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FORMER SARATOGA COUNTY MAN KILLED BY BURGLARS

2 ELECTROCUTED AT SING BY NEW EXECUTIONER

Identity of Successor to John Hulbert Still a Mystery.

ABOUT 60 YEARS OLD Emil Klatt and Luigi Rapito Pay Penalty for Murder With Lives.

OSHING, N. Y., Jan. 29. (AP)—Sing's new executioner, a bit nervous and shrouded in mystery, has officiated at his first execution in the death house.

Late last night he threw the switch twice, sending Emil Klatt and Luigi Rapito, convicted murderers, to their death. He did not wear mask or robe as had been predicted, but did preserve carefully the secret of his identity.

None of the witnesses knew him as he strode down the corridor with quick, nervous steps and went about his task quietly. He appeared about sixty years old.

MARSHALL SAYS HE BUNGLED JOB OF GIRL'S MURDER

PHILADELPHIA, January 29 (AP)—With an air of indifference, David L. Marshall, in his prison cell, discussed with a detective today what he termed "my great mistake" in killing and disposing of the body of Anna May Dietrich.

"Where I made my great mistake," he told the detective, "was in cutting up her body. I bungled the job. If I had only used my head and thought about it for a few minutes I would not have done that."

"I would have gone out and bought some poison tablets, and put them in her stomach. Then I could have claimed she committed suicide and could have gotten away with it."

SAVED FROM FIRE FALL RIVER, Mass., Jan. 29. (AP)—Several members of the family of Abraham R. Cass were carried by policemen from their burning home early today when the building was destroyed with loss estimated at \$95,000.

BEGGAR HAS \$7000. DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 29. (AP)—An eccentric old beggar, worth \$7,000 in cash, which he has hoarded from his aims, hired a lawyer to protect his "constitutional rights" to beg, upon being arrested the second time here.

J. K. Fronk, Wanted For \$300,000 Bank Swindle in West, Caught; Is Very Ill

CHICAGO, Jan. 29. (AP)—A country-wide search for J. K. Fronk, Hollywood automobile dealer, ended early today when he was arrested here on a charge of defrauding Los Angeles banks of \$300,000.

WIND, SNOW AND COLD CAUSE OF SUFFERING

Temperatures Go Down to 32 Below Zero With New York State Blizzard

SARATOGA COUNTY RECOVERING FROM RESULT OF STORM

All Main Highways Reported Open to Automobile Traffic Today.

ALL PLOWS BUSY Roads Blocked in Places Last Night by Rapidly Forming Drifts.

Saratoga county was today recovering and readjusting itself from twenty-four hours of mid-winter blizzard conditions—the most severe experienced here this winter.

Automobile traffic, hampered yesterday by drifts on virtually every highway in the county, was rolling along with little reported difficulty while the residents generally were looking forward to a slight rise in the below zero temperature which held this section of the state its grip for eighteen hours.

Swampy by Gales. Conditions early in the morning and continuing all day and well into the night a northeast gale swept over the county sending the mercury tumbling downward until it reached the low point of the winter—fifteen degrees below zero.

At 6 o'clock this morning the minimum temperature of the cold wave here was reached when the mercury fell to 2 1/2 below zero.

32 at Tupper Lake. TUPPER LAKE, N. Y., Jan. 29. (AP)—Official thermometers registered thirty-two degrees below zero here today. The lowest temperature to be recorded this winter followed one of the worst blizzards ever experienced in this section.

Automobile Stranded. Automobiles, during the early night hours, were reported stranded upon the Saratoga Springs-Glens Falls, the V-Conners-Dunning Street; the Mechanicville and the Schuylerville routes. The cars were released from their snow-banked positions by combined efforts of other motorists or by the men employed upon the county plows.

Poor Visibility. Automobile traffic was in addition (Continued on Page Two.)

WIND, SNOW AND COLD CAUSE OF SUFFERING

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29. (AP)—Relief within the next 24 hours from the intense cold weather now general over the United States is foreseen by the weather bureau.

IN THE FACE OF heavy gales on the Pacific, shipping battled mountainous seas and raced for shelter. Sweeping eastward the path of the cold wave was marked with deep snows, blocked highways, impeded trains and sub zero temperatures that caused numerous fires and intense suffering in large cities.

Chicago Suffers. Suffering in Chicago was increased by numerous fires which drove forty families to the streets. Firemen in New York City found a street with thousands of gallons of water, freezing automobiles to the pavement, turning basements into skating rinks and putting out furnace fires for blocks.

Flashes of Life

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS The young Earl of Suffolk, grandson of Ilevi Z. Leiter, tired of playing the saxophone and ukele and other social gaieties, has gone to Australia to follow in the footsteps of young Lord Hobart, who is a cowboy.

A satire on the Scopes trial is to be produced in a theatre in an effort to show the disparity between capitalistic doctrines and the pure sciences as represented by communism.

A wedding cake waits in Irving Berlin's office for cutting at the first party after their return from their honeymoon.

The newspapers—one of mankind's four greatest institutions. Characterized made to the New York State Publishers' association by Grove Patterson of the Toledo Blade.

Stones from the walls of the famous old Astor House, which is to be razed for a 42-story skyscraper, are to be made into tombstones.

One plow 225 years old and another made 160 years ago, have been sent to Dearborn as gifts to Henry Ford.

Willie Wallace, 15, and 6 feet 6 has been unable to stand the children laughing at him and the teachers being scared of him, so he has been confined indefinitely for a week.

Things better beware Sadie Stein hereafter. She's the best basketball player of her sex at New York University.

Trainmen on all railroads are instructed by union leaders to demand on February 1 return to 1920 peak wage scale.

Zero wave grips Northern states from coast to coast, with violent storms in Atlantic and Pacific; three fishermen make way to shore over Lake Michigan ice.

United States circuit court at Chicago denies rehearing to Colonel Charles R. Forbes, former head of Veterans bureau, convicted of defrauding the government.

Bethlehem shipbuilding corporation and three others file four suits for \$9,995,733 in Philadelphia against shipping board and emergency fleet corporation for war time contracts.

Sing Sing's anonymous new executioner sends two criminals to death, but does not wear mask and robe as announced. One who dies refused to shake hands with "Squealers."

Charles Gorman wins world amateur skating championship match at St. John, N. B., Emil St. Goddard, 19, wins dog Derby at The Pax, Manitoba.

Netting odds against Helen Wills in tennis match against Suzanne Lenglen drop as she wins whirlwind set against preliminary opponent in Cannes.

Corn conference at Des Moines, representing eleven states, urges creation of federal board for marketing farm surplus.

Watertown in Grip. WATERTOWN, N. Y., Jan. 29. (AP)—Northern New York today was in the grip of the coldest weather of the winter.

Expect Democratic Fight Over League as Court Wins

RESIGNATION OF COL. MITCHELL HAS BEEN ACCEPTED

Secretary of War to Permit Air Officer to Step Out February 1.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29. (AP)—The resignation of Colonel William Mitchell from the army has been accepted.

In accordance with his expressed wishes, the air service officer will be permitted to step out on February 1, thus automatically bringing to an end the five-year suspension to which he was sentenced by a court martial after conviction of breaking discipline by his criticisms of the government's aviation policies.

The decision was announced in this statement by Secretary Davis of the War department: "The Secretary of War has decided that the resignation of William Mitchell will be accepted to take effect February 1, 1926. The adjutant general of the army has been notified to this effect."

Nothing beyond this brief announcement was made public. It was learned however that the acceptance was unconditional and did not hinge on any formal notation that it was "for the good of the service."

RESCUE SHIP ON WAY TO FRANCE; PRAISE SERVICE

Crew of President Roosevelt in High Spirits—Passengers Aid.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29. (AP)—The United States liner President Roosevelt, bound for Cherbourg today with her crew in high spirits and the twenty-five men of the British freighter Antiope, rescued from their foundering ship, clad in the garments of sympathetic passengers.

The Associated Press today received a wireless from Purser Devins of the President Roosevelt saying that the crews of both conducted by Dr. Joseph Cochran of the American church in Paris.

Many of the Antiope's crew had lost their clothing and passengers quickly collected an assortment of garments for them.

NAVAL AIR CHIEF DISCUSSES PLANS FOR \$14,000,000

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29. (AP)—Navy plans for expenditure of \$14,000,000 over a five-year period for lighter-than-air craft development were discussed today by Rear Admiral William A. Moffett, the naval air chief, before the House naval committee.

The money would be used for these purposes: Two dirigibles of 6,000,000 cubic feet capacity at a cost of \$4,000,000 each.

Establishment of a lighter-than-air base on the Pacific coast at a cost of \$4,500,000.

The Admiral also proposed to expend \$1,650,000 annually for maintenance of existing lighter than air facilities. Of this amount \$1,000,000 would be for continuation of the Lakehurst air station; \$500,000 for co-operation with the bureau of mines in helium production and \$150,000 for experimental work.

PROVIDE FUNDS FOR U.S. DELEGATES WASHINGTON, Jan. 29. (AP)—Congressional sanction necessary for American participation in the preliminary arms conference discussions at Geneva was completed today when the Senate approved a House resolution to appropriate \$50,000 to defray expenses of American delegates.

VAN VECHTEN SHOT ON DUTY AT MILL IN RENNELAER

Victim Was Educated in Mechanicville Where He Once Resided.

SUSPECT ESCAPES Failure of Watchman to Ring Alarm Brings Officer to the Scene.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 29. (AP)—Abram Van Vechten, 67, a night watchman at the Barnet shoddy mills in Rensselaer, was shot and killed early today by burglars who were attempting to open the safe with a sledge hammer.

The suspect wore a derby hat and a white collar, the policeman said. Van Vechten apparently did not have time to defend himself. The watchman's loaded revolver was found hanging in a locker with his overcoat and hat.

Failure of the watchman to register at a signal bell resulted in an alarm to telegraph alarm headquarters in Albany. An employee of the alarm company was sent to investigate and picked up Patrolman Frederic Rabe in Rensselaer.

Missouri, so they say, follow Jim Reed, and is strongly anti-Court. Senator Williams played good politics in showing the Missouri public that he was as good a bitter-ender as the redoubtable Jim Hiram.

The difficulties of Senator McKinley of Illinois, attract a great deal of attention, Mr. McKinley is one of the most pronounced internationalists on the Republican side.

But just before the close of the debate the Cook County Republican Committee adopted a strong resolution against the Court, and this with other troubles sent Mr. McKinley to voting for all the disbelieving reservations of the bitter-enders yesterday, though finally, of course, he voted for the Court.

Another sign that the League is a bad issue for the Democrats in the West just now is found in the votes of the two Indiana Republican Senators. Both of them are regulars. But both were frightened by ex-Senator Beveridge's telegram against the Court.

The West and Middle West, which were opposed up to the last moment to this country's entering the great war, are today anti-European. The reaction from that section disappointed the hopes of an arising like that which they sturd against the covenant of the League in 1919.

Advocates of the League will do well to rest content with these until the country has become familiar with the idea of co-operation with the League and until the League by some striking action proves itself a great mechanism for preserving peace and doing international justice.

Coolidge Tactics Win. The Court resolution prevailed because President Coolidge adopted tactics opposite to those of President Wilson in the Versailles Treaty fight.

If he, like Mr. Wilson, had said there were reservations he would not have tried to throw the blame for the defeat of the Court upon the other.

But he put the responsibility for action on the Court resolution squarely upon the Senate and kept his hands off. He was willing to accept any practicable reservations.

The important factor in the adoption of the resolution was the Republican 1924 platform declaration on the Court. It committed the party outright. It slipped through the Cleveland convention

without attracting much attention, all the politicians devoting their energies to seeing that a good anti-declaration against the League was made party doctrine.

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Forecast. Increasing cloudiness with snow; rising temperature tonight and Saturday; probably light snow in north portion; variable winds becoming moderate to fresh squalls.