

CALM BREAKS IN ROBERTS MURDER SESSION TODAY

Grace Lusk Lunges at Dr. Roberts When He Places Blame on Her.

DR. DECIDES TO TELL ALL

Sensations Develop in Trial for Murder of Mrs. Mary Roberts at Waukesha, Wis.

Waukesha, Wis., May 17.—(I. N. S.)—The calm tension under which Grace Lusk has been battling for the past three days of her trial for the murder of Mrs. Mary Newman Roberts suddenly broke today. The break came when Dr. Roberts was suddenly called to the stand and began to talk freely. He began by putting the entire blame for the affair on Miss Lusk.

Like a mad dog she suddenly leaped forward and all but tore away from those attempting to hold her. "It's a lie, it's a lie," she shrieked. "Oh, you dog!" she panted in her mad fury, unleashed after days and weeks of imprisonment.

She tried to reach Dr. Roberts, but her attorney and court attaches held her back.

The great Dr. Roberts' accusations came when he was asked to tell of the beginning of the affair with Miss Lusk.

Dr. Roberts' Employer Girl
"I had engaged her to write some advertising matter for me," he began. "One day she called me up and told me to meet her at the Y. M. C. A. Well, it was a business affair and I went over there. Well, I met her. For a little while we talked about the manuscript she had written."

"All of a sudden she asked me, 'Doctor, do you love me?'"

"I was astounded. I didn't know what to say. Then she said to me 'Doctor why don't you take me down to Chicago and show me a good time?'"

There came a sound of quick confusion from the defendant's chair. Her chair shoved back and overturned. She threw her slim arms frenziedly forward, with her fingers clutching like claws. Her hat was tumbled to the side of her head. "That's a lie, that's a lie," she shrieked. "Oh you dog."

Her father seized her and put his arms about her.

"Come, come, Grace," he soothed. "Don't carry on so, girl."

"But he is lying," wept the girl. "He is lying about me."

Then she slowly sank back into her chair and suddenly collapsed utterly. Her head fell forward and she lay there sobbing.

The courtroom was tense with excitement.

Slowly order came back and with it Grace Lusk regained her composure. She lifted her tear-stained face again and the school teacher discipline fought with the girl of human emotions.

Her face stared bravely ahead as the doctor continued his testimony.

Dr. Roberts' decision to "tell all" was one of the prime sensations of the case. It had been reported that he would refuse to speak at all. It was even denied that the state had subpoenaed him.

Doctor Admits Intimacy
His testimony was sweeping. He admitted making trips with Miss Lusk—many of them.

"Was there anything illicit in your affair with Grace Lusk?" asked Special Prosecutor Corrigan.

"What do you mean by illicit?" asked the doctor.

"I mean was there any undue intimacy?" asked Corrigan.

"Yes sir."

He said it was true of a trip to Chicago and other places.

Prosecutor Corrigan then began reading a series of impassioned letters which Roberts admitted he had written.

Instructor Enters U. S. Service
Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—The instructor in the school of forestry, left Thursday to enter into the governmental service as an inspector of wood used in the construction of airplanes.

PRINCIPALS IN LUSK MURDER TRIAL



At the left, Dr. David Roberts, wealthy stockman of Waukesha, Wis., at the right, Miss Grace Lusk, high school teacher, and insert, Mrs. Roberts, the doctor's wife, whom Miss Lusk shot and killed in a quarrel over the affections of the doctor, who was formerly Wisconsin state veterinarian.

AMERICANS JOIN WITH BRITISH ON NORTH LINE

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It is probable that the Americans are being held close to the front, so that their services can be utilized as reserves when the Germans renew their assaults. The Americans evidently have completed most of their training, but intensive drill is considered necessary for participation in such terrific fighting as is believed inevitable when the fighting is resumed. The Flanders front is so extensive that it would be hard to attempt to estimate the position the Americans will be put into when they finally reach the firing line.

Already there are British, Portuguese, French and Belgian troops on the Flanders front, not counting the newly arrived Americans.

Washington, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—While no official confirmation could now be obtained, it was understood here that the forces that have been sent into the British sector are not from the units originally with General Pershing, but comparatively recent arrivals in France.

HUNS SET NEW TRAPS FOR AMERICAN PATROLS

By Newton C. Parke

With the American Troops in France, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—The Germans opposite the Toul front apparently are considerably annoyed by the activity of American patrols. They now are setting traps outside their trenches, consisting of wires connected up with bombs of a new type which explode when soldiers on patrol duty stumble into the wires.

One of the American patrols encountered one of the new traps early today. The bomb exploded but no harm resulted, as the leader of the patrol forces quickly got his men under cover in an old trench. Pieces of the bomb were brought back to the American trenches. They show that the bomb is unlike any of the French or American grenades.

Several of the American patrols during the early morning hours entered the enemy positions, but no Boches were encountered.

Continuation of the sunny weather is resulting in increasing aerial activity. More balloons and airplanes are scouting around than ever, but the Boche aviators are refusing to offer an opportunity to fight. They are making no attempts to cross the American lines, but

are doing their patrol work slightly behind the American front. American artillery is keeping up a continuous and harassing fire in the Toul sector.

In the Lunerville sector American artillerymen fired 3690 shells in 24 hours to 937 fired by the Germans.

WARM WEATHER EXTENDS OVER FIELDS OF BATTLE

By William Philip Simms

With the British Armies in France, May 17.—(U. P.)—German artillery fire was concentrated on the front lines and approached east of Hinges and Pacaut wood at 3 o'clock this morning. The British positions were fairly heavily dosed, but there was no infantry action, as the British guns slammed home a few rounds and cooled any ardor the enemy might have had for attack.

There was some gas shelling in the Givenchy, Vimy and Avion regions. The weather was unusually warm and the brilliant sunshine brings out the aviators in swarms. Aerial combats continue almost unceasingly. Heavy bombardments are indulged in nightly by both sides.

Heavy Gunfire Continues

London, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—Great artillery activity was developed on both sides throughout the night in the sector of Pacaut wood and in the district north of Hinges (Flanders front), the British war office reported today. German guns increased the intensity of their bombardments between Lodon and Hinges, between Meign and the Nieppe forest.

(These districts are all on the Flanders front, lying toward the southern end of the fighting zone.) A German raiding party was repulsed in the neighborhood of Moyenneville, south of Arras.

(Moyenneville lies between six and seven miles south of Arras and immediately south of the Colijel river.)

Belgians Extend Line

London, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—A communiqué issued by the Belgian war office at Havre shows that the Belgians have taken over the line as far as Pillekem.

Pillekem lies between three and four miles north of Ypres, immediately southwest of Langemark. It is not far from the Passchendaele-Poelcapelle sector, where British and French troops gained a brilliant victory last year. Formerly the Belgians were north of that district, but according to the official statement they have extended their lines southward for considerable distance.

Gigantic Drive Predicted

Glasgow, May 17.—(U. P.)—"As a climax of four years of cumulative efforts upon us, the Germans are about to deliver the greatest blow of the war," General Smuts, former Boer leader, declared today, in accepting the freedom of the city.

"The enemy is determined to split the French and British armies and seize the channel ports, realizing that if the British army is beaten the war will be over."

Smuts won fame by his successful campaign against the German forces in East Africa during the present war.

Boche Dugouts Blown Up

With the American Army in France, May 17.—(U. P.)—The aerial activities yesterday brought a resumption of artillery.

The enemy hurled high explosives along the village and roads in the Montdidier region last night and today. American guns responded, concentrating their fire upon Cantigny, Fontaine-sous-Montdidier and the roads in the vicinity.

New Boche dugouts were located and blown up.

Troop Trains Are Shelled

Paris, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—"German troop and ammunition trains in the back areas of the fighting front and their gun emplacements are getting hell," said an American navigator who returned to Paris from the front today. The roads are drying out rapidly under the brilliant and warm sunshine and infantry action on a large scale is expected soon.

At least two enemy batteries were also destroyed. There are indications that the enemy has been forced to withdraw several light batteries farther to the rear.

Eighty enemy divisions (960,000 men) have been resting for two weeks now, ready to be hurled forward in a resumption of the German offensive.

The American artillery this morning laid down a heavy counter barrage, frustrating an attempted enemy raid.

cret society in Germany to work against the men who are now in control. The secret party is said to consider the inactivity of the German navy "inglorious" and to insist upon an offensive against the British and French navies.

Kaiser Reported at the Front

London, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—Kaiser Wilhelm is reported on the western front, supervising preparations for the next big German attack, according to advices received here today by the Express.

4 Alien Germans Will Be Examined

Four alien Germans, charged with making seditious utterances, and one alleged draft evader are being held in the Multnomah county jail pending federal investigation.

United States Marshal Alexander returned today from Baker with George Fritzler, alien German, and Ludwig Scholz, arrested on a charge of slacking. Karl Gross, Mike Rook and Pete Ernst, other alleged Germans, who are charged with violating the president's proclamation, will be investigated by Assistant United States Attorney Veach. Gross was arrested this morning by the police near the Morrison street bridge.

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NEW SCHEDULES ON S., P. & S. WILL BE EFFECTIVE SATURDAY

Changes on Astoria and Linnton Lines Announced by Hill System.

Changes in passenger schedules on the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway, effective Sunday, between Portland, Astoria, Port Stevens and Clatsop Beach points, and on the United Railways between Linnton and Wilkesboro, will be made as follows:

Westbound—No. 55, leave Portland 12:25 p. m. instead of 12:35, and be 10 minutes later at Rainier and intermediate points.

No. 55, leave Astoria 8:35 a. m. as now, arrive at Seaside 10 a. m. instead of 9:45; Sunday only on present schedule.

No. 57, leave Astoria 5:40 p. m. instead of 5:20, arriving at Seaside and intermediate points 20 minutes later than now.

No. 51 will be annulled until further notice.

U. Rys. No. 1 leave Linnton 8:58 a. m. instead of 9:10, arrive Wilkesboro 9:58 instead of 10:10; No. 3 leave Linnton 12:52 p. m. instead of 1 p. m., arrive Wilkesboro 1:52 instead of 2, and correspondingly earlier time at intermediate points.

Eastbound—No. 28 leave Rainier 2:50 p. m. instead of 3, arrive Portland 4:50 p. m. instead of 5, about 10 minutes

earlier than now at all points.

No. 24 leave Astoria 5:10 p. m. instead of 5, arrive Portland 9:10 p. m. instead of 9, about 10 minutes later than now at all points.

No. 22 leave Seaside 5:45 p. m. instead of 5:25, Astoria 6:50 instead of 6:30, arrive Portland 10:10 instead of 9:50, about 20 minutes later than now at all points.

No. 30, new daily train, leave Seaside 6:15 a. m., arrive Warrenton 8:30 a. m., Port Stevens 7:10 a. m., leave Port Stevens 7:15, Warrenton 7:35, arrive Astoria 7:55. This train instead of No. 22 will stop at Port Dock, Astoria, to discharge passengers.

No. 24 leave Seaside 12:05 p. m. instead of 10:40 a. m., Warrenton 1:10 p. m., arrive Astoria 1:30.

No. 28 discontinued.

No. 90 leave Port Stevens 5:45 p. m. instead of 5:25, arrive Astoria 6:20 p. m. instead of 6.

U. Rys. No. 2 will be from 5 to 7 minutes earlier than at present and No. 6, 20 minutes earlier.

Housing Committee Will Meet Saturday

A joint meeting of the housing committee of the City Federation of Women's Clubs, the Portland Housing association and the mayor's housing committee will be held in room A, Central library, Saturday at 2 p. m., to consider the report of the housing investigating committee and the proposed housing code.

Denver Honors Dead Mayor

Denver, May 17.—(I. N. S.)—Business suspended today in Denver from 11 until 3:30 o'clock that the city may pay its last tribute to Robert W. Speer, mayor, who died last Wednesday of pneumonia.

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