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DOOMED MAN AMUCK RUNS ARK. PRISON

Tom Slaughter Frees Self and
Condemned Negroes—Lock
Up Officials and Offers
Freedom to All—Warden
Breaks Out—Feigned Illness
—Long in Crime.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—Tom Slaughter, murderer and bank robber, wanted in Oklahoma, Texas, Missouri, Kentucky and Pennsylvania, last night took charge of the penitentiary here, locked the warden, his family and guards in cells, opened the gates and doors of the prison, offered freedom to all prisoners, and after ruling the place for five hours, escaped in an automobile early this morning.

Slaughter, under sentence of death for the killing of a trusty guard at the state prison farm at Tucker, Ark., where he was serving a life sentence for the killing of Deputy Sheriff Row Brown, of Hot Springs, took six convicts with him, four of whom were negroes under sentence of death. Six negroes under sentence of death in connection with the riots at Elaine, Ark., in 1919, refused the opportunity and remained in their cells.

Reports early today said Slaughter had engaged in a gun fight with officers at Benton, 25 miles southwest, but that no one was injured, and that Slaughter and his party had turned northwest from there.

Poses are in pursuit.

After the escape it developed that a revolver had been smuggled to Slaughter in the death cell. Feigning illness Slaughter succeeded in getting a guard to open his cell door about 9:30 o'clock last night. He held up this guard and other standing nearby, took their pistols and then forced them to go ahead of him to the stockade where their presence admitted them and permitted him to overpower the one guard on duty there. Slaughter then opened the cells and offered all the prisoners liberty. Only six took advantage of the offer and two guards were locked up.

He next took one guard to the office of the penitentiary with him and took possession of it, turning the guards on duty there over to the men who elected to escape with him. Next he went to the hospital and forced a nurse to precede him outside the walls to the apartments occupied by Warden E. H. Dempsey and his family. The nurse awakened them and Slaughter then forced them to accompany him to the death cell, where they were locked up. He told them he would not harm them and later brought them a pot of coffee with cream, sugar and cups.

Slaughter then threw the gates of the penitentiary wide open and leavely set about outfitting himself and companions with civilian clothes from the commissary.

At 2:30 a. m. Warden Dempsey said he heard an automobile leaving and with the aid of prisoners above, who cut a hole through the floor at his direction, he escaped from the death cell and spread the alarm.

Slaughter is 26 years old. He told an Associated Press correspondent at the time of his first incarceration in the penitentiary here that he was reared in southern Arkansas, and when 14 years old was convicted of a charge of grand larceny and sent to the reform school. He served his term and then drifted into Oklahoma. Since that time he has participated in numerous bank robberies in Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Missouri and elsewhere. He escaped twice from the Texas penitentiary and his term in Texas was unexpired when he

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Chicago "U" Co-Eds Get Notice No More Smoking in "Dorms"

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—President Harry Pratt Judson put the ban on smoking in women's dormitories at the University of Chicago today.

Accustomed to making their own rules, the dormitory women were suddenly confronted with a notice from house mothers that the cigarette was banned.

ROY HAD "FITS" IN SAN QUENTIN PRISON, CLAIM

Government Rebuts Evidence
of Defense By Calling Prison
Doctor, Who Never Attended
Gardner—Case Will Go to
Jury Tomorrow.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 9.—Evidence offered by the government in rebuttal of testimony by defense witnesses occupied the morning at the trial of Roy Gardner, spectacular train robber on a charge of having robbed a United States mail car at Maricopa, Ariz., November 3. Indications were that the case would not reach the jury before tomorrow.

Among the witnesses was Dr. L. L. Stanley, resident physician and surgeon at the California penitentiary at San Quentin, where Gardner served a term from February 16, 1911, to December 6, 1913, when he was paroled. Dr. Stanley testified that hospital records at the prison failed to show Gardner received any treatment in the hospital at the penitentiary.

Previously witnesses for the defense had said that Gardner "had spells" in the prison and that he was carried away from his work on a stretcher, presumably to the hospital.

Other witnesses related details of the mail robbery at San Diego, Cal., for which Gardner was convicted and sentenced to 25 years' imprisonment.

The Noted Dead

LONDON, Dec. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—Sir Arthur Pearson is dead as the result of an accident at his home here. While in his bath he slipped, striking his head against a faucet. Stunned, he fell into the water and was drowned before aid could reach him.

Cyril Arthur Pearson was born February 25, 1866. He was one of the outstanding publicists in England until his eyesight completely failed in 1914. He founded Pearson's Weekly and other well known publications, among them the Daily Express of London.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Henry G. MacDonald, 36, assistant supreme secretary of the national organization of the Knights of Columbus, died at his home last night, after a brief illness.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 9.—Dr. Joseph Kyle, 72, president of the Kenia Theological seminary died yesterday.

Jap Steamer Safe.
SEATTLE, Dec. 9.—The steamer Karamahi Maru, which was reported in wireless dispatches last week as in distress 1600 miles west of Cape Flattery, has arrived safely at the Japanese coasting port of Muroto, according to cable advice received from Kobe today by the Seattle offices of Suzuki and company, exporters.

The cablegram made no mention of the reported trouble.

ERIN PRESIDENT FERNINST ANGLO PEACE TREATY

Irish Independent Says People
Will Forfeit All Sympathy if
World Defied—Treaty to Be
Ratified Next Wednesday
Despite DeValera.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—It is believed Mr. DeValera can count on the support of the Cumann na Mban, the Sinn Fein women's organization, in his opposition to ratification of the agreement. The women in this movement, many of whom have lost their husbands and sons in the recent fighting are more bitter against England than the men and it is known that their attitude is for absolute independence of Ireland.

DUBLIN, Dec. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—The ratification of the treaty between Ireland and Great Britain will be moved at the Dail Eireann meeting next Wednesday by Arthur Griffith as chairman of the plenipotentiaries. It was announced today by President DeValera in a statement issued by the Dail publicity department.

DUBLIN, Dec. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—Commenting on the statement of Eamonn DeValera, opposing the Irish agreement the Irish Independent today says:

"In connection with this development the outstanding fact is that on September 14, last the Dail Eireann appointed five plenipotentiaries to represent Ireland at a conference with representatives of the British government to discuss the Anglo-Irish problem and if possible, arrive at a settlement.

"With skill and ability these plenipotentiaries discharged the onerous mission entrusted to them.

"We submit that, in the circumstances the nation is in honor bound to uphold their action."

"We do not know whether the country will or will not be asked to make the momentous choice between peace and war by means of a referendum or general election," says the Irish Times. "If she rejects the treaty she will forfeit the sympathy of the whole world.

"Will Ireland now, in an impulse of pride and folly, defy the world and turn her back upon her last and greatest opportunity? God forbid!"

LONDON, Dec. 9.—(By Associated Press.) The final result of the deliberations in Dublin yesterday which developed a split in the Dail Eireann cabinet over the Irish peace treaty has been to throw the treaty into an early meeting of the southern Ireland parliament. In his statement last night declaring himself against the terms, Eamonn DeValera, republican leader, announced that the Dail had been summoned in public session for next Wednesday morning.

He also disclosed that his attitude was supported by two members of his cabinet, Austin Stack and Charles Burgess. The other cabinet members are said to have remained in favor of the treaty. This split, with the odds favoring ratification is pointed to here as significant of the possible line-up in the Dail Eireann itself when the time for action arrives.

Newspaper correspondents who asserted that the Dail Eireann would ratify the treaty declared that popular opinion in the south of Ireland had acclaimed the agreement with joy and would insist on its ratification.

The release yesterday of a large number of republicans interned for political offenses produced a strong feeling of good will toward England. Arthur Griffith promises that the southern unionists should have a full share of representation in the first chamber of the all-Ireland parliament set up under the peace agreement also has been approved, the correspondents say.

ACCUSED VISITED MURDER SCENE

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 9.—Arthur C. Burch, on trial for the alleged murder of J. Belton Kennedy, visited Beverly Glen, the scene of the tragedy on August 4, the day before it occurred, according to testimony today by Louis Besant.

Besant, who lives close to the cottage in front of which Kennedy was shot to death, said Burch drove there in an automobile roadster in the early evening of the fourth and stopped at the Besant place. Besant's wife previously testified she saw Burch drive through the fien the following night before and after the shooting.

Spokane Oil Well Turns Out to Be Vegetable Oils

SPOKANE, Dec. 9.—Samples of oil submitted to the United States bureau of mines at Washington for analysis as having come from an "oil spring" in the basement of a residence in this city have been pronounced by the bureau as consisting of kerosene mixed with vegetable oils. It is declared in a telegram received by The Chronicle from its Washington correspondent today.

A company has been formed for drilling a well on the property. Three different samples submitted by three individuals have been analyzed by the bureau. It was stated, and all are declared to be of the same composition.

PACKER STRIKE RIOTS SPREAD MID-WEST TOWNS

Extra Precautions Taken in
Stock Centers—150 Injured
in Thursday Night Disorders
in Chicago—11 Packing
Houses Announce Open Shop

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—Extra precautions to prevent recurrence of disorders were taken by authorities in several of the large packing centers of the middle west today, following the spread of rioting here by strike sympathizers to other towns. The first violence of the strike here on Wednesday was followed by outbreaks in East St. Louis and Omaha.

Seven women were arrested in East St. Louis for participating in demonstrations and a fifteen month old babe was wounded when a volley of shots was fired into the house of a packing house employee in Omaha.

A parade of striking plant employees was to be held in Kansas City this morning.

The outbreak here, quelled Wednesday night, broke out afresh last night after a comparatively quiet day, and police declared 150 persons were injured, including one man shot and a score seriously injured.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 9.—Eleven independent packing companies today signed a notice printed in newspapers that they would operate under the "open shop" plan on and after January 2, and at the same time set forth a new scale of wages, which includes a cut of 8 per cent for piece workers and others ranging from three cents an hour to 7 1/2 cents an hour.

The notice says that action by the companies has been postponed as long as possible and with a strike threatening unless the contracts with union employees are renewed, the "open shop" has been adopted.

At East St. Louis, where striking employees of three plants have remained out of work since Monday, the situation remains unchanged.

Broadway to Have Nothing to Drink But Water New Years

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Water, the most despised liquid refreshment in Broadway's restaurants and cabarets will be the only available stimulant for high jinks along the once gay thoroughfare on New Year's eve if prohibition agents have their way. The frequency with which federal officials have recently been patronizing several of the most popular resorts has been interpreted as a forerunner of a tight lid on the city's biggest night.

"These raids mean that Broadway, perhaps for the first time in its career will see a dry New Year's eve," one of the agents declared.

Plan Rail Cut.
NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Action which the eastern railroads will take in asking wage reductions from their employees was being determined today at a conference of managers and supervisory officials of lines operating north of the Ohio river and east of the Mississippi. It was believed that the general program adopted by the western roads would be followed by the eastern officials.

JAPAN CABINET TO TAKE ACTION ON 5-5-3 PLAN

Pacific Forts Question to Be
Settled On No More Extension
Basis—France Approves of Quadruple Pact—
Want Shantung Returned.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Japanese cabinet has been called to meet tomorrow probably to take final action on the naval ratio question which has been submitted to Tokio by Japan's arms conference delegation. It was learned today.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—There is a strong intimation that the question of Pacific islands fortifications and naval bases will be settled by the Washington conference on a basis that existing forts and naval facilities be not extended. Whether an informal understanding to this effect already has been reached has not been disclosed.

PARIS, Dec. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—France's acceptance of the quadruple agreement for the Pacific is considered certain in official circles, although the draft from M. Viviani, of the French delegation in Washington, today is regarded as a suggested outline and not a perfected plan. Action here upon the agreement is expected shortly.

Official circles, as well as the press, have received with the greatest satisfaction the idea of France's participation in this accord.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—Pacific coast Chinese today petitioned the Far Eastern conference at Washington to urge unconditional restoration of Shantung to China. A message was sent to Secretary Hughes as chairman of the conference by the Chinese Six companies, a group of benevolent associations with which a majority of the Chinese of western America are said to be affiliated. It was petitioned further that foreign troops be withdrawn from Chinese soil and the "twenty-one demands" of Japan be reviewed.

Many of the Chinese in America are from the Canton province and lean toward the government of Sun Yat Sen, rather than the Peking government.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—(By Associated Press.) So encouraging a situation has developed in the arms negotiations that some of the delegates believe an open session of the conference will be called early next week to announce agreement on the five-five-three naval ratio and the quadruple arrangement proposed as a substitute for the Anglo-Japanese alliance.

There are intimations that the negotiations are so close to a settlement that some conference officials had expected an open session today or tomorrow. While the exact nature of the forthcoming announcement cannot be forecast, it seems probable that in addition to the naval ratio and the four power plan it may embody some formal pronouncement of the principles on which the conference expects to limit fortifications and naval bases in the Pacific.

The Japanese frankly say that while it is difficult to determine when a naval base ceases to be defensive and begins to be offensive in strength, they do not believe that the existing bases at the Philippines and Guam are of sufficient capacity and power to serve as adequate concentration stations for the entire American navy. The Japanese, therefore, seek, it is thought some definite assurance that there will be no strengthening of the present bases.

Unofficial advices both from the Japanese and French capitals seem to forecast acceptance of the four power plan, provided such other questions as the naval ratio and the fortifications are solved satisfactorily.

PORTLAND SCHOOL DIRECTOR QUILTS

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 9.—George B. Thomas, a Portland school director, today forwarded his resignation of the chairmanship of the department of school administration in the National Educational association because the school board had not been unanimous in voting to send him to the National Education association meeting at Chicago. One director voted against sending him.

Emma Goldman Leaves Moscow; Is Too Red for Russia

RIGA, Latvia, Dec. 9.—(By Associated Press.) Emma Goldman, who was deported to Russia from the United States in December, 1919, as a result of her alleged anarchistic activities, has left Moscow. It was learned here today. She is believed to be in Riga with the intention of seeking permission to return to the United States.

WRESTLER HELD AS WALL STREET BOMB SUSPECT

Omaha Police Get Tip and Arrest
Mike Stine—Think He
Can Prove Alibi—With Carnival
at Time—Unsigned
Letter Causes Arrest.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 9.—Omaha police today said they were satisfied that Mike Stine, a wrestler, arrested last night on a "tip" given in an anonymous note sent to police headquarters as a suspect in connection with the New York Wall street explosion, September 16, 1920, when a large number of persons were killed, would be able to prove a perfect alibi.

Charles Van Duzen, head of the police detective bureau, said he was convinced Stine was in Omaha from September 14 to 25, 1920, when employed by a carnival company as a wrestler.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 9.—Police last night arrested a man whose name was given as Mike Stine as a suspect in connection with the Wall street explosion, September 15, 1920, when a large number of persons were killed. An unsigned communication to the police led to the arrest.

Stine's wife said he had not been in New York since their marriage six years ago.

The police are confident, Chief of Detectives Charles Van Duzen said, that Stine was in Omaha when the Wall street explosion occurred. He will be held however, pending examination.

Stine is a wrestler and participated in a match here on September 16, 1920, it was said.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Department of justice officials expressed doubt today that Mike Stine, arrested in Omaha in connection with the Wall street explosion of September, 1920, had anything to do with the explosion plot.

GERMAN MARK UP ON RELIEF TALK

LONDON, Dec. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—Premier Brand of France is to be invited to London for a conference with Prime Minister Lloyd George on the Wiesbaden agreement and on the general subject of reparations in kind from Germany. It was learned today. This move is a result of discussions between Sir Robert Horne, chancellor of the exchequer, and Louis Loucheur, French minister of devastated regions.

The growing feeling that the discussions now going on in London might prove favorable toward a moratorium for Germany has caused a further recovery of the German mark which today was quoted at 760 to the pound sterling, compared to 800 to the pound yesterday.

I. W. W.'S GO TO SAN QUENTIN, LAUGH AT JUDGE, TELL OF 'WOBBLY' INCREASE

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 9.—Nine self-assured members of the Industrial Workers of the World, convicted here Wednesday of seditious conspiracy, were sentenced in the superior court today to serve from one to fourteen years, each in San Quentin penitentiary. They laughed aloud

SEN. WATSON OFFERS TO SLAP MAJOR

"Will Not Be Bulldozed By
Bull-jawed Brute"—Senate
Hearing on Hanging Charges
in France Close to Rumpus
—Georgian Objects to Way
Army Officer Looks at Him.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The meeting of the senate committee investigating charges by Senator Watson, democrat, Georgia, that soldiers had been illegally executed almost broke up in a row after Senator Watson had threatened to slap the face of an army officer sitting in the audience.

Chairman Brandegee took hold of the situation and first directed Senator Watson to sit down, calling the sergeant at arms to enforce his orders and then at the request of the senator excluded all army officers from the room.

Senator Watson declared that Major D. E. Cochen had insulted him by the manner in which he looked at the senator.

"I'll not be bulldozed by that bull-jawed brute," Senator Watson declared, and walking up to Cochen said: "For two pennies I'd slap your face."

Then the chairman called the sergeant at arms and Cochen and other officers left the room.

When the excitement had subsided Senator Watson announced that he desired the committee to call sixty-three witnesses whose names he presented, along with a great volume of letters. Hearings then were adjourned until 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon and the committee held an executive session.

Senator Watson at the resumption of the inquiry today protested against the decision of the committee to confine the inquiry solely to the question of hangings.

"I want to protest against the action of this committee in narrowing the investigation to hanging of soldiers without trial by court martial," Senator Watson declared.

"My charges were broader. I protest against these charges being narrowed. I want it understood that I am going into the shooting of men by their officers."

The committee suggested that it might be necessary to go before the senate and ask that the resolution directing the inquiry be enlarged.

"Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., corroborates my statement that a soldier was shot by an officer," Senator Watson declared. "It was testified at the trial that the officer shot the soldier without provocation whatsoever."

"Do you want Colonel Roosevelt called as a witness?" the senator was asked.

"No, I would not embarrass him."

Mr. Watson went on to say he proposed to try the case on the floor of the senate.

START SUIT AGAINST LABOR BOARD

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—On a bill of complaint filed in federal court today Judge K. M. Landis issued a temporary restraining order preventing the United States railroad labor board from issuing a decision against the Pennsylvania railroad in their recent shop controversy.

The bill is the first legal action taken against the labor board in federal court. The petition of the carrier resulted from a citation to appear before the board October 20, when the board listened to the road's reasons for declining to carry out a board ruling, directing the carrier to hold negotiations with their employees over shop rules.

NEW YORK COP WHO LEFT SURGERY FOR BEAT, AND WAS KIND TO CROOKS, RETIRED

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Twenty-five years ago Richard Bermingham, Fordham graduate, cut short a post-graduate course in surgery to become a policeman, because, he said, he'd "rather walk a beat than be the world's greatest surgeon."

He was on the retired list today with one of the best records in New York police history.

A student of criminology Bermingham, who was made a sergeant of detectives, was credited with having obtained the confessions of many criminals through kind treatment.

He loved his job so well that he fought, he said, against promotion, for he didn't want to be taken off the beat.