SOLVES MYSTERY OF KENTUCKY FEUDISTS

Confession of Curtis Jett Lays Bare Story of Carnival of Crime in Mountain Regions of Blue Grass State—Admits Having Been Instrument of Assassins.

Curtis Jett.

(Journal Special Service.)

Louisville, Ky., June 23.—The mystery surrounding the assassination of James B. Marcum, Dr. B. D. Cox and James Cockrill during the reign of feudalism in Bresthitt county, has been solved by the confession of Curtis Jett, who admits having committed the crimes at the instance of others.

Jett says he, John Smith and John Abner killed James Cockrill; that Robert Deaton went after Abner and Smith to aid in the murder and that Elbert Hargis, James Hargis, Ed Callahan, Jesse Spicer and Bill Britton are the men who formed the conspiracy.

He enters into details of the murder and lays bare every feature of the conspiracy and the events before and after He says the murder of Marcum was at the instance of James Hargis and Ed Callahan.

As a result of the confession former Sheriff Edward Callahan and Elbert Hargis were arrested at Jackson, Kentucky, today on the charge of murdering Dr. B. D. Cox.

Story of Murders.

In regard to the murder of Dr. Cox Jett says that he was on the scene soon after the shooting and helped guard Judge James Hargis' house, from the porch of which he could look across the street and see the members of the Cox household preparing the physician's body for burial. He says Hargis and Callahan, Spicer and Britton were there and that two of them were armed with shotguns. He does not intimate whom he suspects of the shooting.

Of the murder of James Cockrill he is more explicit. He says he and Abner and Smith did the shooting, that he wanted to do it in the open, but that James Hargis and Callahan got Abner and Smith into the plot. The murderous trio stole into the courthouse before daylight and the first floor of the building was guarded by emissaries of Hargis until the fatal shots were fired from the second floor windows. He says that of the three he was the only one who knew Cockrill, and that he fired the first shot that did the killing. One of the other two also shot Cockrill. The courthouse was guarded, he says, until night, when Abner and M. Smith were secreted into the county. He himself left the courthouse after the shooting and helped guard the doors until the other conspirators could be got away.

Planned by Hargis.

In this crime, as in the latter one—that of Marcum's death, he says, State Senator Alexander Hargis had no part. James Hargis, he says, did all the planning and furnished the weapon.

In the murder of Marcum, Jett says that the famous deposition is correct. Several plans were laid to kill Marcum, but were frustrated by Feltner, whom Marcum was defending on a murder charge. Feltner, while pretending to act with the conspirators, kept Marcum informed of their plans and all efforts were blocked. At last, when Feltner refused to fire on Marcum, as he walked along the street with his wife by his side and his child in his arms, Feltner was dropped and another scheme was hatched. On that occasion Feltner says he complained that he was armed with a shotgun. To kill Marcum meant killing the child as well and possibly the wife.

Was Promised Protection.

The later plan to kill Marcum was successful. White was to engage Marcum in a wrangle and finish him if he could, but should Marcum get any the better of it, Jett was to kill Marcum. The place selected was in the front door of the courthouse. He and White, he says, did not discuss the affair beforehand, but they understood each other and were ready to act in harmony.

Jett says that after he was arrested and brought back to Jackson under military guard, Hargis saw him and told him if he would stand pat he would spend all he had to get him out of the scrape. This he did, believing the man whom he now says was the inspiration of all the killings would keep his word.

PICKERS BEING SECURED FOR HOP HARVEST

Large Yards in Marion County Engaging People to Gather This Year's Crop.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Salem, Or., June 23.—Within the next two months there will be within a radius of 12 or 15 miles from Salem a population of nearly 20,000 people living in tents and engaged in the harvesting of the hop crop.

Nothwithstanding the prevailing low prices of hops and the losses sustained last year by some of the growers, the capital invested in the hop industry is so large that every effort will be used to facilitate the harvesting of the crop.

Last year the hopgrowers experienced a scarcity of pickers throughout the season which in some cases proved a severe injury because the hops were partially spoiled before they were gathered. This will not occur again if the growers can prevent it. Some of the hopmen are now engaging help and when the season begins the pickers will be encamped on the grounds ready for the harvest.

Good prices for picking will prevail and much will be done to present to the hop pickers the comforts of home life, made more exhilarating by the pure, wholesome air of the hopfields.

The scarcity of help last year was caused in a measure by the inclemency of the weather and various avenues of employment opened to hundreds by the Centennial exposition held in Portland who would have been dependent otherwise upon the gathering of the hop crop for their means of sustenance. It can hardly be estimated what amount of money is earned by a family consisting of the parents and several children during the hop-picking season. Girls who have been accustomed to work for $5 or $6 a week in the city restaurants are glad to take their departure to the hopfields and put in several weeks in an occupation in which pleasure and profit is intermingled. Many a girl makes her $2 and $3 a day gathering hops. To the poor the hop industry is a godsend.

It is stated that the Clement Horst yards have engaged already 400 pickers and that they are besieged by letters asking for jobs. The well-known hopyards operated by the Krebs brothers, near Independence, are likewise securing help. Most of the applications for work come from the counties of Polk, Marion, Linn and Lane, but Portland and other Willamette valley towns will send their representatives in large numbers.

Many will come from other states, some on account of the outing and novelty of the experience rather than the remuneration to be gotten by diligent work.

At the Kreb yards pleasure devices and amusements have been amply supplied. The management maintains an orchestra and the laborers give a dance nightly. The dance hall is one of the finest floors in the state.

The Clement Horst hopyards are also planning for the amusement of their pickers and expect to keep a band at the yards this year. Much work is being done in putting the yards in excellent condition, removing all weeds and placing the field in a fine state of cultivation.

A year ago some of the yards attempted to adopt the weight system but the Horst yards will continue with the box plan.

It is reported generally that 50 cents a box will be the ruling price. Hops in the vicinity of Salem, in Marion and Polk counties, are looking especially fine and unless unforeseen circumstances arise the yield will be large and of good quality. Walter Layon, the genial editor and resident of Independence, stated yesterday that the hops around his home town are thriving splendidly.

Across the Willamette river from Independence, in Marion county, there are probably 700 acres of land planted in hops, this includes the yards of Henry Ottenheimer, George Rose, Cooper Graves, Smith, Percival, Damon and others. Near Independence are the two largest yards in the world—the Kreb yards, four miles south, and the Clement Horst yards, four miles north.

Ten thousand pickers will be near Independence this season to gather the 1906 crop.

RICHEST WOMAN IN ENGLAND AND MOST BEAUTIFUL, WEDDED

Lady Mary Hamilton and the Marquis of Graham.

(Journal Special Service.)

London, June 22.—All London came to see the wedding of Lady Mary Hamilton, only daughter of the late twelfth Duke of Hanfilton and Brandon, and the richest woman in Great Britain, to the Marquis of Graham, eldest son of the Duke of Montrose. King Edward was among those present at the ceremony. The church was filled with flowers. Members of the peerage attended in large numbers and the bride, who is very popular, received ovations from the crowds outside the church as she entered and departed. A reception was subsequently held at Devonshire house, where the hundreds of presents were displayed. The collections of diamonds and other precious stones has seldom been equaled.

The scene outside the church was quite exciting. At one period the enormous crowd broke through the police cordon and surged round the bride's carriage when it arrived in front of the church portico, almost completely blocking its passage. Heavy reinforcements of police were encessary to clear the way for the king's carriage and open a passage for the bride to enter the church.

Lady Mary Hamilton during the bye-election in April inaugurated what became known as a "ladies' battle," by actively campaigning in behalf of her future husband, the Marquis of Graham, Conservative, who, however, was defeated by H. Pearson, Liberal, a son of Sir Westman Pearson, by a majority of 197. No sooner had Lady Hamilton taken the field for the marquis than Mrs. Pearson, the young wife of the Liberal candidate, also took part in the fray, and the two ladies, until the close of the campaign, which was one of the most lively of recent years, distinguished themselves by their eloquent and sympathetic appeals to the voters. Lady Mary, who is intensely popular in the district, begging the people to give her as a wedding present the lection of her future husband to parliament.

Lady Mary was born in 1884 and has seats at Easton Park, Wickham Market, Brodick Castle and the Isle of Arran.

The Marquis of Graham was born May 1, 1878, and formerly was a lieutenant in the Fifth Volunteer battalion of the Black Watch and a lieutenant in the Army Service corps. He served in South Africa in 1899 and was assistant private secretary to the chancellor of the exchequer, Austin Chamberlain, in 1905.

ANCIENT CAVES OF IRELAND

There has just been published by the Royal Irish academy a bulky report on the result of three years' exploration work among the caves of County Clare. No fewer than 70,000 specimens of bones were forwarded in parcels to the Dublin museum for identification. Each of these parcels was carefully labeled, bearing a number corresponding with a map of the cave giving the exact position and depth from the surface at which the specimens were obtained. The bulk of the material collected consisted of bones of various animals, including man, and these throw an interesting light on the old-time fauna of Ireland. Among the more important mammalian remains were bones of the brown bear, wolf, arctic fox, arctic lemming, Irish elk, red deer, reindeer, ox and wild boar.

One rather surprising discovery is that the bones of the wildcat, which occurred in some numbers, belonged not to the European, but to an African species, known as the Caffer cat (Felis ocreata). The larger of these caves furnished dwelling places for prehistoric men, for arrowheads and other implements of flint and bone, as well as bronze ornaments, have been recovered, many in a perfect state of preservation; and these were associated with human remains. From the form of the bones of the ankle joint it would appear that these skeletons represent the remains of people who habitually assumed a squatting posture, as is done by many savage races today. Charcoal and burnt stones afford further evidence as to the use of these caves.

Ornaments belonging to the early Christian era, including a gold bracelet, bronze pin and buckle, show that these same caves were used, at least temporarily, by much later generations of men. Artificially fractured bones of the Irish elk and reindeer show that these animals were hunted, at any rate, by the earliest human inhabitants of the island; but they probably were soon exterminated. Wolves, however, survived until comparatively recent times. The exact date of their final extermination is not known, but they existed in the great forests on the borders of Wicklow and Carlow as late as the year 1700, and it is supposed that they finally became extinct about 1786.

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