

LIFE FOR LIFE ENOUGH, HE SAYS

Rev. Dr. Beattie Speaks On the Williams Petition

JURY RECOMMENDED MERCY

Society Amply Protected By Life Imprisonment

Speaking on the subject, "Will the petition for the reprieve of 'Slim' Williams interfere with the course of justice?" in a brief sermonette at the evening service in the First Presbyterian Church yesterday, Rev. William Beattie, D. D., concluded that the ends of justice would be well met and society adequately protected if Williams' sentence were changed from one of death to one of life imprisonment.

"On general principles it is unwise to try to upset the decision of our regular courts of justice in cases of aggravated offenses against society," said Dr. Beattie. "There is nothing to be said in extenuation of the offense in the case of the Melbourne robbery and murder. It has in it all the bad features of the worst kind of bandit depredations. Unless society is to be protected against such outlaws, life and property will be no longer safe and civilization itself will be in peril. These two men were apprehended, given a fair trial and convicted by a jury of their own fellow citizens."

"The evidence seemed clear, however, that Williams did not do the shooting.

He was associated with men in a desperate undertaking, in which they were prepared to shoot to kill if necessary to achieve success. The law in the case holds all equally guilty and the judgment is in keeping with the law.

"There are two or three elements which enter into the case, however, which have led the petitioners to lay their prayer before the governor-general seeking executive clemency. "First, the jury recommended mercy. "Second, there is a feeling that if capital punishment is at all required that one life for one life is a sufficient toll.

POLICE CONTINUE RAIDS ON DETROIT BLIND PIGS

Squads Visit 37 Places Over Week-End

DETROIT, March 30.—Continuing with unabated vigor the city-wide clean-up campaign launched the 37 of the year, police squads raided 37 alleged blind pigs and disorderly resorts over the week-end, arrested scores of revelers and confiscated great stores of beer, whisky and wine. In one place they found an old-time layout, with benedictine, creme de menthe and vermouth, together with an electric drink mixer.

An apartment house at 94 Watson street was combed thoroughly, police taking 20 men and four women from five apartments, and confiscating beer and whisky from a sixth.

ROB BANK OF \$6,000. CHICAGO, March 29.—Four bandits held up the Boulevard State Savings Bank in the northwest part of the city to-day and escaped with currency which bank officials said they did not believe would exceed \$6,000.

DETERMINED TO CLOSE GAMING DEN

Detroit Police Make Raids On Consecutive Nights

AT THE GRISWOLD HOTEL

Majority of Patrons Escape Via Windows and Roofs

DETROIT, March 30.—When police raided a gambling game in suite 410, of the Griswold Hotel, Griswold street and Grand River avenue, early on Sunday for the second time in as many nights, they observed more than 20 men, most of them in the act of departing by way of windows and nearby roofs.

The officers arrested 12 men, despite the handicap. Two are charged with operating and maintaining a gambling resort. "We're going to keep on raiding this place," Deputy Police Commissioner James Sprout said to-day. "We'll raid it and raid it until it is forced to close."

Officers confiscated 50 sets of dice, a number of decks of cards, a "bankers' box" of the kind used in dice games, tables, chairs and four pictures. One half gallon of gin also was found in the place. Twelve men found in 2474 Grand River avenue were taken to headquarters early on Sunday and held on a charge of frequenting a gambling house.

When officers broke into the Trumbull Club, 3148 Trumbull avenue, on Saturday night, they found it crowded. They confiscated \$1,053 and some dice from green-topped tables, and took 39 men to headquarters.

TWO MEET DEATH UNDER MOTOR CAR

Auto Overtakes In Water-Filled Ditch Near Detroit

OCCUPANTS ARE DROWNED

Water In the Ditch But Eighteen Inches Deep

DETROIT, March 30.—Pinned under an automobile, which had overturned in a water-filled ditch, on Seven Mile road, the bodies of Robert L. Linder, 30, and Frederick S. Allen were found by a passing motorist to-day.

A post-mortem performed this afternoon disclosed death had been due to drowning. Linder is survived by his widow and a seven-year-old daughter. Allen leaves his widow and a daughter aged two.

Allen, who was a driver of the car, was visiting Linder's home. With Linder he left shortly after 7 o'clock on Saturday night to visit the home of Arthur A. Schrage, on Field avenue, vice-president of the Crane, Schrage Steel Company, where Linder is employed as a salesman. Instead of heading directly for Schrage's home, they went for a drive around the city.

Late Saturday night a motorist told the attendant at an oil station only a few blocks from the scene, that a car was in the ditch. It was not known at the time that anyone was underneath it. From marks in the mud the automobile had skidded and turned over. Allen was pinned underneath water which was about 18 inches deep in the ditch. The seat rested on Linder's chest. As far as can be learned, the car was perfect mechanically.

HEALTHIEST CHILDREN ON VANCOUVER ISLAND, SAYS GEN. HAMILTON

LONDON, March 30.—(Canadian Press Cable)—In a speech delivered yesterday at the opening of the British Legion Club at Penzance, Gen. Sir Ian Hamilton, referring to emigration, said his experience was that the healthiest children, with the reddest cheeks resembling most the Kentish children, to be found in the dominions, were on the south island of New Zealand and Vancouver Island. Those were the places he would advise married couples to make for, because perfect energy and perfect health were worth a great deal more than rubles.

THUNDERSTORM AND HAIL AT PORT LAMPTON

PORT LAMPTON, March 29.—The first electrical storm of the season visited Port Lampton last night, with heavy thunder following a sleetstorm on Friday night. Rain fell in torrents and was accompanied by a volley of hail stones larger than marbles. The storm continued about an hour and as a result the roads in the vicinity are in a muddy condition. No damage is expected to result from the hail and sleet. The wind has driven the heavy ice that is running in the river to the American shore and the ferry is unable to work its way through the heavy masses of ice, which is expected to scatter again within a few hours. The rain will prove effective in the elimination of the frost from the ground, which will enable spring work to proceed.

CIVIC PENSIONS PLAN AT WINDSOR KILLED

WINDSOR, March 29.—Windsor civic pension fund system, inaugurated less than three months ago, was killed last night when at a meeting of the civic finance committee it was decided to recommend to the Council that the pension scheme be dispensed with. Ald. Hooper and Howell sponsored the execution.

KING DIRECTS RELIEF

MADRID, March 29.—King Alfonso penetrated the flood area near Aranjuez yesterday on a policeman's horse when his automobile stalled. Directing his staff to wait for him he rode into the near-by villages, inundated in consequence of torrential rains, and promised help to the inhabitants.

FRANCE INCREASES POSTAGE. PARIS, March 29.—Notice was given to-day of a 50 per cent. increase in postage on letters from France to foreign countries, effective on April 1.

OPEN BRANCH OFFICE OF DELCO CO. HERE

After careful consideration of the marketing and distribution centers of Western Ontario, the Delco-Light Company of Canada, Limited, whose factory and main office are located at Toronto, has decided to establish in London a direct factory sales and service branch. The territory under the supervision of this branch will comprise 10 counties in Western Ontario.

In a statement made to The Free Press, E. N. Madden, who will be in charge of the London branch, said in part: "The opening of this direct factory branch in London will insure to our hundreds of users in this territory even better and more prompt service than in the past. It is our intention to keep in close personal touch with each of our users, so that we may know at all times that they are receiving absolute satisfaction from their Delco-Light equipment."

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LOSS OF LIFE IN AMALFI LANDSLIDE IS NOT SO GREAT AS FIRST FEARED

SALERNO, Italy, March 29.—Late returns show the actual loss of life from the landslide in the Amalfi district to be less than was at first calculated. The railway has been cleared as far as Amalfi, making systematic assistance easier, and four ships have arrived there with clothing, mattresses, milk, bread and preserved meat. Civilian engineers and soldiers are still working and encouraging the population to excavate their buried houses and seek those whose fate is uncertain.

U. S. HOUSE ADOPTS THE ARMY APPROPRIATION BILL

WASHINGTON, March 29.—The army appropriation bill, carrying \$326,000,000, was passed to-day by the House and sent to the Senate, after the total, which is \$16,000,000 less than last year's appropriations and \$3,600,000 less than the budget estimate. \$17,250,000 would be available for river and harbor improvements during the coming fiscal year.

DEATH OF MRS. VANSTONE

Mrs. Eliza Ann Vanstone died on Saturday at the family residence, Westminster Township, aged 77 years. She was predeceased by her husband, the late James Vanstone, in 1918. Surviving are four sisters, Mrs. Dawson, of Bothwell, Ont.; Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Weaver and Mrs. McKellar, all of Westminster Township, and four brothers, Charles, David, Joseph and Richard, of Westminster Township. Funeral services will be conducted from the Geo. E. Logan Funeral Home at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. Rev. Canon Gunn, rector of Christ Church, will officiate. Interment is to be made in Brick Street Cemetery.

INTERMENT AT WATERLOO

The death occurred yesterday at the Victoria Home of John L. Connor, aged 55 years. Deceased was the son of James W. Connor, 129 High street. Funeral services will be conducted from the Geo. E. Logan Funeral Home at 11 o'clock this morning. The remains will be forwarded to-morrow morning to Waterloo, Ont., for interment.

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DAUGHERTY PROBE MAY BE DROPPED

Resignation of U. S. Attorney-General May Satisfy Opponents

HOOVER AND MELLON NEXT

Commerce and War Secretaries To Be Attacked

WASHINGTON, March 29.—While a drive to force the retirement of an

other member of the Cabinet of President Coolidge—Secretary of the Treasury Mellon—is getting under way in the Senate the resignation of Harry M. Daugherty as attorney-general has cast some doubt over the future course of the special inquiry into his conduct.

The status of the investigation was before the committee to-day, with the membership divided as to the desirability of continuing the sensation program or ending it as soon as possible. Chairman Brookhart expressed the opinion yesterday that the "objects of the inquiry have been accomplished to a large extent" through Mr. Daugherty's resignation, but Senator Wheeler (Democrat, Montana), and prime mover in the investigation, wanted to proceed with the object of "clearing out the rottenness we believe has been sizzling around Washington."

The attack on Secretary Mellon is described by some of the organization Republicans and others in the cloakrooms—where the gossip is frequently illuminating—as merely one step in well-defined plans attributed to Democrats and radical Republicans for disintegrating the Cabinet one member at a time.

Secretary Daugherty and Attorney-General Daugherty have left the Cabinet within a few weeks as an outgrowth of sensational investigations, and the gossip has it that Secretary Wallace

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(agriculture), and Secretary (commerce) are next in line. Secretary Mellon for the same kind of treatment.

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