

WILLARD THOMPSON'S GROWLED

First Eye Witness Description of Villa's Murder Made

ASSASSINS WERE KING AMBUSHED IN VACANT HOUSE

WILLERS GOT AWAY FOR GOOD Start Because Horses for Chase Were Lacking; Death of Bandit Instantaneous.

Mexico City, July 21.—First eye witness stories of the dramatic end of "El Checo" Villa, notorious bandit who was shot dead this afternoon as he fled the capital this afternoon as the federal investigation into the assassination of the little band of murderers who ambushed and shot to death the famous rancher of late a peaceful rancher—killing his wife with 16 bullets, have been reported from Durango, where the assassin continues to run high at the little villa where Villa spent his last days, came word proving that the assassination had been planned long since.

Murderers Ambushed.

The murderers lived in the vacant house which they used as a headquarters and it was there that they were ambushed for three or four days before the killing. One of Villa's escorts, Ramon Coullars, who was twice shot in the hall during today's fight, told of the affair: "There were from seven to ten men in the party that opened fire on us as we swung around a bend in the road approaching the farm house where they lay hidden. Contreras said in an interview from his hospital bed. Besides Villa, our chief, Trillo, his son and three other members of the party fell dead around him. The bullets fell upon us in a veritable storm and Villa, whose identity I know not, was also killed, and two of us wounded.

Shot Nine Times.

Villa was shot nine times (other reports said 16 bullet holes were counted in his body) Trillo seven times and there (Continued on page three)

New Mexican Governor May Use Soldiery

Los Vegas, N. M., July 21.—A clash of authority between the governor of New Mexico and officials of San Miguel county may occur, resulting in martial law if the prosecution in the cases of Carl C. Magee and Judge Richard H. Hanna carry out their present intentions. The county officials, it is understood, hold that Governor Hinkle has no right to pardon Magee for contempt of court and that the governor's power does not extend to releasing offenders against county or supreme court judges. If they decide to let the case come to a showdown, the prosecution will demand the immediate jailing of Magee and Hanna and defy the governor to release them. The question of how far the governor's pardoning power extends has not yet been brought before the supreme court of the state. It was instituted in quarters close to Governor Hinkle today that if the San Miguel authorities persist in this course martial law may be declared in the county, with military courts superseding civil judiciary. It is that the release of Magee and Hanna would be effected by force. The discharge case, against Judge Hanna continued this morning. Magee indicated today that he will fight no more contempt cases, but that he will refuse to plead or to offer any evidence in case he is cited again by Judge Leahy. It is known that the prosecution has drawn up three more citations and is ready to serve them at any moment. "I shall not stop saying what I believe to be the truth about conditions in San Miguel county," Magee said. "But I feel that it is useless to go to the expense of fighting a continuous procession of contempt cases. Therefore, I shall simply refuse to plead and let the court do what it will."

Magee went on the stand during the morning to testify that Judge Hanna had nothing to do with the campaign "to arouse the community against the court." He declared that neither he nor Hanna arranged the mass meetings out of which have grown the proceedings to disbar Magee's counsel. Shortly before court recessed this afternoon, Judge Leahy made a ruling which distinctly shocked and amazed the defense. The prosecution had introduced a copy of Magee's answer in one of the four contempt of court cases, in which it was declared to be a manifest clerical error made it appear that Magee was admitting instead of denying that he was "seeking to intimidate the court."

The document was admitted in spite of heated protests by Fred E. Wilson, counsel for Judge Hanna, who pointed out the supposed error to Judge Leahy and declared that no person could reasonably be expected to believe that Magee had pleaded guilty as would be inferred from the incorrect copy of the answer introduced by the prosecution. In spite of the supposed error in the document, Judge Leahy held it as admissible and declared that he would not change the record.

GOVERNMENT LINE SHADED BY PRIVATE

By LAWRENCE MARTIN (United Press Staff Correspondent) Abroad U. S. S. Henderson, Enroute Siberia July 21.—Members of President Harding's party were today making comparisons between the government's Alaskan railroad on which \$20,000,000 has already been spent, and the Guggenheim private line in the Copper River country, visited yesterday by the president. The comparisons were all in favor of the private road which, however, is ten years older than the government line and was built for the specific purpose of hauling ore from the copper mines and shipping to the mines. This government railroad officials said, explained the fact that all along the Copper River railroad there was much freight on the sidings while not a car of freight was seen along the entire 472 miles of the government road. A movement will be begun in congress this winter, it was indicated, to lease or otherwise dispose of the government railroad to private interests on the grounds that they can more efficiently and economically manage the line. Mr. Harding and cabinet members with him will oppose the idea, believing that the Alaskan railroad will in time be the center of a great transportation system, including branch roads and inland waterways. This depends, however, on the development of the country, which work, in Mr. Harding's opinion, must be patient. Spending must not be stampeded into congress huge sums to try to force Alaska growth on advice of optimistic citizens, but neither will the government's interest in the territory be lost through parsimony. President Harding has promised to take part in a shuffle board tournament on the Henderson today, while away on the voyage to Sitka, where the party is due tomorrow. 20 HURT IN WRECK Brinkley, Ark., July 21.—Twenty persons were injured, ten seriously, when the Rock Island Limited Number 23, was derailed two miles west of Palestine, Ark., today. Ten of the injured passengers were brought to local hospitals. Cause of the derailment was not determined.

RIVAL FOR KING BENJAMIN FOUND IN LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles, Cal., July 21.—Dr. Helen B. Allen, "father to 57 children," was arraigned before Acting United States Commissioner Baird today on a charge of violating the Mann act. He was specifically charged with "transporting into the state of Pennsylvania, Gladith James, alias Gladith Allen, 16, for immoral purposes." He was released on \$2500 bond, and preliminary examination set for July 30. Purnell Rivalued. Los Angeles, July 21.—The Los Angeles police believed today they had discovered the first rival of King Benjamin Purnell and his harem in the House of David. Dr. Helen B. Allen of Sabot, Va., "the father of 57 children," is being held on a Mann act charge involving one of his "daughters," 17-year-old Gladith Allen, the "high stepper from the mountains," while Al authorities investigate his career in Hollywood. Dr. Allen, who is believed to have established a record for "adoptions," is charged with transporting Gladith from Sabot to Pittsburgh. Gladith was arrested in the smoky city after an alleged wild party in which a taxicab driver was the other principal, and her story to the authorities led to the arrest of her "daddy."

Girls Were Mountain Whites.

Most of the doctor's "wards" were young "mountain white" girls. Some months ago his agent mania for such adoptions came to the attention of the Virginia authorities and he was indicted and his school for poor boys and girls was closed up. Two months ago "Daddy" Allen fled to Hollywood under an assumed name. With him were two of the brightest and prettiest girls of the school, Myrtle Enloe, 17 and Myrtle Cruz, 19. Myrtle Enloe is a housekeeper. When this party—which "Daddy" Allen hoped to make the vanguard of a great motion picture enterprise in which he was to use various of his 57 varieties of flippers and doctor wore "movie sideburns" and a trick mustache, which authorities claim were meant as a disguise. Before Allen could send back east for more of these young beauties, however, in stepping the doctor wore "movie sideburns" and a trick mustache, which authorities claim were meant as a disguise. Before Allen could send back east for more of these young beauties, however, in stepping the doctor wore "movie sideburns" and a trick mustache, which authorities claim were meant as a disguise.

U. of Michigan Graduate.

Dr. Allen claims it's a "frame-up." He is a husky man, about 40 years old, and he doesn't look like a "super Steak." He is a University of Michigan graduate. "I'm willing to go back to Pittsburgh and prove these charges resulted from a plot of Charles Cruz, Myrtle's brother, whom I had prosecuted for familiarity with my foster-daughters," he declared. Cruz was acquitted of "Daddy" Allen's charges, and, according to Allen, swore vengeance although Myrtle stuck to her "Daddy."

SEARCH MADE TODAY FOR MRS. THURMAN

Search was made Friday night and this morning for Mrs. Mary Thurman, 603 Fourth avenue west, who left her home here Friday afternoon about 2 o'clock and had not been seen by relatives or officers since she was reported missing by her daughter, Heba. Mrs. Thurman is 59 years old, weighs about 120 pounds, is light complexioned and is thought to be wearing a dark dress and dark hat. She has been ill for some time, so is reported not entirely responsible for her actions. Streetcar Workers Swindle Company Kansas City, Mo., July 21.—Theft of more than \$10,000 in purses, nickels and dimes from street car fare boxes was charged today against three former employees of the Kansas City Street Railway company. The looting had been carried over a period of nine months by a conductor, motorman and an employee in charge of the fare boxes, officials charged. Clarence C. Copley, motorman, and Edward Rutts, who had charge of checking in the fare boxes at one of the large barns, confessed their part in the robbery, authorities said. CHECK FORGED IN JAIL Birmingham, Ala., July 21.—J. T. Moxey, a convict at the Alabama prison serving 30 years for forgery, was declared by officials today to have forged a certified check and ordered \$100 worth of merchandise from a Birmingham department store. When the check came back, officials started an investigation, revealing they declare that Moxey forged the check and the certified stamp in his cell. The merchandise was found at the prison. MAY INVESTIGATE COOTE Los Angeles, Cal., July 21.—At least no grand jury investigation of the bankruptcy of A. W. Coote, Pacific coast broker, whose failures affected hundreds of small investors, has been officially requested yet, by Wm. H. Moore, Jr. the receiver. District Attorney A. M. Keweenaw today initiated his investigation, to start a thorough probe of the affair at any time. His office has received numerous pitiful requests from stock and bond purchasers for some kind of an investigation.

OREGON SHORT LINE PERMITTED TO BUILD

Washington, July 21.—The Oregon Short Line railroad today was authorized by the interstate commerce commission to construct a new line of railroad between Rogerson, Twin Falls county, Idaho, and Wells, Elko county, Nevada. The new line will be 98 miles long, opening up a rich agricultural territory at present without railroad facilities. Its estimated cost is \$5,000,000. The road expects to derive annual revenues totaling \$1,200,000 from the new line, and \$200,000 added revenues to its existing system. The new line will connect with the Southern Pacific and Western Pacific at Wells, Nevada.

GREAT WORLD WHEAT CROP

Washington, July 21.—Wheat production this year in sixteen countries of the northern hemisphere estimated at 1,875,000,000 bushels compared with 1,754,909,000 bushels in 1922, according to a cablegram received by the department of agriculture today from the Institute of Agriculture at Rome.

STATE WILL SUE COUNTY ON LABOR CLAIM. IS REPORT

Suit will be filed against Lane county in the near future by C. R. Gram, state labor commissioner, for the recovery of a large sum of money due road workers as overtime for the summer of 1921, 1922, according to word received by County Judge Barnard and Commissioners Roney and Sharp. Gram has found, he alleges, that road workers who worked more than eight hours in one day were not paid double time for overtime, as the state law requires, but straight time. Just how much this will cost the county, should Gram win his suit, is hard to say according to those in touch with the situation. It will take considerable bookkeeping to find out. MCKY SMOOTHED OLD RUMORS. Should Gram win, and force the county to dig up the cash, it will be divided among those county employers who had worked overtime during those years, on a basis of hours worked. This overtime situation came up last winter when some members of the road crew, voicing dissatisfaction over losing their jobs with the change of administration, sought to collect. J. R. McKy, former county roadmaster, talked to the men, reminded them that they had put in the extra hours of their own free will and had agreed to the rate of pay for the extra work, and would have the county financially if they pressed the claim. He was successful in soothing them, and nothing was done. The claim came up again, however, when one of the workers wrote a letter to Gram, stating his case. Last year and year before the County worked men as many hours as they pleased to repair the county roads, and Commissioner Sharp who says that he did not sponsor such action, and would not sign the payrolls. He will not O. K. the payrolls now, he declares, because he was not concerned in the county's road policy then. Commissioners State Views. Caterpillar and truck men need overtime, Sharp says, if they are to be able to work eight straight hours and keep ahead of the road crews. They must all work regular working hours, Sharp admits. He feels the county should not pay this overtime, as it comes pretty high. According to Commissioner Roney, the county has not, and will not, work men overtime and pay straight time. Roney also believes that members of the old crew, should Gram win, ought to dig up out of their personal funds and make good the amount. He believes the county should not be forced to pay it.

Part of Note Unacceptable by Poincare

Paris, July 21.—Premier Poincare and his ministers, considering in secret the British note to Germany, already have found several of its propositions unacceptable, according to information from well informed sources. This leaked out, despite orders that no indication of the note's contents or France's reaction was to be given the public. It is said that the French government will accept the note as a basis for discussion. From authoritative sources the United Press learns the British note proposed an international commission, to be appointed by those nations expecting reparations, to determine Germany's capacity for payment. This, as well as other points of the note, were said to be unacceptable. Secrecy Kept. London, July 21.—Contents of the British note to Germany were carefully guarded today—to give France and Belgium time to study their drafts of the document and express approval, if they wish, before the note is delivered in Berlin. Unofficially, it is said that the document is firm in tone and suggests that Germany ceases passive resistance and begin to think about paying up, but all such forecasts are unverified. Drafts of the note, with a covering letter were handed to French, Belgian and American representatives last night. An early reply from the allies was requested. The Count De St. Amaire, French ambassador to the court of St. James, hurried immediately to Paris to confer with Premier Poincare. It was learned that the draft of the British note sent to Paris last night reached the Quai D'Orsay at noon. A letter requested the French not to publish the contents yet. Received in Washington. Washington, July 21.—The British note on the Ruhr and reparations has been received at the state department and is now being decided, it was announced today. Officials refused any comment. England Demands Silence. Paris, July 21.—Absolute silence regarding the terms of the British note and French reaction here was commanded by Premier Poincare, as well as several other officials, who commented study of the document. A special courier delivered the note at noon. ENGLAND WINS 6TH INTERNATIONAL MEET London, July 21.—England won the sixth annual international track meet here today when the Oxford-Cambridge combination beat the Yale-Harvard team of the United States in the Wembley stadium before a large crowd. H. M. Abrahamson, Cambridge star, won the 100 yard dash with a time of 14.4 seconds and T. W. Yalson, Yale third. The winning time was 10 seconds. Twelve events were scheduled. The British system of scoring by events instead of by points for first, second and third prevailed. The winner of each event is credited with one point. America won the 120 yard high hurdles. Bullman, the Yale star, finished first with 1:01.14, Yale, second and Hahn, former Princeton star and now competing for Oxford, third. The time was 1:01.3 seconds. The big surprise of the meet came when Bill Stevenson, former Princeton champion and one time national quarter mile champion, was defeated in the 440 yard run. Chapman of Yale won the event with Gage of Yale second and Stevenson, running for Oxford, third. The time was 1:01.4 seconds. The British team evened up the score at two all when Davis, the Cambridge runner, won the mile run. Walters of Harvard was second and Segrove of Cambridge finished third. The time was 4:21.3-5. Walters-Parks Firm To Put Deck on Lot Preparations are being made by the Walters-Parks Lumber company, located at North and Pearl streets near the Southern Pacific tracks, to install decking for the lumber yard to be put in across the street on the corner property recently purchased from Mrs. Maude Drury, who will give possession of the lot to the firm on August 1. It is learned from R. O. Bushong, member of the firm who bought out Mayor E. R. Parks. These lots are to be used, after the large two-story residence has been moved off, as extra yard space in connection with the retail lumber business of the company from its present office. Mexican Farmhad, 88, Father of 45 Santa Ana, Cal., July 21.—Eighty-eight years old, Romulo Delsi, a Mexican farm had, is today the proud father of 45 children, 24 boys and 21 girls. The child is the robust old Mexican's forty-fifth, according to Dr. C. D. Bell, assemblyman from this district, who has known Delsi for 55 years and says he has been married four times. Something went wrong with Thomp-

THOMPSON, DRIVING BLINDFOLDED, DASHES THROUGH CITY UNSCATHED

Exhibition Staged Under Auspices of The Guard Proves Real Display of Almost Supernatural Mental Powers of Driver. A man flirted with death on Eugene streets today, and thousands stood by to cheer him. Hayward Thompson, blindfolded, drove an automobile through the worst jam of traffic this city has known for years, travelled the distance of 34 city blocks, climbed Skinner butte and made four stops at different mercantile establishments during his drive—all without an accident of any sort and without violating one traffic regulation. The trip was made under the auspices of The Eugene Guard. The mass of humanity that overflowed sidewalks and spilled into the streets were unanimous in voting it the most wondrous thing they ever witnessed, or ever hope to see. That those who saw the thrilling journey will never forget it, much less quit talking about it for weeks and weeks to come, is self evident. Thompson's dash through city streets at the wheel of a Durant sport roadster was almost supernatural. Scientists say they cannot explain it—neither can those who were on the ground to watch the wonder man perform for their amusement and education. Promptly at noon, after his blindfold had been examined by 12 responsible citizens who signed a statement that they could not see through it, and after the mask had been adjusted by Police Chief W. G. Jenkins, the reconstructed man shoved his motor into gear and left the Guard office and a crowd of hundreds behind. Within 10 feet his car was in high gear, and had turned the corner into Willamette. He cranked the wheel in which The Guard is located and drove south on Willamette toward the city hall. A street car in his path slowed him up considerably, and it was not until he had made the turn at Eleventh that he could pick up speed again. Then he maintained a smart clip to Ninth avenue east and to Gus Neely's tire shop where the shop attendant slapped on a spare Brunswick in short order. The crowd at this point hampered traffic for a time, so did this point. Leaving Neely's he swung east on Ninth to Pearl, passed the Lane Auto company and down Eleventh to Willamette, where he drove up to Green Merrill's men's shop near the corner of Seventh, made a perfect parking maneuver, and got out. Poring his way through the jam he entered the store, met the proprietors, and announced that he would like to look at all his bicycle wheels. "What size do you want?" was J. W. Merrill's query. "Size 35 in Fashion Park" answered Thompson, and turning to the rack, grasped a light tan coat by the arm and said he "would like to look at the light colored one." He turned it upside down, and wrote his name and address upside down and backward. The throng that jammed the store gave another gasp. Ordering the purchase sent to the corner, Thompson entered his roadster, turned the corner into Seventh avenue east and drove one block to the Willard battery service station where he made a perfect entrance through the driveway, asked that his Willard battery be inspected, and then nervously consumed a glass of water and smoked a cigarette that one of the crowd lit for him. The strain was beginning to tell. His collar, immaculate at the start, had been torn from the buttons; his fingers, slim and dynamic, shook as with palsy. After attendants there had met his demands, Thompson backed his car out of the place, turned east and then down Willamette to the Southern Pacific station where he rounded the fountain at a fast pace, headed north, again to Fifth, where he made for Skinner butte. While going north on Willamette he slowed down for a big truck at Sixth, for the Oregon Electric tracks, and at both places extended his left hand for the proper traffic signal. All rules of the road were observed in going through the jam of trucks at the Mason Elzeman warehouse, and over the Southern Pacific mainline tracks. A heavy foot on the accelerator when he closed the tracks brought a burst of speed as he mounted the butte. The hairpin turn was taken perfectly, and a speed of 25 miles an hour maintained to the east end. When he made the turn at that place he stopped, shifted gears and then plunged ahead. Later, asked why he did this, he said he sensed he was on an obstructed road. He didn't see what it was, but The Guard reporter and Clyde Fisk, who were training him in another Durant, remembered the Ford car that got in his way and forced him to wait until it charged over the summit. Skirting steep inclines, brushing past logs and rocks not more than two feet either side of the road, he heikly made the last lap. No indecision was shown, no pausing. He drove his car better than the majority of motorists who have the use of both eyes and their wives' instructions to help them. Fisk, turning to The Guard reporter, confessed "I thought I was some driver. The bird is one I can't keep up with." And he meant it, too, for he repeated the same confession not less than three times. (Continued on page three)

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WILKINSON DAM IS BROKEN; MILL IDLE

An eight-foot gap in the dam of the Wilkison Lumber company mill pond at Springfield, probably caused when sporting logs were removed for milling today, was being repaired today by a crew of eight or more men. This break in the dam was made in the night. Repairs are being made by Monday night, so that logs from the woods may begin to come in then and the mill may be full capacity sawing Tuesday, or Wednesday at latest, it was learned from W. McKinnon, shipping clerk in the Springfield mill. R. W. Martin, of this city, assistant general manager, was at the mill today to direct details of the reconstruction work. Planers were working full time on 15 shifts today and other repair work on the planer was being done by employees not needed for the reconstruction of the dam. Part of the milling machinery was shut down Friday also, because not enough logs had come in from logging, where two camps were being moved to new locations in the timber.

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