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UMLAUF BEGINS FIGHT TO-NIGHT

Will Take First Definite Step Toward Eradication of Dives.

MANY MATTERS FOR ACTION BY COUNCIL

Question of Increasing the Police Force and of Appropriating \$30,000 for Conversion of Market Into Public Hall Will Be Up.

Today will begin a busy week in the City Hall and in the Council and its committees. The features of the week will be the meeting of the Council to-night, there being a vast volume of very important business up for consideration. Indeed, the budget of really important matters (including for consideration) is up to require an adjourned meeting, and two long sessions of that kind it is to be disposed of.

A matter of almost universal interest in the City is the proposed conversion of the Market into a public hall, a bill introduced by Commissioner Jacob Umlauf of an ordinance requiring a public hall to be erected at the site of the Market, and that no other public building shall be erected there until the Market has been converted into a public hall.

This measure has been discussed and considered very wisely. A Commission of the City, consisting of the Mayor, the Council, and the City Commissioners, has been appointed to study the question. The Commission will report to the Council on the 15th inst.

Another matter of great public importance is the proposed increase of the police force. This measure will be reported to the Council on the 15th inst. A number of Commissioners are already committed to support it, and others will be expected to do so.

Other Important Matters.

The Council will also consider the proposed conversion of the Market into a public hall, and the proposed increase of the police force. The Council will also consider the proposed conversion of the Market into a public hall, and the proposed increase of the police force.

SUICIDE AFTER GARRETT MURDER

Young Married Man, Suspected of Crime, Takes His Own Life.

HIS LETTERS FOUND IN WOMAN'S TRUNK

Told Wife of His Intention to Shoot Himself — Probably Killed Himself With Same Weapon by Which Mrs. Garrett Died.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BRISTOL, Va., November 4.—An account to the cold-blooded assassination of Mrs. William Garrett, a young married woman at Abingdon last night, came the suicide to-day at Abingdon of John Hawkins, a near neighbor of the woman. His suicide followed his hearing that he was under suspicion for the killing of Mrs. Garrett. Hawkins is a married man, about thirty years old, and leaves a wife and three small children. His position had been excellent, and he had never before been under suspicion of any crime. Hawkins became connected with the case by the discovery of a letter which he had written Mrs. Garrett, and which is now in the possession of the Commonwealth's Attorney. This letter, it is said, in a manner intimates the dead man and Mrs. Garrett, although the woman is said to have lived in a way not to attract suspicion. Mrs. Garrett's assassination was a horrible affair, her head being partially blown off by two leads from a shotgun.

Told His Wife About It.

Hawkins learned this morning that he was under suspicion in connection with the murder of Mrs. Garrett, when an officer went to his home to inquire what he knew of the tragedy. The officer told Hawkins in a highly nervous state, and it was but a few minutes thereafter that he told his wife, and hastily telling her the details of the case, she followed him to the police station, where she handed back her gun, which she had hidden away from the house. She claimed the muzzle of the gun against the side of his neck and discharged it. He died within five minutes after the shot was fired. His wife and children were within a hundred yards of him at the time.

Letter Told Story.

The suicide of Hawkins is generally accepted as the true explanation of the murder of Mrs. Garrett. The letter which he wrote to her, found in the woman's trunk, appears to fit the crime upon the dead man. It is presumed that jealousy was the cause of the assassination of the woman. The letter indicates that Mrs. Garrett and Hawkins had been on very friendly terms. The woman is said to have been very quiet and reserved in disposition. Both of the parties were well known in the community in which they lived.

POLICEMEN PUT UNDER ARREST

Four of New York's Finest Held for Alleged Wounding of Striking Chauffeur.

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DYNAMITE BOMB FROM BLACK HAND

Failing to Extort Money, Terrorizing Society Brings Destruction on Italian.

NEW YORK, November 4.—Unsuccessful in their alleged attempts to blackmail Francesco Messina, a prosperous tailor of Brooklyn, members of the so-called "Black Hand Society," so the police say, today mailed a dynamite bomb against the front door of the tenement house in which Messina lives and conducts his business, and caused damage of \$25,000 to the building and surrounding property. Sources of persons felt the shock of the explosion, but no one was injured. "There was no doubt among the police that a deliberate attempt had been made by an organized band of blackhanders to wreak vengeance on Messina and his family, following closely a half-dozen similar outbreaks in the same neighborhood, this attack has spread terror among the poor Italians.

Committee Meetings.

Council committees will be busy to-day beginning at noon, the Council on Relief of the Poor will hold a special meeting, at which the subcommittee of three will ask that their membership be increased to five, and they are authorized to employ a stenographer, take testimony and send for persons and papers in the case.

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LOUISIANA, NAVY'S FASTEST BATTLESHIP, SELECTED TO CONVEY PRESIDENT TO PANAMA



The Oregon, the Navy's fastest battleship, selected to convey President to Panama.

PRESIDENT GETS HIS WILD TURKEY

Secret Let Out While Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt Were at Church.

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RETURNS TO WASHINGTON

Large Crowd at Station to Bid President and His Wife Adieu. Walked to Church.

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ENGINE PLOWS INTO BAR-ROOM

Engineer Scalded to Death and Brakeman Instantly Killed.

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ALL IN SALOON ESCAPE

As Soon as Engine Jumped the Track It Made Bee-Line for Bar-Room.

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BIT SWEETHEART; DEAD IN HOUR

It Made Her Mad and She Drank Carbolic Acid, Dying in Agony.

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MUST HAVE MADE HER MAD

That Is Reason Ascribed by Lover Who Says He Bit Her on Arm.

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AGED STATESMAN DIES SUDDENLY OF APOPLEXY

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LET THE CHURCH EARLY

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IS INSTANTLY KILLED BY ELECTRIC CURRENT

MILLVILLE, N. J., November 4.—Paid Brown, aged 22 years, was killed to-day while descending a building erected on the new electric line of the West Jersey and Seaboard Railroad. Fifteen hundred volts passed through his body.

FIRE THREATENS NOTED EDIFICE

PITTSBURGH, PA., November 4.—Fire threatened the destruction of the Carnegie Institute, valued at \$2,000,000, and the most beautiful structure of its kind in America. The fire originated in the basement in the basement from defective electric wiring, and was extinguished after damaging the building to the extent of \$50,000.

Carnegie Institute Damaged to Extent of \$20,000 and Many People in Peril.

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SHOT WIFE, THEN SENT BULLET INTO OWN HEAD

CAMDEN, N. J., November 4.—Daniel Weldon, aged fifty-eight years, to-day shot his wife, Mary, and then sent a bullet into his own head. It is thought that both will die. Weldon's daughter was recently murdered by her husband, and breaking over his trouble is thought to have affected his brain.

HELD IN BONDAGE ON OYSTER BOAT

Eight Men Sign a Letter Appealing to Authorities for Aid.

GOVERNOR SWANSON WILL TAKE ACTION

Executive Will Consult With United States Marshal and Exert Every Endeavor to Secure Liberation of Men Who Say They Are Slaves.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

In a remarkable letter just received here, and now before Governor Swanson and the Federal authorities for an investigation, eight men, claiming to be in a state of bondage on an oyster boat in the Chesapeake Bay, recall a story of daily suffering and want and cruelty, and invoke the aid of the authorities in relieving them of an unbearable plight.

The letter is addressed to Dr. Charles M. Hazen, of Bon Air and Richmond, and it all the statements contained in it are correct, the case bears a strong analogy to the notorious "ship-chaffing" scandal which was discovered and exposed by United States Marshal Morgan Trent about a year ago, when, in company with several other officers and a representative of The Times-Dispatch, he secured the waters of the great Virginia bay and ran to earth several oyster sloops which were engaged in the notorious industry.

The present instance, however, does not appear to be one of "ship-chaffing" proper, but of a system of bondage, since the writer of the letter, Nelson Woodridge, a negro, sets forth that the eight men concerned signed a contract to work with the master of the dredging boat a month, and then alleges that their names were placed in a forced signature to a contract for labor until Christmas.

The Letter.

"The man writes to Dr. Hazen by whom he was formerly employed, and implores him to deliver the letter to the Governor and use every effort possible to help the men to secure their freedom. He gives following details as to the treatment the men are receiving in the alleged bondage and servitude, but he fails to furnish the names of the boat on which they are confined—most important fact to be learned for those who are to help the men.

Weighty Matters Hang on New York Election

NEW YORK, November 4.—One of the most trying political contests ever fought in New York State will be brought to a close to-day. Never before in a State campaign has the paramount issue leading on a national scale, been so forcibly focused in the public eye. Whatever may be the result of voting to-day, the great question of issue will remain undecided, and must be fought out again in 1908. No one can forecast the national influence of the Empire State verdict of to-day. It may mean that Theodore Roosevelt will be unanimously called by his party to lead another national fight. It may mean the rise or fall of the Hearst star in the next national campaign. It may place the Bryan star in the ascendant.

Striking Analysis of All Predictions.

The New York World and the New York Times predict the election of Charles E. Hughes, leaving the status open for a national campaign. The Times gives Hughes before election. An analysis of all the analyses and predictions shows:

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Second, That Mr. Hughes will probably get a normal Republican majority in the State. It was stated that Mr. Hearst had a normal majority.

Third, That Mr. Hughes will probably be elected by a fair plurality, and may be elected by a plurality that will amount to a landslide.

Fourth, That it is impossible to place with any certainty a silent vote of large proportions, and this silent vote may mean all calculations and elect Mr. Hearst.

VIGOROUS STEPS TO PREVENT FRAUD

Army of Watchers at Polls in Greater New York—Police Under Rigid Instructions.

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Missionaries in Central China Report Frightful Condition of Affairs.

SHANGHAI, November 4.—Missionaries report most dire conditions in the northern part of Kiangsi Province. It is estimated that ten million people are starving. Local magistrates are preventing people from leaving the province, but are taking no steps to relieve them with food supplies. Serious disorders are feared.

AGED AND PROMINENT MAN GORED TO DEATH BY BULL

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ELECT HUGHES BY BIG MAJORITY

Every New York Paper But Hearst's American So Predicts.

HEARST'S HOPE IS SILENT VOTE

This Cannot Be Fought or Estimated, and Even Tammany Men's Bitterest Enemies Say This May Upset All Calculations and Elect Him.

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Significant forecasts made by leading New York newspapers yesterday warn: New York Mail: Hearst will be defeated—badly defeated. There is not the slightest doubt that a landslide has set in against him.

New York Tribune: The State campaign closes with the Republicans confident, and Mr. Hearst's partisans in an evident panic.

New York World: Nothing but Republican votes can prevent Mr. Hearst from being the worst-beaten candidate that ever ran for Governor of New York as the nominee of a great party.

New York Herald: Charles E. Hughes will be elected Governor by a large plurality. "Up-State" 143,000, with New York City result immaterial either way.

New York Times: Hughes will have a plurality of 100,000.

New York American: The vote fairly cast for William Randolph Hearst throughout the State and city of New York will elect him by a great majority.

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Yesterday (Sunday)

Printed 3,720 inches of advertising, which was 1,468 inches more than one year ago the corresponding Sunday. This is a record that has not been equaled by any other Sunday paper in Virginia, and in the amount of advertising business printed, the number of pages or the variety of interesting matter, has been equaled by but few papers in America.

The Sunday Times-Dispatch ranks with the great newspapers of America.

Now, let's have 200,000 people in Richmond.

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