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BIBLE TEXT MOVES MINISTER TO KILL 8

Murderer Says Voice Cried, 'Slay Utterly.'

SHADOW LEADS HIM TO AX

Rev. Lynn G. J. Kelly Asserts He Was Lord's Instrument.

VICTIMS SLAIN IN SLEEP

Little Girls Are Killed First and Then Parents Are Slaughtered.

Confession Is Made to Iowa State Agent.

Star utterly old and young, both maids and little children, and women . . .

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., Sept. 1.—"Slay utterly," was the text which the Rev. Lynn G. J. Kelly followed when he slew with an ax Joe Moore, his wife and four children and the two little stilling girls, as they lay in their beds at Villisca on the night of June 9, 1912, according to a confession alleged to have been made before a state agent and several attorneys Friday.

Slayer Tells of Hearing Voice.

The night of the murder a voice told him to go down the street from the Rev. W. J. Ewing's house, where he was staying, to the Moore house, where he picked up an ax in the back yard. Then, according to the alleged confession, the text came to mind, "slay utterly." Then came the text, "Suffer the little children to come unto me."

Minister Unable to Sleep.

The announcement goes on to say that Kelly explained he had been unable to sleep because of cogitating on the text, "slay utterly."

Slayer Is Merciless.

Kelly says he answered the voice with the muttering, "Yes, Lord, they're coming" (Concluded on Page 2, Column 1.)

12 FORMER GERMAN SHIPS ARE RENAMED

NAVY ACTS TO SPARE AMERICAN TARS EMBARRASSMENT.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—Almost all former German vessels now in the American Navy have been given new names. Secretary Daniels issued an order today changing the names of 12 ships as a result of his attention having been called last week to the embarrassment the sailors were subjected to by being compelled to wear upon their hats the names, such as Kaiser Wilhelm II. The newly named ships are:

Vaterland, to Leviathan; Kronprinzessin Cecilie, to Mount Vernon; Kaiser Wilhelm II, to Agamemnon; Amerika, to America; Hamburg, to Powhattan; Grosser Kurfurst, to Aesop; Konig Wilhelm II, to Madawaska; Neckar, to Antigone; Rhein, to Susquehanna; Princess Irene, to Pocahontas; Frederick der Grosse, to Huron; Barbarossa, to Mercury.

HEADHUNTER ASKS VOTE

Igorrote Claims Draft Exemption on Citizens' Grounds.

NEW YORK, Sept. 1.—James Robert Amok, late of the Island of Luzon, Philippine Islands, an Igorrote headhunter, believes he should not be forced to fight for the United States unless he is given the right to vote. His claim for exemption on that ground was before the district exemption board here today.

GONZALES VISITS BORDER

Mexican Chief of Staff After Munitions Just Released.

LAREDO, Tex., Sept. 1.—General Pablo Gonzales, chief of staff of the Mexican army, arrived in Nuevo Laredo last night from Mexico City. Gonzales' mission, it was stated, is to receive ammunition seized some months ago by Federal authorities here and recently released.

PICKETING IS RESTRAINED

Superior Judge Frater Opposes Action by Seattle Union.

SEATTLE, Sept. 1.—Superior Judge Frater today issued an order restraining the officers and members of the cracker bakers and candy makers union from picketing a plant where members of the union are on strike.

NEEDLES, CAL., IN FLAMES

Newspaper Plant and Business Building Are Destroyed.

NEEDLES, Cal., Sept. 1.—Fire which started early tonight in the business district was still burning late tonight. The Needles Nugget has been burned out and the Vaughan & Hallstedt business building destroyed.

OBJECTORS TOLD TO WAIT

Protest Due Only When Order Violates Scruples.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—Conscientious objectors accepted for military service were advised by Secretary Baker today to make no protest until assigned in training camp to some task particularly violating their scruples.

'KIEL WEEK' SEES FIRST WAR CLOUD

Kaiser Invites Future Foes to Gala Event.

BRITISH BATTLESHIPS PRESENT

Assassination News Brought to German Festival.

DIPLOMATS NOT EXCITED

Emperor Leaves for Berlin, but Gives Express Orders That Festivities and Races Shall Go On as Arranged.

BY JAMES W. GERARD.

English Fleet at Kiel.

We went to Kiel in June, 1914, as guests of Allison Armour, of Chicago, on his yacht, the Utowana. I was detained by business in Berlin and Mrs. Gerard preceded me to Kiel. I arrived there on Saturday, the 27th of June, and that night went with Armour to dine with the Emperor on board the Emperor's yacht, Hohenzollern.

Hospitality Seals Confidence.

At dinner on the Hohenzollern a number of English people were present. The Kaiser had on one side of him the wife of the British Admiral, Lady Maud Warrander, and on the other side the Countess of March, whose husband is heir to the Duke of Richmond. I sat between Princess Munster and the Countess of March and after dinner the Emperor drew me over to the rail of the ship and talked to me for some time.

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YESTERDAY'S—Maximum temperature, 83 degrees; minimum, 59 degrees.

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Sports.

Chicago athletes were in St. Louis meet. Section 2, page 2.

Portland and Vicinity.

Portland to observe Labor day. Section 4, page 14.

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SKYSCRAPER LEASE DEAL ANNOUNCED

Failing Building Is Gas Company's New Home.

ALTERATIONS COST \$200,000

Space on Four Lower Floors Will Be Occupied.

"GASCO BUILDING" IS NAME

Eight Upper Stories to Be Devoted to General Offices.

What is considered as the most significant lease deal and building improvement plan put forward in Portland for many months materialized yesterday, when William C. Alvord, manager of the Henry Falling estate, announced that he had leased space on the four lower floors of the 12-story class A building at the southeast corner of Fifth and Alder streets, and that the crews were landed. The remainder of the fleet of German armed trawlers fled to the south, where they were destroyed after seeking refuge inside Danish territorial waters.

4 GERMAN CRAFT LOST IN SEA FIGHT

BRITISH DESTROYERS DRIVE ARMED TRAWLERS ASHORE.

Submarines Forced to Submerge so Quickly Members of Crew Are Left Swimming in Sea.

LONDON, Sept. 1.—Four German mine sweepers were destroyed today off the coast of Jutland by British light forces, according to an announcement issued tonight by the Admiralty.

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 1.—A naval engagement occurred this morning between British and German mosquito craft off Nyminde, Gab, west coast of Jutland. British destroyers attacked four German armed trawlers and drove them ashore.

A Rinkibing paper says the British bombed the trawlers after they grounded, completing their destruction. About 100 German seamen were landed, many of whom were severely wounded. One rumor has it that 100 dead have come ashore, but apparently this is a distorted version of the fact that about 100 men reached shore.

AUTO HITS TRAIN; 2 HURT

T. V. Harban and George Burbott Injured in Crash at Night.

An automobile, occupied by T. V. Harban, 527 East Twenty-ninth street North, a laundry wagon driver, and George Burbott, teamster, ran into a Southern Pacific freight train at Grand avenue and East Caruthers street early this morning. The men were removed to St. Vincent's Hospital. Mr. Harban sustained a fracture of the right leg. Mr. Burbott sustained minor cuts and bruises.

Death Penalty Opposed.

Petrograd Workmen and Soldiers Demand Revocation.

SWISS RIOTERS ARRESTED

Police Put Down Demonstration Against High Cost of Living.

BERNE, Switzerland, Friday, Aug. 31.—Seventy persons, including 10 foreigners, were arrested during demonstrations here yesterday in protest against the high cost of living.

Dry Weather Predicted

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—Weather predictions for the week beginning September 2, issued by the Weather Bureau today, are:

FLOUR PRICE CUT 40 CENTS BARREL

Northwest Millers Set \$11.20 as Figure.

RATE IS EFFECTIVE TOMORROW

Further Reductions Are Promised Soon.

BREAD WILL DROP, TOO

Analysis of Law Shows Buyers Have to Respect Price Set by Government—Hoarding Prohibited by Measure.

Flour will drop 40 cents a barrel at all Northwest milling points tomorrow, which will make the market price for No. 1 grades of patent flour \$11.20 a barrel.

This is the first practical effect of the Government's recent action fixing \$2.20 per bushel as the basic price for first grade wheat at Chicago and was agreed upon by the millers of the Pacific Coast, who concluded their sessions here yesterday.

Local Price to Be Known Tuesday.

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OUTSTANDING NEWS PICTORIALLY INTERPRETED BY CARTOONIST REYNOLDS.

