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MRS. ANNIS TELLS OF HUSBAND'S MURDER

Graphic Recital on Stand of How Hains Signalled Brother Held Her Back at Revolver Point When She Attempted to Run to Rescue of Victim Who Was Being Riddled With Bullets—Prisoner Loses Confident Demeanor as Damaging Evidence is Given.



MRS. WILLIAM E. ANNIS

Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 21.—The trial of Thornton Jenkins Hains reached a state of dramatic intensity today when Mrs. Melrose E. Annis, widow of William E. Annis, in a deliberate recital lasting nearly three hours, described the killing of her husband, as he lay at the tiller of the boat, by Captain Peter C. Hains, jr. Mrs. Annis nearly fainted a few minutes before her examination was concluded. She swayed in her chair, but quickly recovered after drinking a glass of water and smelling some salts.

It was a hard day for the defense and counsel for Hains as the state's witnesses in an effort to shake their testimony. Thornton Hains lost much of the easy nonchalance that has characterized his manner in previous sessions. When led from the court by two deputy sheriffs, the prisoner appeared dejected and careworn.

Garbed in a black cloth suit and wearing a big hat that cast a shadow over the upper part of her face, Mrs. Annis made an impressive figure on the witness stand as she told in quiet tones her story of August 15, at the Bayside Yacht Club. Several new points of evidence brought out today, the lawyers for the state declared tonight, make certain the conviction of the defendant.

When Annis' boat came alongside the float, his widow testified, Thornton Hains beckoned to his brother and led the way down the runway. The shooting followed within a few minutes.

ITALIAN MURDER SUSPECTS CAPTURED AFTER HARD CHASE

Found Frost-bitten And Huddling in Shack Near Scene of Crime

Six Search Parties Had Long Chase Following Footsteps of Accused Assassins in Deep Snow—Jew Companion of Green Identifies Prisoners as Men Who Slew Him—None of Stolen Money Found on Men.

Plaster Rock, N. B., Dec. 21.—Covering in a shack, with feet and hands frozen, the two Italians, Leon Seppelt and Tony Aroschi, who are wanted on the charge of murdering and robbing Edward Green, known as "Paddy" Green, peddler, last Sunday morning, were arrested this afternoon by Chief of G. T. P. Police A. B. Foster on the right of way, not more than two miles from the scene of the tragedy. They denied all knowledge of the crime.

Alex. Panarsky, the Jew who was also shot at and narrowly escaped sharing Green's fate, has identified the men, and they are now in custody at Bishop's hotel here. They will be taken to Anderson for the preliminary investigation before Commissioner Farris tomorrow morning.

Only a few dollars were found on the men when arrested, but it is believed they made off with about \$3,400 and forty watches after killing Green and rifling his peddler's box. A search for the missing booty will be made tomorrow.

Parties from Johnstone's camps, No. 1 and No. 2, kept watch all night at the point where the post road crossed the right of way, and another party, under D. O. Johnston, the contractor, were on the look out at Wapogo.

When the men had been traced to the Lobeque Valley railway and the main road, a party under Constable MacRae, consisting of Benjamin Gee, Seymour Stratton, the game warden, Time Keeper King and others, spent the night in going from camp to another.

NEW GOVERNMENT FORMED IN VENEZUELA

Vice-President Gomez, Fearing Loss of Power, Made the Changes

Revolutionary Party Made Him Dismiss Obnoxious Cabinet Officials—Belief Now That the President Will Never Come Back—Farewell Address to People Indicates This.

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 21.—Vice-President J. Vicente Gomez, to whom General Cipriano Castro handed over the presidency on his departure for Europe, has established a new government in Venezuela. He has replaced the old ministry, the leader of which was Dr. Jose de Jesus Paula, the minister of the affairs, who has been the one figure, outside of Castro himself, in the negotiation which culminated in the ousting of Minister de Rens and the severance of diplomatic relations with Holland, with a new body of men, who represent various factions in the state and who have figured prominently in various ways in the political history of the country.

Before leaving, Castro in proclaiming Vice-President Gomez his temporary successor, said to the nation: "Surround him and lend your co-operation in the fulfillment of his mission as if it were myself, and you will have done your duty."

In the same proclamation, President Castro gave utterance to what might be taken as a farewell message: "The Venezuelan nation already is on the road to true prosperity and greatness, because of the strict fulfillment of obligations and the sound condition of the revenues and because of the state of peace which we enjoy and which it is your duty to maintain, that my work may endure."

Not only has Dr. Paula disappeared from the councils of the nation, but Dr. Baldo, who is now traveling in Castro's suite abroad, has also been removed from his official position as minister of education. General Diego Ferrer, the minister of war, who also was minister in the cabinet of acting President Gomez in 1906, has been superseded by General Regulo Olivares, who took a prominent part in crushing the revolutionists six years ago.

Secret advices here from Caracas where the strictest censorship is being observed, indicate that the whole of Venezuela has been in a ferment ever since President Castro sailed and that the crisis was reached a few days ago when it became necessary for acting president Gomez to take decisive steps, which he did by dropping from his cabinet those who were closely affiliated with the Castro rule and under the Castro domination.

CARNEGIE FIRM FOR FREE TRADE IN STEEL AND IRON

Exasperates Standpatters on Ways and Means Committee—Scores Trusts and Stock Gamblers.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Andrew Carnegie, famous for the millions he made in the steel business and for his views on economic questions, made a most entertaining, if not instructive, witness before the house ways and means committee today, relative to the proposed revision of the tariff.

LIVELY SESSION OF MARINE INQUIRY

Commander Spain's Expenses Under Fire—That \$3,000 Rake Off Story Up Again—Canadian Fog Signal Co.'s Big Profits.

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—Another phase of the Van Felson story about paying \$3,000 to Assistant Accountant Boudreau of the marine department, evidence respecting the transactions with the Canadian Signal Company and the big profits resulting therefrom and the expenses of Commander Spain made up the features of today's sitting of the marine inquiry before Judge Cassels.

C. N. R. MAGNATE GOT \$30,000,000 OF NIGHT RIDER

William Mackenzie Floated the Bonds in British Market

Says Electric Road from Niagara Falls to Toronto is Likely in the Near Future—Denies Any Knowledge of Electric Merger.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—"An electric railway along the line of the Electrical Development towers from Niagara to Toronto is a thing of the near future."

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 21.—The state practically completed its case today against the eight alleged night riders on trial for the murder of Captain Rankin, when it drew from Frank Fehring, a member of the band, a detailed account of the Rankin affair and a score or more of other outrages. It also called to the stand Mrs. Emma Thurman Johnson, one of the two women said to have been whipped by the band, and had her tell her story.

ONE LONG OVERDUE STEAMER ARRIVES

The Falco, at Sydney, 23 Days from Glasgow—Little Hope for Sticklethead, Which Sailed Four Days Before.

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 21.—(Special)—The steamer Falco, Captain Hansen, about which some anxiety was felt, arrived in port today after a rough passage of twenty-three days from Glasgow (Scot.). The ship had her bridge damaged and No. 3 hatch stove in.

STARTLING TALE OF NIGHT RIDER

Makes Full Confession of Murder, and Implicates Eight Others on Trial

Relates How She Was Dragged from Bed by Prisoners and Whipped Till She Consented to Dropping Divorce Suit Against Husband—Court Order Staggers Defence.

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Two Dead and Three Hurt in Mine Explosion

Cobalt, Ont., Dec. 21.—Two men were killed today in Tomagami and three others injured by the explosion of a quantity of dynamite that stuck in the drill.

SOME OF THE BOOTY FOUND

About a quarter of a mile from where they killed Green the Italians discovered a portion of their plunder, then walked a couple of miles further, got rid of their weapons, one pedlar's pack and there were evidences of their having taken luncheon.

Fredericton, Dec. 21.—"Paddy" Green was known to railroad men all over Canada. For years he had followed the business of selling jewelry, pipes, etc., to men employed on railroad construction work.

LONGBOAT TO JOIN ANGLICAN CHURCH

Famous Indian to Be Christened Before His Marriage Dec. 30.

Toronto, Dec. 21.—Tom Longboat will be christened and received into the Anglican church at Deseronto to prepare for his wedding with Miss Mercede on December 30. Thomas has been a "pagan Indian."

LEMIEUX AT NEW YORK AFTER STORMY PASSAGE

New York, Dec. 21.—Thirty-six hours behind time, having encountered head winds and tremendous rough seas throughout practically her whole voyage, the steamer Amerika arrived tonight from Hamburg and Cherbourg. The passage was the stormiest recorded on her log in three years.