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CHARGED WITH BRUTAL MURDER

Albert Wolter Arrested After Found in His Fireplace.

HAD STRANGLED AND THEN BURNED VICTIM

Disappearance of Young Stenographer Cleared When Evidences of Foul Murder Are Uncarthed-Girl Had Killed - Police Believe Wolter Is Crimes-Boy's Mistress Implicates his brother.

ter, the youth accused of strangling to death and burning Ruth Wheeler a little stenographer girl in his flat, was today held by Coroner Haulthauser without ball on the charge of murder to answer to the grand jury. Wolter reiterated his denial of any knowledge of the girl. The police are endeavoring to prove Wolter is guilty of a number of revolting crimes, and that he headed a "white slave" gang and kept a list of young girls. De-tectives today are trying to locate these girls. The murder of Miss Wheeler, who was lured to the boy's flat on a pretext of employment was one of the most brutal in the records of New York.

Katchen Mueller, the young wo man living with Wolter, made the following statement to the police to-"About midnight Thursday I was awakened by a crash in the front I called out and asked who it Albert answered, telling me a part of the fireplace had fallen and he was fixing it. About 2 in the morning another noise awakened me. I went into the front room and found Albert shoving something into the grate. I offered to help him and he ordered me to bed. He said if I didn't go he would choke me to death. I

Noticed Change in Room. On Thursday night when she re turned from work at the laundry, where she earned \$6 a week-and gave it all to Wolter-she said she noticed the stove in front of the fire place had been moved, the fire board newly painted and a colored lithograph pasted over the hole where the stove pipe formerly entered. When she asked Wolter why he had done this, he answered that summer was coming and they would not need the

She had not even known that Wolter had received a visitor, she says, until Pearl Wheeler, the dead girl's elder sister, had called on Friday morning to ask if Ruth had been there. Wolter had denied it but the Miller girl says she was uneasy after the interview and that she became jealous and accused him of harboring another woman in the flat. Again he denied it. Friday morning she went to work again and that afternoon Wolter was arrested. The girl was committed to the house of detention as a material witness

An autopsy showed that Ruth Wheeler had been killed in the manner indicated by the first superficial examination. First, she had been strangled with a rope and then the bones of the arms and legs were broken to admit the body more readily the narrow throat of the chimney Why the cuts were made on the body does not appear.

When she was shown the night shirt in which part of the charred body had been wrapped, the girl pos-Itively identified the garment as Wol-"That letter 'W.' " said the girl, indicating an initial worked on the shirt, "was embroidered by Al-

bert's mother." She also identified the gunny sack in which the head and trunk of the victim had been placed as having been used by her and Wolter to hold kindling wood.

ROOSEVELT'S ACTION STIRS UP COMMENT AT HOME

Washington, March 28 .- The story of Roosevelt's "Putting his house in order" so as not to be hampered if he should decide not to endorse the Taft administration, created much comment here today. The story is based on the statement that Congressman Longworth has refused to serve again on a congressional committee, in response to a letter from Roosevelt stating he hoped his family need not be placed in a position which might make it embarrassing for him later.

the large family are living. Mr. nish them a chance to own a small til the climax is reached about May travel towards the earth to scare the Sears is 57 years old.

GOMPERS WILL URGE THE ATTACK ON STEEL TRUST

Washington, Mar. 28.-President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor expects to leave for Indianapolis tomorrow to confer with Governor Marshall, in connection with the suit which he is planning to press against the steel trust in the Indiana courts. Gompers says he won't wait for the department of justice to attack the trust. A suit will be brought to dissolve the trust in Indiana on the ground that its charter has been violated. Members of the Remains of Young Girl Are federation say the conditions of labor in the mills at Gary are worse than those in Pennsylvania,

> FAMILY NOMENCLATURE LEADS LAD TO MURDER

Denver, Mar. 28.-Joseph Burghard, aged six, today shot and fatally wounded his four year old brother Johnny, because he wanted his infant brother to have Johnny's name. Murder Are Uncarthed—Girl Had Several days ago the infant was Been Enticed to Room and Then christened "Caper" and when Joseph learned of this, he became angry. Today when the parents were absent Guilty of Number of Revolting the boy secured a revolver and shot

New York, March 28.—Albert Wol-

BAKER AND PENDLETON COMMANDERIES MEET HERE

Beautiful Service Held at Church of Redeemer Yesterday Afternoon-Two Chapters Have Been Celebrating for Twelve Years.

With beautiful and impressive ceremonies the Knights Templar of Baker City and Pendleton joined in the observance of Easter Sunday at the Church of the Redeemer yesterday afsermon by the rector and the services of the order all combined to make the stances indicate murder. exercises appropriate for the day and

the occasion. According to one of the visitors, the exercises were the prettiest and most impressive of any participated in by the members of the two commanderor jointly for 12 years.

when the members of the cheir, bloody handkerchief was found in robed in white, and the local and visthe processional "Onward Christian Soldiers." Probably the best musical numbers were the anthem, "O Death, Where Is Thy Sting," and the offertory solo, "Housanna," by Mrs. J. R. Dickson.

Following the exercises at the church the visiting Knights were escorted to the O. R. & N. depot. The ken for an auto ride about the city, raging between the Arkansas line and Later they took lunch in the Masonic

Those present from Baker City were Judge M. D. Clifford, ex-Mayor C. A. Johns, George W. Henry, G. B. Moulton, F. P. Bodinson, S. S. Landis, Frank S. Bailey, G. B. Small, J. D. Romig, F. H. Dean, Jas. A. Howard, Robert R. McGaughey and Art Har-

REWARDS WIFE'S SACRIFICE

Chicago, Mar. 28.-Because he slashed his wife's right ear from her head with a razor and almost amputated the other, Frank Pelinski is in jail at Evanston today, awaiting the filing of a charge against him. Pelinskis' deed followed his release from jail, which was effected by his wife who labored over her washtub to save money to pay the fine assessed for his previous cruelty to her.

King Menelik Dead Again. Rome, March 28.—The death of King Menelik is reported today in dispatches from Abyssinia. Menelik's death has been reported falsely so many times that the statement today occasioned no surprise and little in-

Water Suit is on Again.

The closing bit of testimony in the Echo water suit which has been in the courts for several months, is being taken this afternoon. This will be followed by the arguments of the attorneys and the case was then be in the hands of the jury.

SECURES FARMS TO RELIEVE JEWISH POOR

Chicago,-Rabbi A. R. Levy, for many years past of B'nal Abraham congregation, Marshfield avenue, near Twelfth street, acting under the direction of several prominent Chicago Jews, has closed a deal for the purchase of 35,000 acres of farm lands in Pierce county, Georgia, to be used in an agricultural movement which, Is Roosevelt Disciple.

Dedham, Mass., Mar. 28.—The birth bettering the conditions of the poor of a healthy baby boy in this town people of his race and in relieving to it is believed, will do much toward people of his race and in relieving to has made Joseph Sears the father of some extent the crowded conditions 34 children. He has been twice mar- of certain sections of Chicago. The ried in the last 40 years, his first wife purpose is to gather Jews who are giving birth to 18 children and the dissatisfied with conditions in Chicapresent Mrs. Sears to 16. But 12 of go and other large cities and to fur-

DIE IN FLAMES

lage Changed Into Place of Tragic Horror.

PANIC STRICKEN REVELERS CUT OFF FROM ESCAPE

Fire Breaks Out in Building Where Dance is in Progress - Flames Spread Rapidly-Frenzied Dancers Jam Doorway and Only Retreat is Blocked-Roof Falls in Pinioning Victims Down-Bodies Found in Great Heaps,

Matezaka, Austria, Mar. 28.-Two hundred and fifty persons were kill-ed in a fire which destroyed the vilage inn at Oakoorite, while a dance as in progress there, according to advices received here today. The building was of wood and the fire spread with great rapidity. A panic ccured and the dancers jammed the

doorways, cutting off all escape.

The roof of the building fell while the dancers were trying to make their scape and many were caught under the timbers and held while the fire blazed around them. After the fire had burned itself out great heaps of dead bodies were removed. It is be-lieved some bodies were entirely con-

Body Found; Murder Suspected. Baltimore, March 28.—The body of Mrs. Al Merrick was found today with her throat cut, on the suburban esternoon. The decorations of the tate of Alexander Brown, the mil-church, the music by the choir the llonaire banker and the police are seeking for her husband.

Mrs. Merrick's body was gashed about the neck and breast and her clothes had been torn from her. Her husband, Joseph A. Merrick, was arrested shortly before noon. The police theory is that the couple who ies which have been celebrating East- had been estranged for a long time, met yesterday and attempted to make. Pitt hotel at which a committee was The exercises commenced at 2:30 up their differences, but quarreled, A

Forest Fires Do Damage timber and farm property. Thousvicinity are said to have been killed and one-half years. Saturday he is earlier in the day and had been ta- under control. The fire that has been out further public statements, Batesville, Ark., a distance of nearly MOB VIOLENCE IS 200 miles, is said to be under control.

Newspaperman Commits Suicide. Farmington, Utah, Mar. 27 .- Eugene Day, a newspaperman, well ver, Los Angeles, and several Idaho defense was begun today. towns during his journalistic career. BY CUTTING OFF HER EARS His divorced wife and daughter live in Los Angeles. Despondency is the destruction.

Colonel Dudley Evans Dead. identified for years with the company at Portland and other coast towns, ion for gall stones.

lar celestial visitor was plainly vis-

ible in the heavens last night and

watched with interest for some time

west to southeast and very much re-

sembled the gleam from a searchlight

much larger and more powerful than

the mind of man has yet been able

the heavenly visitor was first seen.

Soon the word was passed around and

sleep were soon gazing in awe and

ible nightly for several weeks, con-

farm and engage in agricultural life. 19 when it will have reached its clos- timid heart in the next generation.

wonder at the beautiful sight,

It was shortly after 10 o'clock that

HALLEY'S COMET IS SEEN

Halley's comet, or some other sim- | est point to the earth,

by many residents of Pendleton. Or tance from earth on or about April 1

rather the tail was watched, for as will be 130,000,000 miles. At pres-

almost across the heavens from north- thousand miles a second. The near-

those who had not yet retired to brighter each evening until May 18,

If it really is the much heralded tinuing on its course. Thirty-seven

Halley's comet the visitor will be vis- years later it will arrive at its most

stantly increasing in brilliancy un- again turn in its course and once more

DARTING THROUGH THE SKY

about May 19.

diameter of 90 moons.

tor Gratters.

PASTORS INAUGURATE MORAL CLEAN UP

Wave of Reform Spreads Over Smoky City-Cleaning up of Restricted Districts and Immoral Sections Now Planned-Easter Sermons Directed Against Graft, Crime and Corruption-Grand Jury Examines Banks,

Pittsburg, Mar. 28.-The grand jury today began its examination of bank employes of six Pittsburg banks, which it is alleged paid a hundred and two thousand dollars to city VESUVIUS JOINS WITH councilmen to influence legislation so the banks would be named as depositaries of municipal funds.

Indignation meetings are being planned for this week. The ministry has combined in an effort to arouse public sentiment against the spread of corruption and vice.

In several hundred churches yes terday an unusual feature of the Easter services was the reading of a circular letter issued by a civic committee urging the members of every congregation to attend a huge indignation meeting to be held some day this week. Sermons too were designed to arouse public condemnation of such practices as have been revealed. Lessons in civil cleanliness

drawn by many pastors.
Side Shows Interesting.

While the big show continues there is a nively side feature in a crusade against all varieties of graft and wrongdoing in Pittsburg. Disorderly houses are being closed up and every night lately has been a roundup of women in the tenderloin district.

At a meeting of citizens in the Fort formed to further the mass meeting this afternoon. Lava is flowing plan, it was openly charged the graft amounted to a million dollars a year, the place will be destroyed John F. Klein, whose confessions

fires in Webster county, 30 miles east such a scandal, has been muzzled and of dollars. of here, are doing great damage to is now kept in a room at the Fort Pitt hotel pending disposition of his SAYS COLLEGE BRED MEN ands of trees in the orchards of that case. He is under sentence of three by the flames. The fires in the timber sued an emotional postcard appeal for in Tancy and Stone counties south of clemency and aid for his family, The visitors had been met at the depot the White river, are reported to be authorities have forbidden him to give

THREATENED TO TRIO

Watseka, Ill., Mar. 28.-Threats of mob violence against Mrs. J. B. Sayler, John Grunden and Dr. William known in the west, committed suicide Miller, charged jointly with the mur- It accuses college men of being knowby shooting yesterday morning. He der of Banker Sayler were reported to ing breakers of the law and being inhas been employed on the Reflex, a authorities today and a special guard different when they see the law beocal newspaper. Day worked in Den- was placed about the courtroom. The ing broken by others. Among the

Cook in New Jersey? New York, March 28 .- Dr. Fredonly explanation offered for his self crick A. Cook, who has been reported about everywhere of late, according to the latest rumor, is at the home of his wife's sister, Mrs. Henry Har-York March 28.-Colonel vey, at Pensuaken, Camden county, Dudley Evans, president of the Wells N. J. Friends of the doctor declined Fargo Express company, formerly to commit themselves tonight as to identified for years with the company his whereabouts, but Captain B. S. Osbon, a staunch supporter, went so died here today, following an opera- far as to say the explorer would be in New York within a few days,

There are very few living who re-

member having seen the comet on its

It is estimated that the comet's dis-

The tail is probably the most im-

pressive sight about Halley's comet,

and has been known to reach a length

The comet will continue to become

when it will begin to gradually draw

away from the earth into space, con-

distant point, known as "aphelion" to

last visit to earth 75 years ago.

EXPLOSION ON CRUISER CHARLESTON KILLS EIGHT

Washington, D. C., Mar. 28.—Eight nen were killed by an explosion on the cruiser Charleston at Olongapo yesterday, according to a dispatch re-ceived at the navy department today. The vessel was at target practice when the accident occurred. A breech-plug on a three inch gun blew out, killing the greater number of the gun crew. The dead are: Philip John McKee Scene of Joy in Austrian Vil- Penitential Season in Pitts- Master at Arms; Walter Amstedt, Henry A. Heater, Leo Renmele, Harry Reaves Graden, Ralph Berkman burg Will Be Kept Open Maxie Bernard and Edward Albert Motin, seamen.

The men were buried at Cavite. A report of the accident was made to the department by Commander in Chief Hubbard of the Asiatic fleet, An official court of inquiry has been o-dered to investigate the circumstances surrounding the accident.

DEMOCRATS WILL PUSH HARMON FOR PRESIDENT

Hot Springs, Ark., Mar. 28.—Friends of Governor Harmon of Ohio, today declare he will receive the democratic nomination for presidency at the next national convention, following a conference between the leaders of the party here who practically agreed Harmon is the man to make the run.

AETNA IN ERUPTION

FIVE FISSURES OPEN IN FORMIDABLE OLD VOLCANO

No Lava Flowing As Yet-Inhabitants of Villages Prepare to Flee-Actna Bursts Forth in Another Violent Eruption-Damage is Millions, ...

Naples, March 28.—Five fissures near the central crater of Mount Ve- greater calamity than any wrong of suvius opened today with a terrific the assassin's victim." He severely arpoured from the rents, but the first eruption was not accompanied by a lava flow. Scientists believe the activity of Vesuvius is caused by the the university conferred the degree subsidence of Aetna. Inhabitants of the towns near Vesuvius are preparing to flee.

Catania, March 28 .- After twentyfour hours of inactivity, a violent tended the dedication of the Amerieruption occurred at Mount Aetna late | can girls' mission school, through the village of San Leo, the incollection in the red light district had habitants have fled and it is feared

It is estimated the damage of the Springfield, Mo., Mar. 28.-Forest and exposure of others has netted eruption of Mt. Aetna is five millions

MOST LAWLESS ELEMENT

Chicago.-A report to be submitted to the Oberlin, Ohio, association of Illinois, at its annual meeting in Chicago at an early date, charges the college-bred men with being the most lawless element of modern society. The report has been compiled by an Oberlin alumni committee of Chicagoans, and the data has been collected from all over the United States. The general indictment is two-fold.

specific findings of the committee are the following: It was found that many college men

elected in city, state and nation, after taking an oath to enforce the law of the land, are violating their oaths by not enforcing certain laws on our statute books.

It was found that many college and university men in Chicago belong to clubs where the members have kept the bar of these clubs open on Sunday contrary to the criminal code of Illinois. It was found that in many instances

the college men are members expect- improvised torch Shelly lighted a cied to, prepare immunity baths for our delinquent and lawless citizens.

It was found that many college men are afraid to protect against lawlessness for fear such protest may injure their business or their prospects of being elected to some office.

HAUL ENGINE TO FIRE: THEN WATCH IT BURN

Princeton, N. J .- A cross-roads hetel, with the only bar in Kingston four miles from Princepton, burned down and its burning has angered Kingston folk at the Princeton fire department. When the fire started in the Hoff-

man house, as the hotel was known, yet no one has reported having seen ent this distance is being devoured at someone phoned to Princeton for the comet itself. The tall extended the incomprehensible rate of over a help. The fire laddles got out their archaic chemical pump in a jiffy and est approach to the earth will be cheerfully dragged it over the four miles of road four inches deep in snow. The hose was connected speedily,

the nozzle was turned on of 40 degrees or what is equal to the stream issued forth to quench the fire that was destroying Kingston's bar, its two pool tables, a slot machine and a chromo of Dan Patch. There was no chemicals for the en-

gine to pump. Diligent inquiry in the neighborhood falled to disclose any, so the Princepton department saw the fire destroy the hotel.

How men would kick of their wives

LION IN DEN

Ex-President Shows Fearless Nature in Speech Before University of Egypt.

TAKES SQUARE STAND FOR ENFORCEMENT OF LAW

Roosevelt Disregards Warning of Nationalists in Stirring Address-Denounces Assassination of Premier Pasha-Fearlessness Is Applauded -Declares People Must Be Trained Gradually Before They Are Fit for a Constitution.

Cairo, March 28 .- Disregarding the carning of the nationalists, Roosevelt n an address before the University of Egypt today took a square stand for enforcement of the law, denounc-ing the assassination of Premier Pashs o vigorously that it surprised even those knowing his fearless reputation. the colonel was roundly applauded.

The nearest Roosevelt came to repeating his statetments in the address at Khartoum, in which he said English rule in Egypt is beneficial, occurred when he said: "It will not make the people self-governing merely to give them a constitution. There must first be a training of the people to fit them for the constitution. This usually is a slow, though steady development."

Referring to the assassination of Premier Boutrous Pasha, Roosevelt "The assassination was A great volume of smoke raigned all persons who directly or indirectly encouraged the assassination or who defended the crime afterof Doctor of Laws on the former president. Roosevelt had luncheon with Mr. Watson, head of the American mission here and this afternoon at-

CHINA WANTS ROOSEVELT FOR GENERAL ADVISE

Tokio, March 28 .- A rumor is current among attaches of the foreign office here today that the Chinese government is contemplating asking Roosevelt to become general adviser to China. Roosevelt will be asked, according to the reports, to consider the needs of the Chinese empire and make recommendations not only for reforms within the empire but for guiding it in its relations with other nations

COUNCILMAN LIGHTS CIGAR WITH PASSES

Highspire, Pa .- Taint of graft canot linger in the Socialist ranks of Highspire borough. The die was cast at a meeting of the borrough council by C. B. Shelly, the only socialist office holder in Dauphin county.

Toward the close of the session Councilman Shelly broke loose with an anti-graft speech of the most virulent kind. He ran practically the entire gamut of the evils of the day. and wound up with an assault upon the Central Pennsylvania Traction company, of Harrisburg, which operates a line through here.

Then he pulled from his pocket a book of passes which the traction company had sent him as a councilman and from another pocket he produced a match. In a moment the passes were in flames, and with the Then he sat down.

DESCRIBED FLAG AS GREEN AND WHITE

New Lork.-Harry Levine, a resident of New York's east side after living 16 years in the United States, decided recently to become an Americanized citizen. When he appeared in the federal court with his request, Justice Adams asked him: "What is the color of the American flag?" Levine pondered deeply. Finally

he answered: "Green and white."

It was announced that the court had denied his application.

New 21-Inch Torpedo. London.—The new Whitehead torpedo, which has satisfactorily passed its trials, and will form part of the armament of new battleships and cruisers, is a formidable weapon. It measures eighteen feet six inches in length and twenty-one inches in ameter, and weighs nearly a ton. Its extreme range exceeds 7000 yards, at a speed of forty knots, and owing to improvements in the controlling mechanism its accuracy leaves noth-

ing to be desired. The charge of guncotton carried in the head will be approximately 250 pounds, and this can be depended upon to detonate on striking the plating of a ship at all likely angles.