MOVE TO SAVE CONVICTED PORTLAND MAN

BRUTALITY MADE MAN CONFESS, CLAIM

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 12—Charles W. Robison, former district attorney at Portland, has been retained by the Portland branch of the N. A. A. C. P. to defend Theodore Jordan, charged with murder, following an exhaustive investigation into the circumstances of the case.

Jordan was accused of attacking a dining car steward and beating him into unconsciousness last July at Klamath Falls, Oregon. The steward, after lingering in an unconscious condition for several months, eventually died without regaining conscousness. Investigation by Clarence E. Ivey, president of the Portland Branch N. A. A. C. P., and by Mr. Robison, reveals that through third degree torture Jordan was induced to sign seven different confessions, no two of which were identical, and "would have signed seventeen more to have ended the torture." On his arm is a scar from a three inch burn which Jordan claims was caused by the application of a 'lie detector" which was placed on his arm and attached to a light socket and left to "fry" the arm. Jordan's clothes were removed and he was kicked in the groin, permanently injuring him. A gun was held to his head by detectives, according to Jordan's affidavit, and he begged them to pull the trigger, preferring death to further brutality.

There is also grave doubt that Jordan had anything whatever to do with the beating of the dining car steward or had any knowledge of the crime.

Mr. Ivey has made two trips to the prison at Salem to interview Jordan, and reports that the entire prison force is of the opinion that Jordan is not guilty.

Upon consideration of the facts in the case the national office of the N. A. A. C. P. has made a contribution of $100 towards the expenses of securing a new trial for Jordan, and plans are rapidly being matured for the difficult and probably long drawn out legal battle to save his life. The Portland Branch asks that churches, lodges and individuals help finance this case, which is of vital importance to the future of Negroes in the northwestern section of the country. Contributions may be sent to Clarence E. Ivey, president, Portland Branch N. A. A. C. P., 946 Tibbetts street, Portland, Ore. All contributions will be duly acknowledged with the official receipt of the Portland Branch of the association and a careful accounting made of all the moneys raised and expended.

MOB WHITE OFFICER WHO HIT YOUTH

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 12—(ANP) Struck down and seriously injured by an automobile driven by Officer Frank Church of the vice squad, Earl Baker, 20 year old newsboy of 122 Commercial street, is in Georgia street hospital.

An angry crowd of citizens mobbed the officers' car at Wilshire boulevard and La Brea avenue, where the boy was struck. Radio police came to the rescue only after tires on the policeman's car had been deflated.

MAN TAKEN FROM BED ON THEFT CHARGE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12—Robert Bushrod, 53, of 1010 Columbia road, northwest, was taken to Gallinger Hospital under a police guard last Tuesday night, after he was charged with holding up Earl V. Kibler, white, an insurance man of Wheaton, Md., of between $50 and $60.

Mr. Bushrod is bedridden. He has been ill for some time. Kibler went to his home to pay a weekly sick benefit of $10. Bushrod claimed $20 was due him. He reached under his pillow and drew a revolver and ordered the insurance agent, the latter said, to "give me all you've got."

Mr. Kibler reported the robbery to police and the bed-ridden man after being charged with robbery was taken to the hospital in an ambulance.

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THREE WHITE BANDITS GET FIFTY YEARS EACH FOR SLAYING NEGRO OFFICER

Bitterly Contested Leavenworth Case Settled When Three Nordics Get Fifty-Year Terms For Policeman's Murder.

LEAVENWORTH, Kans., Jan. 12—(ANP)—The grand finale to one of the most bitterly contested cases in the history of Leavenworth County ended here this week when Judge J. H. Wendorff of the District Court sentenced a trio of white men to 50 years, each, in the State penitentiary.

The three men sentenced were Wesley Smith, Frank Delmar and McKinley Moss who were convicted of the murder of Ernie Gough, a Negro member of the Leavenworth police department on the night of July 28, 1932. Judge Wendorff pronounced sentence upon the three white prisoners after listening to arguments over a prolonged period by attorneys for the three defendants seeking to obtain approval of a motion for a new trial.

The trial in November attracted wide attention and was largely attended. The authorities took precaution to provide extra guards. Moss, Smith and Delmar had previous prison records with four, two and one terms, respectively, in the order named.

Some people are not only going to the devil, but they are rushing down the road to meet him half way.

Trouble with the Garner beer bill was that some of the lame ducks didn't feel like swimming in beer

ROBBED SHERIFF, KILLED

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12(ANP)—Roaring at a madman's pace into the mouth of Mint Canyon, a commandeered car, driven by a kidnaped constable, brought Julius Green, 27-year-old murder suspect, face to face with a hail of bullets that ended his reign of terror.

Green was shot through the head by Capt. Jim Stewart of the Newhall sheriffs' substation, as he attempted to force Constable Truman Hamilton of Majave, whom he had kidnaped after escaping from a speeding train, to drive through a posse's barrage.

Robbed Sheriff's Aid

Green was being brought from Folsom prison to Los Angeles to face trial for the murder of Ellery Armstrong, conductor of a one-man street car, in a holdup at 38th street and Central avenue. He was in custody of Deputy Sheriff H. M. Dennison.

Between Bakersfield and Tehachapi, he picked the locks on his leg irons, crawled from his upper berth, lowered himself to Dennison's side, and stole the officer's revolver, satchel and a wallet containing $80.

Making his way to Mojave, the convict strode into Constable Hamilton's office and gave him the terse order to get up.

Then, holding his gun against Hamilton's back, he forced the officer to get into his car and start driving toward Los Angeles.

Meanwhile, Dennison had communicated with the sheriff's office. Just beyond Mint Canyon, Captain Stewart and Deputy J. Carter waited in Stewart's automobile. They saw Hamilton's car speeding toward them, the bandit kidnaper gesticulating angrily.

Sounding his siren, Stewart drove alongside the constable's car and ordered him to stop. Green, ordering Hamilton to drive on, began firing. Four shots, none of which took effect hurtled at the pursuers. Hamilton suddenly brought his car to a stop and Green leaped out, his gun smoking. As he turned to fire again, a bullet from Stewart's gun crashed into his head and he slumped to the ground.

Before Christmas a lot of people will wonder if someone hasn't forced a moratorium on old Santa.

LEXINGTON CRASH INJURES WORKERS

LEXINGTON, Ky., Jan. 12—(C. N. S.)—While more than 15 Negro workmen were at work in the press room of the Lexington Compress Company, recently, a cylinder head weighing several tons, atop the local press of the company, blew out last week, injuring three pressmen, one seriously, and almost completely wrecking the press room as the huge piece of iron fell through the heavy roof timbers and flooring.

Andrew Smith was hurt seriously, a head wound caused from being in the path of the crashing iron and timber; Gasby Rogers was crushed under wreckage but his condition is not considered serious; Osborn Jordan, the third man, was also hurt from the falling debris.

When a legislator cannot locate anything new to tax he always has the old reliable automobile to fall back upon.

RUNS HOTEL

KENNETH GORDON

Capable manager of the well-known Majestic hotel in Cleveland, O. Mr. Gordon, who was formerly business manager of the Center Avenue Branch Y. M. C. A. in Pittsburgh, is one of the most efficient young executives in the hotel business.

PHYSICIAN FATALLY STABBED

DETROIT, Jan. 12—(ANP)—Dr. David C. Northcross, well known physician here was stabbed to death Tuesday, January 2, at 2201 St. Antoine street by Morris Haydan, one of his tenants in Northcross hotel. Dr. Northcross was entering the door of the room occupied by Hayden and was stabbed as he opened the door. Hayden claims the act was done in self-defense.

Dr. Northcross, who was the owner and operator of Mercy hospital on Winder street practiced in Detroit 15 years, was also owner of Northcross hotel. He graduated from University of Illinois and interned at Provident hospital in Chicago. He was active in social, professional and business life of Detroit.

His wife, Mrs. Daisy Northcross, is also a physician.

BLEDSOE WRITES PLAY

CHICAGO, Jan. 12—(ANP)—According to reports going the rounds in theatrical circles here, Jules Bledsoe, famous baritone has written a play, which will be produced in the East shortly, starring Mrs. Bledsoe.

Ethiopian King Puts Halt To Extortioning Of Peasantry

Princelings Carry Lunch Now After Ruler Stops Practice Of 'Sponging' On Peasants.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12—Haile Selassie I, "Conquering Lion of the Tribe of Judah," King of Kings, Emperor of Ethiopia and one of the world's last absolute monarchs, is becoming a democrat.

The peasants of Ethiopia are shouting loud hosannas, but the petty princes are not so happy about it.

The news reached the State Department from Addison Southard, American Minister at Addis Ababa, whose installment plan history of the life and times of Haile Selassie lends verve and color to an otherwise drab outpouring of diplomatic reports.

Out in Ethiopia the princes and judges, for many centuries, have been having a grand time—all at the expense of the peasant. For instance, there were the "Orders of Mattan and Elf," which contributed to their happiness and gayety.

Under the "Order of Elf," peasants were required to pack the baggage of officials traveling through their districts and without even a "thank you." The "Order of Mattan" required the herder to give free food to junketing officials.

Then there were other impositions—the "honey cup," for instance. Peasants had to give land owners a horn of honey each year. From this the petty rulers made a fermented drink. There was much honey and much drink in the "big houses" of Ethiopia.

The judges got their "rake-off," too. When two Ethiopians quarreled they took their case before a wayside magistrate. Social prestige required that each make a bet that he would win his case. Big betters put up a "mule wager fee," less daring ones, a "horse wager fee." And, whoever won, the magistrate got the fee.

But Haile Selassie I., whose great-great-great-grandparents, so he says, were King Solomon and

Peasants Shout Praises Of Emperor, But Princes Wail As Meal Tickets pass.

the Queen of Sheba, has been turning over some democratic ideas in his mind. He decided to step in and break up the national racket.

Gathering his purple robes about him, Haile Selassie seated himself at the royal writing desk and inscribed the following:

The Lion of the Tribe of Judah hath conquered.
Haile Selassie the First,
Annointed of God,
Emperor of Ethiopia,
Decrees:

I have changed the following fees as indicated:

"The mule wager fee from MT. $10 to MT. $5."

The horse wager fee from MT. $5 to MT $3.

The juridicial fee from MT. $2 to MT. $1.

(MT. means Marie Theresa dollars, old Austrian coinage).

Then the Emperor went on to abolish the "Order of Mattan and Elf" and forgave arrears on the "horn cup of honey."

There is much grumbling, carrying of lunch baskets and sobriety among the upper classes of Ethiopia these days.

Plan Preer Memorial

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12—(ANP)—To perpetuate the memory of Evelyn Preer, the Evelyn Preer Memorial Association has been formed by Clarence Muse, Hugh McBeth and Dr. Charles Johnson. The group will seek funds with which to build a cemetery memorial to the late star and also to establish a Little Theater where Negro acting and art will be encouraged.

Thirty-Fifth Anniversary Of Ellingtons A Blessed Event; Nite Club Stars Attend

Pa and Ma of "Jazz King" Celebrate and Everything Rated a Bouquet.

By TED YATES

(I Had Puh-lenty Fun!)

NEW YORK, Jan. 5—Up on Sugar Hill Mr. and Mrs. James Edward Ellington were hosts to the elite of New York's nite life. It was the thirty-fifth anniversary of their wedding. Friends gathered at the home of the Ellingtons, who by the way are the parents of Edward Kennedy Ellington—Duke Ellington to you!

The apartment house at 315 Edgecombe avenue seemed to be celebrating too. You could hear the jingle, jingle as you entered; it was that way when you left in the wee, wee hours of the mawnin' . . . believe you me.

Flowers draped madame's boudoir . . . Gifts from many friends and telegrams too were seen here and there . . . Floral tokens from the Cotton Club principals: Alma Smith, Aida Ward, Carolyn Snowden, Elmer Turner and Little Bits . . . Sarah Abrams, secretary to Mills & Rockwell also sent a floral tribute to the happy couple who were as happy as they were the night they treked to the altar . . . Western Union messages from Kaye Parker, Washington, D. C. . . . Robert H. Harrison, Sam Fliashnick and Max Lasser, of Chicago . . . There was a beautiful floral bouquet from the Cotton Club management.

Cab Calloway, the "prince of hi-de, hi, de, ho" broadcasting from the Cotton Club dedicated "Mood Indigo" and his second half of the Cotton Club radio program to the Ellington couple. "Twas swell too, later when he arrived at the Ellington apartment and Duke thanked him, as did Duke's parents. Cab modestly remarked, "I had to, Gate! What could a feller do?" Swell!

The gifts were numerous offerings but I got a glimpse of those from the Harry and Dorothy Carneys; the Jaun-Ruth Tizols and Mr. and Mrs. Bauds.

The invited guests: Cab Calloway and his bandsmen, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilson, Sam Fliashnick, Miss Wilson, Miss Sarah Abrams, Mr and Mrs. E. Ned Williams, publicity agent for Mills-Rockwell; Mr and Mrs. Braund., Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Greer, Thomas G. Rockwell, Kid Griffin, Annaias Berry, Ray Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Juan Tizol and Rose Abrams.

Also Benny Wright, Ivy Anderson, Pearl Anderson, Pearl Woodson, Hyson Curtiss, Malcom Fultcher, Miss I. Washington, Carolyn Snowden, Freddie Jenkins, Lethia Hill, Billie Rickman, Jaunita Borseau, Henri Wessels, Roy Atkins, Elmer Turner, Christian McAleer, Ted Yates, Aida Ward, Dr. Thomas A. ... Dr. Hassigood Mr. and Mrs. F. Guy. Others too numerous to mention were seen at the gathering. Others were Anne Leff, Dr. and Mrs. Coffineau, Grace Marshall, Mr and Mrs. Arthur Wetzel, Joseph Nanton, Mrs. Eva Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. George Hartsfield, Al Rodgers, W. Ellington, Clarence Westley, Otto Hardwick, Mr. and Mrs. Billie Schwab, Benny Payne; Messrs. Frazier, Jones, Manning and Green. Also Dorothy Rhodes, Ethel Duke and Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Reigh.

The family of Ellingtons, which included Master Mercer Ellington and the Miss Ruth Ellington were congenial hosts. I had puh-lenty fun!

Brothers And Sisters Flock To Knoxville; Four Trios Enrolled

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 12.—At Knoxville College nineteen families are represented on the college register by forty-three students.

Four families have at least three members each in college here. From Oklahoma to Virginia they have come to K. C., in many cases following the example of parents who are alumni.

From Oklahoma City come the re Berry sisters, who might rival the Bennett sisters of Hollywood. The trio will break up at Knoxvill when the eldest receives her degree next May.

brother and two sisters, children of Mrs. Jeannette McTeer Jefferson, of Bristol, Va.-Tenn. The three children of Rev. John A. Brice, vice principal of Palmer Memorial Institute, Sedalia, N. C., and the representatives from the family of Rev. R. P. Williams of Annemanie, Ala. The Williams girls are twins a brought a young brother to Knoxville with them this year.

Of pairs from the same family there is almost no end.

The last count reported by the registrar showed ten pairs of sisters, and one brother and sister in addition to the four trios mentioned above.

DUCK STRIKES SLAYER

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12—(ANP)—"Hit by a falling duck," Los Angeles physicians reported after treating J. B. Hauer, San Francisco business man for a severe eye injury.

Hauer hunting here, scored a "double." While watching one bird flutter to the earth, the other dropped with bullet-like velocity, striking him in the face.

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