

Constitution Starts Fund to Bring Burns Here To Solve the Mary Phagan Murder Mystery

By all means employ William J. Burns to solve the Mary Phagan murder mystery!

It will cost several thousand dollars to get the world-famous detective to come to Atlanta, and The Constitution herewith starts the subscription with \$100.

As soon as Homer George, manager of the Atlanta theater, learned of the subscription he subscribed \$10.

Never in the history of Atlanta has there been such an insistent demand that a murderer or murderers be apprehended. For days and weeks the Phagan murder has been the sole topic of conversation.

Now that the subscription has been actually started hundreds will doubtless be glad to help swell the fund.

The Constitution will gladly acknowledge all subscriptions and turn them over to Colonel Thomas B. Felder, who has been retained by the citizens of Bellwood and vicinity to aid in the prosecution of the murderer of the little girl whose lifeless body was found in the basement of the National Pencil factory over three weeks ago.

The people of Atlanta are far from satisfied that the Phagan murder mystery has been cleared up. They feel that the guilt of the murderer should be fixed beyond all fear of disapproval.

The mystery is one that has baffled the best detectives in the city. To solve it a master mind like that of William J. Burns is needed. If he should fail—and he has never failed in the solution of a case he has undertaken—the public will be satisfied that the perpetrator of the crime will never be known.

Scarcely had Colonel Felder's request for a public subscription been made public than Joseph Hirsch, former alderman, for years chairman of the Grady Hospital board and former member of the board of education, communicated with Colonel Felder and informed him that he would contribute a substantial amount to the fund. Other prominent citizens likewise made known their intention of contributing. Colonel Felder will contribute his fee toward paying for the services of the world-famous detective.

There would seem to be little doubt that Burns will come to Atlanta. Your subscription will aid in the assurance.

ALL STATE CONSTABLES DISCHARGED BY BLEASE

Governor's Action Provoked by
Supreme Court Decision in
Regard to Webb Law.

Anderson, S. C., May 15.—All state constables of South Carolina were dismissed from office today by Governor Cole Blease. The governor, who is here attending the state grand lodge of Odd Fellows, said that he had taken this action as the result of the state supreme court's decision yesterday with reference to the Webb liquor law, to the effect that liquor may be shipped into South Carolina when for personal use. Governor Blease said tonight that under this decision the constables cannot tell which shipments are destined for illegal use, and that they are, therefore, useless.

Governor Blease, in dismissing the more than one hundred constables, said: "It is disheartening, this decision of the court. I am helpless now to enforce the liquor laws. Blind tigers are taking the state, and there will be more of them under this decision. It will be impossible to tell which is personal whisky and which is for illegal purposes. Therefore the whisky constables are useless."

BOND ISSUE PROPOSED TO CONSTRUCT LEVEES

Greenville, Miss., May 15.—Governor Earl Brewer, who was in Greenville today, announced that the Mississippi legislature would be convened in extraordinary session June 10 to consider the necessity of issuing bonds of a million dollars or more, the fund to be devoted to levee construction along the Mississippi river. The governor was urged to call the extra session by the members of the Mississippi levee commission, and planters of the delta section of Mississippi, a portion of which was overflowed during the recent Mississippi river flood.