

FRANK ABDUCTED FROM PRISON AND LYNCHED BY MOB

Georgia Citizens in Auto Attack Prison—Body Found Within Sight of Mary Phagan's Home—No Shots Fired—Taken 100 Miles By Assassins.

MARIETTA, Ga., Aug. 17.—Leo M. Frank, serving a life term for the murder of Mary Phagan, the Atlanta factory girl, and who was taken from the prison farm at Milledgeville last night, was lynched two miles east of here by a party which took him.

Frank was brought 100 miles from the prison farm to a point almost within sight of the former home of Mary Phagan. No shots were fired. Frank's body, barefooted and clad only in prison trousers and shirt, was found at 8:30 o'clock this morning. It is believed that he was lynched about daylight.

Several automobiles, well loaded, left here in the direction of Milledgeville last night. After the return of some of the machines today, officers started out on the road which they believed the automobiles had traveled. They had gone only two miles when they saw the body of Frank not more than 150 yards from the roadside.

News that the body had been found spread rapidly and within a short time hundreds of persons were crowding to the scene. No immediate effort was made to cut the body down, as Sheriff Hicks was not in town and the coroner's jury took no action.

It is believed that the stop at the bridge over Little river near Eaton, when the armed party talked loudly and fired shots, was a ruse to delay pursuers. The vicinity of the bridge was thoroughly searched and at the time the search was being made, it is probable Frank already had met death.

When the body was cut down parts of Frank's shirt were torn away by souvenir hunters. It was roughly handled before it was put into the undertaker's wagon.

Within a short time after the body was started for Atlanta excitement subsided and the town presented almost a normal appearance before noon.

Coroner John A. Booth empaneled a jury and began an investigation of the lynching.

ATLANTA, Ga., Aug. 17.—Frank's body was turned over to an undertaker on the outskirts of the city early this afternoon and secretly removed to a private residence. It was understood that it would be taken to the former home of the Frank's here tonight and then would be sent to Brooklyn for burial.

WOULD ABOLISH ALL GRAND JURIES

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 17.—R. H. Norton, a county supervisor, announced to his colleagues today that he intended to circulate petitions to place on the next state ballot the question of abolishing the grand jury system in California.

"The grand jury system is un-American—a relic of barbarism," said Norton, who declared he had no substitute for it.

"We have district attorneys," he explained, "with powers to investigate crime. Let all arrests be made on information and complaints."

WATER RUNS OVER GALVESTON SEAWALL

WACO, Texas, Aug. 17.—W. D. Azbell of Waco, returning home this morning from Galveston reported that water was running over the causeway when he left at 2 p. m. yesterday. They waited this morning at Bremond four hours for a train leaving Galveston at 5:30 yesterday afternoon but this train had not been heard from.

GALVESTON SAFE FIRE, FLOOD AND GALE MENACE

City Streets Covered With Water—Worst Storm in 15 Years—No Life Loss But Property Damage—Texas Coast Ports Still Cut Off From Communication.

GALVESTON, Texas, Aug. 17, via wireless to Fort San Houston, and telephone to San Antonio, 10:10 a. m. Aug. 17.—Galveston today had passed through one of the worst storms within the past 15 years.

Five feet of water stands in the city. Two fires started today and are yet to be placed under control. The transport McClellan late last night broke from its moorings and drifted half a mile out to seaward. The commercial wireless station at Port Arthur is out of commission and the big aerial masts at Frocket are down.

DALLAS, Texas, Aug. 17.—Only meager information was available at noon today concerning the terrific tropical storm that yesterday struck the Texas coast, flooding Galveston and then swept inland, doing heavy damage to crops and farm property.

So far as known no lives were lost. Galveston, Houston and Beaumont, three of the principal cities of South Texas were still cut off from wire communication. A brief wireless dispatch stating that Galveston after weathering one of the worst storms in 15 years was under five feet of water brought the only definite information in several hours concerning the fate of the coast city, regarding which many rumors had been afloat.

The Galveston dispatch made no mention of loss of life. It said the five feet of water in the streets was slowly draining off and that fires, probably the result of flood damage, had been placed under control.

About 5000 persons are estimated to have left Galveston for Houston and other interior points during the 36 hours ending with 8 o'clock last night fleeing from the storm. Hundreds of residents of Port Aransas, Sabine, Sabine Pass, Port O'Connor and other small coast cities, were reported also to have left their homes and hurried to places away from the gulf coast but there have been no reports that the storm did damage to any of these places. Sabine and Sabine Pass were cut off from communication with the outside at the same time that the wires failed to Beaumont and conditions there are uncertain, but it was reported early today that half the population of about 1000 in the two places had left.

Numerous bath houses and small buildings blown down at these small cities and towns, however, was the extent of the damage according to latest report. Not a single loss of life had been reported at 4 o'clock this morning.

Victoria early yesterday afternoon reported the destruction of a few small houses and nothing further was heard from there during the night.

At 7:45 this morning San Antonio and Austin were added to the isolated cities in Texas, indicating the

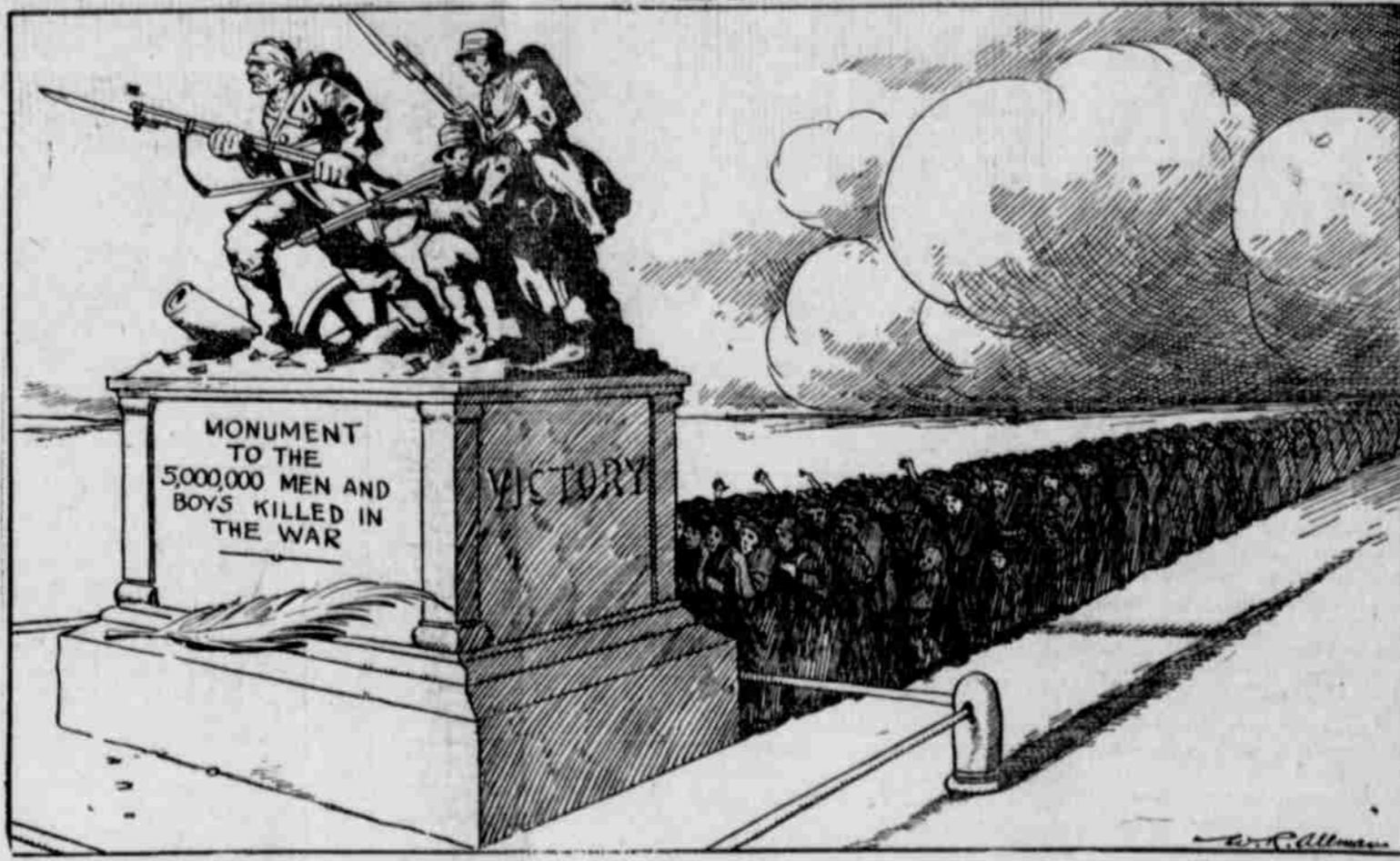
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CARRANZA CLOSES ON HERMOSILLO

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Aug. 17.—Carranza forces are closing in on Hermosillo, garrisoned by 300 Villa troops. According to a report received by General P. Elias Calles, Carranza commander, Colonel Carlos Carranza's forces with eight machine guns and a one-pounder, now hold the Southern Pacific line from Aguzaca to Magdalena, having taken the latter town late yesterday.

Carranza reports that there are 1500 Villa troops south of Hermosillo badly disorganized and without artillery. He has ordered General Angel Flores, commanding Carranza troops in Southern Sonora to prevent these Villa troops from aiding Hermosillo.

In the Shadow of Glory!



LAWS AND OWN METHODS INJURE LUMBER TRADE

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.—Workmen's compensation laws, failure to utilize waste material, "untruthful publicity" regarding the destruction of forests, and the consequent appeal to people to use substitutes for wood, were given by E. A. Selfridge, of Whittier, Cal., today, as contributing factors in the lumber industry's depression.

Mr. Selfridge is president of a large lumber company. He appeared before the federal trade commission in its opening session here. Wages, he said, had not increased operating costs, but the insurance laws had caused an increase from 30 cents to \$4 on each \$100 of payroll, which ought to be met in some manner.

"Inability of the small mills to work profitably low grade material into refined products, is responsible for a steady supply of fuel for refuse burners," Mr. Selfridge said.

"Stock now burned for lack of a market could be sold for enough to return at least a portion of the cost of manufacturing, under a properly organized and efficient selling organization."

Questioning by members of the commission adduced statements that the redwood lumber industry had not devoted attention to finding new uses for wood and that ignorance of trade conditions often caused saw mills to "make ridiculous" prices.

"Depression in the industry, aside from the immediate effects of the European war, was charged largely to the lack of co-operation."

Fear of running afoul of the law was given as one reason for redwood lumbermen's backwardness in organizing for trade betterment.

SON SLAYS FATHER IN SELF DEFENSE

LIVINGSTON, Mont., Aug. 17.—John Christensen surrendered to the sheriff at Big Timber today and admitted that he had shot and killed his father, Chris Christensen, last night. The son declared he shot in self defense after his father had threatened him with an axe. The family lives 30 miles from Big Timber.

NO LOSS OF LIFE AT GALVESTON

GALVESTON, Texas, Aug. 17, via wireless to San Antonio.—No loss of life has been reported here, but all houses on the seawall have been destroyed. Boats on the main streets are taking people from buildings to the United States transport Buford.

OUTER FORT AT KOVNO FALL TO KAISER'S DRIVE

Grand Duke Unable to Assure Safety of Army Until Menace of Hindenburg in Courland Ends—Chief Struggle Now North of Niemen—Slavs Claim Gains.

BERLIN, Aug. 17.—One of the outlying forts of Kovno, between the Niemen river and Gesla, to the south of the main fortification, has been captured by the Germans. It was announced by the German headquarters staff today.

More than 240 cannons and 4500 prisoners were captured at Kovno, the statement adds.

Three forts at Novogeorgievsk also have been captured, army headquarters report.

Grand Duke Nicholas, the Russian commander in chief, will not be able to assure the safety of his armies until the menace presented by the operations of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg in Courland is removed.

In the Bausk district of Courland the German army has been driven back toward the Aa river, while Kovno is still stemming the German tide. The chief struggle, however, centers in the region north of the Niemen, notwithstanding the recent success of Russian resistance.

Between the Narva and the Bug, the German drive evidently is making some headway, although Petrograd claims that the invaders have been repulsed. If the Russians plan to hold the valuable transverse railroad running through Vilna, Grodno, Bialystok, Brest-Litovsk and Kovno, they must soon definitely check the Austrians and Germans.

INDIANS NEED NO LICENSE TO FISH

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Aug. 17.—In a decision today Judge E. D. Harlin, of the superior court, ruled in favor of the state in a case involving the right of Indians to fish for salmon with a license on ancient and accustomed Indian fishing grounds not embraced within Indian reservations. The Indians based their claims on a treaty entered into in 1855 with Governor Isaac L. Stevens, of Washington, and subsequently ratified by congress. The court upheld the contention of the state fishery department, that all persons, whether Indians or white, are affected by the statutes designed to preserve the fishing industry.

Notice of appeal on behalf of the Indians was given. Fifteen tribes in the state, who are signatories of the treaty, are behind the appeal.

PROGRESO FIGHT WITH MEXICAN BANDITS SHORT

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Aug. 17.—Last night's fight at Progreso was fought entirely by Mexicans on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande and no Mexicans succeeded in getting through the American army patrol into United States territory. This was the report today to Colonel Robert L. Bullard, commanding officer of the Brownsville district.

The fight lasted 20 minutes and was waged mainly from the Mexican shore. The cavalry patrol of 21 men had shifted its position several times so that the Mexicans might not know exactly where the Americans were. However, in some manner, the Mexicans located the troops' precise position about 9 o'clock.

All the American casualties occurred during the first two or three heavy volleys from the Mexicans. It was unusually accurate shooting and this strengthened the suspicion that a few Mexican marksmen had managed to creep close to the cavalrymen, possibly in the brush on the American side.

Twice yesterday afternoon there was shooting across the river at Progreso. Once some Mexican women appeared there to carry baskets of food over for the band of Mexicans camped opposite the American shore. When the United States cavalrymen appeared armed Mexicans ran out. They called the Americans cowards and then fired a few shots.

At another time during the afternoon Mexicans took exception to the cavalrymen's instruction to the Mexican hostman who was running the ferry at this crossing and expressed their feelings by firing at the Americans.

VILLA APPOINTS STATE GOVERNORS

GALVESTON, Texas, Aug. 17.—The appointment of three state governors by the Villa expeditionary force sent south in July in an effort to cut General Obregon's lines of communication is announced in a report received from Chihuahua today. They are General Roberto Martinez, governor of Hidalgo; Gustavo M. Bravo of Queretaro; General Sincera of Michigan. The expeditionary force was commanded by General Canuto Reyes.

Bush Named Receiver. ST. LOUIS, Aug. 17.—Benjamin F. Bush, president and chairman of the board of directors of the Missouri Pacific and of the St. Louis Iron Mountain and Southern railways, was appointed sole receiver of the two lines by Circuit Judge Adams at Woodstock, Vermont, today.

BERLIN CLAIMS GAINS ON EAST AND WEST LINES

BERLIN, Aug. 17.—The text of the official statement follows: "Western theater of war: At Ostend our coast artillery batteries drove off two enemy destroyers.

"At Bapaume a British aeroplane fell into our hands. The occupants, two officers, were taken prisoners.

"Eastern theater: Army of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg: Further battles in the region of Kupsk resulted successfully and 625 prisoners, with three officers and three machine guns, fell into our hands. The troops of the army of General Von Eichhorn took the forts of Kovno, situated between the Niemen and Gesla. More than 4500 Russians were taken prisoners, and more than 240 cannon and numerous other material were captured.

"The armies of General Von Scholtz and General Von Gallwitz drove their opponents further back in an easterly direction, and 1860 Russians, including eleven officers, were taken prisoners, and one cannon and ten machine guns were captured.

"On the northwestern front of Novogeorgievsk a large fort and two intermediary fortifications were taken by storm. In the other front we succeeded almost everywhere in forcing the enemy further back. We captured 2400 prisoners with 29 cannon and other materials.

"In their official communication of August 16, the Russian army officers said that the advance guards of the Russians had captured two lines of German trenches on Aug. 13 on the Zlota Lipa and had annihilated their defenders. Our troops fighting in this locality knew of only one operation. It was an assault by a Russian patrol during the night of August 12-13, which failed completely."

INCREASE PATROLS NEAR MERCEDES

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Aug. 17.—Colonel Bullard strengthened the patrols about Progreso and Mercedes yesterday so that there are 800 cavalry and in fantrymen in that territory.

Reports by Mercedes officials last night that more than 150 Mexicans had crossed into Texas under cover of this fight proved unfounded. Officers who were in the Progreso fight said they were sure that all firing came from the Mexican side of the river.

Pair in Golf Meet. CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Pairings for the western golf championship were announced today. Charles "Chick" Evans, western amateur champion, was paired with Walter Hagen of Rochester, N. Y., former national open champion.

TEUTON PLUNGER SINKS TRANSPORT 1000 LIVES LOST

English Troops on Way to Dardanelles Attack in Aegean Sea—Royal Edward Torpedoed—Britain's Proud Record Broken By Germans.

LONDON, Aug. 17.—The British admiralty's record of transporting great numbers of troops to the various fighting zones without the loss of life, so far as reported officially, has been broken after more than a year of war. The torpedo of a submarine at last has found the mark and the transport Royal Edward has gone to the bottom in the Aegean sea with a loss of life which may reach 1000. The brief admiralty announcement shows that the Royal Edward was engaged in transporting troops to the Dardanelles front, where Australians and New Zealanders have been largely employed.

The text of the announcement follows: "The British transport Royal Edward was sunk by an enemy submarine in the Aegean last Saturday morning. According to the information at present available the transport had on board 32 military officers and 1350 troops, in addition to the ship's crew of 220 officers. "The troops consisted mainly of reinforcements of the Twenty-ninth division and details of the Royal Army Medical Corps.

"Full information has not yet been received, but it is known that about 600 have been saved. "So far as has been reported officially this is the first instance in which a British transport has been attacked successfully by a submarine. It had been a matter of pride with the British government that it had transported hundreds of thousands of troops across many seas without the loss of life. It is probable that the number of troops sent to France and Belgium since the beginning of the war is considerably in excess of 700,000. In addition, large numbers of men have been transported to the Dardanelles, Egypt, South Africa and Serbia.

The British announcement shows that the Royal Edward was engaged in conveying troops to the Dardanelles front, having been sunk in the Aegean sea.

The Royal Edward was of 11,007 tons gross, and 508 feet long. She was owned by the Canadian Northern Steamship company of Toronto. She was built in Glasgow in 1908.

LONDON, Aug. 17.—No details are available of the loss of the transport Royal Edward, which was formerly the steamship Cairo, with probably a thousand men beyond the brief statement given out by the British admiralty.

Germany had news of the sinking yesterday, but nothing was published in London, although the disaster occurred three days ago.

VINDICATION SEEN IN COURT RULING

TRINIDAD, Colo., Aug. 17.—John R. Lawson at the county jail here today, when advised of the ruling of the supreme court, said: "I consider the action of the supreme court today the first step toward by complete vindication, of which I have never had a doubt from the start."

OPERATOR WORKS IN WATER TO WAST

TEMPLE, Texas, Aug. 17.—After losing their wires to Galveston early last night, the Santa Fe offices here retained communication with Alvin, midway between Houston and Galveston for some time, finally losing it when the operator at Alvin stated that the water was about to cover his desk and that he would be compelled to leave. Before going he stated that water in that vicinity ranged three to ten feet in depth.