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WOMAN'S VICTIM WILL RECOVER

WOUNDED MAN'S CONDITION IS SLIGHTLY IMPROVED

TWO VERSIONS ARE RELATED

Miss Dendinger Says She Reapproached Victim Because of Alleged Untruths

Xavier Knecht, the latest New Orleans resident to fall before a woman's revolver, will probably recover from the wounds inflicted by Miss Violet Dendinger. While his wounds are of a dangerous character, his condition showed some improvement last night at the hospital. Miss Dendinger meanwhile is being held by the police, pending the outcome of Knecht's injuries.

Walk Toward City

Knecht and Miss Dendinger walked a little way in toward the city. Soon there was the sound of shots and a woman's cries. People in the vicinity rushed to the scene and found Knecht lying on the sidewalk with two bullets in his abdomen. He was rushed to the hospital and Miss Dendinger was locked up by the police.

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Miss Dendinger declares that she reapproached Knecht because the latter's father had been "telling stories about her." Knecht then struck her and she shot him in self-defense.

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Two versions of the shooting were given by the police. Knecht stated that Miss Dendinger drew a revolver, and that he struck her, believing that she would draw the gun. She shot him instead, he declared.

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Knecht's 16-year-old bride and the members of his family are standing by him. The Burke has volunteered to defend Miss Dendinger, who is without funds to employ legal aid.

FEW EXEMPTION URGED BY U. S.

Washington, July 23.—The government in passing the control of the draft to the states urges few exemptions. Provost Marshal Crowder set the example today declining to exempt his personal stenographer and several clerks. Hundreds of youths who took cheap positions with the government to escape draft will be disappointed.

LUTHER BURBANK ILL

Santa Rosa, Cal., July 23.—Luther Burbank is ill, threatened with appendicitis.

KERENSKY NOW REAL DICTATOR

UNLIMITED POWERS GRANTED MINISTER OF WAR

WAS MOST COLLOSAL BARGAIN

German Influence Brought to Bear on Latest Revolt, Is Charged

Amsterdam, July 23.—Alexander Kerensky, who today formally was elevated to virtual dictatorship of Russia by receiving a grant of unlimited powers from the two most powerful representative bodies, the Council of Soldiers and Workmen's delegates and Council of Peasants of all Russia, has taken hold with a firm hand.

On him alone rests the task of averting a complete military debacle at the front and of crushing anarchy at home.

From secret information it appears the present state of affairs in Russia is the result of a most colossal bargain in history, bargain with Bolsheviks, the Russian majority leader of the Socialists, and anarchists on one hand and the German majority of Socialists and probably part of capitalists on the other hand. This would have resulted in the overthrow of Von Bethman-Hollweg and the elevation of Michaelis as chancellor of Germany and the refusal of certain Russian regiments to continue fighting in Galicia.

Kerensky has ordered all deserters to be shot, but it is feared this will not save the army and navy. The Germans continue to drive the Russians back in Galicia.

AGED BUSINESS MAN IS BURIED

The funeral of Col. James R. Simont, well known in the New Orleans business world who died Sunday, was held yesterday afternoon from the family residence, 5111 St. Charles avenue.

The pallbearers were Messrs. Charles Theard, Preston Pugh, John Symons, Sayon J. B. Barrell, H. B. Prevost and Nevins Kirkpatrick.

Col. Simont's death was sudden. He was seated on the front porch of his home on St. Charles avenue chatting with members of his family shortly before 11 o'clock Sunday evening when he complained of feeling ill and retired. Soon afterwards his daughter heard him breathing and found his father in a dying condition, his left hand to his breast over his heart. He expired within a few minutes.

No man in the business world of this city had been more widely known or more prominent than was Col. Simont, and the country has never boasted any more export judge of green coffee than was this long time importer of the bean.

Tall, erect, elastic of step despite his seventy-five years, distinguished in appearance, his was a commanding presence and striking personality.

SAILORS POSSESS CITY

Sailors had possession of the city Sunday. In one hotel more than two-thirds of the registration was devoted to the names of sailors. Many of the sailors visited the churches and the parks of the city.

NEGRO SCHOOL CLOSES

The third annual session of the summer school for negro teachers was closed Friday. The early part of the morning was taken up with examinations and the distribution of certificates.

Mrs. Phups Named Defense Chairman

By International News Service. Washington, July 23.—The list of state chairmen for the Woman's council of National Defense was announced today. Among them is: Illinois, Mrs. Jos. Bowen, Chicago; Texas, Mrs. Fred Fleming, Dallas; Louisiana, Mrs. Hilda Phups, New Orleans.

THREE DROWNED WITHIN A DAY

Three drownings were reported by the police yesterday, two of the victims being negro boys, and the third an unidentified white man. The body of the latter was found floating in the river at St. Peter street by Baptiste Fleus, an employee on the tug Sanson.

The slipping out from under his shoulders of a pair of water wings caused the death in the Old Basin canal of Henry Duhaulet, colored. The body was recovered shortly afterwards. At almost the same minute Alton Deigan, aged 14, dived from a skiff into Lake Pontchartrain a lead mile from Milneburg, and failed to reappear. The drowning was reported by two companions. The body has not yet been recovered.

WILSON RESENTS SOLONS' ACTION

Washington, July 23.—President Wilson resents the efforts of Congress to make itself jointly responsible for the conduct of the war. In a letter to Representative Lever, the father of the Food Control bill, Wilson demands the elimination of the Owen amendment creating a commission to supervise the financial conduct of the war. "I could only interpret its final adoption," the President wrote, "as arising from lack of confidence in myself." He declares it would "render my task of conducting the war practically impossible."

GERMANS SEEK AMERICAN CAMP

By International News Service. American Army Camp, France, July 23.—German aeroplanes have been trying to locate the American camp, but were unsuccessful. Today the German fliers were frustrated by the French. American officers in a touring car witnessed fifteen aeroplanes fighting in the sky. The Germans were driven off.

SENATOR CHARGES TWO WITH BEING TRAITORS

Washington, July 23.—Senator McCumber, of North Dakota, declared Postmistress Totten and her husband at Bowman are traitors in urging resistance to the draft, and called on the attention of the President and Postmaster General to their utterances.

NEGRO EDUCATORS TO MEET

The fourteenth annual convention of the Negro Educational Association will meet in New Orleans tomorrow. Dr. Oscar Dowling, president of the state board of health and T. H. Harris, superintendent of education in the state, will be among the speakers.

GUARD OF TWENTY STATES DRAFTED

SOON WILL GO TO THE VARIOUS TRAINING CAMPS

NEXT CALL TO BE AUGUST 5

Militiamen First Will Go to Local Concentration Camps and Later Will be Removed

By International News Service. Washington, July 23.—The National Guard of twenty states will be drafted into the service Wednesday. They are Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Illinois, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Washington, Oregon.

After being drafted these troops will be held in local rendezvous, about two weeks, then they will go to the concentration camps. The next increment of the National Guard will be called August 5.

AUTO CLAIMS ITS ELEVENTH VICTIM

The deadly auto claimed its eleventh victim since the first of the year in a New Orleans street yesterday evening. Osborne Nix, an eleven-year-old white boy, living at 2531 Burgundy street, was struck by a machine in front of his home and almost instantly killed.

The accident occurred about 5:30 o'clock. An automobile was proceeding up Burgundy street toward Canal while an automobile was being driven down the street by Dr. Joseph A. Estopinal, of 310 Anglin street. As the cars were on the point of passing the lad darted behind the car that was proceeding up the street, and ran directly in front of Dr. Estopinal's machine.

The latter swung his car into the gutter, but could not avoid striking the boy. An ambulance was summoned, but the child died before its arrival. A police report on the accident indicates that it was unavoidable.

SPEED CAMPAIGN STILL CONTINUES

The campaign against violators of the automobile law on the New Basin still road continues, and as a result affidavits against twenty-five alleged violators were filed yesterday in First Recorder's court. Those charged are the following:

S. Green, 1541 North Rochelblave, speeding and driving on wrong side of road; Charles McCallahan, 2300 Boulevard, W. E. Huger, Hennen building, T. H. Watson, 1622 Sixth, D. E. Waide, 317 Audubon, W. Morgan Gurley, 830 Common, Mrs. A. D. O'Leary, 1410 St. Andrew, Lee Bowie, 508 Baylras, Robert Benson, A. Valls, 1201 Carondelet, George H. Kaul, 2841 Milan, all with no license; V. Quarles, Milneburg, A. Becker, 404 North Mira, C. C. Gouway, 3024 Carondelet, avenue; R. L. Marks, 1545 Calhoun, J. K. Baker, 2622 Canal, E. H. Bani, Jr., 2807 Palmyra, no fail lights; William Allen, 3501 Carondelet, J. L. Woodville, 1017 Maison Blanche, G. J. Mitchell, 305 Jefferson Davis Parkway, Felix Nutz, Elysian Fields and building, Morton Campbell, 210 Camp, Mandeville, J. Lemarie, Hibernia, S. T. Thomas, 613 South Rampart, Charles Renard, 1159 North Derbigny, speeding.

DRAFT LISTS ARE EXPECTED TODAY

MANY MISTAKES MADE BY TELEGRAPH OPERATORS

WILL EXAMINE 112 EACH DAY

Failure to Receive Notice for Examination Will Not be Considered Excuse for Non-Appearance

All local boards of New Orleans are awaiting the official draft lists from Washington before they begin the task of selecting the 2524 men from New Orleans who will compose the first army of nearly a million men. The board has not begun the duty of notifying the first five thousand young men for examination because it is believed that many errors were made in the transmitting of the numbers by telegraph. This is possible for the code for many of the numbers are similar.

It was announced at Washington yesterday that the official lists of numbers would be mailed out from that city Monday night. This will mean that the numbers should arrive in New Orleans within a day or two and then the boards will get busy and summon the men subject to the draft to appear for physical examination.

As the average number to be examined by each board is 350, this arrangement means that on each day each board must examine an average of 112 men. Claims for discharge or exemption to be valid must be filed within seven days of the date of the notice to appear for examination.

Failure to receive the notice to appear for examination is no excuse, as the official lists will be made public simultaneously with mailing of the notices.

Henry Robert Weller of 4308 Vincent street is the only holder of the number that came out a blank in the drawing—No. 1064. He is placed 10,000th in the order of drawing.

The number at the tail end of the 10,500 drawn from the pot at Washington—No. 3217, is held by three Orleansians, who are Frederick Charles Bernann of 1053 Elio street, division No. 2; Ludwig Johnson of 151 Howard avenue, division No. 1 and Jacob Lala, of 922 Opelousas avenue, Algiers, division No. 11.

Jury Holds Fate Of Mrs. Mooney

By International News Service. San Francisco, July 23.—Early tonight the jury still is deliberating on the fate of Mrs. Mooney, charged with murder in connection with the Preparedness parade bomb plot. The trial went to the jury after 1 o'clock this afternoon.

DENMAN TO QUIT CAPITAL, RUMOR

By International News Service. Washington, July 23.—President Wilson today took charge of the shipping row between General Goethals and Chairman Denman. After conferences at the White House he authorized the statement that the whole matter would be straightened out within twenty-four hours. It is rumored Denman will retire.

BELGIAN MISSION VISITS MEMPHIS ON TOUR

By International News Service. Memphis, July 23.—The Belgian mission, on a tour of the country, arrived tonight from Little Rock and departed for Cincinnati. They were given a demonstration.

SEVEN PERSONS INJURED WHEN TRAINS COLLIDE

No One Hurt Dangerously—After Many Years Switch Is Turned In Wrong Direction and Accident Follows

Seven persons were injured, all of them slightly, when two L. and N. passenger trains collided last night in the station at the head of Canal street. None of the injured went to the hospital. They are:

- Mrs. Pearl England, Baltimore, right hand injured. Mrs. Juliette Bouvy, New York, injured left knee. Hattie Alexander, negress, 1812 Eagle street, left side bruised. Thomas Jackson, negro, mail clerk, 1416 Gasquet, back hurt. Arthur Lear, negro mail clerk, 2723 Melpomene street, side bruised. David Weathers, negro mail clerk, 1019 Valence, left hand injured.

The only trainman injured in the collision was the flagman on the incoming train, who arm was wrenched. The engineer and fireman of one train stuck to their posts, but escaped uninjured, while the other train crew were not on their engine at the time of the crash.

TWENTY ENLIST IN NAVY MONDAY

Twenty men were enlisted Monday for service in the Navy by Lieut. S. M. LaBounty, recruiting officer at 730 Common street. This number was accepted out of some fifty that applied for enlistment during the day.

According to the recruiting officer, all of the men who applied or who were enlisted did not come within the ages prescribed in the selective draft act. He said that most of those accepted were men between the ages of 18 and 21 who were joining the Navy because of the wonderful opportunities offered by that branch of the service.

So anxious was L. E. Pitt of Alexandria to join the Navy that he underwent an operation to qualify for enlistment. Pitt applied to the recruiting office for enlistment several weeks ago and was rejected because of a physical defect. He returned to his home and underwent an operation for which he paid an amount in the neighborhood of \$100 to have this defect removed. Monday he applied again and was given another examination by the examining surgeons and was accepted.

Commander T. J. Clark, who was sent to New Orleans to relieve Lieut. LaBounty as recruiting officer will take charge sometime Tuesday. Lieut. LaBounty becomes recruiting inspector for the Southern District, relieving Lieutenant Commander Johnson. Lieut. LaBounty will have entire charge of Navy recruiting throughout the Southern States.

ELKS TO RAISE MILLION TO EQUIP BASE HOSPITAL

Elks of the United States shortly will get busy and raise \$1,000,000 for the establishment of a base hospital. In addition to this the Elks telegraphed General Pershing that the Elks of the United States were behind him in everything he did. General Pershing is a member of the El Paso lodge.

Phonias Moses, secretary of the New Orleans lodge, returned from Boston Sunday night with brilliant reports of the local lodge and its part in the Boston convales. Past Grand Exalted Ruler Ed Richter, he said, carried off the honors of the meeting by the suavity and good humor of his manner. The grand lodge meeting was attended by 1,670 members.

DOVE OF PEACE MAY BY NEAR

By International News Service. Washington, July 23.—Senator Lewis, of Illinois, announced in the senate today he soon would offer a resolution to prepare the way for peace negotiations in which this country will take the lead. He interpreted the address of Chancellor Michaelis in the Reichstag as a direct bid to the United States to inaugurate a peace movement among the Allies. This caused surprise in the senate.