

SILENCE BALKS EFFORT TO FIND VERNE MILLER

Wife Suspect Refuses to
Talk; Agents Seek
Clews of Killer.

By United Press
CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—Balked by the
silence of a woman, federal agents
today had no clew to the whereabouts
of Verne Miller, killer, robber and kidnapper who night before
last shot his way out of a carefully
set trap.

The woman, believed to be Miller's
wife, resisted all efforts to induce
her to talk.

No trace had been found of Miller
or a woman companion, in whose
car he escaped after a gun battle
with nine federal agents who ambushed
him in the lobby of a Sheridan
road hotel.

The government men said they
learned, however, that the woman
was Phyllis Harris, once hostess in
a night club here. She was said to
be Miller's sister-in-law.

Miller is wanted for the massacre
of five men on the plaza of the
Kansas City union station, for the
kidnapping of Charles Urschel, Okla-
homa millionaire, and for the slaying
of a policeman in a mail robbery.

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Two persons were taken to city
hospital suffering from injuries re-
ceived in automobile accidents early
last night.

James Jackson, 14, of Hartman-
dale, received a severe scalp
wound when the truck driven by his
brother collided with an automobile
driven by Fred Schnier, 30, R. R. 5,
Box 616, at Market and Liberty
streets.

Arm and body injuries were in-
curred by East Workman, 45, of
Beech Grove, when his automobile
collided with the car of Claude Mer-
rill, 52, of 5543 University avenue,
at Fletcher and State avenues.

4 TRIED FOR INCITING
RIOT AT WALKATHON

Free-for-All Fist Fight Described in
Opening Testimony.

With most of the evidence intro-
duced yesterday afternoon, trial of
four defendants charged with in-
citing a riot at the walkathon, at
the state fair ground, was to be con-
tinued this morning before Municipal
Judge William H. Sheaffer.

Randall Mitchell, 1129 East Michi-
gan street, his two brothers, Jack-
son and Guy, and Paul Weilheimer,
were arrested after they are alleged
to have resisted an attempt to eject
them.

Deputy sheriffs and state police
testified at the trial regarding the
ensuing fist fight in which "twenty-
or thirty persons" took part.

An improved highway between
Seattle, Wash., and Fairbanks, Alaska,
a distance of 2,250 miles, has
been proposed.



NEW J. C. PENNEY STORE THRONGED AT OPENING

Crowds thronged the three floors
of the new J. C. Penney store
which opened yesterday. The
building has been completely re-
decorated and presents merchandise
of every description. The
second floor is divided into ready-
wear departments, set apart in
individual shops for convenience
of the customer. At one side is a
shop for infants, another for older
girls and a "Treasure Island" de-
partment, where boys' clothing is
displayed.

The local store is the newest
of the more than 1,400 included in
the J. C. Penney chain, scattered
throughout practically every state in
the United States. The first
of the Penney stores was opened in
1902 in Kemmerer, Wyo., a small mining town.

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And All Ends Well

South African Minister to U. S. Leaves After
Putting Lots of People Right.

BY GEORGE ABELL
Times Special Writer

WASHINGTON, Nov. 3.—One of the most interesting personalities
in the diplomatic corps is Mr. Eric Louw, minister of the Union of
South Africa, who will sail a week from Saturday to be minister in
Rome.

Politically astute, capable, unassuming, South Africa's first envoy to
the United States has been able to look back on his career here with
high satisfaction.

The fact that some senators
thought South Africa stood in the
same relation to Great Britain as
Haiti does to us—that when Min-
ister Louw made a speech at a
southern school, parents anx-
iously wrote to the principal to
inquire, "Is the speaker black?"

—that hundreds of persons whom
the envoy met had never even
heard of his country—all this
only elicited complete good humor from him.

"I have had four fascinating
years here," said Mr. Louw yes-
terday. "The day after I landed in
New York the stock market
crashed (I hope my coming had
nothing to do with it) and since then
there hasn't been a dull moment."

In the interests of his country,
Mr. Louw traveled from end to
end of the United States—"from
coast to coast, like Mr. Childs," is
the way he put it.

Every large city learned something
about South Africa, its native
problem, its status as a
member of the British common-
wealth of nations (not the British
empire).

"We, too, have a U. S. A." ex-
plained Envoy Louw, "the Union
of South Africa."

During his stay here, it was
D his constant endeavor to
make South Africa better under-
standing by Americans. He entered
the native chinkers of flowers of his
country nodded on graceful stems.
He corrected a young journalist's
impression that kangaroos live in
South Africa.

As the first trade commissioner
of his country in New York, Mr.
Louw was for three years in that
city, and Manhattan knew him
well before official Washington.

Later he went to London as
high commissioner of South Africa
and became leader of the
South African delegation to the
League of Nations.

Just now, he is industriously
studying Italian.

"I'm taking my Italian grammar
on the boat with me," he says, "and I hope to find time to
do some studying on the way over."

He can already rattle off a
phrase in Italian as well as in
English or Afrikaans.

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where I didn't know the lan-
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per cent of property valuation,
while railroads pay taxes of 1.4 per
cent.

PAGANI ELECTED BY FRANCIS VIGO GROUP

Succeeds Harry Raitano as
Association Head.

Humbert P. Pagani was elected
president of the Francis Vigo
Memorial Association at a meeting
in the Fidelity Trust building last
night. He succeeds Harry E. Raitano,
who now is residing in California.

Frank L. Martine, attorney, was
named general secretary, succeeding
Mr. Pagani.

Mr. Pagani is a teacher of Italian
at the Arthur Jordan Conservatory
of Music, a member of the Advertising
Club and the Schola Cantorum, SS. Peter and Paul cathedral.

Object of the association is to
obtain recognition for services of
Colonel Francis Vigo in the con-
quest of the Northwest Territory. Colonel Vigo died in Vincennes in
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Goodlet picked the congenial
fellow up at Kentucky avenue and
West street early today. The fare
asked to be driven to Mars Hill and while riding along joked
and laughed with the cab driver.

Goodlet said his passenger did
not seem to have any definite desti-
nation and when he pressed him for
one, the fare promptly pressed a
pistol against the back of
Goodlet's neck. His pleasant
manner changed abruptly.

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