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TUESDAY, JULY 28, 1903. SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

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LAST EDITION.

## Ryan's Body To be Exhumed

Decision Reached by Authorities Today to Dig Up Remains of Murdered Spectacle Vendor and Ascertain Officially Just What Caused His Death—No Bullet Wound Discovered Before Burial.

Requisition papers for the return to this state of Mrs. Aurora Hodge, the self-confessed murderer of William X. Ryan, were signed today by Acting-Governor Hammond, and a reply is being awaited from Sheriff Emery as to whether or not he will deliver the papers. Deputy Sheriff White telegraphed to the sheriff last night to inquire whether he wanted the papers forwarded and a reply is expected this afternoon, when, if necessary, the papers will be forwarded.

### AN AUTOPSY NECESSARY.

The confession of Mrs. Hodge to the effect that she shot Ryan with a revolver will necessitate the body of the murdered man being exhumed and an autopsy performed in order to ascertain whether the skull was fractured by a bullet or by a rock or a club. The condition of the remains were such at the time they were found that it was deemed advisable not to perform an autopsy. Now it will be absolutely necessary for that to be done to determine whether he died from the effects of the bullet or from strangulation. The body will not be exhumed, however, until after Sheriff Emery returns with Mrs. Hodge. The story she tells of the crime does not go very well with the officials here, and is not generally believed, and it is feared that she may have an entirely different story by the time she reaches Salt Lake and may withdraw her confession entirely.

### MRS. HODGE'S CLAIMS.

She insists that she killed Ryan to defend her honor; that she attempted to assault him and came toward her with a knife when she fired at him. She also states that Ryan had \$45 of her money, which a man in Pittsburgh had sent to her. He refused to give her the money and locked it up in an old trunk. She claims that Ryan attempted to assault her on the Monday before the murder and that she would have shot him then if her revolver hadn't been taken from her. When Ryan came toward her the night he was killed, she says that she backed away as far as the fence and could get no further. She begged him not to advance but he did so and she fired without aiming the revolver and he fell. She then took what money she could find in his wallet but insists that she did not go near him and did not hit him with ropes. If that was done she says that someone else must have done it. She slept that night in a wheat field and the next day came to Salt Lake and purchased transportation to her home in Denison, Iowa, where she arrived on July 15.

### WAS THERE AN ACCOMPLICE?

According to her story she does not know anything about Ryan's body being bound with ropes nor about his skull being crushed. If she is to be believed in this matter she does not know in what position the body was left. So the question which arises is whether or not she had an accomplice in the crime. She denies that any one assisted her in the horrible deed, but it seems that she had. She alone could not have tied such a story about Ryan not being bound with ropes. It is known that Mrs. Hodge was very fond of her husband, Cornelius Hodge, and that he at times exercised great influence over her. The history of their married life is shrouded in mystery and the cause of their separation is not known. Sheriff Bailey of Ogden is making a careful search for the man supposed to be her husband, who was in Ogden at the same time Ryan was there and who called with Ryan to see her.

Should it develop that this man is her husband then it will appear that he was mixed up in the affair and probably used his wife to assist him in robbing Ryan and made the arrangements for her to accompany Ryan to the place where he was killed. It certainly looks as though Mrs. Hodge was attempting to shield someone, and who knows but that that person is her husband, whom she claims she does not know whether he is dead or alive. The man is believed to be a desperate character and that there was something on between the two which necessitated secrecy is evident from the following letter which was written by the woman to her brother, Alfred Larsen, at the time she attempted to commit suicide in the Washington rooming house at Ogden.

### THAT TELL-TALE LETTER.

The letter was intercepted by Sheriff Bailey and was therefore never mailed. It is as follows:

"Dear Brother—I am in a close place here, Alfred, and you can help me if you will by writing these people here about my marriage or if you have the cards of the following letter to the Alif, if they want you to do something for me, do not do it, for I don't want you to. Neal is not dead. Poor brother, you certainly have got a nice sister. What she did not say, I will tell you all. Please do not try to find out before. Your sister,"

"AURORA HODGE."

It is very evident that she had for some reason led to the authorities at Ogden about her husband. It is believed that she did not want her brother to send her transportation home and that is what she meant by not wanting him to do "something for her." It is believed that the husband knows something about this crime and every effort will be used to locate him.

## MARY ANN ELLIS SUMMONED HOME

Venerable and Respected Ogden Pioneer Goes to Her Reward.

### MEMBER OF HANDCART CO.

The Irrigation Congress Enthusiastically Supported by Press—Enforcing City Ordinances.

### (Special to the "News.")

Ogden, July 28.—Mrs. Mary Ann Ellis, a prominent and highly respected lady of Weber county, died this morning at 9 o'clock at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. George Shorten, of general debility, superinduced by old age.

Mrs. Ellis was 89 years of age, and came to Utah with one of the early handcart companies, sharing the vicissitudes and bearing with patient fortitude the hardships and privations of those honored pioneers who transformed Utah from a desert to a paradise. She was a woman of sterling qualities of heart and mind; a generous, unselfish mother, a true friend and a noble, high-minded Christian lady. News of her death will be received with sorrow by all who knew her. She leaves a son and daughter—John T. Ellis and Mrs. Shorten—to mourn her death. The funeral services will be held on Thursday at 2 p. m. from the Second ward meetinghouse.

### THE REGULAR BURGLARY.

The barber shop of William Tansey, in the basement of the National bank building, was broken into by burglars last night, and two hair clippers, some combs and other articles carried off.

### THE IRRIGATION CONGRESS.

Chief Engineer Newell of the national geological survey, who will have more influence than any other man in the matter of distribution of the government appropriations for the reclamation of the arid lands of the west, has sent word to the board of control of the Irrigation congress that he is at present in Denver, and will shortly go to northern Wyoming on official business. Mr. Newell thinks he will be back in time to take part in the congress, and has been designated as chairman of the committee having in charge that part

### COMPLAINS OF CAMPERS.

Water Commissioner Says Horses Are Tied Near the Creek.

Land and Water Commissioner MacKnight complains that campers in Park county continually violate the city ordinance by tying their horses too close to the creek. Yesterday some parties tied their horses right on the bank of the creek and when Deputy Land and Water Commissioner Bailey attempted to remove the animals the men interfered. Mr. Bailey attempted to arrest the offenders but they resisted arrest. He then started for assistance and while he was gone the men disappeared. It is the intention of the commissioner to not give people notice in the future when they violate that law but to simply place them under arrest without any warning whatever. Such action, it is believed, will have a tendency to stop such offenses.

### CHARGED WITH FORGERY.

James Hill in the Meshes of the Law For This Offense.

Assistant County Attorney Whitaker this morning issued a complaint against James Hill, charging him with forgery. It is alleged that on June 23, Hill stole two certificates of deposit on the National Bank of the Republic, amounting to a total of \$12, from Fred Jackson, a colored boy, and endorsed Jackson's name on them and secured their face value from the bank. Hill then left town and is now in Ogden. A deputy sheriff will go to Ogden after him today.

### DECLINED WITH THANKS.

Local Banks Have No Money for Entertainment of Visitors.

The Irrigation Congress ways and means committee of Ogden has requested the Salt Lake banks through the Clearing House association, to "put up" for the entertainment of Ogden visitors to the congress, on the grounds

### THE CITY ORDINANCES.

Have Been Revised and Are Now Ready For Printing.

The work of revising the city ordinances have been completed by City Atty. Nye and Assistant City Atty. Shoup and the ordinances will be turned over to the Deseret News today for printing and binding. It is estimated that the ordinances will cover about 500 pages and it is expected that a copy of the same will be submitted to the city council two weeks from last night to be passed by it as the revised ordinances of Salt Lake City. The revision was authorized by the council a year ago and with the exception of the time the late Legislature was in session the work has been going on constantly. Nothing was done on the ordinances at that time as it was not known what changes the Legislature would make in regard to the powers of the council. At the conclusion of the session work was again resumed and it was completed today.

### KOEPSSEL SWITCHES.

First Methodist Preacher Will Become Presbyterian.

Ex-Pastor Koepsel of the First church, and now a resident of Kansas, will enter the Presbyterian ministry. Mr. Koepsel is a Presbyterian and is desirous of seeing him in that communion, and he himself leans strongly in that direction. Something of a rumormongering was reported recently in the First church because the new pastor could not find the records, so he came under the impression that his predecessor had spirited them off, and it is said to have so reported to the bishop. When Mr. Koepsel was communicated with, he wrote that if his successor had only taken the trouble to look into the certain cupboard in the church he would have found the "missing" records. The new pastor did so, and to his credit, the records were on the upper shelf, so that all his worry proved groundless.

### OGDEN POSTOFFICE.

Attorney General Approves Title to Land Donated by the Mayor.

(Special to the "News.") Washington, D. C., July 28.—The attorney-general has approved the title to the property donated by the mayor of Ogden for the postoffice at that place.

The location is on the northwest corner of Twenty-fourth and Grant, 140 by 165 feet. The architect's office will now proceed with the preparation of plans for its construction.

### LANDED HIM SAFE.

"Driftwood Jim," Alleged Robber and Murderer, in Iron Cell.

(Special to the "News.") Cheyenne, Wyo., July 28.—Jim McClellan, alias Driftwood Jim, charged with postoffice and stage robbery, the murderer of Sheppman Ben Minnich, and perpetrator of numerous other crimes, and who was escorted from Thermopolis to Basin City last week by a battery of light artillery and 60 picked deputies, it being feared his captives might attempt to deliver him from Sheriff Fenton, arrived here at noon today in charge of Deputy U. S. Marshal Miller and is in jail near Tom Horn, the boy murderer. McClellan is a desperate looking character. He will be prosecuted by the United States authorities on the charge of postoffice robbery.

### DEATH OF EARL BRIMLEY.

Nine-Year-Old Son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brimley.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brimley of 318 West Eighth Street, will regret to learn of the death of their nine-year-old son Earl, who passed away at the family residence this morning, after an illness of two months. The little fellow was first taken down with smallpox, and after his recovery therefrom a complication set in which finally affected the heart and lungs. His death is all the more distressing from the fact that up until two days ago he seemed to be on the high road to recovery. Sunday, however, the boy suffered a relapse and continued to grow worse until the end came. The funeral will be announced later.

### THE SANPETE FLOODS.

Recent Rains Cause High Water and Considerable Damage.

From parties who are in town from Sanpete it is learned that the recent rains—those that fell during the latter part of last week caused considerable damage. The downpour of rain above Ephraim on Saturday was so great that the biggest flood in the history of the town swept down upon it causing driftwood and debris to be deposited in the streets and on the farms. All ditches were filled to overflowing and roads and gardens were cut up in every direction. For a time it looked very much as though destruction would be wrought on a large scale. As it was much property was damaged and the loss will be quite high. The rain was more or less heavy up and down the entire valley and swollen streams caused losses in several directions.

### At Mount Pleasant, Fairview and Mont.

The storm which raged here, these towns being well drenched by one of the heaviest rainfalls that has visited that locality for years. While the flood was a severe one at Mt. Pleasant, it did less damage there, perhaps, than in any other part of the section visited. The surging water came down the Pleasant Creek channel and pursued the even tenor of its way with practically no disturbance whatever. The flood brought with it a quantity of old lumber and other debris and later came a great supply of huge boulders, demonstrating the force of the stream as it swept hurriedly through the country. There was considerable excitement for a time but when it became known that the channel of the creek was fully equal to the occasion, residents here and elsewhere were relieved. The loss is estimated at \$100.

### CONSEL-GENERAL LONG DEAD.

Result of an Accidental Fall Yesterday in Scotland.

London, July 28.—John D. Long, United States consul-general at Cairo, Egypt, died this morning at Dunfermline, Scotland, where he had been visiting friends. His death was the result of an accidental fall, which occurred yesterday evening. In the dark Mr. Long

## For the Repose Of Leo's Soul.

First of Three Great Requiem Masses Under Auspices of Sacred College Celebrated—Was in Sistine Chapel—No Such Scene Witnessed Since Pius Ninth's Death—Famous Choir Sang as it Never Did Before.

Rome, July 28.—The first of the three great requiem masses under the auspices of the sacred college for the repose of the soul of Pope Leo was celebrated this morning in the Sistine chapel. All the cardinals now in Rome, the diplomatic corps, the Roman nobility and many other distinguished persons were present. No such mass had been seen in Rome since the death of Pius IX.

In the Sistine chapel stood a huge white catafalque, ten feet high, and on it, upon two cushions, rested a triple crown of gold, shining brightly in the light of a hundred candles. The catafalque completely hid the altar. Planking the catafalque on benches sat all of the cardinals of the sacred college, with drawn swords. Other cardinals, in violet, in the narrow aisle behind, between the benches and the walls, the archbishops, patriarchs, monsignors and monks knelt or stood in picturesque confusion.

At the four corners of the catafalque burned candles ten feet high. Beside these stood twelve guards, motionless, with drawn swords. Other noble guards were placed at the entrance. Immediately beyond, in reserved places, were all the diplomats. The intermingled uniforms of France, Russia, Prussia, Austria, Spain, Portugal, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Guatemala and Bavaria formed a vivid contrast with the simple evening dress of the Roman princes, crepe-veiled and black-dressed of the princesses, who directly across the aisle. In addition, two galleries had been erected. In the gallery on the left were about a hundred ladies, all in deep black, and the right gallery were the special missions, among them being St. Thomas Edmondo and Capt. Don Elean, representing the Irish parliament. Beneath the galleries, the pews and aisles were filled with the faithful. The choir, who had been fortunate enough to secure tickets, but who were not distinguished enough for special places, were packed in the aisles. Swiss and noble guards were placed at the entrance. The choir, who had been fortunate enough to secure tickets, but who were not distinguished enough for special places, were packed in the aisles. Swiss and noble guards were placed at the entrance. The choir, who had been fortunate enough to secure tickets, but who were not distinguished enough for special places, were packed in the aisles. Swiss and noble guards were placed at the entrance.

At the conclusion of the mass the choir again burst out into song and Cardinal Serafini Yannetelli, preceded by the cross-bearer, passed solemnly around the catafalque, after sprinkling it with holy water. The choir cardinals followed in turn and the ceremony was concluded with the chanting of the Oremus.

After midnight when Cardinal Yannetelli pronounced the final absolution. Cardinal Gibbons had no part in the celebration of the mass. He sat beside Cardinal Serafini Yannetelli, and the extraordinary array of cardinals, Cardinal Gotti, who, instead of a scarlet cape, wore the white mantle of the Carmelite order, was one of the most prominent figures.

Cardinal Gregorio, dean of the sacred college, sat at the head of the left row of cardinals, near the altar steps. It was noticed that he walked with an erectness and vigor that belied his years. Cardinal Rampolla, one of the handsomest of the princes of the church, walked with a set face and with his head bowed down.

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### DERBY GIVES KING A BIG RECEPTION.

Londonderry, Ireland, July 28.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra were accorded a great reception on their arrival here today. Large crowds from the surrounding districts assembled to greet the first English sovereign who pressed his place in the reference to the spirit of good feeling and harmony pervading all classes in Ireland, adding that if his visit helped to extend and consolidate this feeling he would be richly rewarded.

### A Chinese Employee Murdered.

Vancouver, B. C., July 28.—Meagre news of the murder of a Chinese employee by the Pacific Northern cannery on the Naas river, was brought down today. According to the story told by Naas river by the net boss of the Pacific Northern cannery there was a great row in the Chinese quarters near the cannery, and the principal damage was caused by smoke and the loss on the building was small.

### He Did Not Create Life.

New York, July 28.—Regarding the recent experiments of an Anderson, Ind., physician, who claims he succeeded in creating life in the form of animated substances resembling well developed germs of life—and tribulations, doctors at the Pasteur Institute, Paris, charged with accepting a bribe of \$3,000 from Lieut.-Gov. John A. Lee and called the case for trial today.

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### JAPAN STANDS PAT.

She is Still Resolute on the Manchurian Question.

Victoria, B. C., July 28.—Advices received yesterday by the steamer Tosa Maru from the orient state that the Japanese press is still maintaining a most resolute stand on the Manchurian question. The general opinion is that the time has gone by for warnings to Chinese or reference to Chinese statesmen. As the Japanese Times opinion is:

"The diplomatic situation with regard to Manchuria has passed the stage where questions of China's moral conduct or cowardice are of any importance. The only possible way to permanently settle the trouble is to discuss the matter frankly with Russia and there may be war or may be peace, but either way the settlement will be definite."

From Seoul news comes of increasing activity of Russians on the Korean side of the Yalu river and protests are being made by Korea, but Russia shows supreme indifference. Meanwhile the Japanese are hurrying into the field and are active in seeking timber concessions.

### Hawaii's Financial Affairs.

Honolulu, July 28.—(By Pacific cable.) The territorial officials are busy engaged in preparing the financial statement of Hawaii's affairs. The document will be forwarded by Gov. Dole and will be submitted to President Roosevelt in order that he may determine whether or not he will approve the territorial loan of \$2,400,000. The financial statement will show that the Hawaiian indebtedness of Hawaii is \$4,100,000.

### Investigating New Seal Rookeries.

Seattle, Wash., July 28.—Advices received here from the revenue cutter Albatross engaged in looking for the Alaskan seal state that the cutter Manning has gone westward to investigate the new rookeries. Far seal in along the Pribilof islands are scarcer than ever before and it is believed they are deserting the islands for other rookeries in the western Aleutian group. Sea otter and foxes are also reported scarce in Attau and Adha islands. The McMillan Dutch harbor duty for St. Michael to meet the senatorial party now investigating Alaskan conditions. The New York, Bennington and Maryland, the Dutch harbor July 16 for the westward.

### Peoples Party Plans.

Denver, July 28.—The two factions of the People's party, each with a national organization, will be amalgamated into one party by action to be taken this afternoon or tomorrow at the national conference of the People's party and allied reform parties, now in session in this city. The committee on resolutions and address will today report a platform and the adoption of the several factions of the Populist party to unite. It will also contain the declaration of principles. A committee made up of the members of the party will also be preparing a list of names composed of one person from each state who will act as provisional committeemen. These names will be announced immediately after the adoption of the platform of the committee on resolutions. No business was transacted this morning. The conference met at 10 o'clock and at the committee on resolutions was called to order. The meeting was taken until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

### YACHT RAUCS OVER.

Newport, R. I., July 28.—With the selection of the Reliance as the defender of the America's cup against the Shamrock III, the racing season for large boats off this port is practically finished. The Reliance left today for Bristol, where she will be thoroughly overhauled.

### Commodore Bourne, of the New York Yacht Club, this morning said Constitution would remain in commission until the cup races and would give Reliance all possible assistance in winning up. It is likely that Columbia will go out of commission within a short time.

In reference to official measurements of the yachts, Commodore Bourne said that the Reliance and Shamrock III are measured just previous to the cup races. The actual results of the 20 contests in which the Reliance, Constitution and Columbia have participated, therefore, will not be definitely known until that time.

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## Hostage Guards Are All Set Free

Before Turning Them Loose Convicts Debated Whether or Not to Kill Them—Accidental Discharge of a Pistol Stated Fight on Pilot Hill—Armed Farmers Join in Pursuit—Encounter With Escapes Likely to be Bloody.

Sacramento, Cal., July 28.—A dispatch to the Bee from one of its correspondents, who is with a posse in pursuit of the escaped convicts, says that the accidental discharge of a pistol by one of the convicts led to the fighting last night at Pilot Hill between the Auburn posse and the convicts. The posse was close at hand and when the report of the pistol was heard opened fire in the direction from which the report came.

Convict Howard was shot through the abdomen. He immediately shot himself through the heart with a revolver and died in the wagon.

The convicts then forced J. B. McDonough, the general overseer, to stand up in the wagon and wave a white handkerchief. The posse, as soon as the white flag went up, stopped firing for fear of killing the free men. The convicts jumped out of the wagon, shielding themselves with free men, and started away.

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