION HELD TOO CHEAP

### God Gets Part of Surplus After Disposition, Says Minister.

NEW YORK, April 10.—"New York spends \$1,000,000 a day in dissipation and the Nation \$300,000,000 a year for moving pictures, but our religion is not costing us enough," declared the Rev. W. A. R. Goodwin, of Rochester, N. Y., at the New York convention of the Laymen's Missionary Movement here tonight.

"We give God a part of what we have left after we have amply provided for ourselves," he added.

## UNFILLED ORDERS BIG

### Record for March Greatest in History of Steel Corporation.

NEW YORK, April 10.—The monthly statement of unfilled orders of the United States Steel Corporation, issued today, again broke all records. The orders booked on March 31 at 9,231,001 tons, an increase of 762,035 tons over February 29, when they were 8,568,966 tons, the previous high record.

## GERMANS IN MASS ATTACK ARE MOWED

### Assault by 80,000 Ends 100 Yards From Foe.

## HALF FALL IN VERDUN BATTLE

### Three Attempts Made on 10-Mile Front; One Point Taken.

## 2 CORPS, IN ALL, ENGAGED

### Onslaught Is Most Determined and Results Are Less Than Any of 50-Day Battle, Says Paris. French Are Encouraged.

PARIS, April 10.—Abandoning the new open formation and the lately established practice of night attack, the Germans yesterday engaged two army corps (80,000 men) in dense masses against the French positions northwest of Verdun, between Avocourt and Cumières.

Twice they were obliged to fall up the gaps in their ranks, but none of their three onslaughts shook the French line, which had been considerably strengthened by the withdrawal of forces from the dangerously exposed salient to commanding positions behind the village.

Two fresh divisions attacked Dead Man's Hill while the assault was in progress on the Bethincourt line, other forces at the same time trying to slip through the ravine near Cumières.

## Action Proves Unsuccessful.

To aid the maneuver, an attack was simultaneously made on the east bank of the Meuse in the region of Champenouville-Vacheraville. The few hundred men who had succeeded in penetrating the ravine were left on the field after the action proved unsuccessful.

A third attack at the same time was delivered on a position strongly organized by the French northwest of Avocourt, the object seemingly to be

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## CITIZENSHIP CHANGE CAUSES ODD TANGLE

### WIFE OF ALIEN ACTS AS REGISTRAR AT BARLOW.

### New Official Named When Facts Are Discovered—Voters Must Re-register—Situation New One.

OREGON CITY, Or., April 10.—(Special.)—The twice-changed citizenship of W. F. White, of Barlow, has resulted in an entirely new kind of registration tangle affecting 80 voters of that town. County Clerk Iva Harrington made a trip to Barlow today to straighten out the mess.

Mr. White was born in England, and was naturalized here many years ago. Later he spent seven years in Canada, where he took a part in Canadian politics and brought back from the Canadian government. He was not aware of the fact that his activity in the dominion in the north had revoked his citizenship in the United States, he said today.

When the time came to appoint registrars throughout the county, Clerk Harrington named Mrs. A. M. White, his wife as registrar. Mr. White produced his naturalization papers as registered, believing that he was a full citizen. Mrs. White, acting in good faith, proceeded with duties as registrar and enrolled the names of 80 voters on the poll records.

Saturday Clerk Harrington heard of Mr. White's residence in Canada and of his loss of citizenship through his activities there. She appointed George Berg registrar to take the place of Mrs. White today, and it will be necessary to re-register all the voters in the precinct.

## INTERNED SHIPS MAY SAIL

### Britain to Consider Permitting Neutral Use of Germans.

LONDON, April 10.—Any proposals put forward by neutral governments with the idea of obtaining immunity from capture for vessels owned in nations at war with Great Britain and placed in service by neutrals will receive careful consideration from the British government.

The War Trade Minister, Lord Robert Cecil, made this statement today in response to a question in the House of Commons. He said the government considered the question of employment of vessels belonging to hostile nations and sheltered in neutral ports was a matter for neutral governments to decide.

## OUTLAW REPORTED AT BAY

### Fugitive From Auburn, Cal., Said to Be Surrounded by posse.

AUBURN, Cal., April 10.—James Cox, who fled from Auburn yesterday, with his brother, Roy, after the shooting wounding Constable F. H. Denebender, was reported tonight surrounded at Truckee, Cal., by a crowd of more than 100 persons.

Constable Denebender was near death tonight. A Sheriff's posse of 100 men, led by a pack of bloodhounds, was on the trail of the Cox brothers.

## ASSASSINS THROW BOMBS

### Amoy, China, Police Chief Is Target but He Escapes.

AMOY, China, April 10.—An attempt was made today to assassinate the chief of the military police. A bomb thrown through a window of his residence damaged the building badly, but no one was injured. The assassins escaped.

The United States cruiser Cincinnati arrived here today.

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