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YOUTH HELD FOR MURDER

HEINOUS CRIME COMMITTED IN NEW YORK

TYPEWRITER GIRL MURDERED
LARGELY CHOKED TO DEATH

Youngster believed to head white slave trading gang held for trial—Detectives probing into the matter Girl lured to his flat and choked and later burned—Crime heinous in the extreme

New York, March 23.—Albert Wolter, accused of strangling to death and burning Ruth Wheeler a little stenographer girl in his flat, was today held by Coroner Haulthausen, without bail on the charge of murder to answer to the grand jury.

Wolter reiterated his denial of any knowledge of the girl. The police are endeavoring to prove that Wolter is guilty of a number of revolting crimes and that he headed a "White Slave" gang and kept a list of young girls. Detectives are trying to locate these girls.

The murder of Miss Wheeler who was lured to the boy's flat on a pretext of employment, was one of the most brutal on record in New York.

Katchen Mueller, a young woman living with Wolter, made a confession today as follows: "About midnight Thursday I was awakened by a crash in the front room and called

out asking who it was. Albert answered telling me a part of the fireplace had fallen in and he was fixing it. About 3 in the morning another noise awakened me. I went into the front room and found Albert shoving something into the grate. I offered to help him but he ordered me to bed. He said if I did not go he would choke me to death. I went."

MOB THREATS.

Violence threatened against accused murderers

Watska, Ill., March 23.—Threats of mob violence against Mrs. J. B. Saylor, John Gruden and Dr. William Miller, jointly charged with the murder of Banker Saylor, was reported to the authorities today and special guards have been placed around the court room. The defence began today.

King Menelle Dead Again

Rome, March 23.—The death of King Menelle is reported in today's dispatches from Abyssinia. Menelle's death has been reported falsely so many times that the report today occasioned no surprise and little interest.

WANT ROOSEVELT.

To become general advisor for the Chinese government

Tokio, March 23.—A rumor current among attaches of foreign offices here today is that the Chinese government is contemplating asking Roosevelt to become general advisor to China. Roosevelt is to be asked, according to reports, to consider the needs of the Chinese empire and to make recommendation, not only for reforms within the empire but in guiding it in relation with other nations.

WISDOM CASE GIVEN JURY

SECOND PERJURY CASE IS COMMENCED.

OPEN FISHING SEASON BEGINS ON APRIL FIRST

Wisdom case, charging perjury, goes to jury at two o'clock this afternoon—Defendant confident through out the trial—Fishing season for trout begins on April Fool's Day this year.

After the state had called 11 witnesses and the defence six, attorneys in the case of the State of Oregon vs. Fred Wisdom summed up the evidence before the jury, and after the usual instruction by the Court, the jury retired at about two o'clock. Throughout the trial, which consumed the greater part of two days, the prisoner has maintained a jaunty and interested air. He seems confident of acquittal.

It is expected that jury will return a verdict after short deliberation.

New Perjury Case on

After a recess of five minutes following the retirement of the jury which heard the Wisdom perjury case court was called again and the empanelling of a jury to hear the Chandler perjury case began at once.

Chandler is charged with perjury

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ROOSEVELT TALKS BOLDLY

DISREGARDS PLEADINGS TO LET POLITICS ALONE

BOLDLY ATTACKS ASSASSINATION OF PROMINENT OFFICIAL

Notwithstanding that one of Nationalists prompted hundreds to ask Roosevelt to let Egyptian politics alone, he denounces the recent assassination and advises natives on government matters.

Cairo, March 23.—Disregarding the warning of the Nationalists, Colonel Roosevelt in an address before the University of Egypt today took a decided stand for law enforcement, denouncing the assassination of Premier Pasha so vigorously that it surprised those knowing his fearless reputation. The Colonel was roundly applauded.

The nearest Roosevelt came to repeating the statement in his address at Khartoum in which he said the English rule in Egypt was beneficial occurred when he said "It will not make people self-governing merely to give them a constitution. There must first be a training of the people to fit them for a constitution. This is usually a slow though steady development."

Roosevelt had been warned by hundreds, officials and non-officials, to desist from mentioning this matter. His recent speech to that effect stirred up the natives to such an extent that there was general alarm for his bodily safety.

Referring to the assassination of Premier Boutros Pasha, Roosevelt said: "The assassination was a greater calamity than any wrong of the assassin's victim. He was severely arraigned by all persons who directly or indirectly encouraged the assassination or who defended the crime afterward." At the conclusion of the speech the University conferred the degree of Doctor of Laws upon the former president. Mr. Roosevelt had luncheon with Mr. Watson, head of the American mission here and this afternoon attended the dedication of the American Girls' Mission School.

MANY JOIN CHURCH

Rev. Gillman reports good work progressing at Summerville

Dr. J. D. Gillman came in from Summerville today and reports that there have been 130 conversions in that little city during the course of the revival meetings now being held there.

There have been 86 baptisms and 105 accessions to the Methodist church and the glorious work still continues.

FAVOR HARMON

Democrat leaders favor Gov. of Ohio for their leader

Hot Springs, Ark., March 23.—The friends of Gov. Harmon of Ohio, declare that he should receive the nomination for president at the next national convention, following a conference between leaders of the party here who practically agreed that Harmon is the man to make the run.

Aetna Breaks Out Again
Cantania, March 23.—After twenty-four hours of inactivity, a violent eruption occurred at Mount Aetna late this afternoon. The lava is flowing through the village of San Leo. Villagers have fled and it is feared the place will be destroyed.

Teddy Planning Something
Washington, March 23.—The story of Roosevelt's "Putting the House in Order," so as to be hampered if he should decide to not endorse the Taft administration, created comment here today. The story is based on the statement of congressman Longworth who has refused to serve on the congressional committee in response to a letter from Roosevelt stating he hoped the family would not be placed in a position which would make it embarrassing for him later.

Two Hundred and Fifty Burned
Matschka, March 23.—Two hundred and fifty people were killed in a fire which destroyed the village inn at Oskoeville while a dance was in progress there, according to advice received here today. The building was of wood and the fire spread with great rapidity. A panic ensued and the dancers crowded the doors, cutting off escape.

Youngster of six saves the Czar's palace to join the navy.

St. Petersburg, March 23.—It was learned today that the Czarovitch, the six year old son of the Czar, ran away from home Tuesday with the view of making a ship and becoming a sailor boy. The boy made his way from the palace and was walking alone on the public road when intercepted by a woman and returned. A general alarm had been given and it was feared the boy had been kidnapped by Nationalists.

BOY'S FUNERAL TODAY

The funeral of Pearl Rollins, the little boy who died Saturday night at the hospital from injuries received from an explosion of giant powder, was held from the Baptist church at 2 p. m., today, Rev. F. E. Gray preaching the funeral sermon. Interment will be in the Odd Fellow's cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollins formerly lived in La Grande and the sympathy of many friends here goes out to them in their sad bereavement.

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WISDOM CASE

In connection with a burglary case tried last spring.

Two convicts are here from Salem to testify for the prosecution.

Cochran & Cochran are defending Chandler.

Open Season Soon.

The open season for trout begins April first, except in the lakes of Baker county, and the call for anglers' licenses indicates that there will be plenty of disciples of the esteemed I. Walton out to try their luck.

The fish story is as ancient as the tale of Jonah's remarkable experience with the whale, and it is interesting to note that the season begins on "All Fool's Day."

Copies of the points of law involved are printed on the backs of the licenses, so that all who fish can be within the law.

8 GUNNERS MEET DEATH

CRUISER CHARLESTON SCENE OF ACCIDENT

OFFICIAL COURT OF INQUIRY PROBES EXPLOSION DETAILS

Cruiser is now in Asiatic waters—

Scene of explosion that was fatal to eight—Men were at target practice when explosion occurred—Firing pin may have jammed, causing the disaster.

Washington, March 23.—Eight men were killed by an explosion on the cruiser Charleston at Olangape yesterday, according to dispatches received at the Navy Department today.

The vessel was at target practice when the accident occurred.

A breech plug on a three inch gun blew out, killing a greater number of the gun crew. The dead are Jno. McKee, master-at-arms; Walter Amstedt, Henry Peater, Leo Renner, Harry Reeves, Graden Ralph Berkman, Maxie Bernard and Edward Albert Moulton.

The men were buried at Cavite and a report of the accident made to the Department by Commander in Chief Hubbard of the Asiatic Fleet. An official court of inquiry has been ordered to investigate the circumstances surrounding the accident.

Hubbard expresses a belief that the explosion was the result of the premature discharge of a gun and was probably caused by the firing pin becoming jammed.

The Charleston has been in Portland during the last two Rose Festivals, and many from La Grande are familiar with the ship.

VEVUSIOUS IN ACTION
Napes, March 23.—Five fissures near the central crater of Mount Vevusious opened today with a terrific roar. A great volume of smoke is pouring from the vents but the first eruption is not accompanied by a lava flow. Scientists believe the activity of Vevusious is caused by a inhabitants of towns near Vevusious are preparing to flee.

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