

HANDSOME MINISTERIAL BIGAMIST

Plead Guilty and Got Four Years In Prison.

Judge Gave Him Within One Year of the Limit on Account of His Calling.

Sigourney, Iowa, April 23.—In pronouncing sentence today against Rev. I. B. Taylor, who pleaded guilty to bigamy, the court said that he imposed a sentence of four years, one less than the maximum, because he felt that one in the ministerial calling should be held stricter to account than others. Taylor laughed and remarked, "Glad it's over." He is a handsome young evangelist.

BAD EXPLOSION IN NEWARK

Two Firemen Killed and Twenty Injured This Morning.

Newark, N. J., April 23.—Two firemen were killed and twenty injured in an explosion in the factory of Weiner & Company, saddlery and hardware manufacturers, this morning. The dead are William Crane and Jacob Bleyhle. The origin was from a tank of naphtha taking fire. Fourteen engines and four truck companies were massed in front of the building when the explosion occurred the falling walls burying the men and machines. The loss is fifty thousand dollars.

President Loubet Travels.

Paris, April 23.—President Loubet today started for Rome to visit the King of Italy.

A Put-the-Shot Record.

Philadelphia, April 23.—R. Rose, of Michigan, put the shot 48 feet 3 1/2 inches today, breaking the world's record.

From Russian Sources.

Paris, April 23.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg states the Japanese losses in the reported engagement at Yalu river numbered seven thousand.

Correct Postoffice Department.

Washington, April 23.—The postoffice attorney general decides that the business of receiving bets to place on races is in violation of the law prohibiting lotteries and games of chance, and that the mails may not be used for such business.

Manufactured Divorce Evidence.

London, April 23.—Henry Slater, head of the largest private detective agency in England, and four assistants, were arrested today on the charge of procuring false evidence with which to permit a woman client to obtain a divorce.

New Form of Government.

Berlin, April 23.—The Frankfurter Zeitung reports the Russian concite ministers, consisting of old and conservative statesmen, have demanded a limited form of popular government for Russia. Minister of the Interior Plehve is said to have agreed to their demands to a degree.

AIRSHIP FAILED WITHOUT AERONAUT

Made a Number of Circuits When the Engine Stopped—Drifted Six Miles Landing in Swamp.

San Francisco, April 23.—T. A. Baldwin, a famous aeronaut, made a successful ascension this morning in Gerin's dirigible airship, rising to the height of 1000 feet and making a number of complete circuits with the ease and grace of a gull. After being in the air about ten minutes he stopped the engine and was apparently unable to start it again, so the balloon rapidly drifted to the south and at 10:15

o'clock was not visible from the heart of the city.

Baldwin landed near Blankins' six-mile house in a swamp. He was slightly bruised. The inventor claims that the machinery was all right, not being fully understood by Baldwin. Inventor Gerth immediately started the machinery, showing no defect. Baldwin claims he attained a height of 30,000 feet, and that the descent and landing were perfect.

To Unload Panama Elephant.

Paris, April 23.—Resolutions ratifying the sale of the Panama canal were passed at the meeting of the French company today.

Indian Agency Land Sale.

Washington, D. C., April 23.—President Roosevelt this morning signed the bill opening for sale 416,000 acres of land in the Rosebud Agency, South Dakota.

Impressing Railroad Strikers.

Vienna, April 23.—All army reserves among the striking Hungarian railroad strikers, eleven thousand out of seventy thousand, will be ordered to join their colors and work trains as soldiers.

SNOW AT GRANTS PASS

Southern Oregon Covered With An Inch of "The Beautiful."

Grant's Pass, April 23.—Residents of Grant's Pass awoke this morning to find an inch of snow covering their lawns and the air flying thick with the fleecy stuff. A snowstorm is rampant over Southern Oregon, which is a most unusual thing for this time of year.

Reports come of twelve inches of snow at Greenback, in the mountains in the northern part of the county, and two feet of snow at the Copper Eagle mine, near Galice, in the northwest part of the county. The hills about Grant's Pass are covered with from four to six inches, and the higher mountains about are piled to a great depth.

About the only one who is pleased with this condition of things is the placer miner. He can look ahead to almost an all-summer run of his giants. But with the fruit grower, the melon grower and the farmer it is a different story. If good weather follows immediately but little damage will be done, but a frost following on the heels of the present storm would paralyze the peach, almond and other crops.

A few melon fields have been planted and it is likely that these will have to be planted again.

TRIALS BEGIN ON MAY 4.

McKinley, Pater-Ware Cases Will Come Up Separately.

The land fraud cases involving McKinley, Pater, Miss Ware, Mrs. Watson, D. W. Tarpley, Guy Huff, and the case involving Charles Cunningham, et al., of Pendleton, will be tried commencing May 4. The cases have been divided so that the first defendants to be tried will be Horace G. McKinley and S. A. D. Pater. The next case will deal with Mrs. Emma L. Watson, and following her Miss Ware will be tried. The next case will deal with McKinley, Pater and Miss Ware jointly, and after that the Cunningham case will be taken up.

The reason for dividing the cases, while not given by the United States District Attorney, probably is that it was his desire that Mrs. Watson and Miss Ware would by their absence be unable to bias the jury either one way or the other. All lawyers admit, and court records prove, that it is a hard matter to convict a pretty woman of a crime, especially when that woman is cultured and refined. Hence Mrs. Watson and Miss Ware will be tried separately and the jury will be able to return a verdict against McKinley and Pater without having undergone fire during the entire trial form two batteries of feminine eyes.

Besides the attorneys mentioned on the docket, A. C. Woodcock and Charles A. Hardy, of Eugene, and Judge Martin L. Pipes will participate in the McKinley and Pater cases on the side of the defense.—Telegram.

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CHICAGO'S YOUTHFUL BANDITS

Paid the Penalty of Numerous Crimes on the Scaffold.

Neidermeir Defiant to the Last--Marx and Van Dine Met Their Fate Resignedly.

(The ages of the three "boy bandits" who met death on the scaffold at Chicago today ranged from nine teen to twenty-four. A full account of their criminal career and the crime leading up to their detection and punishment is published in today's Guard, commencing on the editorial page.)

Chicago, April 22.—Peter Neidermeier, pale, weak from double attempts to commit suicide, stubbornly refusing to embrace religion within a few hours of certain death, joking, laughing with his guard and smoking



VICE ADMIRAL AVELLAN, RUSSIA'S MINISTER OF MARINE.

Russia's minister of marine corresponds to the secretary of the navy of the United States. Vice Admiral Avellan, who not long ago succeeded Vice Admiral Tyrtoff, is at present acting minister, the nominal commander in chief being the Grand Duke Alexis Alexandrovitch. A most difficult task confronts Vice Admiral Avellan, that of re-enforcing the shattered Port Arthur fleet.

cigarettes the greater part of the night, isolated from Marx and Van Dine, his companions in crime, who themselves were converted to the Christian faith and spent the night in peaceful slumber, were incidents that marked the closing hours of the "autumnal trio."

None of the bandits showed any signs of weakening. While Neidermeier did not go to sleep until 5, Marx retired at 1:30 and Van Dine two hours later. Van Dine's last hours were spent in writing letters to his mother and relatives. While the condemned men slept holy candles burned by their bed-sides. Up to midnight Marx and Van Dine played "sixty-six." Van Dine winning the last game. Ten minutes later they bade each other farewell to meet on the scaffold.

Neidermeier slept until 8:20. "Well," he growled at the jailer while that official stood by the bedside preparing to awaken him. "It's nearly nine, Pete; how do you feel?" Neidermeier arose and turned this back on the jailer without reply, then sullenly moved away. "Anything you want, Pete?" "Yes, to be let alone," snapped the bandit. His breakfast consisted of berries, cream and vegetables.

A SWEETHEART'S SAD OFFERING

Mamie Dunn, Van Dine's sweetheart, arrived early and was admitted to the office of the jail. She left clean linen and a white silk shroud. The garments were taken at once to Van Dine's cell. He donned them, stopping in the act to feel the texture of the silk and pull loose threads from it, then resumed his seat on the bed. He read his prayer book after eating a breakfast of strawberries

and cream and eggs. Two Sisters of Mercy were eagerly greeted. Marx, who breakfasted similarly, was permitted to enter the prison chapel with Van Dine, and together with the Sisters the bandits prayed for an hour.

Before leaving their cells the doomed men gathered their effects together and sent them to the jail office and the undertaker was admitted to see them. His visit made Neidermeier more sullen and visibly affected the others.

NEIDERMEIER'S PHILOSOPHY.

Father Cox gave Neidermeier a book entitled "Notes on Ingersoll." The bandit read four pages, then returned the volume with the comment: "I get my opinions from my own thoughts, not from Ingersoll or any one else. I wish I could believe in your religion. If I could hypnotize myself into the belief I was going somewhere to be happy forever, don't you think I'd be glad to die? The world's all wrong—there's no attractions for men like me. We grow up in the slums half-starved, always miserable. We work day after day like slaves, to die miserably. Chicago is full of boys like me, growing up without advice or help. I've been pretty bad, I admit, but I'm going to pay all the penalty I shall ever pay this morning. If the churches did something they would do more good than they can by converting me; about to be hanged. But you do some good. You've cheered two me in the other cells into the belief that they are going to heaven; that's consoling to them. If you hadn't got Van Dine into that belief it would take a dozen men to strap him for the noose."

At ten the jailer notified the men to

then returned to the chapel to escort Marx. Marx, who was praying, arose and tried to speak. He turned to Van Dine, who was kneeling with him, with an extended hand. The men stood silent a moment, then embraced. "Goodbye, Gus," exclaimed Van Dine. "Remember what the priest says, we shall be together again." Marx answered in an audible tone, and the journey to the scaffold began, while another shout came from the thousand prisoners. Marx walked calmly, and submitted to being strapped quietly. Two priests uttered prayers and the drop fell at 11:17. His convulsions lasted two minutes, death ensuing in six minutes. Before stepping on the scaffold Marx requested that none speak to him, concentrating his mind on religion. He was in the midst of prayer when the drop fell. His body was cut down at 11:34, the yellow grass rope removed from his neck and again tied and tested for the third victim. Marx's neck was broken.

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THIRD AND LAST VICTIM.

Van Dine was found in prayer when the executioners visited the chapel. Two priests took positions by his side, and with his eyes bent on the crucifix carried in his hand, the march began. Arriving at the scaffold Van Dine stood with head erect to permit the executioner to take a noose. While he was uttering a prayer the drop fell, at 11:55. His short, muscular body hung without movement, death being almost instantaneous. His neck was broken.

APPEASING MORBID CURIOSITY.

The bodies will be left with the undertakers until Monday with the consent of their families, that sightseers may view the remains.

CAPTURED A HERD OF WHALES

L. M. Christensen Killed Three Deep Sea Monsters.

Did it With His Little Hatchet at the Mouth of the Siuslaw River--Exciting Experience.

(Guard Special Service.)

Florence, April 22.—Tuesday morning L. M. Christensen, who is watchman at the government works at the mouth of the river, saw four whales inside of the bar. They played around for awhile and then came up beyond the end of the jetty. Mr. Christensen armed himself with a gun, and getting into his boat proceeded to capture the whole herd single-handed. He pulled around them and backward and forward, driving them before him until he had them in the entrance to the south channel, when he commenced shooting at them, which frightened them so that they made a dash for the south channel and landed themselves high and dry on the sand. They tore around and spouted considerable, but were unable to get back into swimming water.

Finding that he could not kill them with his gun, Mr. Christensen procured a butcher knife and a hatchet and again went to the attack. His knowledge of the anatomy of a whale came in good play. Cautiously approaching each victim in turn he gave it a vigorous slash with his hatchet, cutting the arteries and letting them bleed to death. In this manner he despatched the whole herd. It was a great undertaking, as a slight blow of one of those monsters' tails would have sent him to kingdom come in almost no time. The largest is about twenty-five feet long, the tail about four feet wide, and the fish will weigh up in the tons.

When the tide raised it floated them up the bay. Mr. Christensen landed one just above the government works. After hitching the largest one he found he had rather more than he could manage and the tug L. Koscoe came to his assistance; taking a line from the tug he fastened it back of the front fin. While the tug was towing it ashore Mr. Christensen's boat was capsized and rolled over several times. He managed to keep on top, however, and was rescued by the tug. The whale was landed at the old cannery.

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UTAH LEGAL SHOOTING

Riflemen Put Four Bullets About Heart of Murderer.

The Monster Killed His Wife and Left Three-Year-Old Child With Body Two Days.

Salt Lake, Utah, April 22.—Frank Rose, convicted of the murder of his wife, was executed by shooting today.

The file of riflemen selected to perform the duty put four bullets in the region of the heart. Death was almost instantaneous.

To the last Rose was indifferent and callous. He begged to be allowed to walk unaided and with eyes uncovered to the fatal chair. He objected to being strapped, but his wish was not complied with. From the time he left his cell until four bullets were in the region of his heart was barely two minutes. Before the execution Rose declared that he spent the last fourteen years committing crimes ranging from robbery to the most revolting murders at St. Louis and Chicago, the last being at San Francisco, where he killed a companion in a quarrel and threw his body in the bay. He went into the details of each crime. The officers, however, doubt his stories.

Rose shot his wife Xmas day in bed. He left her body with their three-year-old baby locked in the room two days. He gave himself up to the police, who broke in the door and found the child nearly dead, cuddling by its mother. Rose boasted of the crime, and maintained that he wanted to die.

Terrible Scene at Bull Fight. Madrid, April 22.—During a bull fight Thursday two bulls disemboweled four fighters, mortally injuring them. The fight was suspended and the spectators fled in terror.

Destroyed Warship Plans. St. Petersburg, April 22.—Fire at the Nevsky naval shipbuilding yards today destroyed a number of important plans.

Missionary Murdered. Berlin, April 22.—The Kolonialzeitung asserts that an American missionary and his servant, the names not obtainable, have been murdered near Rumiab, northwestern Persia, by a Persian Moslem. The American minister at Teheran demanded the arrest and punishment of the murderer, but the authorities refused to take any steps toward apprehending him.

OREGON'S BIG LOG AT ST. LOUIS

The Monster is Attracting Great Attention at the World's Fair.

(Special correspondence.) St. Louis, April 18.—One of the most attractive cards in the outdoor exhibit of the forestry display at the St. Louis fair is the big spruce log which will represent Oregon there. It is a veritable monster, and thousands of people daily are attracted by its enormous size. It is by far the largest log on the grounds, and old timers cannot remember when they have seen anything nearly so large. It towers above the other outdoor exhibits and can be seen for a long distance. General Superintendent Wehrung thought that he had a white elephant on his hands, as there seemed to be no feasible means of unloading the log and getting it into position. But after carefully looking over the ground, he decided to have a launching, and accordingly ways were prepared and jacks brought into use. Even then it was no easy matter to move the huge monster, which weighed 50,000 pounds. Quite a crowd of spectators had gathered to witness the sight, and they were not disappointed, for the log seemed to be alive and went tumbling and rolling down the long slope like a young cub after honey. It brought up within a few feet of its long resting place, where it was placed on a cradle, to be the pet of all timbermen.