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GANG LEADERS FOUND GUILTY BY SOUTHERN ILLINOIS JURY

Famous Shelton Brothers Are Convicted of Robbing U. S. Mail

THREE FOUND GUILTY

Retrial Will Be Asked, Charging Witness Perjured Himself

QUINCY, Ill., Feb. 5.—The end to a gang terrorist was forecast from Southern Illinois today.

QUINCY, Ill., Feb. 5.—(UN)—The three Shelton brothers, leaders of the southern Illinois Shelton gang, were found guilty today of holding up a United States mail messenger at Collinsville, Ill., early in 1925.

The brothers—Carl, Earl and Bernard—have been connected with vicious guerrilla warfare existing between the Birger and Shelton gangs for the past year, in which at least 12 persons, including two mayors, have been killed.

The jury, which was out about five hours, found them guilty on all four counts of the indictment which charges them with: 1—Assault on a mail messenger. 2—Assault and robbery of a mail messenger. 3—Concealing stolen mail property. 4—Unlawful possession of stolen mail property.

Immediately after the verdict was returned the defense filed a motion for a new trial, charging that Edward Moore, a recruiting agent, who testified for the government, perjured on the stand. Judge Henry said he would hear arguments on the new hearing today and the sentencing of the men would come at that time.

It was understood that the Sheltons face a maximum of 25 years imprisonment. The conviction was based solely upon the testimony of Charlie Birger and Art Newman, a gunman for Birger, who told how the Sheltons planned the robbery, executed it and then divided the money at Birger's home.

Newman, claimed the Sheltons forced him to drive them to Herrin in order to establish an alibi.

The trial of the three tall and rather quiet gangsters whose names have become terror words throughout southern Illinois, was drab despite the fact that a number of United States marshals and St. Louis detectives were in the courtroom as protection against any outbreak.

REMARKABLE CAR HERE

Dr. Marcell's Pullmanette, of Portland, Ore., stopped in Ashland today for the purpose of giving the local people the chance to see this remarkable car.

The car is a Reo speed bus chassis, six cylinders and a metal body built by Herwick Body works at Portland. It is advertised to be the finest private touring car in America, costing \$18,000.

The inside is all hardwood finished and quarter oak finished in natural color. There are many cupboards and compartments, an ice chest and refrigerator and a kitchenette with both gas and electric stoves. An enameled sink with marine water pump, food pantry, clothes press with large mirror for dressing, a desk and book case, and private sleeping compartments in the rear, the same as a pullman berth, are some of the features of this automobile.

Dr. Marcell is enroute to California where he will spend some time.

Grant and Wheeler counties may spend \$75,000 this year on Mitchell-Dayville road.

NEW YORK BANKER COMMITS SUICIDE

Immigrant Boy Who Became Bank President Takes Own Life

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—(UN)—William E. Knox, commissioner of the public bankers committee shot and killed himself Friday afternoon in the offices of the Bowers Savings Bank the \$250,000,000 institution of which he was president.

Associates of the nationally known banker and authority on finance for the masses said he had been informed by specialist that he suffered from an incurable disease. He had been dependent for the past two months. Knox's suicide caused the massive doors of the Bowers Savings Bank, opposite the Grand Central station, to swing shut at the busiest period of the day.

It took place between one and two p. m. in the office of the president's secretary.

Knox's self-inflicted wound terminated in his 65th year a career that began on the old Bowers as Horatio Alger, Jr., knew it and reached a peak of success that was beyond even that optimistic tale spinner's rosiest dreams.

The multi-millionaire banker was born in Strabane, Ireland, and came to New York a nine year old emigrant boy. He had already made up his mind to be a banker, but he landed his first job as office boy in a publishing house. His duties allowed him to attend public school. They also made good books available. After eight years with the publishers, Knox quit his job and took a lesser one, junior clerk with the Bowers Savings Bank. That was in 1885. Not until 1912 was Knox elected president of the bank.

MONDAY TO WITNESS BURIAL OF EMPEROR

Gorgeous Funeral, Result of Weeks of Work to be Held

TOKIO, Feb. 5.—From the Chiyoda palace, ancient most-enclosed home of his ancestors, the body of Yoshitomo, 122nd emperor of Japan, will be taken Monday night to its last resting place.

While the imperial family keeps vigil in the room where the body rests at the palace, Tokio is quiet in anticipation of the two day period of mourning, beginning at midnight Sunday.

A monster pavilion has been erected in the Shinjuku imperial gardens and there the ceremonies of the dead emperor will be held beginning at six p. m.

All is in readiness for the funeral which is to cost \$1,500,000. Yoshitomo is to be buried at the new imperial mausoleum at Asakawa, a village 30 miles northwest of Kwanto.

Although the body will leave Chiyoda palace at six o'clock, it will not arrive at Asakawa for burial until dawn, February 8. The solemn service of the Shinto funeral will begin at 9 p. m. Four oxen, costing \$150 each, have been trained in Tokio for the last week to draw the hearse.

Following the ceremonies at Shinguku, the imperial party, accompanying the late emperor's body will entrain at a temporary railway station built at Senadagaya. This station and the one built at Asakawa cost \$170,000. Hirohito, new emperor of Japan will not accompany his father's body to Shinguku gardens, but will precede it, going a different route.

It is understood the Empress Dowager Sadako will make her home at the imperial villa in Hayama where her husband died.

RARE COINS

KALUGA, Russia, (IP)—Workmen demolishing a stone oven in a peasant hut here came upon a collection of rare coins, the fourth most precious collection of old money in the Soviet Union. Several coins which had become almost extinct were included. The collection has been placed in a museum here.

DEFENDER OF SHANGHAI IS PUSHED BACK IN AN ATTACK

Is Forced to Retreat One Hundred Sixty Miles to The South

PREPARE FOR BATTLE

Cantonese Are Massing Their Forces Preparatory to a Determined Attack

SHANGHAI, Feb. 5.—Hurled back by a crushing attack of the Cantonese forces pushing toward Shanghai, Marshal Sun Chuan Fang, defending this post from the march of the southern armies took stand at Yenchow, one hundred and sixty miles south of here. Yenchow thus became the base of military operations which experts believe will determine the fate of Shanghai. The Cantonese are reported as massing their battalions for a determined attack. Marshal Sun dispatched eight hundred of his picked soldiers of the northern army to Yenchow, where they will await the unloading of his "Big Push."

Move for Peace LONDON, Feb. 5.—Another move for peace in south China was made by the British government tonight. It was arranged during two cabinet meetings, the second being called because a section of that body opposed former negotiations with Eugene Chen, foreign minister of South China.

Based as it is on the possibility of Chen's giving effective guarantees alone can Great Britain take the responsibility of diverting 30,000 troops, now headed for Shanghai, to Hong Kong or some other remote Chinese territory. Chen's ability to guarantee against mob violence, which caused a serious anti-foreign outbreak at Kiating and Hankow, looked upon as almost impossible in view of the fact that he had little control over agitators in the treaty ports.

E. V. CARTER GIVES ADDRESS ON LINCOLN

Kiwanis Club Listens to Entertaining Address by Banker

Abraham Lincoln was pictured as one of the greatest men of all time, with no counterpart in American history, in a splendid talk on the Great Emancipator yesterday noon by E. V. Carter, who addressed the weekly Kiwanis club lunch.

Mr. Carter spoke especially on events immediately following the battle of Bunker Hill. At the ceremonies following this battle, Edward spoke for two hours, Mr. Carter related, and was given a remarkable ovation. Lincoln spoke for two minutes and the applause was meager.

Lincoln wondered for some time whether or not his speech had been a failure, but when it was later printed and the people throughout the country read it, it was acclaimed as a remarkable document.

Mr. Carter said that historians fail to agree on the way Lincoln prepared his speech. The generally accepted version, however, is that he prepared it on the train enroute to Gettysburg.

Other high lights in the public career of the country's martyred president were given by Mr. Carter in his instructive and entertaining talk to the Kiwanians. Henry Enders led in the club singing.

METIGUE VS. SHARKEY

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—(UN)—Mike Metigue, who showed Paul Berlenbach the way out the other night, is all set now to humble Jack Sharkey.

Boxing experts, however, do not share Metigue's confidence in his prowess and he probably will crawl through the ropes a short ender in the betting.

Prowler Breaks Into Nininger's And Steals Cash

A prowler last night broke into Nininger's and stole approximately \$10 in silver out of the two cash registers, according to a report made to the police this morning. The prowler broke a rear window in order to gain entrance to the store.

It is believed to have been the work of some youth, as only money was taken and no attempt was made to break open the safe. As far as know, no merchandise was stolen.

ANOTHER CO-ED TRIES TO HOLD UP A BANK

Says She Needed the Money to Complete Her Education

VERMILION, S. D., Feb. 5.—A pretty 19 year old co-ed of the University of South Dakota was captured today as she attempted to rob a bank here. The girl, Miss Marian Meyers, readily confessed her plans, saying that she needed the money to continue her education.

She was apprehended by a night watchman as she waited in the bank for its doors to open to surrender. She had an electric drill with the cord too short to reach the nearest electric light plug. The girl had entered the bank through a rear window.

CHURCH EXPLOSION TAKES TWO LIVES

Blast in Toledo Congregational Church Proves to be Disastrous

TOLEDO, O., Feb. 5.—A blast which wrecked the Congregational church here today, claimed two lives and probably fatally injured a third.

The bodies of Clyde Wilt and wife, who was the janitress of the church, were recovered in the ruins. Mrs. Mary Fitzgerald, also a janitress, was severely burned and it is feared she may die.

Last year Wallowa county received \$22,500 grazing fees from Wallowa national forest.

Roseburg — Liberty Theatre installs new Tellers-Kent pipe organ.

WIFE KILLER GETS LIFE SENTENCE

Confessed Slayer of Bigamous Wife to Spend Life Behind Bars

LANCASTER, Wis., Feb. 5.—(UN)—Pleading guilty to a charge of, first degree murder, William M. Coffey who confessed to the slaying of his bigamous wife, was sentenced to life imprisonment at hard labor.

At the same time Mrs. Hattie Hales Coffey, his victim, was buried at Elroy, Wis. Circuit Judge Sherman E. Smalley passed sentence upon the bond salesman and social worker who recently aided authorities in unearthing the dismembered parts of his bride's body.

In his confession Coffey admitted that while he and his bigamous wife were camping on the Wisconsin side of the Mississippi river last October he killed Mrs. Hales with a baseball bat while she slept, dismembered the body with an axe and knife, placed the pieces in his car and drove to a woods near Plattsville, Wis., where he dug several shallow graves.

MANN ACT VIOLATOR ADJUDGED INSANE

Portland Baptist Minister is Sent to Asylum

PORTLAND, Feb. 5.—(UN)—Rev. Walter G. Jones, Baptist minister, charged with violation of the Mann act, was declared insane here today by Dr. William House, mental expert, and was ordered committed to the state hospital at Salem.

Rev. Jones was arrested in Los Angeles a few weeks ago on a secret indictment returned by the Portland federal grand jury. He was charged with transporting Mrs. Pearl Lee, a pretty member of his Portland congregation, from Portland to Fort Worth, Texas, for immoral purposes. Appearing in federal court for his preliminary hearing, Rev. Jones entered the plea of insanity. Dr. House was appointed by Judge Bean to examine the minister and report to the court. Result of the examination was made public this afternoon.

"His insanity is organic," Dr. House said. Brights disease he explained, is primarily at the bottom of the trouble. Mrs. Jones will return to her home in Modesto, Cal.

TAX REDUCTION MEETS DEFEAT AT THE HANDS OF THE SENATE

Coolidge Republicans and Insurgents Join and Defeat Democrats

WAS POLITICAL MOVE

Democrats Feel That They Have Gained Some Valuable Campaign Material

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—With Coolidge republicans and insurgents voting together to defeat the demands to enforce immediate tax reduction, the project was smashed in the senate today.

Democrats believe, however, that they gathered some valuable political ammunition, for use in 1928.

Senator Harrison, Mississippi democrat, had offered a resolution as expressing the sentiment of the senate for immediate tax reduction.

Republicans united under Norris, Nebraska, insurgent who introduced a resolution favoring use of the surplus in retiring the public debt.

This republican substitute was adopted 46 to 33, all republicans, insurgents and one democrat, Blease, South Carolina, supporting it. Then the Harrison resolution as thus revamped, was adopted 52 to 28, seven democrats going to the administration side—Ashurst, Arizona Blease, South Carolina; Bruce, Maryland; Glass, Virginia; Smith, South Carolina; Walsh, Montana; Wheeler, Montana.

By this action the senate thwarted the most serious threat of an extra session. Had the democrats won out in their demand for immediate tax reduction a filibuster would have been set up at once to block all of the remaining appropriation bills, so that the president would have been compelled to call an extra session of congress in the spring to get appropriations for routine government expenses after July 1.

Astoria — Northwest Pulk & Paper company contracts for preliminary work on \$3,000,000 plant.

NORMAL QUINCY IS WINNER OVER ROOKS

Local Collegians Defeat the Aggie Five, 44 to 27, in Fast Game

In a rough and speedy contest which was bitterly fought every inch of the way, Ashland normal defeated the O. A. C. Rooks, 44 to 27, at the local armory last night, and thus evened up the score of last month when the young farmers nosed out a one-point victory over the locals.

Coach Hughes' basketballers showed flashes of dazzling speed and kept the visitors on the defensive practically the entire game.

It was rough going from the very start, and Ted Kinney, Normal Guard, was disqualified on personal fouls before the first half was over. Johnson substituted for him and played a tenacious game, although he became a bit too combative in the final half.

Al Marsk was high point winner for the locals, with 26 scores in his credit. Butterfield and Caldwell made six points each, Kinney, 4 points, Ramsey 2, and Johnson 1.

Miles with 6 points was high point man for the visitors, with O'Brien second with 5 points. Other point scorers for the Rooks were Hart, 4; Jordan, 3; Torson, 4; Drager, 3; Conroy, 2.

The Rooks will play Company C of Medford in the Medford armory tonight.

Ashland high school defeated Roseburg high, 17 to 16, in a hotly contested game at Roseburg last night, according to a special dispatch to the Tidings this morning. The Ashland boys were a bit off color at shooting baskets but played a strong defensive game. The game was speedy from start to finish. The Ashland team will play Corvallis high at Corvallis tonight.

SEA DERBY WINNER TO MEET MOTHER

Skirmish Over Managers is Expected to Come to a Head Soon

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 5.—(UN)—The skirmish between George Young, youthful conqueror of Catalina Channel, and his mother, over his choice of managers, had subsided tonight when Mrs. Jean Young departed for San Francisco to join her son.

Mrs. Young was accompanied by the swimmer's aunt, Isabell A. Young, who came with her from Toronto and by her attorney.

The mother left here a f t e r Young last night refused her offer to meet him at Santa Maria and have a heart to heart talk about his business affairs. Young claimed that a contract to appear at a San Francisco theatre prevented him from making the journey.

Mrs. Young's capitulation was the result of a last minute decision. Yesterday afternoon her attorney said that she was ill and that she had only \$40 between herself and want.

Railroad Stock Reaches New High

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—(UN)—Wheeling and Lake Erie railroad stock soared to new heights in Wall street today, constituting a virtual "corner" and squeezing out scores of bearish traders with losses running into millions of dollars.

John D. Rockefeller and L. F. Loree, who were credited with responsibility for a similar flurry in the market a week ago, were completely out of the pictures as bears who had played the market short scurried to cover on demands that they deliver on their contracts.

Today's sudden rise, brokers said, indicated that the road was wanted as a connecting link with other lines seeking a consolidation of eastern railroad properties in the coal mining areas of West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

COMMITTEE HAS MADE PLANS TO ALLOW STATE APPROPRIATION

Over a Million and a Half Has Been Reported on by Committee

USING A FREE HAND

Governor's Statement That His Plan Will Fix Finances Accepted

SALEM, Feb. 5.—(UN)—Bills and recommended appropriations, aggregating \$1,500,000 were favorably reported at the last meeting of the legislative ways and means committee of the Oregon legislature.

At a meeting of the committee approval of huge sums of money in a free handed manner indicated that the members took Governor Patterson at his word when he said his financial program, if enacted, would tend to restore the state to a sound standing.

The appropriation recommendations included: 1—Approval of the University of Oregon request for \$505,000 for new buildings. 2—Favorable recommendation on a bill providing \$600,000 for the erection of a new state office building in Salem. 3—Approval of the board of control program, asking for 224,650 for the new eastern Oregon hospital at The Dalles in addition to the \$100,000 provided in the bill which created that institution.

4—A recommendation in favor of appropriations for armories in six Oregon cities at a combined cost of \$132,305. Following the action of the committee in placing the stamp of approval on these appropriations, Representative Buchanan, a member of the money apportioning committee, took the floor and presented two bills covering new buildings for the Oregon Agricultural college to cost \$519,000. These two bills are now in the hands of a sub-committee which will probably return them to the committee as a whole for action at a meeting called for Saturday morning.

The demand for favorable action on the university program was led by Representative Bronaugh, who was ably supported by Representatives Collier, Fisher, McReady and Senator Bell.

An appropriation of \$375,000 with which to construct new library at the university was approved without serious opposition, but when the university members pressed their demands for an addition of \$130,000 which to construct an infirmary at that institution, Senators Strayer and Staple objected, but they were not heeded.

After a dull day in the senate the members adjourned at 2:55 until 10:30 Monday morning.

TWELVE KILLED IN MEXICO PAST DAY

Native Head of Knights of Columbus Included in List

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 5.—(UN)—Twelve persons, including the native head of a Knights of Columbus group, have been killed in the last 24 hours in clashes between federal troops and insurgents.

A religious worker was one of seven executed at Puebla, according to the newspaper El Sol. All were accused of plotting against the government.

Four rebels and one federal officer were killed in a clash at the cattle town of Papayo, state of Guerrero.

A dispatch to the newspaper Intervenir from Chilpancingo, state of Guerrero, says that armed agrarians are terrorizing the country around Moctlan, state of Morelos.

Advertisement for Charlie Chaplin's movie 'Double Trouble' featuring a cartoon illustration of a man in a top hat and a woman in a dress, with the text 'NOW PLAYING CHARLIE CHAPLIN IN HIS LATEST STUNT DOUBLE TROUBLE'.