

YOUNG COLLINS, SENTENCED TO DIE

Convicted Murderer Calmly Hears Decision of Judge McPherson.

CONVICTED IN JANUARY

Counsel Claimed Trial Should have been Held in Cumberland County, Objections Overruled.

Clarence Collins will be electrocuted. At 1:40 p. m. on Monday before a crowded court room Judge Donald P. McPherson pronounced sentence upon the confessed murderer of George Bushman, of Gettysburg.

Collins calmly faced Judge McPherson as he heard the sentence read which condemned him to the electric chair and maintained the same air of indifference which has characterized his actions since he was first implicated in the murder of Bushman.

When asked by Judge McPherson if he had anything to say, Collins remained silent and walked out of the court room in the custody of Sheriff Hartman without betraying any visible emotion.

Motion for a new trial for Collins was overruled by a decision handed down by Judge McPherson this morning.

The decision deals only with Clarence Collins and does not include Charles Reinecker who was also convicted of first degree murder of Bushman.

Both young men have been in the Adams county jail since October when they were apprehended for the cold-blooded murder of George Bushman, near Idaville, on October 16. Collins sat in the front seat with Bushman and Reinecker did the shooting from the rear. After the crime had been committed the two boys hauled the body near Harrisburg and dumped it along the Susquehanna river bank.

During the January term of court, Collins and Reinecker were convicted of murder in the first degree. The trial of Collins was held first and after the evidence had been heard the jury announced the verdict after deliberating only one hour and a quarter.

On February tenth, nine days after the Collins decision was handed down, Charles C. Reinecker was declared "guilty in the first degree" after three hours' deliberation by the jury.

Decision in both cases was hastened to a great extent by the fact that both boys wrote out signed statements of their implication in the crime.

Motion for a new trial in the case of Clarence Collins was presented before the court on April 10 when it was maintained by his defense that the court of Adams county was without jurisdiction to try him and that the case should have been tried in Cumberland county. Counsel for Collins also maintained that the drawing and paneling of the jury was irregular.

These objections were overruled by Judge McPherson in his decision Monday.

SHORT SESSION NEXT MONDAY

Public School Students will Assemble for Welcome Home Parade.

The public schools of Gettysburg will open Monday morning, September 1, at nine o'clock. A short session will be held in the morning, the children again convening in the afternoon for the parade.

The usual boundary lines for division of pupils will be observed. All children living north of and including Chambersburg street, west of and including Carlisle street and west of South Washington belong to Meade building; Franklin street is the boundary for beginners. All other children belong to High Street building.

Children who have never attended school should report to Miss Ruff at Meade or to Miss Helen Miller at High Street building. All other new pupils will report to Supervising Principal at High School building.

MAY HAVE MISSED A FEW

Men not Receiving Invitations Should Make Fact Known.

All invitations to the service men of Adams county to attend the Welcome Home Celebration here on September 1 have been sent out by the Invitation Committee. In compiling a list of every Adams county service man the committee has been forced to rely on reports secured from the various towns and it is possible that a few names have been omitted from the list. It is the wish of the committee that any man who has not received an invitation immediately make this fact known to J. L. Williams, chairman of the committee.

PLAYGROUND CHILDREN

All Playground children have been requested by Mrs. Helen Helfrich, director of play, to meet at the Playground House on Thursday night at 6:30 o'clock. The procession headed by the band will form at that hour and march to the base ball diamond.

ONE KILLED WHEN TRAINS CRASH

Atlantic City Excursion Trains Collide Sunday. Sixteen Injured.

Atlantic City, N. J., August 29.—One man was killed and one employee, the engineer of the tenth section, and 16 passengers were more or less injured at 5:16 Sunday morning when the tenth section of an excursion train from Washington and Baltimore ran into the rear of the ninth section, which had been stopped by signals west of Elwood passenger station on the West Jersey and Seashore Railroad. The engine of the tenth section and three rear coaches of the ninth section were damaged. The southbound track was blocked for some hours. A special train conveyed passengers from the wrecked train to this city.

According to the stories told by passengers on the ninth section, the engineer had trouble with his locomotive and frequent stops to make repairs were necessitated after they left Baltimore. Shortly after the section had passed Elwood Station it halted for repairs. The conductor, John Price, of Washington, received his orders to proceed, and was traveling at the rate of about five miles per hour when the locomotive of the following section crashed into the rear end of his train. Passengers, many of whom were dozing in their seats, were hurled about by the shock of the impact.

Killed at Water Cooler

Ode Wathen, with his young wife, had been occupying a seat in one of the forward coaches. There was no water in the cooler, and he walked to the rear car of the train for a drink. The engine of the oncoming section plowed through the car while he was drinking. He was instantly killed and his body mangled. When the crew and passengers of the train attempted to extricate the body from the wreckage they were hampered because there were no axes on either train. Wathen's wife, who is in a delicate condition, was prostrated by the tragic death of her husband and returned to Washington on the first train to leave the resort Sunday morning.

FARM TO TABLE IDEA A SUCCESS

Much Interest Taken in Shipping by Truck to Cities.

Prices as a Rule Better. Few Instances to the Contrary. Project is Developing.

Probably more interest is being taken in the parcel post motor truck system by the farmers in the region between Gettysburg and McConnellsburg than in any other section of the United States is the statement that comes from Philadelphia through the Post Office Department. Produce growers in this section have availed themselves of the markets opened up in Washington and Philadelphia and eggs, peaches, potatoes and live chickens are being sent daily to markets a hundred miles or more away.

That the "farm to table" movement is still in its infancy is shown by the number of new routes that are monthly being added to the list by Fourth Assistant Postmaster Blaklee, who has been supervising the work of inaugurating the system in the United States. Indicative of the way farmers are gradually taking up the idea is the great increase of business that has developed in the Eastern Shore of Maryland with new customers in Philadelphia.

"We are intensely interested in strengthening this service between Philadelphia and the farmers of the country within reach of the motor truck routes. It is a big thing and needs the full cooperation of farmers as well as operators. There are three routes extending out of Washington, one of these passing through Adams county and two through Virginia; they are working successfully. And this is only the beginning," said one of the sub-agents in charge of the work.

A false impression is held by the farmers in some sections that it is the intention of the Department to abandon the project, for according to an announcement by the Department the machinery necessary to establish the additional routes is just ready to be put in operation.

While a number of farmers in this county are not enthusiastic in their support of the plan, claiming that they are often forced to accept lower prices in Washington than they could get at the Gettysburg market, yet they admit that the motor truck system opens up a new and for the most part valuable market. It is doubtful, however, whether sufficient produce will be available in this section to justify the operation of a truck through here to Washington during the winter.

The difficulty of opening up the system during winter may be an obstacle that will be hard to overcome.

STATE TO GUARD YOUNG LIVES

Department of Health Tells Parents How to Protect Children.

TO STAMP OUT DISEASE

Board Believes Prevention is far Better than a Cure. Urge Vaccination for All.

Believing it is better to "lock the stable door before the horse is gone," the Pennsylvania state department of health is outlining elaborate plans for safeguarding the health of school children, hundreds of thousands of whom will soon enter upon another year of study.

In the following statement sent out by the board suggestions are made which will aid materially in reducing the sick list and if followed will make far healthier, happy children. The statement says:

Within a week the doors of many thousands of school houses in Pennsylvania will be thrown open, and more than a million and a half boys and girls will pass through them to receive instruction. It is certain that they will not only receive this instruction in their several studies but that many of them will receive an infection from such diseases as scarlet fever, diphtheria, measles, mumps and chickenpox.

These schools which are guided by the highest ideals of modern thought will put into operation all the known methods and procedures which tend to limit the introduction or spreading of these diseases among their pupils. The association of children in school is so intimate that the readiness with which a disease may spread from one to another is greatly increased.

Any method, then, which may be used to prevent disease from entering the doors of the school house should be hailed with delight by every parent and it is most gratifying to the state department of health to find wide-spread appreciation of the value of procedures like the use of preventive antitoxins for diphtheria and tetanus (lock jaw) and preventive vaccinations for small-pox and typhoid fever.

Vaccination Protects

Vaccination against smallpox is so free from danger and produces such a perfect protection against this most heinous of all infections, that it has become compulsory in most civilized countries. The laws of this Commonwealth require that a child must be successfully vaccinated before permitted to enter school. This law is mandatory. There is no alternative and the department of health will see to it that it is strictly enforced. The attention of all parents is, therefore, directed to this matter and they are urged to have their children vaccinated at once, so that they may enter school on the opening day.

The simplicity with which smallpox may be controlled does not apply, unfortunately, to any of the other diseases found so frequently among school children. To meet these, our line of defense is radically different. The most successful procedure which we now have at hand is the separation of every child from his fellows at the time he is developing one of these communicable diseases. If a child is developing scarlet fever and is permitted to attend school until too sick to make the journey, you can rest assured that many other children in that school will have been exposed and will develop the disease. The first child would have been kept at home if the parent had appreciated the danger in which their child and the school were being placed.

The department of health desires that the parents of school children shall make it their rule to keep their children out of school when they show the earliest signs of sickness. A running nose, watering eyes, sore throat, irritable mental state, vomiting and skin eruptions all suggest the onset of a contagious disease. When parents note any of these symptoms in their children, let them think of the golden rule, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you," and keep their sick children at home accordingly. A sick child will not be receptive to instruction; absence, therefore, will not retard his progress at school, nothing is lost and much is gained. You are fulfilling a double duty when you follow the advice given above;—first, to your own child, who when sick, should receive care that a home alone can afford; second, to the community which has a right to this protection from disabling diseases.

CANDIDATES AT COURT

Gettysburg now Center of Political Activity in County.

Gettysburg candidates for Adams county offices do not have to leave the town to campaign this week as the center of political activity will be around the court house until all cases have been tried and court formally adjourned.

Democratic and Republican candidates have shifted the scene of their efforts from Littlestown, New Oxford, Two Taverns and other Adams county towns to Gettysburg for the present and are besieging voters to support them at the coming primary election. Although no official count has been taken it appears that almost every office seeker in the county has selected the court house as his headquarters until the end of the week.

CONFESSES ALL AND GOES TO JAIL

Strang, Mystery Man in North Penn Bank Case; is Behind the Bars.

After having revealed details of the workings of the North Penn Bank, which heretofore had baffled the corps of trained investigators, Ellwood H. Strang, neophyte paying teller, who led a millionaire's life on a \$35 a week salary, was arraigned in Philadelphia Saturday and held in \$35,000 bail for a further hearing on Thursday, September 4. Failing to get any bonding company willing to go his security, "the Gilded Youth," who in addition to other luxuries is said to have had two wives, two homes and two expensive motor cars, was shackled and taken to Moyamensing Prison and locked up in a cell.

Strang was brought to Philadelphia from New York on Friday night by detectives of the District Attorney's office. He was taken to a Market street hotel and grilled for several hours and confessed "everything he knew."

The hearing was scheduled to take place at 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning, but it was noon before the erstwhile paying teller, flanked on either side by burly detectives, reached the office of Magistrate Rooney. Inconspicuous in the large crowd of curious persons that tagged along at the prisoner's heels was his aged aunt, who feared him, and a sister. Both women were grief-stricken and seemed on the verge of collapse.

SILK MILL MEN INSPECT SITE

Party Representing Eagle Company Reached here Saturday Night.

ALMOST A SURE THING

Agreed that Location would be Suitable for Erection of Throwing Plant.

J. C. Brown, of Shamokin, general manager of the J. H. and C. K. Eagle Silk Company, accompanied by twelve other prominent men of the firm, visited Gettysburg on Saturday evening to look over the Buford avenue site of the proposed new silk factory.

As a result of the visit of the men it appears more evident that the Eagle firm will establish a throwing plant here in the near future.

General Manager Brown was accompanied by J. H. Jones, executive secretary; W. U. Jury, contractor; B. Hill, financial manager; F. W. Maue, Edward Welker, Robert Marshall, John Brown, C. F. Braher, Charles Hertel, John Van Orden, Ray Marshall and Harold Lewis.

The thirteen men arrived in Gettysburg on Saturday night and were taken by members of the Chamber of Commerce to the site of the Gilbert Foundry, across Buford avenue from the Meade school building.

After a survey of the ground it was generally agreed upon by the officials of the Eagle Company that the site would be a suitable one for the erection of a throwing plant although it may be necessary to build across the Tiber brook which flows through the eastern portion of the land.

In order to ascertain the exact space available for building and to decide whether or not it would be necessary to build across the Tiber, S. Milcy Miller, of Gettysburg, surveyed the property to-day.

The Eagle Silk Company intends to float a bond issue of \$85,000 in this community according to an announcement made during the visit of the officials here and exact terms of the issue, in writing, will be sent to Chamber of Commerce in a few days in order that the proposition may be intelligently placed before the people of Gettysburg.

The community will be asked to absorb \$85,000 worth of first mortgage bonds yielding six per cent. These bonds would be secured by the real estate and machinery of the Eagle Silk Company in Gettysburg valued at approximately \$185,000 and the interest and principal would be guaranteed by the J. H. and C. K. Eagle Company.

TROOPS RECALLED FROM MEXICO

Bandit Chief Reported Slain. Renteria Shot by Flyer.

HOMeward MARCH STARTS

Seek Confirmation of Report. Two More Aviators Missing were on Reconnoitering Expedition.

Marfa, Tex., August 29.—Three hundred American cavalry troops Sunday night were making their way back to the Rio Grande through a driving rain-storm, after an unsuccessful campaign begun last Tuesday to overtake the bandits who captured and held for ransom Lieutenants Harold G. Peterson and Paul H. Davis.

The first troops of the American punitive expedition to cross the border on the return to the United States, the pack and supply trains, reached Ruidosa shortly after 8:00 o'clock Sunday night, according to telephone advices. The remainder of the expedition followed.

Contact with Carranza soldiers also on the trail of the bandits, and a heavy rain which wiped out the fresh trails, resulted in decision to abandon the chase. The Mexican Federals were encountered Saturday night by a scout patrol, and after a conference, army officers decided to abandon the pursuit until Sunday morning. Meanwhile the rain had wiped out the trails of the bandits, who were only a few hours ahead of the Americans.

In Single Column

The punitive expedition is returning in single column with three cavalry troops leading, pack trains, machine-guns and other units following. Two troops are acting as rear-guard.

The six days below the border resulted in the killing of four bandits by troops, and death of one by machine-gun bullet from an airplane. Nine bandits, said to be part of the Renteria band, were captured at Coyame, in a dance hall, by Carranza soldiers.

Lieutenant Peterson and Lieutenant Davis arrived at Royce Flying Field at 4:35 p. m.

Aviators Missing

Another American army airplane bearing two lieutenants was missing from Royce field Sunday night. Piloted by Lieut. George Rice, with Lieut. J. L. Boquet as observer, the plane left at daylight for Mexico to reconnoiter for the punitive expedition.

It is feared the aviators became confused or were lost in a driving rain-storm. Lieutenant Colonel R. L. Royce, commander of Royce field, said he believed the airmen probably landed on the American side after losing their way in the rain.

Marfa, Tex., August 29.—Reports that Jesus Renteria, leader of the bandit gang which held two American aviators for ransom, had been killed, were brought to the border Sunday, but could not be confirmed.

Renteria was shot and killed by Lieut. R. H. Cooper when bandits fired on Cooper's machine, according to a statement by Lieutenant Peterson on his arrival here Sunday.

Peterson's report that Jesus Renteria had been killed failed to check with reports at military headquarters. "An official Army report said Jesus Renteria was believed to have been located 60 miles south of Chihuahua City, where he was said to be hiding."

Peterson said he received his information that Renteria had been killed from scouts.

"Two bandits we were pursuing Saturday told ranchers along the route that Jesus Renteria had been killed when Lieut. R. H. Cooper returned the rifle fire of three horse-men," said he. "The ranchers, in turn, informed our scouts."

CHURCH DEBT CANCELLED

Reformed Congregation Cancels Final Financial Obligation.

The last bit of indebtedness on the Reformed church here has been lifted. The congregation of that church by a liberal response at the Harvest Home services on Sunday contributed more than \$800 which was \$100 more than enough to cancel the final financial obligation.

At the beginning of the year the debt was about \$1,200. The final contribution plus the sums raised by the Ladies Aid Society, Woman's Missionary Society, the Afternoon Club, Men's Bible Class, Women's Bible Class, Junior Congregation Aid Society and the Sunday School was more than enough to pay the debt.

HANOVER CONSIDERED

Hanover is being considered as one of the places suitable for a mill of the Eagle Brothers' Silk Manufacturing company, Shamokin. A representative of the company will visit here to look over possible sites. The firm recently had to contend with a strike of its employees and have been sending representatives over the state, looking for factories suitable to their needs.

FINE ORCHESTRA FOR BIG DANCE

Banjo-Sax from Harrisburg will be Here for Celebration on Labor Day.

The Harrisburg Banjo-Sax orchestra, one of the best producers of dance music in this section of the State, will be asked to play for the big Welcome Home Dance in Xavier Hall on the night of September 1. This action was taken at a meeting of the Dance Committee, held Monday evening.

It was also decided that no civilians would be permitted to attend the dance and that all soldiers should wear the uniform of the Victory Button.

Mary Ramer will have charge of making arrangements with the orchestra. Charles Myers, Harry Seton and Maurice Stansbury compose the decoration sub-committee and the refreshments will be taken charge of by Marie Codori, Ruth Bender, Henrietta Hersh and Caroline Blocher.

The committee will meet again on Friday to make final arrangements.

ALL ROADS LEAD TO GETTYSBURG

On Labor Day is Announcement Heralded on Welcome Home Posters.

GIVE GENERAL INVITATION

Charles Hartzell Volunteers to Distribute Placards. Notices Sent to Every County Town.

"All Roads Lead to Gettysburg On Labor Day" is the flaring inscription at the top of five hundred large white posters which are being distributed throughout Adams county.

"Adams County's Welcome Home Celebration to all soldiers, sailors, marines and nurses who took part in the World War; to the soldiers and marines who stopped the Hun at Chateau Thierry, St. Mihiel and the Argonne, to the sailors who ran the gauntlet of German U-boats, to all service men who were preparing for the fray in American Training Camps, and to the nurses who rendered heroic service both in this country and abroad" will be held in the county seat of Adams, next Monday, states the posters.

Band concerts, a speech by J. Hampton Moore, noted Philadelphia Congressman, and an elaborate program consisting of a community dance, mammoth street parade, Red Cross luncheon, and base ball game are also named on the posters which are expected to aid materially in bringing thousands of people to Gettysburg on Labor Day.

At 9:00 o'clock in the morning the service men will meet to discuss the advantages of becoming members of the American Legion. One hour later a base ball game will be held at the Playground. Red Cross will serve dinner at noon, and at 2:00 o'clock assembly will be sounded in order to have the parade commence at 3:00.

J. Hampton Moore will speak at the conclusion of the parade. Lunch at 6:00 o'clock will be followed by band concerts in Center Square at 7:00 and a dance in Xavier Hall at 8:00 o'clock.

Although he is not a member of the Poster Committee Charles Hartzell, of York street, volunteered to see that the placards were distributed throughout the county and it is through his efforts that residents of York Springs, East Berlin, Hampton, Bendersville, Biglerville, Table Rock, Cashtown, McKnightstown and Seven Stars know the exact program to be held on Labor Day.

It is planned to canvass Fairfield and Orrtanna Tuesday while Littlestown, New Oxford and McSherrystown men who are attending court will be asked to plaster their towns with the posters.

STRIKE CASE ON TRIAL

Injunction Proceedings of Waynesboro Company in Court.

By a decree handed down at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon Judge W. Rush Gillan, in the Franklin county court, continued the preliminary injunction granted last week as it concerned 26 of the 33 defendants in the Landis Tool Company's injunction proceedings "until a final hearing or until the further order of the court."

Judge Gillan's decree followed an all-day hearing on the injunction proceedings brought by the Landis Tool Company, of Waynesboro, as a result of the actions of the strikers at Greencastle last Thursday. When the hearing began in the morning fully 200 Waynesboro citizens, the majority of them strikers, were in the courtroom. The defendants were represented by Garnet Gehr and Edmund C. Wingert, both of Chambersburg, while the plaintiff was represented by Charles Walter, O. C. Bowers, W. L. Minick and Watson R. Davison.

Delicate Anemometer

Anemometer means "wind-tower," and is so called because it is so delicately made that it is away with the lightest breath of the atmosphere.

DINNER WILL BE IRRESISTIBLE

Red Cross Needs Two Hundred and Fifty Chickens for Welcome Home.

WILL BE IMPOSING MENU

County People Asked to Respond to Meet Gastroscopic Needs of Service Men on Labor Day.

If the soldiers, sailors and marines from Adams county have any doubt as to just what kind of dinner they are going to get in Gettysburg on Labor Day when they are the guests of the people of Adams county, they should take a casual glance at the orders for supplies that the Canteen Committee of the Red Cross has placed for that day.

Two hundred and fifty fried chickens is the first and most attractive item on the order. That fact in itself should persuade the most hesitant service man to drop all work on Labor Day and proceed post haste to Gettysburg. Another item of hardly less importance is the request for 1,000 ears of sweet corn. Other notations on the bill of fare which give a slight hint as to the magnitude of the dinner are one hundred and fifty pounds of boiled ham, seventy five pounds of butter, sixty cakes, six bushels of potatoes, eight bushels of tomatoes, twenty five gallons of cold cabbage slaw and seventy five dozen of hard boiled eggs.

All of these supplies are to be furnished by the people of Adams county and present indications show that every bit of food on the list will be needed to meet the gastronomic demands of the service men, who are coming for the Welcome Home Celebration. The Red Cross of the county is asking the people to come forward with any of the items of food that they can furnish. Not only will the special food attractions for the dinner be needed but also bread, coffee, sugar, ice cream and other appetizers. These items, however, will be furnished by the Gettysburg Chapter of the Red Cross, as well as the large number of dishes, knives, forks and spoons that will be required.

The several lodges in the county have appointed the following men for the Refreshment Committee to aid the Gettysburg chapter in supplying food for the two meals to be furnished on the Welcome Home Day:

- P. S. Orner, Arondeville; J. D. Ernst, York Springs; F. A. Low, Cashtown; S. L. Ahlson, Fairfield; E. E. Carson, Bendersville; William B. Hornberger, Littlestown; George Baker, Abbottstown; Ezra Burgard, East Berlin; R. F. Baugher and C. A. Ruff, New Oxford.

CRIMINAL COURT SESSION OPENS

Bad Roads is Chief Complaint of County Constables.

INSTRUCTIONS ARE GIVEN

Twelve Additional Cases on Trial List. Gettysburg Families will Figure in Interesting Suits.

Bad condition of roads in many townships of Adams county was reported by constables at the regular August term of court which opened at 10:30 o'clock on Monday with President Judge Donald P. McPherson and Associate Judges E. P. Miller and W. Howard-Dicks presiding. Constables from Latimore and Huntington townships stated that the roads were exceptionally bad in their districts and were advised by the court to have their respective supervisors attend to the matter; at once. Many of the constables stated that they had informed supervisors of their townships to repair the roads but that frequent rainy weather had prevented work from being done.

The court called the attention of the constables to the act of May 31, 1919, providing that no constable shall report to court unless he has a return to make and compensation will not be given those who submit blank reports.

Charles H. Wilson, constable of the First Ward of Gettysburg, reported that the streets of the town were in very poor condition. William Hersh was appointed master in the divorce case of Violet Toddles against Walter Edward Toddles and George Walter master in the case between Strena and William Stuller.

One case in which George Jones was charged by C. E. Dougherty with larceny has been disposed of out of court, and it is probable that a number of the twenty eight cases first listed will be settled before going to trial.

Absence diminishes little passions and increases great ones, as the wind blows out a candle, but fans the flames of the atmosphere.