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# BURNS SAYS HE'S SOLVED PURSE MYSTERY

# Two Convict Bosses Are Fined As Cruel

## ACTIVITY OF COLYAR IS PROBED

### Famous Detective Begins Investigation of Alleged Bribe Offers for False Testimony.

A. S. Colyar, dictographer, quondam lawyer and mysterious figure in the Phagan murder case, has been brought into the light by the latest activity of Detective Burns and his operatives.

This became known Friday shortly after the day's most important development—Burns' positive declaration that he already was in a position to clear up the mystery of Mary Phagan's missing purse and py envelope and of the ribbons and flowers missing from her hat.

The strange disappearance of the slain girl's mesh bag has remained one of the baffling and unexplained features of the case up to the present. Jim Conley, having never before mentioned it in any of his sworn statements, startled the courtroom at the trial of Frank by declaring that he saw it on Frank's desk when he went in to write the murder notes after the girl had been killed.

**Will Explain All, He Says.**

Burns was non-committal when he was asked if he actually had found the missing articles or simply had ascertained their disposition by the murderer.

"I will explain everything about the mesh bag, the pay envelope and the other articles when my final report is made," he promised.

Another important contribution to the day's developments came in the shape of an interview with Henry F. Becker, former maste mechanic at the pencil factory, by The Georgian's correspondent in Irvington, N. J. It was on an old order pad used by Becker in 1909 that the death notes were written by Conley.

Becker in his interview with The Georgian representative expressed his firm belief in the innocence of Frank and declared that he was confident that Jim Conley, whom he knew as a worthless, no-account negro, was the person who slew the little girl.

Burns admitted Friday that he had located Colyar in an Alabama city and that his men were investigating every incident of Colyar's connection with the murder mystery, including his alleged effort to obtain by a $1,000 bribe testimony defamatory to Frank's character.

**Says Colyar Ought To Be in Jail.**

"If all I hear about this man is true, he ought to be in jail," said Burns. "I imagine he has been successful in escaping much of the imprisonment which he deserves not so much because he is clever, but because the authorities think he is not entirely responsible."

Burns will find out every detail of Colyar's connection with the detective department and with Chief Lanford, for whom generally understood he was working when he dictographed Colo. Thomas B. Felder and Mayor Woodward. The detective wishes to

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**THE WEATHER.**

**Forecast for Atlanta and Georgia—Rain and colder Friday; fair Saturday.**

## LATEST NEWS

ST. LOUIS, March 20.—Frank Wheatley, 49 years old, discount clerk for the Third National Bank, it was discovered this afternoon is short in his accounts $17,053. The announcement of the shortage was made by President F. O. Watts, of the bank. Wheatley is in the custody of private detectives.

Fred Holder, of No. 340 Luckie street, a messenger boy, was run down and painfully hurt at Piedmont and Ponde DeLeon avenues by an automobile Friday afternoon. Holder, who was on a bicycle, was hurled to the pavement. The driver of the car rode on without finding out the extent of his victim's injuries. C. R. Hooks, of the Overland-Southern Automobile Company, was passing the scene of the accident and picked up the injured boy, rushing him to Grady Hospital.

HOUSTON, March 20.—Ray Caldwell, the Yankee's pitcher, was suspended and fined $100 to-day by Manager Frank Chance for breaking training camp rules.

WASHINGTON, March 20.—The Senate to-day confirmed the nomination of Charles B. Streker to be assistant treasurer of the United States in Boston.

NEW YORK, March 20.—The body of Frederick Townsend Martin, the wealthy New York society man and club man who died in London on March 8, arrived here to-day.

NAGASKI, JAPAN, March 20.—Prof. Frank Alvord Perret, the Brooklyn scientist who went to Sajura Island to study the volcano of Sakura-Jima, was badly burned about the face and hands to-day by an explosion of molten lava.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 20.—The terrific pounding of the Atlantic's waves to-day broke in two the steamer City of Sydney, which went ashore on the Sambro Ledge on Tuesday. All on board and part of her crew were saved.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., March 20.—Discouraged by the almost continuous snowfall, Manager Clark Griffith, of the Washington baseball team to-day announced that he will break up spring camp here to-morrow and ship his young athletes back to Washington.

NASHVILLE, TENN., March 20.—Robbers entered the First National Bank in Gallatin, Tenn., early to-day and escaped with $32,000 in cash from the safe. They worked the combination.

WASHINGTON, March 20.—Secretary of War Garrison to-day made public the following appointments in connection with the permanent organization of the Panama Canal: Engineer of maintenance, Colonel Harry F. Hodges, U. S. A.; superintendent of transportation, Captain Hugh Rodman, U. S. N.; electrical engineer, Captain William H. Rose, U. S. A.; captains of the terminal port, Captain D. E. Dismukes and Lieutenant Commander Henry V. Butler, U. S. N.; superintendent of shops and dry docks, Naval D. C. Nutting, U. S. N.; general purchasing officer, Major F. C. Boggs, U. S. N.; chief quartermaster, Captain R. E. Wood, U. S. A.; chief health officer, Lieutenant Colonel Charles F. Mason, U. S. A.; superintendent of hospitals, Lieutenant Colonel George D. Dishon, U. S. A.; chief officer of the quarantine division, Dr. Marshall C. Guthrie, U. S. Public Health Service; auditor, H. A. Smith; assistant auditor, B. F. Harrah; executive secretary, C. A. McElvane.

NEW YORK, March 20.—Three men were hurt, two so badly that they will probably die, when a five-ton steel gorder which was being hoisted into place on the new Equitable Building fell upon a platform built over Broadway for the protection of pedestrians. The windows in two passing street cars were splintered and the passengers thrown into a panic. Traffic was blocked.

## Wilson and Huerta Are in Same Boat

NEW YORK, March 20.—Wilson Huerta arrived here to-day. They are the twin sons of Marianna Florio Cirat, Mexican Consul at Philadelphia, and his wife, who arrived on the Ward liner Morro Castle from Mexico. The twins were born at sea on St. Patrick's Day.

## THOMASON AND TYREE GUILTY

### Overseers Who Flogged Prisoners Must Pay $200 Each or Serve Year in Gang.

Clyde Thomason and Ed Tyree, convict bosses at the Adamson and Welauca camps, respectively, were found guilty Friday of the charges of cruelty toward the prisoners in their charge and were fined $200 each with the alternative of twelve months in the chaingang, of which they lately were in control.

The case against Thomason was made on the information that he had unmercifully whipped James Brannon, a convict, when Brannon exclaimed against the shooting of James Harris, a fellow prisoner, by Thomason.

Tyree was accused of flogging Ben Spratling, a negro prisoner, until the negro man's skin was in ribbons and the blood had saturated his clothes.

**Prosecution Follows Expose.**

The investigation by the Grand Jury and the subsequent indictment of the convict bosses, together with the reforms that recently have been instituted, came after the revelation of conditions in the convict camps by The Georgian and The Sunday American.

Judge Ben Hill, in pronouncing sentence, said that while some of the convicts undoubtedly had exaggerated the number of lashes given them and the extent of the cruelties practiced, it was patent that brutality existed at the camps and had been practiced both by Tyree and Thomason.

The judge was inclined to believe that Tyree had been an even worse offender than Thomason, although Thomason, on one count, had been charged with assault with intent to murder in the shooting of Harris.

**Flogged While Ill.**

Spratling, testifying for the prosecution, declared that Tyree had flogged him twice in succession, giving him 25 licks each time, in spite of the fact that he (Spratling) was sick from an abscess in the chest.

Tyree told the court that he was unaware of Soratling's affliction until the negro testified before the Grand Jury. Guards at the camp testified that Tyree whipped Spratling only once and that he applied the lash no more than eight times.

Thomason was found guilty on the assault and battery charge and at the request of the request of the Solicitor the indictment for assault with intent to murder was quashed. Mr. Dorsey said he did not think the indictment could be prosecuted on account of the character of the complaining convict and certain circumstances that had been explained to him.

Brannon was the first witness called by the State. He said that he had been lashed by Thomason on December 19, 1913, because on the day before he had said, after witnessing the shooting of Harris, "Oh, God! you murdered that man, and it was a cruel and cowardly murder." Following this assertion, he said that Thomason threatened to get even.

William Flynn, a convict, who witnessed the whipping of Brannon, when called by the State, said that the lashing had been one of the most cruel ever given in the camp. He said that he was working in the yard and heard Brannon's cries for mercy.

Harris was the next witness. He

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## BATTLE LINE DRAWN IN IRELAND

### Soldiers Rushed to Ulster and First Clash Is Expected Within 24 Hours.

Special Cable to The Atlanta Georgian.

DUBLIN, IRELAND, March 20.—8 p. m.—The situation in the Ulster province was so critical to-night that even the most conservative were predicting that before daybreak there would be clashes between the troopers and the Unionists who are bitterly opposed to the home rule bill.

With nearly 4,000 troops spread along the border and thousands more being rushed to the vicinity as fast as possible, England finds herself to-night on the verge of a civil war, that if it comes, will assume vast proportions.

So delicate is the situation now that Sir Edward Carson, leader of the Unionists, and one of the bitterest foes of the home rule bill, has become alarmed and is sending word to all his lieutenants to abandon their warlike attitude. But the Unionists, for the most part, have been worked up to a fever pitch, and seem in no mood now to harken to the pleadings of their leader for peaceful methods.

Among the troops that left late to-night for Ulster were the Dorset regiment, the Holyroods, the Norfolks and the Bedfordshire regiments. All these troops were fully armed and several of them carried a number of machine guns.

It was learned late to-night that additional orders for troops to proceed to Ulster had been issued and it seems certain that before to-morrow forenoon between 7,000 and 10,000 troops would be spread out along the border of the province.

## Life Insurance Head, Here to Meet Agents, Sees Big Crop Year

L. K. Passmore, first vice president of the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company, is in Atlanta to attend the meeting of the agents of the Bagley and Willet insurance agency at the Piedmont Hotel. Mr. Passmore is returning to Philadelphia after an extended tour of the South, having visited all agencies of the company.

"Conditions all over appear to me to be better right now than any previous year. Prospects for a bumper crop are excellent," he said.

"The Penn Mutual company has shown its confidence in this section by investing $7,000,000 in Georgia securities. The company has more than $30,000,000 of insurance in force in this State."

## Thief Bags Thirteen Chickens in Visit to Colonel Peel's Roost

Chicken thieves early Friday morning raided the chicken coops of Colonel W. L. Peel, president of the American National Bank, who lives at No. 1339 Peachtree street. Six Buff Orpingtons and seven Rhode Island Reds were stolen. Colonel Peel notified the police.

It is thought that the same thieves entered the grocery store of J. H. Barrett, No. 1212 Peachtree street. Entrance was gained through a back window. A large quantity of oats and corn was taken.

## RACING RESULTS

**AT CHARLESTON.**

FIRST—Five and one-half furlongs: Baby Sister, 105 (Obert), 10, 4, 2, won; Erantata, 105 (Hanover), 4, 2, even, second; Ione, 105 (Murphy), 9, 3, 8-5, third. Time, 1:12. Boly Hill, Pianuda, Bolter, Holton, Caraque', Spitfire, Nelrose, Dorothy Priwer, Great Surprise also ran.

SECOND—Five and one-half furlongs: The Turkess, 104 (Nichlaus), 8, 3, 8-5, won; Henrietta W., 111 (Pickett), 8, 3, 3-2, second; Madge's Sister, 95 (Bresch), 20, 8, 4, third. Time, 1:12 1-5. Batouch, Kelly, Edna Liska, Scarlet Pimpernel, Sweet Times, LaJoie, Woolgate, Otranto, Union Jack also ran.

THIRD—Five and one-half furlongs: Moisant, 111 (Wolfe), 8, 3, 8-5, won; Joe Finn, 108 (McTaggart), 4, 8-5, 4-5, second; Pluvius 116 (Davis), 5, 2, 4-5, third. Time, 1:12 2-5. Miss Eleanor, Silas Grump, Elsewhere, Belfast, Ben Loyal, Mark A. Mayer, Maurice Reed, John Marrs also ran.

FOURTH—Six furlongs: Striker, 100 (McTaggart), 6, 9-5, 7-10, won; Coppertown, 108 (Murphy), 13-10, 2-5, out, second; Prince Ahmed, 108 (Smyth), 12, 2, 1, third. Time, 1:17 3-5. Grosvenor, Batwa, Towton Field also ran.

FIFTH—Mile: Sonny Boy, 95 (Murphy), 4, 2, 1, won; Ella Grane, 102 (Woldron), 6, 2, 1, second; Jabot, 112 (Davis), 11-5, 1, 1-2, third. Time, 1:45 1-5. Mycenae, Battling Nelson, Linbrook, Brando, L. M. Eckert, Prospect also ran.

SIXTH—Mile and an eighth: Spellbound, 105 (W. Goose), 4, 8-5, 4-5, won; Servicence, 99 (Murphy), 12, 5, 2, second; Billie Baker, 108 (Davis), 10, 4, 2, third. Time, 1:59 2-5. Effendi, Ford Mai, Chas. F. Grainger, Sepulveda, Mary Ann also ran.

**AT JUAREZ.**

FIRST—Four furlongs: Don Cortez, 115 (Mentry), 5-2, 3-5, out, won; Commauretta, 112 (Dominick), 5, 6-5, out, second; Vampire, 115 (Murphy), 3, 7-10, out, third. Time, 47 3-5. Marie O'Brien, Ray R. Miller also ran.

SECOND—Mile: Fastoso, 107 (Booker), 15, 6, 3, won; Free Will, 110 (Taplin), 5, 8-5, 4-5, second; Flying, 112 (Kederis), 3, 1, 9-10, third. Time, 1:39. Bertha V., Va Va, Judge Denton II, Zinkand, Darkey, Kali Inla, Sugar Lump, Shorty Northcut, Tom Murphy, Beautiful Knight also ran.

THIRD—Five and one-half furlongs: Kenneth, 105 (McCabe), 2, 1-2, out, won; Dominica, 106 (Molesworth), 8-5, 2-5, out, second; Envy, 98 (Marco), 9-5, 3-5, out, third. Time, 1:06. Ben Stone also ran.

FOURTH—Five furlongs: Eve White, 105 (Mott), 5, 2, 4-5, won; Waldo, 110 (Mentry), 2, 4-5, 2-5, second; Orimar Lad, 110 (Booker), 3, 1, 1-2, third. Time, 59 3-5. Freda Johnson, Kitty W., Eel, King Stalwart, Abe Slupsky, Gimli also ran.

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## Took Stamps to Write To Wife to Avoid Suit

PHILLIPSTOWN, N. J., March 20. William Keenan, arrested for stealing two postage stamps, said he had to write a letter to his wife every day to keep from being arrested for abandonment.

WHEN night comes, you, who have no homes, wish to have a comfy room, bath, clean linen, and a comfortable bed in which to repose in sleeping rest. And it is a provident hand that leads you to such. The character of the advertisers in the "Want Ad" section of The American and Georgian, under the caption of Rooms for Rent, warrants you to make a ready selection, and with whom depends only upon the locality in which you wish to live.

## MERCURY TO DROP TO 25 DEGREES

### Weather Man Says It Might Be Good Idea to Protect Water Pipes.

One of the chilliest nights enjoyed (or otherwise) by Georgia in any March of its weather history will descend with nightfall Friday, unless C. F. VonHerrmann, weather forecaster, is seriously mistaken.

"The temperature will fall to about 25 degrees," said Mr. VonHerrmann, "with a severe and killing frost, favored by the dampness remaining from the recent rain. Saturday will be fair, and probably with a rising temperature after midday, so that the afternoon will not be unpleasantly cold."

The vast rush of cold air down from the great Northwest was responsible for the suddenness and severity of the change Thursday night.

**Real Nip Coming Friday.**

The thermometer shrank to 32 degrees Friday morning, and ice was plentiful. The real nip of the cold wave, however, will be felt Friday night, and it might not be a bad idea (Mr. VonHerrmann fancies) to switch off the water where pipes are much exposed to the outside air.

The weather director feels reasonably certain that this is the last kick of the dying winter, and is of the opinion that the frost will not do serious damage, owing to the restraining influence of previous cool weather on vegetation.

**Snow General North.**

Snow fell during the night in Virginia, Tennessee, Texas, Oklahoma, Alabama and North Georgia, and Friday morning the temperature began dropping.

In Richmond six inches of snow covered the ground at 9 o'clock Friday, and in Baltimore a heavy snowstorm sent the thermometer below the freezing point. The snow was generdl throughout Tennessee, Nashville having the heaviest snowfall in three years, while at Memphis and Chattanooga and many of the smaller towns heavy snowfalls were reported.

In Atlanta the rain of Thursday afternoon and evening was followed Friday by a cold snap that sent the mercury in the weather bureau's thermometer down two degrees in less than two hours. At 7 o'clock, the official observation time, the temperature was 32 degrees—just freezing; and at 8:30 o'clock the thermometer registered 30 degrees, a drop of 2 degrees.

It is not known as yet whether the Georgia peach crop has been injured by the cold. It was stated Friday at the office of E. Lee Worshaw, State Entomologist, that there is little likelihood that great damage was done, because the high wind kept frost from forming.

**Eight Inches in Tennessee.**

BRISTOL, TENN., March 20.—The heaviest snow of the winter is falling in East Tennessee and Southwestern Virginia to-day. The fall which began at midnight had attained a depth over the capital to-day.

**Kentucky Snow Bound.**

LOUISVILLE, KY., March 20.—The heaviest snow of the winter covers Kentucky. Roads in many sections are impassable and farm work, which was well started, has ceased entirely.

MANN ASSAILS PRESIDENT IN MEXICAN WAR SPEECH.

WASHINGTON, March 20.—A bitter and dramatic attack on President Wilson was made this afternoon in the House by Minority Leader Mann. He said in part:

"When the Moroccan bandit Raisuli held Perdicardis, an American citizen, his prisoner, the Secretary of State sent this message to the Sultan of Morocco: 'This Government wants Perdicardis alive or Raisuli dead.'

"Had we had Andrew Jackson in the White House at that time, that is what he would have said. We had Theodore Roosevelt as President, and that is what he said. Would to God we had one or the other of them in the White House to-day to deal with the Mexican situation."

## Georgia Child Labor Conditions Terrible, Says A. J. McKelway

Dr. A. J. McKelway, a nationally famous Child Labor expert, passed through Atlanta Friday, en route to Washington from New Orleans, where he has been attending a conference on child labor. Dr. McKelway commented vigorously on published utterances defending Georgia's child labor laws, declaring that conditions in this State are terrible.

"Georgia is the last place on earth that should defend her child labor laws," said Dr. McKelway. "Ten-year-old children are allowed to work in the cotton mills of this State, a condition that prevails nowhere else in the country. The child labor laws of Georgia are virtually no laws at all, for all the good they do.

"A defense of the child labor laws that are now on the statute books of this State is a defense of child labor, of the practice of allowing little children to work ten and twelve hours a day in the cotton mills."

## Builder Stricken In Doctor's Office

W. T. Ward, aged 51, a contractor living at No. 398 Mangum street, is in Grady Hospital Friday morning following a stroke of apoplexy while at the office of Dr. George A. Vimson in the Inman Building. He is unconscious and little hope is given for his recovery.

Mr. Ward was stricken with apoplexy two years ago and since that time has been taking treatments from Dr. Vimson. Friday morning, while on his way to the doctor's office, he felt that he was to be stricken again. He hurried to the office, but the doctor was not in. A few minutes later he collapsed.

## Shoots Wife Fatally And Wounds 3 Others

WASHINGTON, March 20.—Mrs. Herbert Kabanski was fatally shot; her mother, Mrs. Solomon Raboy, and her brother and husband were seriously wounded, and Policeman Edwards narrowly escaped death to-day when Kabanski, a former soldier, tried to kill his wife and her family at her mother-in-law's home.

Kabanski was separated from his wife and jealousy is said to have caused the shooting.

## Hoke Smith Calls Vocational Board

WASHINGTON, March 20.—Senator Hoke Smith, chairman of the Commission on Vocational Education, recently appointed by the President, has called a meeting in Washington for April 2.

Representative Hughes, of Georgia, is the other Southern member of the commission.

## Hewlett Will Live With Japan Lepers

Special Cable to The Atlanta Georgian.

LONDON, March 20.—The Rev A. S. Hewlett, a cousin of the novelist, Maurice Hewlett, has resigned from St. Paul's Church, Birkenhead, to spend his time among the lepers at Kumato, an island off Kyushyu, Japan.

## Church Gets Estate For 100 Years Masses

NEW YORK, March 20.—The will of the Rev. Cyrus Kisle, filed here, provides that his estate shall go to St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church if masses for 100 years are said for the repose of his soul and those of two friends.

## 3 SUSPECTS HELD HERE IN Q. & C. HOLD-UP

### Mail Clerk Beaten and Stabbed in Holdup Picks One of Trio as Assailant.

Identification Friday by Postal Clerk Harry B. Melville of two of the three yegg suspects captured Thursday by Sergeant Bullard and Plainclothes Officer Shaw led the police to the conviction that they have in custody part of the desperate gang of bandits that held up and robbed the Queen and Crescent passenger train of $40,000 near Birmingham, Ala., on February 19.

The bandits beat Melville, the postal clerk on duty, almost into insensibility and A. O. Perry, the robber whom Melville positively identifies, stabbed him in the back and threatened to kill him, according to Melville.

**Arrested for Another Crime.**

The other two suspects gave their names as W. B. Gray, alias "Des Moines Bill," and Oxford P. Fields. They were arrested at No. 89 Brookline street Thursday on suspicion of being the yeggs who blew the safe of the Walker Bros. store in Griffin and robbed it of $805.

Melville was brought to Atlanta Friday to look at the three prisoners who had been placed among a dozen others in the police station. The postal clerk at once picked out Perry and positively identified him as the man who had stabbed him and left him for dead.

He picked Gray also, but was not so sure of his identity. Neither was he certain of Fields. Perry was extremely nervous as soon as he saw Melville and is said to have become greatly excited when Melville walked toward him to identify him.

**Reward of $6,000.**

Postal Inspector Adamson and Detective Harry Scott, who have worked on the daring robbery, were present at the identification. Sheriff Hetson, of Griffin, came to Atlanta to arrange for the return of the three men to his city to answer for the store robbery, but it was thought likely that they would be taken to Birmingham.

A $6,000 reward was offered for the capture of the train robbers, and if a conviction is obtained against the prisoners, it is understood that Sergeant Bullard and Officer Shaw will put in a claim for the reward.

L. W. James, who is associated with Attorney D. K. Johnson, counsel for John Nolan, was at police headquarters Friday afternoon and indicated his belief that Perry and not Nolan is the man who held up and robbed the N. C. & St. L. passenger train between Bolton and Vinings on the evening of January 16. He said that passengers on the train would be called to look at Perry and that a new trial would be asked for Nolan, who was sentenced to 20 years for the robbery.

# BECKER, FORMER CHIEF MECHANIC AT FACTORY, CALLS FRANK INNOCENT

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know if Colyar's service for the detective department extended into the investigation of the Phagan murder.

"I am looking into every angle of the case," said Burns. "No detail is too small to attract my attention. If Colyar was acting on his own initiative when he made the alleged attempts at bribery, I want to know it. If he was taking orders from someone else or was acting under theid rection when he was carrying on this alleged crook.d work, I want to know who it was.

"I know exactly where Colyar is. I am acquainted with his past record. He is not the only one whose connection with the case is under investigation."

Burns, discussing the charges of "frame-up" that have been made against the detective department,said that he had come across nothing as against Frank.

yet to indicate a deliberate plot

"The detectives, as frequently is the case, were over-zealous," he said. "They undoubtedly were misled in the turmoil and excitement of the first days of the tragedy. There were rumors of every sort afloat. It was only natural that they followed some of them and came to believe in their truth.

"They jumped at conclusions exactly the same as the general public did. An investigation now can be conducted with much better results than then, I believe. The intense feeling that followed the murder has been tempered in the last few months. People are willing to think sanely and soberly now.

**Wild Stories Told.**

"Stories that were told the detectives and Solicitor then, now are found in many instances to have been fabrications or the product of overexcited or unscrupulous minds.

"The mystery is near its close. I have found nothing difficult in it. No obstacles have been placed in my way. I wish to have conferences with all those who engaged in the prosecution and I am sure that they will assist me in every way possible at arriving at the truth.

"I am not ready to hazard an opinion as to the guilt or innocence either of Frank or of Conley. I only wish to call attention to the too common practice of jumping at conclusion. When I make my report I will point out the guilty man and I will have positive information on which to base my declaration."

Mr. Burns intimated that his investigation is rapidly approaching a climax, and that his final report may be expected within two weeks. Dan Lehon, of New Orleans, superintendent of the Southern division of the Burns agency, is expected to arrive in Atlanta Sunday or Monday to assist his chief in the final stages of the probs. His arrival is taken to indicate that Burns has begun to gather up the threads of the mystery and weave them into tangible shape.

**Trail Grows Plainer.**

The famous detective declared that this investigation is progressing satisfactorily, and that every day the trail of the murderer grows plainer and easier to follow. He declared that his final report will contain evidence that will dissipate the last remaining doubt as to the identity of the murderer, although he would not say whether his report would affect Frank or some other person.

"I intend to prove absolutely the identity of the guilty man," said Mr. Burns "I will leave nothing to the imagination; nothing to prejudice. That may sound like I am boasting, but I am just egotistical enough to believe that I know what I am doing, and that I can do what I say I can. I can find the murderer of Mary Phagan, and I will find him, and before very long, too."

Mr. Burns also took occasion, in conversation with newspaper men Friday, to contradict rumors that he was working on the case solely with a view to clearing Frank. This he declared to be ridiculous and absurd.

"I am here to find the murderer, not to shield Frank or anyone else," he declared. "I went into this case with the understanding that my investigation should be impartial, that if I found after careful investigation that Frank is the guilty man I should say so without reservation.

"There isn't enough money in the world to tempt me to thwart justice or aid in thwarting it. I came into this case with an open mind, with a contract that gave me liberty to investigate as I pleased without the necessity of shielding anyone; and I intend to continue making my investigation impartially, and will find the guilty man and prove that he is guilty, no matter who he may be."

Mr. Burns reiterated his intention of seeing Jim Conley and interviewing the negro, but would not say when he expected to do it.

"Throughout the plot of this murder can be seen plainly the thread of a criminal's mental process," said Burns. "The slayer of Mary Phagan was a criminal of the worst type. I have never before come in contact with so foul a crime. And now I see my way clear to point my finger at the guilty man."

As to when this would be done, however, Mr. Burns declined to be specific.

"It may be in a few days; it may be a couple of weeks; it may be more," he said enigmatically. "I will have all the facts in hand, and a convincing statement to make when I make it. When I am near the end I shall hand over my data to the Solicitor General, and he, of course, will act as he sees fit."

It was while talking of Mr. Dorsey's work in the prosecution that Mr. Burns intimated that the trail he was following was leading away from Leo Frank, as he has plainly done several times, although expressing no opinion as to his guilt or innocence.

"It is quite possible," he said, "that the Solicitor has been misled in some particulars. But if he was, it was by private detectives—one of the most dangerous institutions with which we have to contend. The Solicitor was zealous in the prosecution, I understand. But that is proper. He believed he was right, and his belief was founded on substance supplied to him by investigators. That substance was enough to warrant him in his position. As to Mr. Dorsey's zeal, I would merely state that this country would be in a very bad way if it did not have public prosecutors who carried on their work with zeal and determination I am quite sure Mr. Dorsey was not prejudiced in this case."

Thursday night Mr. Burns spent more than two hours locked with his assistants in the National Pencil factory building on Forsyth street. It is understood that he went carefully over the scene of operations outlined by Conley and established in the trial as the theory of the State. He expects, he says, to make other visits to the factory.

## Becker Defends Frank as Upright.

IRVINGTON, N. J., March 29.—"I am absolutely certain that young Frank is innocent of the killing of Mary Phagan—in fact, I would be willing to stake my life on my belief. I have known Frank for four years—possibly a little longer—and in all that time I have found him to be nothing but a sober, industrious and highly esteemed young fellow, a willing worker and certainly an honest citizen.

"As for Jim Conley, I always knew him as a no-account negro, whose every statement was well worth investigating before accepting. He had a mighty bad, a very bad, name around the factory of the National Pencil Company in Atlanta, and there wasn't a person in the place, male or female, who had any use for him. In fact, they all avoided him as much as possible.

"Though, of course, I have no actual proof—nothing but my own beliefs obtained from fellow-employees and my own personal observations of the man—from my knowledge of the m..n's character I feel sure that he and no one else killed the girl.

"The whole case appears to me as if an attempt—and a mighty contemptible one—is being made in certain quarters to send a man, and a decent young fellow at that, to the gallows for some crime he did not commit.

"I am waiting for a call to Atlanta to testify, and I want to say that when the call comes I will lose no time getting there. Frank knows nothing more concerning the killing of Mary than I do, and I see nothing but acquittal for him if he ever is granted another trial.

"Georgia will sanction a terrible crime if she permits this innocent young fellow to go to the scaffold, for truth will surely prevail in the end, and Frank will be absolved. It would be better to sift the matter right through to a finish at this time and save the official name of Georgia from an everlasting stigma.

"I would like to say a great deal more now, but I have already told you that I am expecting to be called as a witness and do not think it would be justifiable of me to say any more at this time."

This was the statement made today by Henry Frederick Becker, of No. 41 Mapleton avenue, Irvington, former superintendent of the National Pencil Company of Atlanta and at present mechanical superintendent of the Best Pencil Company of Irvington.

**Says He Has New Testimony.**

Becker, at first, was loath to discuss the Frank case, under the belief that he might say something that lawyers for Frank might not wish made public at this time. He admitted that he had much testimony of an important nature that would be of material help to Frank if placed on trial again, and intimated that none of it had come out at the previous trial.

Mrs. Becker, his wife, spoke highly of young Frank, saying that while her husband was in charge of the pencil factory that she had met Frank many times and that he appeared to be honest, sober and not of the degenerate type of youth pictured at his trial.

"He could never have committed this atrocious murder," said Mrs. Becker, "for the simple reason that I do not believe him to be of that type of man. If given a new trial I am as confident as my husband that he will be vindicated."

## Old City Hall Elms Will Be Cut Down

Officials of the park department Friday were considering the removal of the old elm trees surrounding the City Hall and replacing them with either restinispora or arborvitae bushes, the object being to improve the appearance of the building for the Shriners' convention in May.

The rearrangement will be temporary. At the close of the convention it is planned to remove the bushes and plant a number of young trees in their places.

**STANDARD HOME BRANCH.**

A branch office of the Standard Home Company, of Baltimore, has been opened in Atlanta under the charge of T. R. Fuller, State agent. Mr. Fuller is a native of this city and his new offices are in the Hurt Building.


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All on tables Saturday—2d floor.

Choose — Choose — Choose — bring the girls along.

## Buy Hosiery Saturday



Women's and Children's Black and White Ribbed Hose. Pair ..... **15c**

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We sell Ladies' Silk Hose for 69c pair, usually sold in the majority of stores for one dollar. This store will back them. Also the regular $1 Silk Stockings sold here at, a pair ..... **89c**

## Saturday Specials

81x90 Bed Sheets ..... **62½c**

Pillow Cases..... **11c**

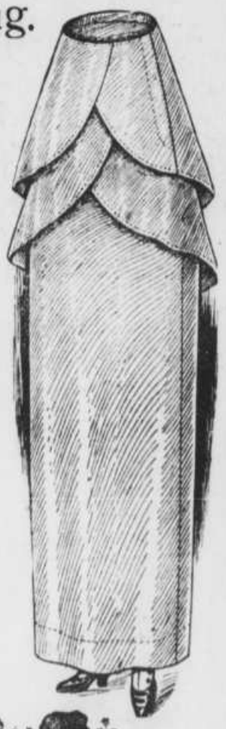
No. 600 Longcloth—fine quality, usually $1.50 and $1.75 bolt. 12-yard bolts to-morrow

**$1.25**

18x36-inch red border Huck Towels, dozen

**95c**

Note the size.





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Beautiful Voiles, Crepes, Linene Waists, lots of styles; hemstitched yokes, laydown collars. Sold most everywhere at $2.00 to $2.25. Here ..... **$1.19**

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| | | Philada Cream | 10c |
| | | Dairy Farm | 10c |
| | | Tasty Cheese | 10c |
| | | Limburger Brick, lb. | 30c |
| | | Maclaren's Rocquefort, in jars | 20c |

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