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WIDOW, DAUGHTER CLEAR UP MURDER

Assassins Hired to Stab Wealthy Publisher.

POISON FED DAILY IN FOOD

Mrs. Kaber Says Only Intent Was to Make Mate Be Good.

MURDERERS HELD GHOSTS

Confession Declares There Was No Intent to Kill, Just Merely to Frighten.

NEW YORK, June 10.—(Special.)—Almost two years after the crime, the murder of Daniel F. Kaber, wealthy publisher, in his home at Lakewood, a suburb of Cleveland, on the night of July 18, 1919, was cleared up early this morning in police headquarters here by confessions from Mrs. Eva Catherine Kaber, his widow, and Marjorie McArde, 19, his stepdaughter.

Mrs. Kaber, 59, mother of Mrs. Kaber, is held in jail at Cleveland, charged with knowledge of the crime.

Mrs. Kaber broke down after 18 hours of relentless questioning by Captain Carey of the New York homicide squad and Chief of Police Kenneth Tamm of Lakewood. She admitted she had mixed arsenic in her husband's food for weeks prior to the murder and had arranged with a spiritualist midwife to hire the two assassins who mortally stabbed Mr. Kaber on his sick bed.

Explanation in Fantasies.

Denying she had intended murder, the widow gave a fantastic explanation of her act in sending the two men to her husband's bedside, saying that she dispatched them as "ghosts" merely to wake the sick man up in the dark of night and frighten him into treating her more kindly and giving her more money. She said her husband, not believing in ghosts, must have fought with the night visitors and been killed in the struggle.

The widow's story was contradicted

in several vital points by her daughter's statement. They were examined separately. Mrs. Kaber admitted she was to have paid the two men \$100. Her daughter said the pay was to have been \$300.

Pay Denied "Ghosts."

According to Mrs. Kaber's statement, she refused to pay the "ghosts" after she learned murder had been committed and they hounded her and threatened her so that she fled to New York. This was her explanation of her flight.

Mrs. Kaber said that she had consulted mediums several times, trying to have her husband influenced to treat her better. These ministrations having failed, she said she went to an Italian woman, who is charged with taking arsenic to Cleveland on the charge of teaching Mrs. Kaber how to use the arsenic. Later, she says, the Italian woman engaged the "ghosts."

In her confession, Mrs. Kaber referred to the "ghosts" as Spaniards. When the police said they were Italians, they say one—the man in the cap—who did the actual stabbing, while the second held the sick man—is now under arrest in Cleveland. Mr. Kaber's last words were that "the man in the cap" was the murderer.

Knowledge of Poison Denied.

Mrs. Kaber asserted that she did not know the arsenic she mixed with her husband's food was poison. She said "the woman of arsenic" gave it to her as medicine, "to cure his bad habits." The widow admitted the "medicine" came in a bottle answering the description of a bottle found in a flower urn at the Kaer home after Mrs. Kaber had sold the house and came to New York. That bottle had traces of arsenic.

Mother Believes in Supernatural.

Marjorie declared her mother was a firm believer in the supernatural and frequently visited fortune tellers and palmists. Marjorie told fortunes in an amateur way. The girl said her mother was under the influence of a change after visiting the midwife.

Edward C. Stanton, prosecutor of

Cuyahoga county, in which the crime was committed, said he would prove at a trial a deliberate plot to get rid of Kaber. He said the arsenic had rendered the man's arms and legs useless, so that he could not have battled with the "ghosts."

Midwife Under Arrest.

The ghost Mrs. Kaber tells of went to that house with only one object in view, said Mr. Stanton. "They went to kill, whether in the disguise of ghosts or as professional murderers. The arsenic was given to kill and when it failed the knives were called into action."

The Cleveland police say the second

assassin is the cousin of the "man in" (Concluded on Page 2, Column 1.)

MAIL PILOT AND BRIDE ON AIR HONEYMOON

EX-BRITISH AVIATOR TOURING COAST IN PLANE.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sharpnack Stop in Portland and The Dalles on Trip Over Northwest.

THE DALLES, Or., June 10.—(Special.)—An aerial honeymoon is being experienced by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sharpnack of Reno, Nev., who arrived in this city yesterday afternoon from Portland in a new airplane. They made the trip from Portland to The Dalles, through the Columbia river gorge, in 50 minutes.

Sharpnack is a pilot in the government air mail service, flying out of Reno. Several weeks ago he and Mrs. Sharpnack were married in Reno and started upon their honeymoon—an airplane tour of California and the Pacific northwest, in a plane purchased from the government.

The first lap of their flight took them to San Francisco. From there they flew to Portland, where they visited with friends until yesterday, when they again "hopped off" with The Dalles for their destination.

After taking on gasoline and oil here and spending several hours visiting points of interest about the city, the newlyweds took to the air again, their destination this time being Spokane. From Spokane, they will start on the last lap of their wedding trip, completing a loop tour of several thousand miles when they arrive in Reno again.

Sharpnack served with the British army as an aviator during the war.

THIEF MAILS PURSE BACK

Two Parties of Dancers Are Robbed as Well as Kelso Pool Hall.

KELSO, Wash., June 10.—(Special.)—Kelso was the scene of two holdups and a burglary last night. L. E. Wickling, operator for the Western Union and a young woman were stopped by a masked robber as they were going home from the dance and Wickling was robbed of \$18. He asked the robber to return his purse, which contained some valuable receipts, and the bandit replied "Don't worry, kid, I'll mail it to you." The purse was mailed.

Burleigh Carothers and a young woman, also homeward bound from the dance, were held up, the thief getting several dollars.

The Pastime hotel hall was robbed of about \$50 and some cigarettes.

BODY MAY BE EXHUMED

Investigation of Woman's Sudden Death Is Debated.

YAKIMA, Wash., June 10.—The body of Mrs. Courtland Leach of Sunnyside may be exhumed in order to determine the cause of her death, whether or not evidence of poisoning exist. Mrs. Leach died about ten days ago, almost without warning, and with symptoms which caused the belief that she had been poisoned. A preliminary report received today from the state chemist stated that the stomach did not show any traces of alkaloidal poison, and was nearly normal in appearance.

Officials here have no evidence of a motive for murder and say suicide was out of the question.

VESSEL LIMPS INTO PORT

Steamer Hit by Berg Has Hard Fight to Keep Afloat.

ST. JOHNS, N. F.—The American freight steamer *Charlot*, still staggering from the effects of a collision with an iceberg 200 miles off this port yesterday, reached here today. Captain Albert Ricca and his crew had made a hard fight through the night to stay afloat.

When the crippled ship slipped through the narrows her decks were awash and her boats swung out ready for launching in the event of the foundering that appeared imminent. Captain Ricca reported that the steamer's bow was stove in by the crash.

BIG RED REVOLT BARED

Documents Reveal Uprising in Sweden, Finland, Norway, Plan.

COPENHAGEN, June 10.—The police of Stockholm have discovered documents showing that it is intended to start a simultaneous bolshevik revolution in Sweden, Finland and Norway, according to information received here today concerning the alleged revolutionary plot uncovered Thursday as a result of the arrest of a widely known bolshevik leader in Kiruna, in the iron mining district of Sweden.

Papers also were found implicating a foreign bolshevik staying in Sweden, who will be arrested and expelled from the country, it is said.

ROBBER FAINTS AT TERM

Smile Fades When Holdup Stands 18-Year Sentence.

SUPERIOR, Wis., June 10.—John Kowalski, 29, smiled as Superior Judge Perrin yesterday passed sentence of 18 years on him for holding up a cripple.

"Why do you smile?" asked Sheriff Buchanan.

"Isn't 18 years long enough to suit you?"

"My God! Did he say 18 years?" shrieked Kowalski, "I thought he said 18 days."

Kowalski collapsed and had to be assisted to his cell.

THOUSANDS VIEW REGATTA RACES

Spectators Throng Banks and Bridges.

MOTORBOAT WOLF BARRED

Surfboard Riding and Diving Stunts Are Sensational.

VOGLER BOY EASY VICTOR

Miss Portland and Scandal Take First Place in Secondary Free- for-All Events.

With thousands of spectators lining the Broadway and Steel bridges and the river banks yesterday afternoon, the Portland Motor Boat club staged a regatta on the Willamette as its contribution to the Rose Festival programme. The regatta, which had been planned as the chief event of the day, proved an anti-climax to the other festival activities of the week. There were comparatively few thrills, with the exception of a race by crews from the war ships in port and the work of a group of swimmers from Multnomah club who drew the applause of the spectators with brilliant diving and surf-board riding.

The motor boat races were slow in getting started and the entire programme was further delayed by long waits between races. The delays apparently were due to the lack of patrol boats on the course and continual tiresome wrangling over entries.

False Starts Are Made.

Several false starts were made in the handicap races, and once when the speed boats had circled the course twice they were called back and it all had to be done over again. In the free-for-all race the Oregon Wolf was barred from the contest after considerable discussion and wigwagging between admirals and commanders of the regatta committee.

The barring of the Wolf left only one real contender, which was Voelger Boy IV, and the free-for-all was an easy victory for this boat.

Voelger Boy IV also was scheduled to race against a hydroplane, but this event fell through, due to the fact the two machines could not get together for a good start.

The real race of the afternoon and one that was greatly enjoyed was the international whaleboat cruise between one crew from the Canadian cruiser and six boats from the United States destroyers. The Canadians turned in a victory by three-quarters of a boat length over the nearest American boat. The cutter from the United States destroyer placed second in the race.

An excellent exhibition of surf-board riding was given by the

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OUTLAWS HOTLY CHASED BY POSSES

ROBBERS OF THREE STATES OUT AFTER ROBBERS.

Men in Stolen Automobile Said to Have Seriously Wounded Nevada Sheriff.

NAMPA, Idaho, June 10.—(Special.)—Two robbers in a stolen automobile tonight attempted to elude officers of western Idaho and eastern Oregon with a sheriff's posse from Winnemucca assisting in the hunt. They shot and seriously wounded Sheriff Smith of Fallon, Nevada, several days ago and stole their third car at Winnemucca Wednesday night. They passed through Nampa last night some time and members of the sheriff's force took up the chase today.

They are believed to be the same two men who robbed a store at Cranford, some time ago and escaped by abandoning an automobile stolen from C. C. Reed of Nampa May 10. Sheriff Smith was seriously wounded but will recover.

BONUS LOANS RESTRICTED

Ex-Service Men Cannot Pool Their Money for Commercial Gain.

SALEM, Or., June 10.—(Special.)—J. B. Miner of Bend has written a letter to the attorney-general asking whether ten ex-service men for the purpose of purchasing a stock ranch. Under the bonus and loan act this would be impossible, according to a verbal opinion of the attorney-general. The law specifically provides that the loan must be in the name of the soldier, himself or certain relatives.

Further provision of the law makes a loan collectable immediately if transferred to a corporation before 40 per cent of the loan has been paid back.

ANNOYANCE POLICY SOLD

Hotel Builders Testify Labor Trou- bles Cost \$10,000.

CHICAGO, June 10.—Annoyance insurance policies at a premium of \$1000 a month were sold by Simon O'Donnell, former head of the building trades council, to contractors and building owners, according to evidence offered the legislative commission investigating the building industry.

Contractors building the Webster hotel purchased a "policy," the commission was told, but at the end of two months O'Donnell did not offer to renew it, and shortly afterward labor troubles, which cost more than \$10,000 to settle, began.

Telephone System Planned.

CRENSWELL, Or., June 10.—(Special.)—The council met in special session last night with a committee of consolidated farmers' telephone lines for the purpose of considering a municipal telephone system. A final offer was made by the local company to sell for \$1500. The council agreed to recommend that the town subscribers pay \$250 and the farmers \$1000, and the purchase on the terms will be recommended to the farmers at a meeting soon to be called.

MENACE TO MORALS SEEN IN BIG FIGHT

METHODISTS FAVOR BOXING, BUT NOT DEMPSEY BATTLE.

Board Calls on Public to See That This Is Last Prize Fight to Be Fought in America.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 10.—With the declaration that it was establishing that "any state in the American union would tolerate an exhibition not only bloody and brutal in itself, but intended to appeal to all that is abysmal in the average man," the board of temperance and public morals of the Methodist Episcopal church issued a statement today condemning the Dempsey-Carpenter fight to be held at Jersey City July 2.

"All right-thinking Americans," the statement said, "ought to see to it that this is the last prize fight fought on American soil."

Boxing was characterized as "a perfectly harmless, character-building sport," but the Dempsey-Carpenter bout, the statement said, "will not be boxing or anything like boxing."

"Men who habitually see such things inevitably become not only brutal, but cowardly," the statement continued, "and lose every sense of sportsmanship. Women who see them frequently in the end become things that are certainly not women."

BOOTLEG TRUST CHARGED

Anti-Saloon League Suspects Fin- anciers in Combine.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 10.—Charges that "certain brewers" and men prominent in big city financial affairs have organized a bootleggers' trust which spreads far and wide, and has made law enforcement extremely difficult, were made today before the house rules committee by Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel for the Anti-Saloon League of America.

The league attorney was not questioned about the alleged liquor trust and did not go into details.

SNOWS DISCLOSE BODIES

Mystery of Two Missing Utah Min- ers Solved.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, June 10.—Solution of the disappearance of Herbert Waterworth and Frank Tyler, miners in White Pine canyon, near here, last October, was furnished yesterday when the melting snow disclosed the bodies.

Relatives believe that the men were caught in a snowslide when they were attempting to get out of the canyon.

BUDGET BILL IS SIGNED

Harding to Name Director for Government Expense System.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 10.—The bill establishing a budget system of government expenditures was signed today by President Harding.

To put the new system quickly into effect, the president expects to appoint a budget director as provided for in the bill some time within the next two weeks.

ONE BIG UNION IDEA IS BEATEN

Metal Trades Convention Turns Down Radicals.

FAILURE ON COAST CITED

Western Delegates Tell of Futility of Proposal.

SIMS' RECALL IS WANTED

Equalizing of Work During Indus- trial Depression Is to Be Presented to Locals.

DENVER, June 10.—Delegates to the convention of the metal trades department of the American Federation of Labor this afternoon by an overwhelming vote defeated the proposal designed to bring about the organization of one big metal trades union in the United States.

Representatives of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, who introduced the resolution, were vigorously scored as advocating and attempting to revive the "one big union" idea in this country. The debate was long and bitter, representatives of the Pattern-Makers' League of North America, the International Brotherhood of Shipbuilders and International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers vigorously opposing the proposal.

Resolution Is Defeated.

A rollcall showed that the resolution was defeated by a vote of 2210 to 171. The International Association of Machinists was the only union to vote solidly for the resolution.

The resolution asserted that the amalgamation of the metal trades organizations into one compact, efficient union is of necessity the practical means of meeting and solving the present great problem and a guarantee that will provide for the economic workers the ability to protect their interests and secure improved economic conditions for the future.

Conference Is Proposed.

The department was urged to call a conference of international presidents of affiliated organizations with one delegate from each trade from each state and province of North America for the purpose of discussing and determining the question of close affiliation, and if advisable, amalgamation of all metal trades. Recommendations of the conference were to be submitted by the various unions to a referendum of their membership.

Curley Grow, delegate of the

machinists from the Pacific coast, led the fight for the resolution, declaring that the metal trades unions should solidify and organize to meet the great industrial conspiracy, which, he said, has been organized by the employers. He said that the present craft form of organization will not permit the workers to co-ordinate their efforts to act in concert and get the desired results.

Coast Failure Is Cited.

The amalgamation proposal, Mr. Grow said, had been approved by an overwhelming vote of the membership of the machinists' union.

James Wilson of Cincinnati, O., head of the pattern makers' union, said his organization had unanimously rejected such a proposal. He said the "one big union" idea had been a failure on the Pacific coast and in Canada, and declared it an "awful crime" for men to preach doctrines of this kind to the working people of this country.

"We have had bitter experiences with the one big union on the Pacific coast and in Seattle," said M. F. McGuire of San Francisco, a delegate for the boiler makers' union. "We are still suffering from the effects of that agitation. We don't want any more of it. It works for the destruction of the trades union movement."

Closer Union Favored.

H. W. Brown, also of the Pacific coast, a machinist delegate, took the floor, asserting that his organization was not advocating the "one big union," but wished to bring about an amalgamation and closer co-operation between the various metal trades organizations.

The department unanimously endorsed the resolution presented early in the day demanding that Admiral Sims be recalled from England and be dishonorably discharged from the United States navy, if it was found that he was correctly quoted regarding remarks on the Irish question made in London.

The resolution now will be sent to

the convention of the American Federation of Labor which meets next week.

Work Division Wanted.

The convention also adopted a resolution calling upon the department to recommend to its affiliated organizations to make provision in all future agreements for the equalizing of work during industrial depressions. This resolution asserted that it is apparent that a great portion of the industrial depression is artificial and was manufactured for the purpose of lowering living and working standards and to weaken the labor movement.

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MORGAN TO FINANCE WESTERN STOCKMEN

FINANCIER PLEDGES HALF OF \$50,000,000 POOL.

Stanfield and Gooding Get Promise of Aid at Conference With Bankers.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., June 10.—As a result of an agreement reached today at a conference between Senators Stanfield of Oregon and Gooding of Idaho, with J. P. Morgan, New York financier, Secretary of the Treasury Mellon and the governors of the regional Federal Reserve banks of New York and Kansas City, the livestock men of the west are to be financed without the government.

Mr. Morgan said that he would promise that New York banking interests would supply at least 50 per cent of a \$50,000,000 pool for aiding regional livestock men if the remainder were raised in other parts of the country. It was suggested at the conference that Senator Stanfield should go to Chicago and there attend another conference to be arranged by the governor of the Chicago Federal Reserve bank, at which the movement should be started for raising the remainder of the pool. He probably will go to Chicago Tuesday.

Senator Stanfield some time ago introduced an amendment to the federal reserve act which would have made it possible for the federal Reserve banks to finance western livestock raisers through the livestock banks and cattle loan companies. This amendment had the approval of the secretary of the treasury and the controller of the currency, but it was suggested that Mr. Stanfield withhold the request for legislative action on his amendment until such a conference as that held today could be arranged.

The understanding reached today causes it to be believed that the financial resources needed by the livestock men of the west can be had through private sources entirely.

LEAGUERS FORESEE DOOM

Amalgamation of Single Taxers to Prevent Slow Death Favored.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 10.—Single tax advocates embraced in the National Single Tax league were urged to unite with the single tax party to avoid "slow death" by speakers from the latter organization at a conference today of the league here. League members said their organization and their official organ of publication were proving a heavy drain on their financial resources and there was sentiment for an amalgamation.

The question was not formally put before the conference, but members of the tax party declared the unification would be decided upon before the session ends tomorrow night.

Fears that the leaguers were "disappearing from the earth" was expressed by George Edwards of Washington, D. C., said the last conference of the leaguers had numbered 300, while perhaps 50 persons sat in the hotel room at the meeting today.

MASHER DIGGING TRENCH

Soldier Also Sentenced to Fill Up Ditch With Tablespoon.

DALLAS, Tex., June 10.—A Texas soldier arrested yesterday for accounting a girl on the street, today began digging a deep trench. When it is finished he will begin putting the dirt back into the hole with a table-spoon.

The punishment was designated by the commander of the troop.

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HANDS OFF, COURT ORDERS STRIKERS

Permanent Injunction to Prevent Violence.

LIQUOR PLOT IS CHARGED

Port Superintendent Said to Have Planned Smuggling.

BULLYING CASES DENIED

Numerous Complaints From Those Assaulted Filed; Government to Be Watchful.

Permanent injunction against strikers interfering with violence in the present marine walkout on the waterfront was granted by Judge Wolverton in federal court yesterday, following arguments between Lester W. Humphreys, United States attorney, and W. S. U'ren, who is attorney for the waterfront unions.

"The government will make particular efforts to apprehend violators of the injunction from now on," said Mr. Humphreys. The effect of the order just made was said to make penalties for violence in connection with the strike heavier in that contempt charges would be brought against offenders.

Liquor Plot Charged.

Judge Wolverton announced that his mind was made up before Mr. Humphreys had concluded his argument and said the court was convinced that the injunction should be continued. Mr. U'ren protested against the finding, but to no purpose.

Arguments yesterday were enlivened by the charge made in affidavits that Fred F. Smith, port superintendent for the shipping board, had sought to have R. W. Turpin, a dock engineer, accept the post of chief engineer on the West Nivaria, with the understanding that the two would go partners in importing illicit whiskey, easy money being promised Turpin if he would take the job, he alleged.

Smith was said to have talked this project over with Turpin at the latter's home and an affidavit by Mrs. Turpin to the same effect was filed.

Bullying Is Alleged.

The strikers also filed affidavits alleging the department of justice agents intimidated and bullied the men and their wives in seeking to get them to go back to work. This was denied rather fully in counter affidavits filed by the government.

Charges that mail was planted on the steamer West Nivaria merely to break the strike, so that the charge of flying mails could be brought against the strikers, was knocked rather flat by the affidavit of S. S. Rand, chief clerk of the railway mail service in charge of the dispatch of mail by both land and water for this district, who stated a general order had been issued by the superintendent of the district on April 22 announcing the schedule of the West Nivaria and directing that 700 sacks of mail for the port be put aboard her, which was done on May 16, and that because of the strike the mail was delayed 11 days.