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## SEATTLE'S EX-CHIEF OF POLICE KILLED

W. L. Meredith Shot Down by John W. Considine.

MET IN A DRUG STORE

Both Men Were Armed and Three Bullets Pierced Meredith's Body—Were Mortal Enemies for About Three Years—Considine Arrested.

SEATTLE, June 25.—At 3:25 o'clock this afternoon, John W. Considine, one of the proprietors of the Standard ambling house and the Peoples theater, in this city, shot and killed ex-Chief of Police W. L. Meredith. The shooting occurred in Guy's drug store on the corner of Second avenue and Yelder Way, in the heart of the city. Considine was also wounded slightly in the head by a ball from a double barreled shot gun in Meredith's hands.

The stories of the shooting are conflicting and it cannot yet be said who was the aggressor. The men had threatened to shoot one another on sight, and were both prepared for trouble. The drug store at the time of the shooting was crowded with people and one bystander was shot through the arm by a stray bullet.

Meredith was killed while struggling with John Considine and Tom Considine who had come to his brother's aid. Three bullets from Considine's revolver fired at short range pierced Meredith's body, one in the head, another in the chest and another in the abdomen.

Considine was at once arrested by Sheriff Cuddehe and two police officers, who were in the drug store when the fatal shots were fired. He was taken to police headquarters and from there transferred to the county jail in a closed carriage to avert lynching, of which there was some talk in the great crowd which gathered about the scene of the shooting.

Considine and Meredith had been mortal enemies for about three years, although they were prior to that time warm personal friends and associated together in the theatrical business in Spokane.

Meredith, who resigned his office last Saturday on account of pressure brought to bear upon him by Mayor Humes, was city detective before being made chief. While in the subordinate position he and Considine never spoke, but avoided an open battle.

After Meredith was made chief, however, he served notice on Considine that the latter could not remain in the city and do business and followed up the threat by making several police orders which affected Considine's business. In retaliation Considine publicly made charges of corruption in office against Meredith and reiterated them until the law and order league took the matter up and called for a council of investigation of the police department.

The council committee investigated and last Friday night made a report to Mayor Humes, advising the removal of Meredith and one of his detectives, C. W. Wappenstein. Mayor Humes, therefore, requested Meredith's resignation.

## HANCOCK SAILS FOR MANILA

Distinguished Party on Board—Sanger's Telegram to Shafter.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 25.—The transport Hancock sailed for Manila today with a distinguished party on board. The party was composed of General Henry C. Corbin, adjutant general of the United States army; General Geo. M. Sternberg, surgeon general of the army; General Chambers F. McKibben, who will join General Chaffee's staff in the Philippines; General John F. Weston, Col. W. P. Hall, who is to succeed General Barry as adjutant general in the Philippines; Senator C. H. Dietrich, of Nebraska, and Congressman Julius Kahn, of California.

The Hancock also carried a number of school teachers and fourteen officers and 400 men composing the Second battalion, engineer corps.

## TO AVOID THE PLAGUE

WASHINGTON, June 25.—In view of a dispatch received at the war department today from General Shafter, at San Francisco, reporting four deaths from bubonic plague at Honolulu, between May 29 and June 9, Assistant Secretary Sanger has telegraphed General Shafter to confer with General Corbin and, if it is deemed desirable, to coal the Hancock so as to sail direct through to Manila.

## TRANSPORT LOGAN ARRIVES

SAN FRANCISCO, June 25.—The transport Logan arrived today from Manila with the Forty-fourth regiment, U. S. V., and six companies of the Thirty-eighth regiment. Among the passengers was Mrs. Funston, wife of General Funston.

## BRYAN NOT A CANDIDATE

Explains His Reasons in Statement in Buffalo Times.

BUFFALO, June 25.—The following over the signature of William J. Bryan appears in the Times, Norman Emack's paper, this afternoon:

"I am not only not a candidate for any office but I have no candidate in my mind for any office. My interest centers in principles and men are important only as they aid in carrying out their principles."

## PUBLICLY SJAMBOKED

Treatment Accorded Botha for Voting for Treason Bill.

## CAPE TOWN, June 25.—Jacobus Botha, member of the Cape assembly for Allwa North, has been captured by the Boers and publicly sjamboked. In addition his house was burned.

## BRYAN AT SYRACUSE

SYRACUSE, N. Y., June 25.—William J. Bryan arrived here today and left at once for Watertown. Local Democrats had expected him on the late train and none were at the station to meet him.

## COST OF BOER WAR

LONDON, June 25.—The South African war was again the subject of innumerable questions in the house of commons today. The information was elicited that the war continued to cost £1,425,000 weekly.

## EUROPEAN NATIONS WOULD COMBINE

Gigantic Commercial War Against America Looked For.

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## NASH NOMINATED FOR GOVERNOR

Ohio Republican Convention Names Full State Ticket.

FORAKER ALSO ENDORSED

Convention Breaks the Ohio Record by Completing Its Work in Three Hours—Speeches Cut Short by Chairman Hanna.

COLUMBUS, O., June 25.—The following ticket was nominated in the Republican convention today:

For governor, Geo. K. Nash. Lieutenant-governor, Carl L. Nipper. Supreme judge, J. L. Price. Attorney-general, John M. Sheets. Clerk of the supreme court, Lawson Emerson.

State treasurer, Isaac R. Cameron. Member of the board of public works, W. G. Johnson.

The Republican state convention here today broke the Ohio record by completing its work in three hours. The intense heat was prostrating and Chairman Hanna, for only cut short his own speech, but also those of others and then dispatched business with the utmost speed.

In those three hours, the convention nominated a full state ticket, adopted its declaration of principles, endorsed J. B. Foraker as the Republican candidate for re-election as United States senator, completed party organization for the campaign and transacted other business.

## FIRE IN ST. LOUIS

One Killed and Several Seriously Injured.

ST. LOUIS, June 25.—Fire broke out at 2:30 this morning in the building at 892 Morgan street, occupied on the ground floor by the J. Edwards Painting Company, and quickly spread to adjoining buildings, the upper portions of which were used as tenements. A panic seized upon the occupants when the fire broke out, and a number of them jumped from upper windows.

Mrs. Anna Zola received injuries from which she died within half an hour. Her daughter Camille's hip was dislocated, and she sustained a fracture of the skull; her son Edward was seriously injured by jumping. The loss to the buildings was nominal.

## READING STRIKE SITUATION

READING, Pa., June 25.—Not a dozen of the 1900 striking shopmen of the Philadelphia & Reading shophmen returned to work today as they had been urged to do by President Baer in his letter of Saturday. On the other hand there were some accessions to the ranks of the strikers. The situation is becoming grave and a general strike over the greater portion of the company's system is predicted.

## LEIPZIGER BANK'S LIABILITY

BERLIN, June 25.—The Lokal Anzeiger estimates the liabilities of the Leipziger bank, whose suspension was announced today, at \$5,000,000 to \$6,000,000 marks, against assets amounting to \$4,000,000 marks.

Immediately after the Leipzig failure became known there was almost a panic in banking stocks.

## SUFFERING FROM HEAT

CHICAGO, June 25.—This, the third day of sweltering heat, resulted in two deaths and eighteen prostrations. The thermometer reached 94. The indications are for several more days of hot weather.

## DELIVERS TWO LECTURES

WATERTOWN, N. Y., June 25.—W. J. Bryan delivered two lectures here today, one on the subject of "Civilization" and another on "The Conquering Nation." Admission fees were charged.

## TWO YEARS' SERVICE

PARIS, June 25.—The National army committee today decided in favor of two years' compulsory military service instead of three.

## CROKER'S FILLY WON

LONDON, June 25.—Richard Croker's black filly Sweet Dixie (L. Reiff) won the Gatwick selling handicap of £500 today.

## NATIONAL BANK CLOSED

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., June 25.—The Fynchon National bank did not open for business today.

## SILVER MARKET

NEW YORK, June 25.—Silver, 59 1/2.