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RAY LAMPHERE MAY TELL WHOLE GUINNESS STORY

If His Lawyer Will Allow Him He is Prepared to Tell All He Knows About the Corpse Strewn Farm---The Woman Arrested at Syracuse Not Mrs. Guinness.

Laporte, Ind., May 9.—A sharp contest between the prosecution and the defense in the case of Ray Lamphere, who is accused of having caused the death of some of the persons whose bodies have been found buried at the Guinness farm, is carried for today. H. W. Worden, attorney for the prisoner, said that he would take action to count today with the object of compelling the authorities to abandon their policy of keeping Lamphere in seclusion. Worden complains that when he went to the jail last night he was refused admittance, despite the fact that his client had sent for him. A possible explanation of the refusal of the sheriff to admit Worden to Lamphere's cell is found in the fact that the former hired man of Mrs. Guinness said yesterday that he was willing to break the silence which he has maintained since his arrest provided that his attorney would agree to such procedure. "I want to tell everything I know," said Lamphere. "But my attorney says that I must not talk, and I won't until he says I can."

This attitude of the prisoner has given the prosecution hope that he may soon reveal secrets which they have endeavored to solve by the slow system of circumstantial evidence. At the same time, it is realized Attorney Worden will scarcely change his attitude regarding the prisoner making any admissions concerning his relations with Mrs. Guinness.

Yesterday developments beyond the discovery of one more body on the farm centered mainly about Lamphere's possible connection with the death. Many more witnesses were interviewed by the prosecution officers, and at least two were subpoenaed formally. This brings the present list of witnesses up to 21.

Most important in the evidence secured yesterday was the trunk which Lamphere left on the farm of John Wheatbrook, where he was employed since February last. The Wheatbrook farm is in the vicinity of Springfield, a hamlet seven miles north of here, and in the neighborhood of where Lamphere spent his boyhood.

Letters from Mrs. Guinness found in Lamphere's trunk urged him to return to the Death Farm and to bring his sweetheart with him. These letters were sent to Springfield, and the investigation may be made there, may result in discovering the "sweetheart" mentioned by Mrs. Guinness. Thus far her identity is unobtainable.

Syracuse, N. Y., May 9.—The woman arrested here for Mrs. Belle Guinness of Laporte, Ind., has regular teeth and but one gold crown, which is a molar on the left side. The Laporte description of Mrs. Guinness states that her upper teeth were heavily plated with gold.

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This morning, after a long interview with Mrs. Herron, chief of police said that she did not answer the description of Mrs. Guinness. At the woman's request he forwarded a telegram addressed to Mrs. Charles P. Rockefeller, No. 317 West Fortieth street, New York. The mother gave her name as Mrs. Lucy Burton. She said her home was in Chicago where her daughter lived with her and that both had been at their summer home at Franklin, Pa., taking the train for Cleveland on their way to New York.

Chief Caden said he would detain the women until they had furnished complete identification. Rockefeller, of this city, is a sister of Mrs. L. A. Herron. She said today that Mrs. Herron has lived most of her life in Franklin, Pa., and that L. A. Herron, her husband, was formerly vice-president of the Seltzer Company of Chicago.

Rockefeller said her sister was on her way to this city to search for employment when she was taken into custody. Laporte, Ind., May 8.—One more body was added to the death roll of the Belle Guinness farm today, making a total of ten corpses and skeletons exhumed in the yard besides the four bodies found in the ruins of the farmhouse, which was burned on April 28. Coroner Mack at first announced that the grave opened this morning contained one complete cadaver and several bones of a second skeleton, but this evening he said that what he had first believed to be additional thigh and arm bones, belong to the first body recovered to-day.

Resumption of excavation at the Guinness farm to-day again drew an immense crowd of spectators. The rush of visitors has become so great that the police have established a regular omnibus line from Laporte to the farm.

The announcement by Coroner Mack that two bodies had been discovered served only to increase the rush of curiosity seekers. The scraps of humanity were found in the barnyard, which had already given up nine cadavers, and were discovered under circumstances similar to those which prevailed on Tuesday and Wednesday.

About four feet below the surface the excavators encountered bits of bone and burlap and a few strokes more of the spades and hoes revealed a skull, a decomposed torso and leg and arm bones. This corpse was by far the least preserved of any of the ten gruesome relics. Besides the usual traces of life, the body showed that a less skillful hand had dismembered it. The legs had been severed above the kneejoint, but the bones were splintered. The shoulder blade was shattered in cleaving the head from the body. The skull was lying near the pelvis. Nothing but a jumbled heap of decayed flesh and crumbling bones was left to indicate the identity of the person. It was thought, however, that the corpse was that of a woman, for a pair of women's Oxford shoes and the metal frame of a woman's purse were found in the grave.

While the investigations were going on at the farm, Prosecutor Smith, aided by Deputy Sheriff Roy Marr, was collecting additional evidence concerning Lamphere's alleged participation in the deaths of Helgelein, Mrs. Guinness and her three children. Lamphere is accused of first degree murder, because of the deaths of Mrs. Guinness and her three children.

Lamphere today sent a request to his attorney, H. W. Worden, asking the latter to send to the farm of John Wheatbrook for a trunk which Lamphere left there when he was arrested after the burning of the Guinness house.

But before this word had reached the attorney the trunk had been seized by the police. It contained a number of letters, the first of which was addressed to Helgelein, Mrs. Guinness and her three children. The letters were found in the trunk after the latter had taken employment at the farm of John Wheatbrook, seven miles north of Laporte. The exact dates on these letters were not announced, but that they were recent is evidenced by the fact that Lamphere went to the Wheatbrook farm on February 3, 1903.

Mrs. Guinness wrote to Lamphere urging him to return to her farm and to bring her sweetheart with you if she has one. The identity of the woman is a mystery, and neither does Mrs. Guinness mention the amount deemed necessary for her reception at the Guinness farm. Along with the letters were found several women's finger rings, some of which were of unusual size and were believed to have been the property of Mrs. Guinness.

One of the first new witnesses found to-day was Peter Colson. According to Colson, Lamphere said a few days before the burning of the Guinness house: "I made her get down on her knees last night, and I am going to make her get down to-night unless she comes up with some money. I know things about her that would raise an awful row if they were told. She thought me this suit of clothes that I am wearing, but she doesn't like to come up with the coin and that is what I must have."

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CAMPBELLTON HAS WORST FIRE KNOWN IN ITS HISTORY

From \$70,000 to \$85,000 is the Estimate of Damage Done by This Morning's Conflagration---Big Harquail Mills, Lumber and Several Buildings Burned.

Campbellton, N. B., May 9.—(Special).—The most destructive fire that has ever visited Campbellton occurred early this morning. The blaze started in the boiler room of the Harquail's Wood Working Factory about midnight and before it was checked the entire plant, including dry kilns, warehouses on both sides of the street, barn and lumber piles were completely destroyed, also the residence owned by H. D. Sheals and occupied by Ernest Blair, and the residence of Robert Smith with store, barn and outbuildings. The residence of J. D. Harquail was also badly scorched and it was found necessary to flood the interior with water to save it.

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The loss will be a great inconvenience to Campbellton this summer, as an unusually large number of dwelling houses are being erected.

The factory and warehouses of J. & J. D. Harquail were insured for \$20,000 in the following companies: Union, Hartford; German American, Norwich Union, British American; Guardian, Sun and Western, \$2500 each. As far as can be learned the lumber was not insured.

"FIGHTING BOB" GOES OUT TODAY

Rear Admiral Evans Today Leaves Command of U. S. Atlantic Fleet.

San Francisco, May 9.—Today is the last day of Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans' command of the United States Atlantic fleet. He is to be succeeded as command-in-chief by Rear Admiral Thomas, who will retain the command but five days, stepping aside on May 15, in favor of Rear Admiral Charles G. Sperry.

Physicians who have been in constant attendance upon Admiral Evans for months state that his health is steadily improving notwithstanding his attack of the last week. He is in better physical condition than when he left the Springs to return to the fleet at Santa Cruz.

Tonight Admiral Evans, accompanied by his family and members of his personal staff, will leave the hotel in carriages and be driven to the depot where he will board the train for Washington.

Rear Admiral Evans had a personal farewell to the officers of his command at the banquet given last night in honor of the visiting Atlantic fleet by the city of San Francisco. He was wheeled into the room and in a fifteen minute address declared that what is needed to preserve the peace of the world is more battleships and fewer statesmen.

As to armor belts, the Admiral declared it made no difference whether they were at the water line or whether they were made of leather, wood or egg shells, it is the men who can shoot the straightest and stand punishment the longest who win battles, he declared.

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