

MRS. RAWN GIVES LATEST SENSATION

Wife of Dead Railroad Chief Says Husband Killed by Own Weapon.

SHOT FOLLOWS SCUFFLE

Inner Secrets of Fraud System by Which Illinois Central Was Mulcted of \$1,500,000 Revealed Before Jury.

CHICAGO, July 27.—(Special.)—Mrs. Iris C. Brown, but recently risen from a sickbed and evidently still too weak to walk unassisted, took the witness stand tonight at the Coroner's inquest which is expected to clear the mystery surrounding the tragic death of her husband, ex-president of the Monon Railroad, at their Summer home in Winnetka more than a week ago.

Shunning any reference to suicide, as though it were beyond the pale of possibility and ignoring the theory that her husband had been killed by a bullet from the weapon of a burglar, Mrs. Brown surprised members of the Coroner's jury and even her own relatives with an entirely new theory of her own, that her husband was killed by a shot from his own weapon accidentally discharged in a scuffle with an intruder, who met him on the stairway of the Rawn home.

Next to the testimony of Mrs. Rawn in point of interest was the revelation of some of the inner secrets of the fraud system by which the Illinois Central Railroad was mulcted of \$1,500,000 in the repairing of cars while Mr. Rawn still was vice-president.

Harrishan O'K's "Farming Out."

The act came up in the form of a statement made by the railroad official before his death to E. C. Field, general counsel of the Monon Road, and include the positive assertion that the "farming out" of car repairing had been agreed to by President J. T. Harrishan, of the Illinois Central Road.

Mrs. Rawn's fortitude was a matter of comment by all who saw her take the witness stand and tell the story of the happenings of the night that left her a widow on the eve of her "honeymoon" trip. Trembling from weakness and excitement, Mrs. Rawn, by a supreme effort of her will, mastered her emotions and in a distinct, firm voice described in detail the events of the night.

Clashes in Jury Heard.

Several times the village executive endeavored to pose questions that the foreman of the Coroner's jury had expressed a decided opinion and he had done everything in his power to unearth evidence that might show that Rawn had been murdered by a burglar.

Detective Chief Gives In.

Joseph H. Schumacher, superintendent of a detective agency, endeavored to reconcile the evidence with his positive assertion that Mr. Rawn could not have committed suicide, but Coroner Hoffman argued over the bits of evidence until the detective, with beads of perspiration standing on his forehead, announced that it was doubtless true that Mr. Rawn had been killed by a bullet from his own revolver. This, however, does not indicate suicide, he insisted.

CENSUS BUREAU REPORTS

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Figures Show Increased Cost.

The report indicates a general increase in the cost of maintaining city governments. In 1902 the average was \$12.38 per capita. By 1908 it had advanced to \$16.81; of the total amount with an expense cost of \$7.88 for each person. Of the large cities, New York comes next with a cost of \$21.71, while Washington, with a cost of \$24.63, makes a close third.

Salt Lake Liberal to Schools.

Of the first-class cities, New Orleans paid less for city government than any other, the cost being only \$12.76 per capita. Baltimore, with an expenditure of \$13.34, was a close second. Of the cities of the second class, Denver stood at the head and St. Joseph, Mo., at the foot of the list, the figures for the Missouri city being only \$5.65 per person and those of Denver \$24.44.

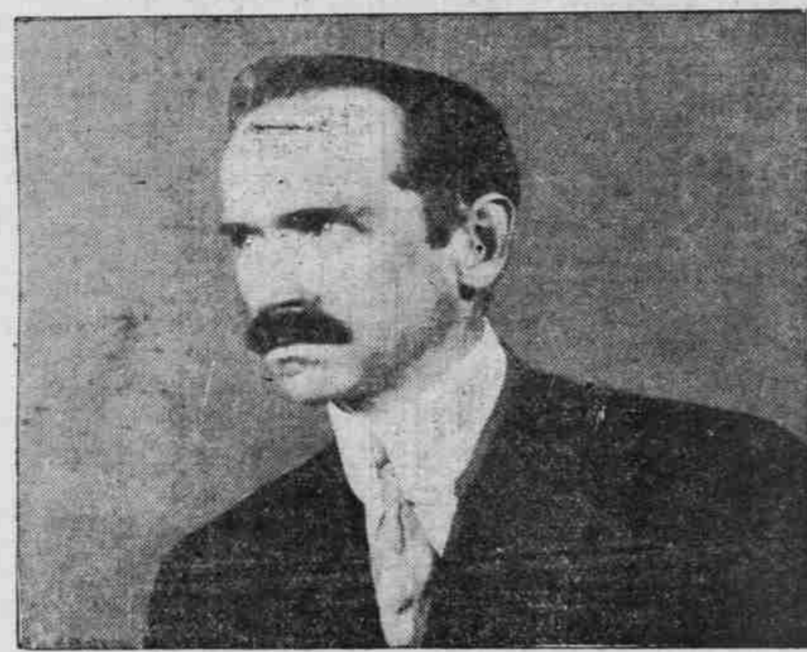
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AVIATORS WHOSE DIFFERENCES ARE TO COME BEFORE AERO CLUB.



CHARLES K. HAMILTON IN HIS AEROPLANE.



Copyright by George Grantham Bain. GLENN H. CURTISS.

NEW YORK, July 27.—The protest of Charles K. Hamilton against Glenn H. Curtiss for "alleged unsportsmanlike and unfair conduct," will be acted on by the executive committee of the National Council of the Aero Club of America, Monday, August 1.

CITIES SPEND MORE

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PICTURE MEN TAKE MILITARY TOURNEY

Tacoma Stadium Scene of Spectacular Feats of Horsemanship by Soldiers.

ATHLETIC EVENTS GOOD

Sergeant Quade Runs 100 Yards in 10 Seconds Flat—All Branches of Service Enter Men in Competitive Games.

TACOMA, Wash., July 27.—(Special.)—More than 300 persons thronged the stadium this afternoon for the first military performance of the week in the military tournament.

Governor Hay, Secretary of State Howell and Colonel Garland N. Whistler, Commandant of the Puget Sound Artillery district, were guests of honor.

Following a review of all the troops in the tournament camp came a number of spectacular events for the benefit of the moving-picture machines. These included thrilling riding by cavalrymen, fancy horsemanship by Lieutenant Scaman and a wall-scaling contest in which one company of 46 men, carrying their rifles on their backs, went over the wall in one minute and ten seconds.

Even Time Made in Century Dash.

In the athletic events Sergeant Quade, of the Columbia River district provisional company, made the best time in the 100-yard dash, 10 seconds flat. With Musclician Singleton, 26th Coast Artillery, and Private Ramsey, Company 1, 33d Infantry, he will run in the finals on Saturday.

Eight men qualified to run in Saturday's 200-yard dash. They are Corporal Budrow and Private Powless, 36th Coast Artillery; Private Murphy, Company F, First Infantry; Private McCarty, Provisional Company; Musclician Singleton, 26th Coast Artillery; and Private Mason and Ramsey, of Engineers Corps.

Hurdlers Make Good Records.

Private Stanley, Company E, First Infantry; Private Powless, 26th Coast Artillery Corps; Corporal Butler, Company F, Engineers Corps, and Private Hinds, Company M, First Infantry, won the semi-finals in the 100-yard hurdle race. Stanley's time was 17 minutes 4.5 seconds.

Private Darcy, Company G, First Infantry; Corporal Butler, Company F, Engineers, and Private Smith, Company M, First Infantry, won semi-finals in the 200-yard hurdle race.

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heard that would lead to the arrest of Miss Cora Seaton, the self-confessed firebug, who burned the Dave Shook barn on April 6 and the house ten days later. That she left town in company with Bill Stark, a cowboy popularly known as "Wild Bill," is the opinion of the authorities.

Stark is known to have disposed of some horses a few days prior to Miss Seaton's taking "French leave" and since her departure he has not been seen.

Miss Seaton is said to have been told by an attorney here a few days before her escape that she was subject to serving a term in State Prison for her crime. Before this, she was apparently satisfied to remain here and take the consequences of her act, as she had been told that owing to her age she would get no worse than a term in the Reform School, but after she found that there was a possibility of her being sent to the Penitentiary, she became considerably alarmed and this, it is believed, along with the entreaty of Stark, has reduced her to taking a chance of getting out of the country. Miss Seaton was only 18 years of age.

MISSED HOP; WIFE SUES

SPOKANE WOMAN RELENTS WHEN CASE IS CALLED.

Mrs. Havens Does Not Appear to Renew Charge of Cruelty Because She Did Not Go to Party.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 27.—(Special.)—Because Mrs. Myrtle E. Havens was not among those present when the orchestra seemed dreamy waltzes through the potted palms at the Jonathan Club's "Ladies' night" last January, she sued her husband, Arthur L. Havens, formerly of Spokane, for divorce, on the ground of extreme cruelty. Evidently she has relented, for she did not appear when the case came up in Judge Cole's court today, and on motion of the defendant's attorney, it was dismissed.

Citing the "extreme cruelty" to which she says her spouse subjected her, Mrs. Havens declared that she referred to allow her to accompany him to the club function. In his answer Havens said his wife refused to go to the ball because he had not provided her with a new dress.

Mrs. Havens also charged that in November, 1909, her husband refused to allow her to stay in the same hotel with him, giving her a check for \$60 and telling her to get elsewhere.

Havens was prepared to fight the divorce suit had his wife pressed it today. They were married at Spokane in 1906. Both grew up in that city. Havens holds a lucrative position with the Peterson-Roeding Company here.

There are intimations that a reconciliation will follow the dismissal of the divorce suit.

MINERS SUBMIT CHANGES

Western Federation May Abolish Division Into Districts.

DENVER, July 27.—The convention of the Western Federation of Miners today recommended an important change in the federation's constitution, which must be submitted to the members of the organization by a referendum vote.

The proposal is to wipe out the divisional districts of the federation and to change the makeup of the executive board. Under the proposed arrangement the board will be composed of the three general officers and four representatives of the membership at large, instead of eight.

YOUNG "TED" AT BAY CITY

Honeymoon Couple Ready to Settle Down for Life.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 27.—With peeped noses and decided coats of giving evidence of a much out-of-doors honeymooning in the sunny clime of Santa Barbara, Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., and his wife arrived in San Francisco late last night and are registered at a local fashionable hotel.

"I came back to San Francisco to start my work," said young Roosevelt. "We will live in this city and I want to make my home as near my work as possible. At the present I cannot say where we will live."

The Roosevelts started on a house-hunting trip this morning. On the first of August Roosevelt will begin his duties as an employee of the local branch of a big Eastern carpet and rug house.

A Russian named Pechenko, who is traveling by road from Krasnoyarsk to St. Petersburg with a little cart drawn by two wolves, has arrived at Omsk safely. The wolves, captured five years ago and are now perfectly tame.

Merchandise of Merit Only Lipman-Wolfe & Co. New Mohair Suits Special \$7.50

These Sicilian Suits find immediate favor from the fact that they are both light weight and all of a hard-twisted material that sheds the dust. These stylish suits come in gray, navy, tan, black and white.

The coats are cut in the new 34-in. length and are strictly plain tailored. Some of the coats are lined, others unlined. The skirts are full plaited in a variety of models.

These suits are especially adapted for traveling and at \$7.50 present about the highest value we know of this season.

15c Extension Rods 9c -5000 Extension Rods for sash curtains. Come with all brackets and screws complete. Regular 15c extension rods. Special 9c each.

10c Extension Rods 5c Each -2000 full size Extension Rods for lace curtains. With brackets complete.

18c Curtain Swisses 12 1-2c -5000 yards of figured and dotted Curtain Swisses for Summer homes.

25c Curtain Scrim 12 1-2c -Figured Art Curtain Scrim in light and dark grounds. Suitable for living rooms and dining rooms.

25c Cretonnes Special 15c -Dainty patterns in figured Art Cretonnes in light or dark grounds. Just the thing for the Summer home.



RATE EXPERTS WILL COME

Commerce Commission to Check Up Hill and Harriman Earnings.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 27.—Within a few days a corps of about 50 rate experts of the Interstate Commerce Commission will be sent West to check up on the Hill and Harriman railroads and ascertain the earnings of the roads on business affected by the Commission's tentative decisions in Spokane and affiliated cases, and in the Pacific Coast distributive rate cases, both on the basis of rates now in effect and reduced rates which the Commission suggests be made operative this fall.

The ultimate decision of the Commission will depend largely upon the report of these experts.

TRAMP LOSES BOTH ARMS

Negro Stealing Ride Thrown From Train by Brakeman.

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According to the injured man, he boarded the freight train at Malta this afternoon and had ridden about a mile when one of the crew saw him lying in the bottom of the car. The brakeman, he says, struck him on the head with a club and then threw him off. He fell under the wheels and both arms were cut off.

In spite of his injuries, Sweagay walked a mile to Malta.

ARMY ENGINEER STARTS

General Marshall to Be Joined by Associates in Chicago.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—General William R. Marshall, consulting engineer to the Secretary of the Interior for the Reclamation Service, left Washington today for Chicago, where he will be joined later by the board of Army engineers appointed to examine the Government's irrigation works. The board expects to leave here for Chicago tomorrow.

The party will depart immediately for Chicago upon its inspection of the reclamation projects.

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The commissioners will do some preliminary work in Washington before trying to see President Taft. Both are vehement in denouncing the stories circulated in this country to the effect that Americans are being treated harshly in their country, and that Americans who are prisoners of war have been subjected to the cruelties of the torturers.

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COW RUNS OVER COUPLE

Frightened Bovine Injures Man and Wife in Rush Through Town.

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The cow fell after striking the Westlers and made no effort to harm them. The Westlers were selling lots located between Tacoma and Seattle.

3 THOUGHT DEAD IN FIRE

Score of Employes of Chicago Factory Rescued by Firemen.

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