



## MYSTERY DEEP IN BRACKETT CASE

### Midnight Shooting Is Baffling Police.

## VICTIM NAMES TWO MEN

### Says That J. M. Main and Louis Quimby Attacked Him.

## ALIBIS CLAIMED FOR BOTH

### Story That They Were Out of Town Is Partially Substantiated—Mrs. R. M. Brown, Woman in Case, Fails to Explain It.

**PRINCIPALS IN THE BRACKETT MYSTERY.**  
R. F. Brackett—Declarer he was shot by one of two men, John M. Main or Louis Quimby, friends of Mrs. R. M. Brown.  
John M. Main—Declarer he was in Ashland from Tuesday night until yesterday and that he is not a rival of Brackett.  
Mrs. R. M. Brown—Says she knows no motive for the shooting; was a companion of Brackett on Wednesday night before the shooting.  
Mrs. R. F. Brackett—Cannot explain the mystery, nor is she concerned about it. Her only hope is for the recovery of her husband.  
Louis Quimby—Reported to be out of the city with his wife, visiting the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition.

## CRANE PICKED FOR CHINESE MINISTER

### PROMINENT CHICAGOAN WILL BE GOOD MAN IN OFFICE.

### President Much Pleased at Acceptance of Noted Business Man and Student.

WASHINGTON, July 15.—(Special.)—Charles R. Crane, of Chicago, vice-president of the Crane Company, has been chosen by President Taft to represent the United States as Minister to China, succeeding W. W. Rockhill, who was taken from China to be Ambassador to Russia. It is understood that Mr. Crane has announced his willingness to accept, and that his appointment awaits the exchange of usual preliminary formalities between the two countries.  
The Chinese mission, under a policy with regard to Oriental affairs already inaugurated by the present Administration, will be one of the most important posts in the diplomatic service. President Taft has experienced much difficulty in finding the right man for the place. He believes he has just the person in Mr. Crane, who not only stands high in the business world, but has made an exhaustive study of international politics.

## SON MAKES DE SAGAN GLAD

### Continuance of Prince's Title Now Assured, Along with Fortune.

PARIS, July 15.—A son was born today to the Princess de Sagan, who was Miss Anna Gould, of New York.  
Prince Helle de Sagan and Mme. Gould were married July 7, 1908, after her divorce from Count Boni de Castellane.  
Prince Helle de Sagan expressed great satisfaction, as the birth of a son not only secures the succession of the Sagan title, but means a Sagan heir presumptive to share the fortune of Princess de Sagan with her three children by her previous marriage with Count Boni de Castellane.  
The life of the Prince and Princess recently has been described by friends as exceedingly happy.

## MAN HIT BY TRAIN DIES

### Lee E. Neally Struck by Engine While Crossing S. P. Track.

OREGON CITY, Or., July 15.—(Special.)—Lee E. Neally, of Clackamas, was hit by a freight train near Park street at 11:30 o'clock this morning. He was 50 years old and was formerly a railway engineer. For the past few months he had been doing carpenter work for a man named Case.  
A physician was called, but the injuries were fatal, Neally dying a few minutes before 1 o'clock this morning. He was 50 years old and was formerly a railway engineer. For the past few months he had been doing carpenter work for a man named Case.

## TAFT FAVORS CANAL BONDS

### After Conference with Treasury Officials Puts It Up to Congress.

WASHINGTON, July 15.—At a conference between President Taft, Senator Aldrich, Chairman Payne and Treasury officials today it was decided to ask Congress to authorize a bond issue to the extent of the latest estimate of the cost of the Panama Canal, the proposed issue to bear 4 per cent interest.  
The Goethals estimate of \$27,000,000 as the cost of the canal will be used as a basis for the issue. The existing canal bond limit is \$30,000,000, of which \$26,000,000 is out.

## BABY'S MOUTH SEWED UP

### Californian Arrested for Cruelty to His 13-Month-Old Child.

FRESNO, Cal., July 15.—E. A. Liebscher, of Sonoma, Cal., was arrested this evening on a charge of cruelty to his 13-month-old baby.  
To stop the infant from sucking its lips it is alleged that Liebscher pierced the child's tongue with a needle and sewed a button on either side. When arrested the man was carrying the baby in a barley sack, but the buttons had been removed from the tongue.

## TAVERN KEEPER SELLS OUT

### John D.'s "Enemy" Gets Rid of His Stock and Fixtures.

TARRYTOWN, N. Y., July 15.—John D. Rockefeller, long fight to rid the road just outside the entrance to his estate at Pocantico Hills of John McJannet's tavern, ended today when the stock and fixtures of the old roadhouse were sold at auction.  
For several years the oil king tried in vain to buy out the tavern-keeper, who now says he has made all the money he wants, and retires voluntarily.

## HUNTING NEAR NAIVASHA

### Roosevelt at Attenborough Ranch.

ATTENBOROUGH RANCH, B. E. A., July 14, 7 P. M., by Courier to Naivasha, July 15.—The members of the Roosevelt party are continuing their hunting trips from the ranch of Captain Richard Attenborough, which is 25 miles from Naivasha, on the south shore of Lake Naivasha.  
Kermit Roosevelt yesterday shot a cow hippopotamus.

## SMALL HOPE FOR \$1.50 LUMBER TAX

### Only One of Conferees Is Interested.

## HOUSE STANDS FOR \$1 RATE

### May Yield if Southern Senators Filibuster.

## HOT CONTEST ASSURED

### Senate and House Will Each Hold Out for Own Rate—Only Fear of Long Session Can Secure Victory for Senate.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 15.—The make-up of the committee on conference that is now handling the tariff bill, endeavoring to compromise the differences between the House and Senate bills, is not such as to inspire confidence in the hearts of those Senators and Representatives who favor the Senate duty on rough lumber, \$1.50 per 1000 feet. It may be that that rate will be retained, but there is only one Republican on the conference committee who is directly interested in the lumber schedule, and that man is handicapped because he is a big lumberman.  
**Only One Has Direct Interest.**  
Of the Senate conferees, not one has any direct interest in the tariff on lumber. Aldrich, Rhode Island; Burrows, Michigan; Penrose, Pennsylvania; Hale, Maine; and Cullom, Illinois, represent states that care far more about cheap lumber than they do about high protection for the American lumberman. A few years ago Burrows might have been somewhat concerned, but now his interest is secondary. On the House side, Payne, New York; Dalsell, Pennsylvania; McCall, Massachusetts; Boutwell, Illinois; Calderhead, Kansas; and Fordney, Michigan, are the conferees, and Fordney is the only enthusiastic advocate of a high tariff on lumber, for he owns fabulous quantities of timber land and operates a number of lumber mills.  
**House Stands for \$1 Rate.**  
It will be the contention of the House members that the duty on rough lumber must be reduced \$1, the rate fixed by the House in the Payne bill. They will insist that the House will not stand for \$1.50, and will point to the fact that it was only by a narrow margin that the House rejected a free lumber amendment. When they furthermore explain that the majority against this amendment was only obtained by enlisting the support of members interested in free hides their argument will be the more convincing.  
There is just one ground on which the Senate may force the House to accept the \$1.50 rate, and that is the determined opposition of Southern Senators to a reduction beyond that figure. If Senators from the big lumber states of the South threaten to filibuster and prolong the session in case the conference committee accepts the House rate on lumber, then the Senate conferees may be able to persuade the House to

## LEITER HAS FIGHT WITH CONDUCTOR

### ROLLS ON FLOOR OF PULLMAN CAR WITH ANTAGONIST.

### Stranger Quiets Dethroned King of Wheat Pit With Blow Behind Ear.

WASHINGTON, July 15.—Joseph Leiter, of Chicago, is the central figure of a report circulated here today concerning a fight in a Pullman car at the Union Station shortly after midnight yesterday morning.  
Mr. and Mrs. Leiter had boarded the train according to the report, intending to embark at New York for Europe, where they will visit sisters of Mr. Leiter, the Countess of Suffolk and Mrs. Colin Campbell, when, it is said, Conductor Brightville, of the Pullman, passed through and stopped to speak to Mr. Leiter.  
Almost immediately a dispute arose and Mr. Leiter and the conductor came to blows. They rolled over the car floor, despite the efforts of other passengers to separate them. The fight is said to have ended abruptly by a passenger clad in a white flannel suit, who is alleged to have quieted Mr. Leiter with a well-directed blow behind the ear.  
Mr. Brightville is reported to have left the car, while Mr. Leiter was assisted to his seat, and a few minutes later the train pulled out, with all witnesses to the affray aboard. Mrs. Leiter was with her husband at the time.

## BATTLE RAGES IN TEHRAN STREETS

### Shah Takes Refuge in Russian Legation.

### Gossacks Ready to Give Up Fighting Continues from Tops of Houses All Day.

### PEOPLE FLEE TO CELLARS

### Fierce Battle Rages Around Camp of Nationalists—Each Party Repulsed in Assault—Legations Under Hot Fire.

TEHRAN, Persia, July 16.—(O. A. M.)—The Shah has just taken refuge in the Russian legation.  
A deputaion from the British and Russian legations is now on its way to inform the Nationalist leaders of the fact.  
TEHRAN, July 15.—Despite efforts of General Liakhoff, Military Governor of Teheran, to open negotiations with Nationalist leaders, and the agreement on both sides to cease hostilities, street fighting was in progress throughout the day between the Persian Cossacks and the Nationalists around Artillery Square and between the Royalists Bakhtiaris and the newly arrived Nationalists and revolutionary Bakhtiaris. The insurgents continued in the ascendancy, and as reinforcements are continually reaching them, the outcome in their favor appears certain.  
**Negotiations for Peace.**  
The control of the Royalist troops really has passed from the hands of the Shah into those of General Liakhoff, who again today tried to stop hostilities. Through the Russian legation, General Liakhoff approached the Nationalist leaders and except upon the Cossacks should not fire the Shah who were looting houses. Fighting around the Cossack barracks ceased this afternoon, and negotiations for their surrender are being carried on now with General Liakhoff. The Shah's troops are disoriented on account of insufficient food and pay.  
**Fighting from House-tops.**  
Fighting today centered around the British legation. A number of Royalist Bakhtiaris, gaining an entrance to the city, took up positions on the tops of houses near the legation and near the Nationalist camp, which they bombarded with a heavy rifle fire. The Nationalists responded, and for several hours the British telegraph offices and other foreign houses, in which were a number of women, were under fire. During a lull, the women were removed to the British legation.  
**Battle in Artillery Square.**  
The battle last night between the Cossacks besieged in Artillery Square and the Nationalists, who attempted to dis-

## SEVERE QUAKE IN SOUTHERN GREECE

### PROVINCE OF ELIS SUFFERS LOSS OF SCORES OF LIVES.

### Four Villages Destroyed by Violent Shock—One Has 20 Dead, 100 Injured.

### ATHENS, Greece, July 15.—An earthquake has occurred in the Province of Elis, the capital of which is Pyrgos.

### LONDON, July 15.—A dispatch to a London news bureau from Athens says that a violent earthquake has occurred in Southern Greece, resulting in considerable loss of life and damage to property.

### UNITED AFTER 18 YEARS

### Young Woman Meets Her Brothers for First Time.

### ABERDEEN, Wash., July 15.—(Special.)—Fath Sanborn, a pretty, winsome girl of 18, arrived today from Globe, Ariz., and met for the first time in her life her brothers, Lou and Arthur Phillips, aged 20 and 25, respectively.

### WHITE PLEAINS, N. Y., July 15.—Evelyn Nesbit Thaw went on the stand here today and gave damaging testimony against her husband, Harry K. Thaw. It was the strongest point scored so far by the state in its fight to keep Thaw in the Asylum for the Criminal Insane at Matteawan. When today's session was concluded, an adjournment was taken until July 20.

## NEW PIGEON RECORD MADE

### Bird Released at Albany Reaches California Nest in Two Days.

### VISALIA, Cal., July 15.—(Special.)—Only one of the carrier pigeons released at Albany, Or., for a flight to this place reached its nest up to 3 o'clock this evening. The bird left Albany at 4:30 o'clock Wednesday morning and arrived here at 1:15 P. M. today (Thursday), thus completing the first two-day flight on this Coast for such a distance. The former record was held by a bird which flew from Glendale, Or., to this place, a distance of 44 miles in an airline, reaching its destination early on the third day.

### WINDING UP GINGLES CASE

### Lawyers Argue All Afternoon—No Plea of Insanity.

CHICAGO, July 15.—Hearing of evidence in the trial of Ella Gingles, the Irish lace-maker who is being tried on a charge of larceny, was completed at noon today and arguments were made this afternoon.  
A hint that Miss Gingles might offer an insanity plea, suggested by the testimony of Dr. James W. Hall that only an insane person would have inflicted such wounds on herself as he had found on the defendant's body, was denied by Miss Gingles' attorney.

## BUILDING FALLS; 7 DEAD

### 25 Injured in Heart of Business Section of Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, July 15.—Seven men were killed, one fatally injured, and 25 seriously hurt today when a building at the northwest corner of Eleventh and Market streets collapsed. One man is also missing.  
The building, a five-story brick structure in the heart of the business section, was being remodeled; and it is supposed the removal of one of the girders caused the entire structure to weaken and crash to the earth.

## WAR ON HATPINS STARTED

### Hanover Police Take Steps Against Long Pins in Headgear.

HANOVER, Germany, July 15.—The Prefect of Police has issued a decree warning women against the dangers of wearing long hatpins.  
He points out that several deplorable accidents have occurred recently from this cause, and he announces that if in the future an accident occurs to another through a woman's hatpin she will be liable to arrest.

## KAISER FAVORS FOOTBALL

### German Soldiers to Learn Self-Control in American Game.

BERLIN, July 15.—The Emperor has directed that football be included in the military exercises.  
His Majesty is reported as saying that football as played in the United States and England is fine training in temper, as well as for the body.

## THAW THREATENED TO KILL HIS WIFE

### Evelyn Repeats Words Reluctantly.

### FEARS HIS LASTING ENMITY

### He Said He Was Not Crazy When He Killed White.

### THAW DENIES HER STORY

### Accuses Wife of Contradicting Herself—She Blames Thaw Family for Having to Testify—Will Become Model Again.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., July 15.—Evelyn Nesbit Thaw went on the stand here today and gave damaging testimony against her husband, Harry K. Thaw. It was the strongest point scored so far by the state in its fight to keep Thaw in the Asylum for the Criminal Insane at Matteawan. When today's session was concluded, an adjournment was taken until July 20.  
For three days the state has been trying to bring out that Thaw threatened his wife's life on one of her visits to the asylum. The state wished to show irrationality on Thaw's part. Thaw's attorney finally failed to show that the alleged conversation at Matteawan was confidential as between husband and wife. Mrs. Thaw expressed apprehension while testifying. She was quoted afterwards as saying that she testified because of the treatment she received at the hands of the Thaw family.  
**Thaw Threatened to Kill Her.**  
"Did Harry K. Thaw threaten to take your life?" she was asked by Deputy Attorney-General Clark. "Did he at any time say this to you or in this substance?"  
"I shall have to kill you when I get out of here!"  
Evelyn Thaw turned appealingly to Justice Mills. She begged to be allowed not to answer, because she said she knew she would incur Thaw's everlasting animosity, and her attitude indicated that she believed he might carry out his alleged threat. She also urged with some show of feeling that she was still Thaw's wife, and, no matter how he had treated her, she did not want to testify against him. But the court ruled that the only possible grounds upon which she could decline to answer were that it would tend to incriminate her and he added he did not see how that would be applicable to her situation.  
Then she said in a low voice:  
"Yes, he did."  
"What were his exact words?" demanded Mr. Clark.  
"He said, 'When I get out of here, I suppose I will have to kill you.'"  
"Why did he say that?"  
"We were discussing his mental condition."  
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## UNCLE ALEK'S OBSERVATIONS.

The feller that misses out is strong for Brotherly Love— an' a general divvy. If you dont go after the dollar, you're a wuthless looter; if you do, an' git any consid'able quantity of 'em, you're a industrial pirate an' a oppressor of the poor. I told my wife, that Weston shows how young a man is at seventy; she says, 'you mean how big a fool.' When a man treats me corjully, I suspect he aint no friend. A man's needs is mostly his conscience. When you git a hold of a theory that you want to prove to somebody, let go of it. I never contract any beliefs that make me uncomfortable. If a person's woes'll last long enough, he'll git to enjoy 'em. I've heerd that the world loved or hated this or that individyul, but I've opinioned that the world dont give a cuss.



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