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LYNCHED FOUR NEGROES AT OLD HANGING TREE

Mob Broke Into Jail and Took Out Men Who Adopted Resolution Indorsing Murder of White Man.

Russellville, Ky., Aug. 1.—A band of fifty white men, armed and masked, forced their way into the Logan county jail early today, took four negroes from among the prisoners and hanged them to a limb of the Old Hanging Tree, a historic lynching ground upon the National Turnpike.

Although the men were armed to the teeth and desperate in their resolve to wreak vengeance, the work was done so quietly that no one in Russellville knew until this morning that a lynching had taken place.

The following were the victims: Virgil Jones, Tom Jones, Robert Jones and Joe Reilly, all colored.

These men had belonged to a lodge which adopted a resolution indorsing the murder of Farmer James Cunningham, near here a week ago.

Cunningham had been shot from ambush by Rufus Browder, colored, who had been discharged from the Cunningham farm. The negro was arrested charged with the murder, but was taken to Louisville for safe keeping when rumblings of race warfare began to be heard in the vicinity.

The four negroes who were lynched had been arrested for conspiracy and were in jail pending their trials.

Two of the dead men were their night clothing, just as they had been taken from the jail and to the dress of one of them this following note, roughly scrawled, was pinned:

"Let this be a warning to you 'niggers' to let white people alone or you will go the same way. You lodgers had better shut up."

The bodies were discovered dangling from the naked limb of the old tree just at sunrise by a farmer riding along the road. A glance was sufficient and he rode into town to notify the authorities. The bodies were cut down and it was easily seen that the work had been done expertly and without gun play. Not a shot had been fired to warn the townsfolk.

LID IS OFF AT SARATOGA

Gambling Houses Said to Be Running Openly.

Senator Brackett Advises Sheriff to Disregard Oral Betting.

Saratoga, N. Y., Aug. 1.—The lid is off at the Spa. Last night every gambling house worthy of the name was doing business. They haven't arrived at the wide-open stage but the proper make up and wise expression would get one in any of the places. A lookout was put at the outside door and another directed you—if you looked all right—to the scene of activities. The wheel was going in every place and faro was dealt as in the old days. Of course, there is no way of estimating the extent of the first night's real business, but if the chips stacked up at the bank in one of the prominent places may be taken as a criterion, big money changed hands.

The gambling houses got the mysterious report yesterday afternoon that everything was all right. The natives knew it early and the news traveled fast. After dinner all the places were hunted up and the merry click of the stacked chips could be heard in at least a dozen different places.

Conditions at the track could not be improved on, under the oral betting system. Senator Brackett, boss of the town, has put his stamp of approval on the betting as it is being carried on and it is doubtful if the oral layers will be interfered with in any way. Senator Brackett, in the capacity of counsel, has advised Sheriff Bradley to abide by Justice Bischoff's decision on the matter. He goes into a legal view of the new anti-betting law and, getting down to the matter of oral betting, says to the sheriff:

"But I understand that the question that chiefly embarrasses you is whether you or your deputies, hearing oral bets made between individuals, there being no record made of the same, nor any money paid, whether, under such circumstances, it is your duty as the sheriff to arrest the persons thus betting as violating the present law."

"I have given this question a careful examination and I am bound to, and do, advise you, that as the law now stands, as construed by the courts, such betting is not a crime and you have no authority to arrest therefor."

"In reaching the above conclusion I may say to you that it is not a question of what you or I think the law relating to gambling should be, but what an examination of the statute and of the decision of the court finds it to be, and in the performance of your duty as sheriff it is not necessary either that the photographer should be present or that the spectacle should be indulged in. If you find a violation of the law, arrest the criminal, quietly and decently, as you would perform any other disagreeable duty. With such performance of duty I suspect that the public will be satisfied and the criminal must be."

The Saratoga Special arriving last evening brought in twelve cars, crowded with sports. There wasn't a vacant seat in the train, and according to the conductor, the majority of seats on the Empire State Express and the East Mail leaving the Grand Central this morning have been bought in advance.

Saratoga is the same old Saratoga and it is getting better every day. The present meet of the Saratoga Racing Association promises to be the most disastrous financially of any in the history of the racing on metropolitan tracks. It was intimated that the association will lose more than \$150,000 on the fifteen days of racing here.

On Thursday the opening day, the attendance at the race track was less than 2,000 persons. On Friday it dwindled to less than 1,500 and it was not much better today.

CHAIRMAN HITCHCOCK NOT "BUTTING IN"

Won't Attempt to Interfere in New York State Politics.

New York, Aug. 1.—Frank H. Hitchcock, chairman of the Republican National Committee, after a conference with President Roosevelt at Oyster Bay, declared a policy of non-interference in the matter of the governorship nomination. He made it clear that he would not use his influence with the state leaders or interfere in any way to change their plan for the turning down of Hughes and the nomination of a new man. To use his own expression, the national chairman is not "butting in" on the purely state situation.

The national chairman's attitude was a distinct disappointment to the friends of Hughes.

TEN BITTEN BY MAD DOG

The Animal Ran Amuck Among Marines on the Isthmus.

New York, Aug. 1.—All bitten by a mad dog, Major Russell, of the United States Marine Corps, and ten of his men who were on duty in Panama, are hurrying to New York on a government transport, to take the Pasteur treatment. The dog first attacked Major Russell, biting him on the leg. It then ran among the marines in camp, biting ten before it was shot.

The wounds were cauterized, but a recommendation was made by the superior naval medical officer on the isthmus that the victims be sent north as soon as possible for treatment.

All the men bitten went from the Brooklyn Barracks on the battleship New Hampshire to preserve order on the Isthmus during the elections.

New York, Aug. 1.—Infected by rabies through contact with a boy patient who died of the disease, three young physicians of the Jersey City Hospital are under treatment at the Pasteur Institute. The death from hydrophobia of Harry Luftman, ten years old, of No. 134 Coles street, Jersey City, July 22d, followed an attack by a dog.

The physicians who attended him are Doctors Edward Whalen, James Trotter and Yeo Koppel.

The physicians at the Pasteur Institute say they believe the patients are now out of danger, although they will continue the treatment for three days longer.

LURED TO DEATH BY FAKE CALL

Carthage, Mo., Aug. 1.—The killing of Dr. L. E. Whitney remains a mystery, but the evidence at the inquest today indicated he was lured to his death by a false call. His medicine case was found yesterday 70 yards west of where he lay unconscious all Wednesday night.

The autopsy showed his death was caused by concussion of the brain, evidently from a blow on the head. Citizens testified they saw Dr. Whitney Wednesday evening following a closely curtained buggy in which were a woman and a man. The buggy was seen earlier in the same evening near Whitney's residence. The fact that it was curtained on an extremely hot night attracted attention. The coroner's jury adjourned to next Friday.

AMERICAN DUCHESS ACCOMPLISHED ORATOR

New York, Aug. 1.—The Duchess of Marlborough is now generally recognized on the other side as an accomplished orator, is the latest news from London. M. A. P., a well known correspondent of an English journal, who recently heard the former Consuelo Vanderbilt make a speech on the occasion of a distribution of prizes at a horticultural show, expresses himself as astonished at the readiness, ease and natural eloquence exhibited by the "American Duchess" in making an extended reply to a vote of thanks without reference to notes.

This is the first Vanderbilt in four generations who would in any way be classified as a speech maker, although a celebrated spoken word not of her grandfather's in reference to the general public will long be remembered.

Mitchell Begins Duties.

New York, Aug. 1.—John Mitchell, former president of the United Mine Workers, and for some time chairman of the trade agreement department of the National Civic Federation, began today to devote all his time to the work of that department, with a salary, and from now on his permanent headquarters will be at the offices of the Federation, No. 281 4th avenue. Hitherto he has given but a part of his time to this work and has received no compensation.

The Weather.

Washington, Aug. 1.—Western New York—Fair tonight, cooler in central and eastern portions. Sunday fair.

Local Conditions.

Although it did not rain the heat wave of the past few days was broken by cool breezes yesterday afternoon and last evening and today were ideal in all respects. The prediction is for a continuation of the fair weather for tomorrow and also cool.

FARMAN TRIES HIS AEROPLANE

Trial Flight Successful Yesterday Afternoon.

First Public Ascension to Be Made Today—Big Kite Easily Controlled.

New York, Aug. 1.—After demonstrating in two sensational flights that his aeroplane is master of the air, Henri Farman, the French aeronaut, today makes his first public ascension at the Brighton Beach race track.

The two preliminary flights were private exhibitions given before five hundred invited guests. Farman seemed to have his freakish looking craft under control at all times. It rode through the air as gracefully as a swallow and responded to the slightest touch of its driver.

At no time did the aeroplane rise above twenty feet from the ground, and it soared this way and that, riding easily and making no noise except for the slight whirring sound of the propeller.

Just before Farman was ready to start the big dirigible balloon of Aeronaught Charles Hamilton, who is exhibiting in another part of Brighton Beach, lumbered over the roof of the grandstand and caused a commotion among the guests. Just as the airship reached a spot over the track in front of the grandstand the propeller broke and it fell like a wounded bird.

In spite of the fact that the arrival of the airship looked like a plan to steal some of his glory, Farman was one of the first to rush to the side of Hamilton in a manly effort to save him from injury. Hamilton, although thrown to the ground, was not injured. After fifteen minutes hard work the propeller was repaired and the big ship glided away.

Farman's airship was then run out of its shed with the propeller buzzing, and no sooner had it reached the open air than it rose to a height of 15 feet. This was increased as it sailed to the other end of the course. After going about three hundred yards Farman stopped the engine and the aeroplane settled down on the ground gently and in perfect order. The aeronaut then explained that he found the space inside the track too small to permit him to turn around and go back to his starting place. The aeroplane was wheeled back and another flight made. This ended the exhibition.

Mrs. Farman was at her husband's side when he entered the aeroplane, but did not accompany him. She was greatly excited and led the cheering after it was seen that the flight was successful. The public flight today will take place at 4:30 p. m.

Bryan Working On His Speech

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 1.—Mr. Bryan made rapid headway with his speech of acceptance, there being but few visitors at Fairview. He said it would be completed Aug. 5. Regarding its possible length Mr. Bryan said he was unable to estimate it at this time.

The program of exercises in connection with the notification Aug. 12th was announced yesterday by Mayor Brown after it had been submitted to Mr. Bryan for approval.

Advices already received by the committee on arrangements indicate that Mr. Bryan will face a vast audience in the capital grounds when he is formally notified of the action of the Denver convention in placing him in nomination.

UPHOLDS REAPPORTIONMENT.

Judge Pitts Declares Special Session Feature Is Immaterial.

Albany, Aug. 1.—The apportionment of Senate and Assembly districts contained in the reapportionment act passed by the Legislature in extraordinary session last summer and signed by Governor Hughes was sustained as constitutional by Supreme Court Justice George H. Pitts in an adjourned Special Term here yesterday.

The court denied the application of Alexander T. Porter of New York for a peremptory writ of mandamus which would have required the Secretary of State to issue his notices of election according to the apportionment adopted by the constitutional convention of 1894.

The justice in upholding the law declared that when the Court of Appeals nullified as unconstitutional the apportionment act of 1906, it was mandatory upon the Legislature of 1907 to pass an act in its place, and it was immaterial whether that act was passed at a regular or an extraordinary session.

Counsel for Porter said they would take an appeal.

SWITCHMEN READY TO CALL STRIKE

Lackawanna Railroad Recruiting Men In Philadelphia to Take Places of Strikers They Are Needed.

New York, Aug. 1.—Unless something should happen to bring President Truesdale and the union switchmen's leaders together, it seemed probable today that a strike would early be declared on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad. The refusal of President Truesdale to see the grievance committee was said at the time to be final. Being the first time he had declined to meet a committee of employees this occurrence caused a degree of gloom.

The rumor that President Roosevelt might intervene was not met with any great enthusiasm by the representatives of the railroad. The report was brought to the attention of President Truesdale.

"I cannot understand," he said, "why Mr. Roosevelt should wish to interfere in our affairs. I have no intimation that he intends doing so, and I cannot believe he will. The trouble is not of such importance as to invite his attention. It is local and will be adjusted by the railroad as it sees proper."

The strike, if called, the leader said,

TROUBLES IN TURKEY BROAD IN EFFECT

All Calculations as to Future of the S Empire Must Be Revised.

London, Aug. 1.—That the constitutional movement in Turkey bids fair to change the present face of the near east and to call into being recuperative influences which will have the broadest international effects is a conclusion rapidly forcing itself upon European statesmanship.

Whether the credit for the coup of Abdul Hamid belongs to Berlin's suggestion or to London's advocacy of "mobile columns" to hunt down the lawless Macedonian bands the predominant fact is that the "Sick Man of Europe" has outplayed all the chancelleries in his adroit appeal to his people and in his prompt dismissal of the leaders of the palace clique, chief of whom is the infamous Izzet Bey.

It is not improbable that the Young Turks, intoxicated with the success

SYRACUSE WANTS THE CONVENTION

Strong Rival of Rochester for Democratic State Gathering.

Albany, Aug. 1.—Syracuse has become a strong rival of Rochester for the honor of securing the Democratic state convention in September. It has been expected that Rochester would get it by default, but now Syracuse looms up big. State Chairman William J. Conners left here for Syracuse today to confer with State Committee-man Rafferty about it.

Syracuse has not had a state convention since the Democrats nominated Augustus Van Wyck for Governor ten years ago.

Colonel Jacob L. Ten Eyck and his followers have determined to contest the August primaries against State Committeeman P. E. McCabe in Albany. Mr. McCabe was slated for decapitation by the Carnegie Hall spring convention in favor of Colonel Ten Eyck, but the program was changed in this respect at the last moment. Chairman Conners insists that he is not behind Colonel Ten Eyck this time.

According to information received in Rochester some time ago, Syracuse was not seriously entertained as a place for holding the convention. Lack of hotel facilities, it was said, would prevent the convention being held there.

Pettibone Very Ill.

Denver, Colo., Aug. 1.—George A. Pettibone, tried in Idaho for the murder of former Gov. Frank Steunenberg, will be operated on today in the hope of saving his life. He has been suffering ever since the trial with a trouble in the region of the kidneys. The doctors feel hopeful of Pettibone's recovery, however, if there is no cancerous growth.

Fire Destroys Flour.

Philadelphia, Aug. 1.—The Hamburg American and Steamship Company Lines building practically destroyed by fire in quarters of an hour last evening. Loss is \$500,000.

SUIT BEGUN AGAINST AMERICAN TOBACCO CO.

Charged With Infringement of Anti-Trust Law—\$1,500,000 Damages Asked.

Louisville, Ky., Aug. 1.—The American Tobacco Company, known as the tobacco trust, is now the target for the trust busters. Suit for a million and a half dollars has been brought in the federal court here against the American Company by the Monarch Tobacco Company in which an infringement of the Sherman anti-trust law is alleged.

The papers in the case allege that

AFFLICTED WITH ELEPHANTIASIS

Woman Weighed 700 Pounds When Death Came to Relieve Suffering.

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 1.—Mrs. Annie E. Lynch, believed to be the largest woman in the world, died in McKeesport yesterday. She weighed nearly 700 pounds and for nineteen years had been afflicted with elephantiasis.

From all parts of the country physicians and other scientists went to McKeesport to study the case, but all efforts to stop the unnatural growth failed. The largest casket ever made by the National Casket Company of Pittsburg, will be necessary to hold the body and there is not a hearse in the country large enough to carry it. The body will be conveyed to the Versailles Cemetery in an open wagon. Provisions have been made for fifteen pall bearers. The casket will be made of one and one-half inch boards, and it will be over 44 inches wide and 36 inches deep, with iron braces across the bottom.

Mrs. Lynch is survived by her husband, David Lynch, and three children. She was born near Delmont, Westmoreland county, and went to McKeesport shortly before the disease made its appearance. For years she had been bed-ridden, but suffered little.

Through newspaper articles Mrs. Lynch became acquainted with Mrs. Mellory, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, who is afflicted with the same disease and they corresponded regularly. These two cases, one in a New York Hospital, and one that resulted in death at Greenville, Pa., a year ago, are said to be the only ones known in this country.

Robbed Conductor.

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 1.—Four masked men held up a Syracuse street trolley car at the edge of town today and, at the point of revolvers, demanded money from the conductor, John Strohn. The conductor gave up all he had in his pockets, \$21.75, mostly in small change. The robbers then searched Andrew Pathe, the motor-man, taking from him his gold watch. The robbers had concealed themselves at the end of the line. No trace of them has been found although the street car men have furnished the authorities with a description of them.

TRUNKS ROBBED BY CLEVER GANG

Bogus Checks Employed to Gain the Baggage to Be Looted Later.

New York, Aug. 1.—Following the arrest of three men, charged with being members of a gang who in the past few months have robbed the Adams Express Company of trunks in which were goods valued at \$100,000 or more, the detectives of Brooklyn today said three more arrests would be made, and the chances are that much of the stolen stuff will be discovered.

According to detectives the express company has been robbed through a system of bogus tags and checks made by a job printer in league with the gang. When a trunk was given to a driver at some of the express depots in Brooklyn, he would put on the bogus tag and check and deliver the trunk to the house of an accomplice.

So clever were the thieves that the detectives and Pinkertons had difficulty in getting a real clue. Reports came in daily of the loss of some valuable trunk or parcel. Then it was discovered that a large part of the stolen goods were being disposed of in Brownsville and the detectives arrested Alfred Wilfert, John Cook and Alfred Moulde.

NURSE SAVED BOY'S LIFE

She Commanded Him to Lie Flat While Five Cars Passed Over His Body.

Superior, Wis., Aug. 1.—Mrs. Ethel Willis, a nurse, saved the life of an unidentified boy yesterday afternoon. While waiting for a street car, she saw the boy half a block away fall under a train.

She saw that one car had passed the boy with out doing injury. But the lad began to crawl toward the rails and was near sure death when the woman commanded the half dazed youth to lie still.

All the while waving to the trainmen to stop, she kept commanding the boy to hug the earth, and after five cars had passed over him the train came to a stop, the boy being unharmed.