

LOCAL BROKER FOUND SLAIN IN CHICAGO OFFICE

Two Bullet Holes in Body of W. C. Bryan, With Partner in Stupor Nearby.

QUIZ WIVES OF BOTH

Chicago detectives today are trying to unravel one of the most sensational shooting episodes in months—the slaying of William C. Bryan of Indianapolis, a stock broker.

Bryan was found dead in his office in the First National Bank building in Chicago last night with two bullet holes in his body and his face badly lacerated.

J. Ellsworth Griffin, his business partner, was in a drunken stupor nearby.

He is said to have admitted to the detectives that he killed Bryan.

"I'll get the dog—I'll kill him," he muttered incoherently as he was being taken to a hospital.

Later Griffin, partly recovered from his intoxicated condition, repudiated his confession to the murder.

"It's all wrong—I never did it, nor said I did," he declared.

Griffin is under arrest.

WIVES OF BOTH MEN DETAILED.

The wives of both men are being detained while the detectives are making a searching inquiry into their knowledge of the affair.

Mrs. Griffin was on the scene when the police arrived.

Detectives believe the shooting was the outgrowth of a drinking orgy.

Griffin's condition from the effects of alcoholism is so serious that he is confined in a detention ward at a Chicago hospital.

Bryan was well known in Indianapolis. For more than three years he occupied an office with Bert Short at 318 American Central Life building.

The two men conducted a stock brokerage business.

About eighteen months ago the business was abandoned and Bryan went to New Orleans.

Later he went to Indianapolis about six months ago, but was not identified in business.

DOMESTIC TROUBLES HERE ALLEGED.

It is said domestic differences grew between Bryan and his wife and the late son of the first Mrs. Bryan, whose first name was Minnie, left him and obtained a divorce.

The first Mrs. Bryan is now supposed to be in Pittsburgh, but friends admit it may be possible that they effected a reconciliation and were again living in Chicago.

Short, who was Bryan's business associate here, is supposed to have left the city.

Bryan was a man about 47 years old and was familiarly known as "Billy."

He is said to have been one of the promoters of the Butchers' Packing Company of this city.

According to persons in the American Central Life building Bryan had been known as a "good fellow" and had often (Continued on Page Two.)

WIFE OF KAISER CRITICALLY ILL

Heart Trouble So Serious Her Death Expected Shortly.

BERLIN, April 13.—The former empress of Germany is seriously ill at her retreat in Holland and her death is expected shortly, the Deutsche Tages Zeitung said today.

The former empress of Germany, the Kaiserin Auguste Victoria, has been reported seriously ill several times during recent years.

Her health was said to have become worse when the imperial family fled from Berlin into Holland.

She was suffering from heart trouble, complicated by other diseases.

MCADOO REFUTES OIL 'TESTIMONIAL'

Says He Didn't Authorize Boost for Texas Company.

NEW YORK, April 13.—William G. McAdoo, former secretary of the treasury, today issued the following statement:

"My attention has just been called to a circular issued by the Southwest Trust Company at Houston, Tex., offering stock of an alleged oil company called the Texas Northern Oil Company and containing the following statement:

"I am willing to take a chance," said William G. McAdoo, formerly secretary of the United States treasury, when he invested the sum of \$30,000 in Texas oil recently."

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SAVE PAPER OR QUIT PUBLISHING

THE Times never has missed an issue and will not fail its readers in the present crisis.

In order to make sure of continuous publication it is necessary to economize to the limit in the use of paper.

With shipments from the distant mills held up by the railroad strike, we must depend on such small quantities as we can buy nearer home, bringing it in by interurban cars and motor trucks.

For the last paper it was able to secure, the Times paid 14 cents per pound. (The same paper a few years ago was 2 cents per pound; a few months ago 4½ cents per pound.)

We have reduced the size of editions as far as possible and eliminated certain features for the time being—yet you will find all the news of the day in The Times; some of it "boiled to the bone," but all important news covered.

NEW YORK, April 13.—To make the most use of news paper space last as long as possible, all New York papers are appearing in abbreviated form.

Among the papers which held their editions to eight pages yesterday were the Evening Journal, the Globe and the Evening Star.

Recent editions of most of the papers have been four pages.

FORMER CLIENT ACCUSES JUDGE AND ATTORNEY

Charges \$500 Was Illegally Obtained in Auto Theft Investigation.

With the filing of an affidavit charging Charles W. Rollinson, an attorney, with taking money under false pretenses from Harry Parsons, alleged automobile thief, two serious charges involving officials of the city and criminal justice have come to light.

Parsons charged that Rollinson took a man, identified as a "sleazeball," and held him over to Judge Walter Pritchard and Deputy Prosecutor Ralph Spain of the city court in order to keep the city court from binding Parsons to the grand jury.

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In a statement on the case he said:

"Harry Parsons and his brother, Benjamin Parsons, were arrested, charged with receiving stolen goods in connection with the alleged operations of gang of automobile thieves."

"They paid me \$1,000 as my fee for defending them."

"That is, they paid me \$500 each for acting as their attorney."

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"I want every vote cast for me counted and I have a right to expect that this will be done."

"It is common knowledge that votes have been stolen in Marion county largely with impunity and while I have no personal interest in what has been done heretofore, I am vitally interested in what takes place at the primary on May 4."

COERCION DEFENDED BY C. T. TONER.

Henry C. Toner, a candidate for the republican ticket, has issued a statement in answer to an attempt on the part of Claris Adams, county manager for Fesler, (Continued on Page Four.)

\$1-A-DAY BONUS PLAN FAVERED

Subcommittee Report May Mean Cash for 3,000,000 Men.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—A cash bonus for each day's service of \$1 for each \$1000 of the pay of the men in the army, a very modest sum during the war, under a plan that has been approved by the bonus subcommittee of the house ways and means committee, it was learned today.

The program calls for an expenditure of slightly less than one billion dollars, which is to be raised by a tax of one-half of 1 per cent on all sales.

Cell House Boss Finds County Jail Too Rough, and Quits After Week

Joseph Wiseman Says Prisoners Need Kind Word, and That Negro Politician Is Tyrant as Jobholder.

Joseph O. Wiseman, who has just resigned as cellhouse boss at the Marion county jail, after working six days, says conditions at the jail are better, but by no means satisfactory, following the federal court investigation which brought out the following statement:

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REPUBLICANS DISRUPTED BY ORGANIZATION

Candidates Resent Chairman's Efforts to Form Party Primary Slate.

WARN AGAINST THEFT

The desperate methods of the republican organization in Marion county and the state to make James W. Fesler the republican nominee for governor are rapidly causing a split in the ranks of the republicans, which will mean their defeat at the polls in November.

Republican adherents of the candidates of Warren T. McCray and E. C. Toner are today serving notice on the organization members that if they persist in their tactics the party will be split wide open before the primaries.

Opinions of Fesler charge:

1. That Fesler adherents control the state and Marion county organizations and are using the organization for the purpose of nominating Fesler.

2. That Fesler adherents are planning to steal the nomination for Fesler if he can't win it in the other way.

3. That candidates for other offices are being forced to endorse Fesler by coercive methods exercised by republican organization heads.

4. What money is being freely spent and municipal and state jobs freely dispensed with a view to lining up Fesler supporters, particularly in Marion county.

That the Marion county organization is being used for the purpose of boosting Fesler's candidacy is not disputed.

Documentary evidence has placed such a charge beyond all dispute.

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