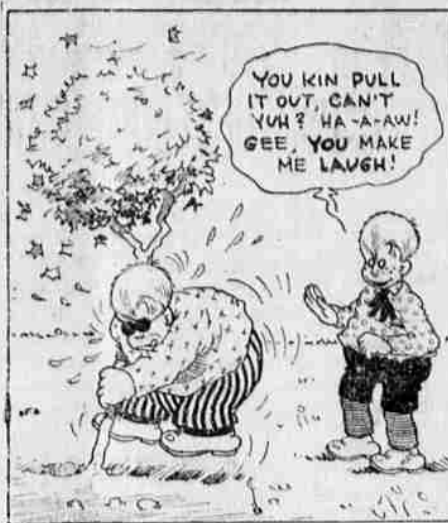
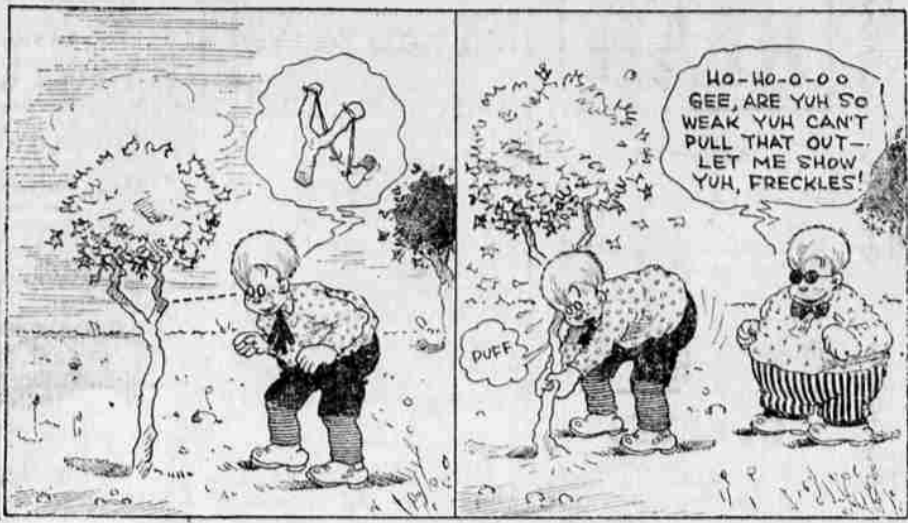


Freckles and His Friends



BILLINGS FILES PLEA ASKING FOR A NEW TRIAL

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 26.—A lengthy handwritten plea for a new trial was submitted to the superior court here today by Warren K. Billings when he appeared for sentence, following his conviction Saturday of murdering Mrs. Myrtle Irene Van Loo, one of ten who died as the result of a suitcase bomb explosion during the preparedness parade here July 22.

Billings said he had worked out his plea in his cell by candle light into the late hours of the last two nights.

"As a firm believer in justice, I say that those twelve jurymen Saturday did not do their duty," the statement read. "The perpetrator of that dastardly crime could deserve nothing less than capital punishment."

Billings refused the offer of District Attorney Fickert to ask for a postponement of sentence if he will tell what he knows of an alleged dynamite conspiracy.

"I have been offered clemency and rewards on four different occasions, and two of my co-defendants and one of my attorneys have also been offered large sums for statements. As to threats, all of us have been threatened with persecution and even death, not only since our arrest, but also prior to the explosion."

The prisoner said today he writes twice monthly to his 80-year-old mother, who knows nothing of his arrest. "Neither did she know of my conviction and term in Folsom, three years ago," he said.

Billings, it was learned today, is his own cook. He has a corner of his cell equipped with an alcohol stove and a miniature pantry. "Jail food doesn't agree with me," he explained.

COMBLES CAPTURED BY ALLIES

Turned into a strongly fortified position by German defensive ingenuity, it has persistently held fast like a rock in the course of a turbulent stream that had to be blasted loose before the channel was fully opened up.

Long Process of Blasting. This process has only been accomplished by long continued, severe and costly effort on the part of the allies.

Driving in from the south the French successively swept Hardecourt, Mauripas, Le Forest and finally reached Fregicourt, a mile east of Combles.

More slowly, but none the less surely the British have pushed their advance on the north of the German salient. Their struggles to reach and hold Ginchy and Guillemont were expensive in in time and men, but finally the ground north of Combles and some distance to the east was occupied, putting the town in a pocket of which the opening was constantly being narrowed by the drivers of the entente armies.

Yesterday came the combined effort of the French and British to close the opening or at least render it so narrow that what could be extracted through it by the Germans would not be worth while. Only two roads remained over which the Germans could withdraw their men and guns. The single track railroad running through the place had long since been rendered useless.

Story of Capture. Attacking from the north, General Haig's forces pushed to and occupied Morval, cutting the northerly road running to Le Transloy.

Striking from the south the French pushed their line to Fregicourt, severing communication with Combles over the southerly road that stretched towards Sully. The gap between Morval and Fregicourt, a mile and a half in width, and reaching back toward Combles, was swept from either direction by the com-

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ident. Far to the south was Mont St. Quentin, two miles from Peronne and commanding that town, which the allied commanders say, will fall like a ripe plum when the time comes. The hill lay hazy above the green foliage of the river valley in the midst of vast bursts of black smoke from shells of enormous caliber. Directly in front was Combles, another town which has come to mean much to the imagination of the public in England and France, who seem to regard its capture as of vital significance.

Combles differed from all the villages in sight in that the walls of many of its buildings were still standing. It was different, too, in the fact that it formed an oasis in the midst of the storm of battle. Neither artillery nor infantry paid any attention to it. The gauge of battle was the high ground around it, the possession of which means the command of the town. Farther north lay the ruins of Ginchy and Guillemont.

Vanish in Smoke. At the appointed time the waves of infantry surged forward to the attack. Then the tremendous fire of the German guns swelled to its utmost volume until the whole field was lost in vast clouds of smoke. The attacking infantry vanished in that grim pall while high overhead scores of sausage balloons and hundreds of aeroplanes, their wings gleaming like silver in the brilliant sunlight, strove vainly to see what was passing beneath them.

Then across the dead fields arose a signal from Morval which told that the British infantry had reached another goal and that another village was taken. A man at a telephone in a nearby signal station called out the capture of the different strong points with the enthusiasm of one who scores a hotly contested game.

Victory is Won. Presently the British wounded began to straggle back and their bearing, as they moved along beside their prisoners, was another criterion by which the correspondent knew how the day had gone without making inquiries of the staff. The German machine guns had stopped them for a while at some points, but generally reports told of every position being taken on the minute set in the program. The British wounded said that of course they got there, as they were used to getting there. Their great gratification was that it was becoming an even fight since the Germans had no more prepared lines, but both armies were fighting in the open. According to the British officers, the Germans on the fighting front have no longer any trenches except those which are dug under fire.

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TODAY'S MARKETS

Portland Livestock. PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 26.—Hogs steady, receipts 163. Prime light, \$9.75 @ 9.90; prime strong weights, \$9.85 @ 10.05; good to prime mixed, \$9.35 @ 9.65; rough heavy packing, \$9 @ 9.25; pigs and skips, \$8 @ 8.50; stock hogs, \$7 @ 7.50.

Cattle steady, receipts 75. Steers, prime light, \$6.50 @ 6.75; prime heavy, \$6.75 @ 7; good \$6 @ 6.50; cows, choice, \$5.25 @ 5.50; medium to good, \$4.50 @ 5; ordinary to fair, \$4 @ 4.50; heifers, \$4 @ 5.85; bulls, \$3 @ 4.25; calves, \$3.50 @ 6.50.

Sheep steady, receipts 250. Spring lambs, \$8 @ 8.50; common lambs, \$5.50 @ 6; choice yearling wethers, \$6.75 @ 7.25; good yearlings, \$6.25 @ 6.50; choice light ewes, \$5 @ 5.50; heavy ewes, \$3.50 @ 4.50.

Portland Butter. PORTLAND, Sept. 26.—Butter 24; butter fat, 31.

Portland Grain. PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 26.—Wheat unsettled. Trading light. Spot bids unchanged to half a cent lower. Bluestem, \$1.33 1/2; fortyfold, club no bid; red fife, \$1.27; red Russian, \$1.24.

Barley unchanged. Car receipts—Wheat, 10; barley 1; flour, 2; oats 25.

Chicago Wheat. CHICAGO, Sept. 26.—Wheat: Open Close December \$1.54 1/4 \$1.54 1/4 May 1.54 1/4 1.54 1/4

MEDFORD MARKET REPORT

Livestock. (Prices paid producers.) HOGS—Alive, 7 @ 7 1/2 c. STEERS—Alive, 5 @ 5 1/2 c. COWS—Alive, 4 @ 4 1/2 c. VEAL—Dressed, \$8 @ 11 c.

Live Poultry. HENS—Light hens, 12c; 4 lbs. and over, 14c; springs, 15c. Old roosters, 7c.

DUCKS—Fat, 8c. GEESE—Fat, 8c. TURKEYS—Fat young, 15c. BELGIAN HARES, 5 to 6c.

Hay and Grain. (Buying Prices.) WHEAT—\$1.05. OATS—\$0.70 ton. HAY—Grain and alfalfa, \$12 ton. BARLEY—Whole, \$27.

Prices Paid by Dealers. EGGS—30c. POTATOES—1 1/2 c. ONIONS—1 1/2 c. HONEY—12c per lb. CIDER—25c. PORK—9 1/2 c. BEEF—10 @ 12c. LARD—13 1/2 @ 14c. SHOULDERS—15c. BUTTER—Dairy, 2 lbs., 50c. BUTTER—Wholesale, 30c. BUTTER FAT—30c.

VENIZELOS TO FORM SEPARATIST REGIME

LONDON, Sept. 26.—According to Athens dispatches received here, M. Venizelos will issue a manifesto to the Greek people from Canea, island of Crete, where he probably will direct the formation of a separatist government.

Besides Admiral Conzariotis the dispatches add, those accompanying M. Venizelos include all the members of his former cabinet, with the exception of M. Raktavin, minister of justice.

The proclamation of M. Venizelos, it is said, will invite King Constantine to put himself at the head of a national defense movement.

An Athens dispatch to the Daily Chronicle says the Venizelos proclamation will provide the last opportunity for King Constantine to place himself and his government in line with the wishes of the majority of the Greek people, who do not want any declaration of the dethronement of the monarch.

The dispatch says Venizelos will call for a general mobilization throughout the island of Crete for the purpose of national defense. He will then visit Mytilene, Chios and Samos before proceeding to Saloniki.

GALICIAN CHIEF OF ARMY RESIGNS

LONDON, Sept. 26.—General Constantine Moschopoulos, chief of the staff of the Greek army, has resigned, according to a Reuter's dispatch from Athens.

General Moschopoulos commanded the Greek forces at Saloniki at the time of the landing of the Anglo-French expeditionary force. He ordered the troops under his command to salute French and British officers and was generally reported to be friendly to the cause of the allies.

In August General Moschopoulos was appointed chief of staff and in a statement given to the press expressed the hope that he could strengthen the good relations between Greece and the entente powers.

"I think I can be a precious advocate of the entente," he said.

ANTIOCH ITEMS

Mr. Hill and Glen Large started last Saturday for eastern Oregon, where they will live for some time, Mr. Hill's family being there at present.

Claude Shapman, Mr. Rainy, J. R. Miss Rainy and Miss Wipple motored to Roseburg Sunday, stopping at Chapman's as returning to Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. Ditsworth are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Glass. The sale at Bert Chapman's last Wednesday was well attended with people from throughout the neighborhood.

Also the dance Saturday night, the McKinnis orchestra being the musicians. Mr. Chapman and family will leave for Arizona Tuesday and we all wish them success in their new home.

Mrs. W. Scott, Mrs. Hall, Mr. Smith and Walter Sherred, all of Medford, were visiting friends in Antioch last Sunday.

Mrs. Sam Marshall returned to Central Point after a visit with her folks of Beagle.

Mr. Moore and son, Reuben, Mr. Chapman and Mr. Knighton all started for the mountains last Friday.

Mrs. Will Bigham visited the nearby towns one day last week.

Mr. Moore's niece and husband of California are visiting them for some time.

Miss Carozan and friends are visitors at Mrs. Jessie Glass's.

Dell Morrison returned home last Tuesday from Klamath county, where he was employed in work during the summer months.

Mrs. Hay returned to her home after several weeks' work in Medford.

John Rodgers and daughter Grace visited the nearby towns last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Doly will move to Mr. Day's ranch in Sams valley this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cox and family of Klamath Falls are visiting Mrs. Cox's sister, Mrs. Florence Walter, of Beagle for a week.

Mrs. Theo Glass and Grandma Glass were visitors at Mrs. Chapman's last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. McCoy of Agate attended the sale last Wednesday.

Mr. Wyland and daughter and Walter Dinken of the Meadows went through Antioch with a fine bunch of cattle last Thursday.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Reported by Jackson County Abstract Co., Sixth and Fir Sts.

Probate. George C. Rees, estate, notice to creditors.

Wm. Greenfield, estate application to sell personal property.

John Pierson, estate, application for conveyance. Order for conveyance.

Henry Thompson, estate, application to sell personal property. Order to do so.

Mary J. Wilkinson, estate, inventory and appraisal.

Lottie J. C. Johnson, estate, final account discharge of administrator.

George C. Rees, estate, appointment of appraisers.

Circuit. W. W. Glasgow, et al. vs. Edgar J. Keller, et al, default, decree, cost bill.

B. G. Peart, et al, vs. F. W. Carnahan, et al, finding conclusions, and decree.

Ladd and Tilton Bank vs. M. P. Schmidt, (trustee), summons.

Charles D. Colby vs. City of Medford, et al, demurrer.

C. S. Estell, vs. Grace E. Estell, summons.

Mary Frank Gerth vs. Emmet Theo. Gerth, summons.

Mary Abrams vs. George M. Anderson, et al, foreclosure.

W. J. Gregory, et al, vs. S. A. Keenan, foreclosure.

Andrew Torrey vs. Catherine Torrey, default, decree.

W. A. Turner vs. Edwin P. Hughes, et al, answer.

Effie Rigdon vs. Robert K. Rigdon, default.

May K. Miller vs. Frank W. Wait, et ux, summons.

W. B. Holmes, et ux, vs. A. H. Russell, et al, suit to quiet title.

Eva E. Hover vs. Arthur John Hover, summons.

J. L. Case Threshing Mach. Co., vs. Henry J. LaClair, et al, default decree, cost bill.

Zoe R. Nae vs. L. S. Nae, divorce.

Chas. S. Estell vs. Grace E. Estell, divorce.

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