

# DARING BUNCO GAME PLAYED BY INTERBORO TO GRAB NEW SUBWAY

## Skilful Jugglery to Confuse the Public, Kill the Triboro, and Give Traction Trust a Monopoly.

With the opening of bids on Oct. 27 last, fifty-four days ago, for the construction of the principal portions of the Triborough, an independent system of subways and elevated extensions, New York City stood upon the threshold of a new era in its transit development. The traction ring was in confusion, for the Triborough struck at the very roots of its monopoly—involving not only the territory served by the Interborough Rapid Transit Company, but that of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company as well.

The plans and specifications of the Triborough were drawn under the direction of the Public Service Commission. They represented crystallized public sentiment, following the exposures of the looting of the surface railroads. Three and one-half years in time and nearly \$4,000,000 of public funds were spent by the Commission in blazing the road to the opening of the principal construction contracts, which provided for the delivery to the public in four years' time of the completed independent system.

The cost of the Triborough, with its 144 miles of single track, including station finish, was estimated at \$167,500,000. The Centre street loop, costing \$19,000,000, is practically finished, while the Fourth avenue subway in Brooklyn, costing \$13,000,000, will be finished in fifteen months.

### WOULD FREE 3,000,000 FROM ABUSES.

Briefly, the advantages of the Triborough over the present subway were: SUCH OPERATING SUPERIORITIES as a three-way rush-hour travel; BETTER VENTILATION; an increase in train headway of 13 per cent. and an increase in train capacity of 30 per cent. multiple stations; THREE CENTRES OF SHORT HAUL BUSINESS; the INCREASED SIZE OF THE BORE, the tube being sufficiently large to admit the passage of the standard gauge car, thus guaranteeing an operator, in short, a NEW RAPID TRANSIT SYSTEM, WITH A CAPACITY OF 3,000,000 PASSENGERS A DAY, PLEDGED TO INDEPENDENCE FROM MONOPOLY DOMINATION.

Every known method of "acceleration" had failed to bring the Triborough into discredit with the public. These activities included a cleverly conducted campaign among ENGINEERS RECRUITED FROM THE STEAM RAILROADS centering here, which are DOMINATED BY THE SAME FINANCIAL FORCES AS ARE BEHIND THE TRACTION MONOPOLY; an extensive miscellaneous propaganda carried on to DISCOURAGE CONTRACTORS from bidding and the drafting into service of a score of CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS under such well-known methods as were brought to light by Lemuel Ely Quigg in the traction investigation of 1907.

So desperate was the plight of the traction crowd that an Interborough official offered to have his company put \$100,000,000 of private capital into extensions to the present subway, leaving the available funds of the city free to build the Triborough.

"Let no mistake be made," said Chairman William R. Wilcox of the Commission on Nov. 18. "The fundamental question is not whether the city shall now begin the Triborough, but whether, having spent \$2,000,000, it shall complete the system."

### TRACTION TRUST PLAYS ITS TRUMP.

Two days later, on Nov. 18, the financial interests behind the Interborough Rapid Transit Company and the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company PLAYED THEIR TRUMP CARDS—the offer of the Hudson and Manhattan Railroad Company of New Jersey, a corporation about the finances of which very little is known, to operate the Triborough when it was built.

There is no doubt William G. McAdoe individually acted in good faith. The young tunnel builder has the highest ideals. His undoubted and deserved popularity was used by the money power behind the offer of the New Jersey corporation to DIVERT PUBLIC ATTENTION FROM THE TRIBOROUGH CONTRACTS, and to GET THE PUBLIC EYE FOCUSED UPON THE QUESTION OF AN OPERATOR for the Triborough. For the time being, the public FORGOT THE TRIBOROUGH WAS A PAPER SUBWAY SYSTEM WHICH HAD NOT YET BEEN BUILT.

Connected with Mr. McAdoe on the board of directors of the Hudson and Manhattan Railroad Company is the same Anthony N. Brady who guides the fortunes of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company. Another B. R. T. director who largely directs Mr. McAdoe is Walter G. Oakman, the President of the Hudson Companies, a separate corporation, organized for the specific purpose of "financing the Hudson and Manhattan Railroad Company, and owners of a very large share of the securities of the company."

Mr. Oakman, himself a man of modest fortune, looks after the investments of a powerful Wall street clique from the board rooms of a score of corporations, and it is his admitted occupation to SMOOTH OUT THE WRINKLES ON THE BROW OF INDUSTRIAL LIFE.

### LEFT FIELD TO THE B. R. T.

In view of the generally accepted incorporation of officials of the Hudson and Manhattan Railroad Company and the B. R. T.—Messrs. Brady and Oakman being instances in point—it is not at all surprising that features of the former company's proposition to operate the Triborough were as follows:

(1) LEFT THE EAST RIVER BRIDGES UNDISTURBED IN THE POSSESSION OF THE B. R. T.  
(2) MADE NO URGENT OFFER TO OPERATE THE FOURTH AVENUE SUBWAY WITH EXTENSIONS TO CONY ISLAND AND FORT HAMILTON.  
(3) EXCLUDED FROM ANY CONSIDERATION WHATSOEVER THE CENTRE STREET LOOP, WHICH THE B. R. T. HAS BEEN AFTER FOR MONTHS, AND THE BROADWAY PORTION OF THE BROADWAY-LAFAYETTE SECTION OF THE TRIBOROUGH, WHOSE TRANSIT NEEDS ARE NOW SERVED BY THE B. R. T.

Curiously enough, this same Mr. Oakman, who as a B. R. T. director votes for monopoly, and as the Hudson Companies' president, the public is asked to believe, favors competition for nearly five years been a voting trustee of the Interborough-Metropolitan Company, the holding corporation for the Triborough. Possibly Mr. Oakman's friendly feeling for the Interborough was reflected in the Hudson and Manhattan Railroad Company's proposition by the INSISTENCE THAT A NEW TUNNEL BE CONSTRUCTED UNDER THE EAST RIVER FROM THE LOWER END OF MANHATTAN TO BOROUGHS HALL, BROOKLYN, IN A WAY PREPARING THE PUBLIC MIND FOR A SIMILAR PROPOSAL FROM THE TRIBOROUGH A FEW DAYS LATER.

"Should this proposal be accepted," read the proposition of the Hudson and Manhattan Railroad Company, "some revisions and modifications can probably be made in the plans of some of the sections."  
The indirect effect of the proposition was to convey the idea to the public mind that there was something vitally wrong with the Triborough route. The direct effect was to bait the Commission from sending the Triborough contracts to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment—JUST WHAT THE TRACTION RING WANTED.

### HOW SHONTS FOUND WAY PAVED.

On Dec. 3 Mr. McAdoe was instructed by his directors to file an ultimatum with the Commission that unless the offer was accepted by Dec. 15 it would be withdrawn. This ultimatum was accepted in the higher financial circles, for under the Public Utilities law a contract for the operation of any city-owned subway would have to go to the lowest bidder; so the COMMISSION NEVER AT ANY TIME BETWEEN NOV. 15 AND DEC. 15 REALLY HAD THE POWER TO ACCEPT THE SO-CALLED MACDOE OFFER.

On Dec. 15 President Theodore F. Shonks filed with the Commission the "new" proposition of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company for a universal five-cent fare, which fitted like a glove into the plans of the Triborough left by the McAdoe proposition. All of the available city funds were grabbed up by the Commission were treated as so much waste paper. Those proposed would have to be nearly the same as the present subway, declared the Interborough, which is two feet lower and much narrower than the proposed Triborough.

THE REJECTION OF THE COMMISSION'S WORK INSURED THE OPERATION OF THE STANDARD GAUGE CARS IN THE NEW SUBWAY, ONLY THOSE OF THE INTERBOROUGH AND ITS INTERBORO ALLIES BEING SMALL ENOUGH TO ENTER.

Besides, the Interborough rejected all that portion of the Triborough below

# GALLAGHER CRAZY IS VERDICT THAT WILL BE FOUND

## Alienists' Report, to Be Made Jan. 3, Will Send Mayor's Assailant to Asylum.

### HE EXPECTS FREEDOM.

#### Wouldn't Have Shot, Doctors Agree, If Mind Hadn't Been Fired by Newspaper.

James J. Gallagher will never be tried for his almost successful attempt on the life of Mayor Gaynor last August as the Mayor was aboard ship at Hoboken preparing to start on a vacation abroad. It is as certain as anything in Jersey justice can be that he will be declared a lunatic this day two weeks hence and committed to the State Asylum at Trenton until he dies or recovers his sanity.

But he isn't going to recover his sanity. It is the belief of practically all the physicians who have examined him in the Hudson County jail at Jersey City that he is suffering from senile paresis, a progressive and incurable disease characterized by a physical softening of the brain tissue and resulting finally in idiocy.

Gallagher was to have been put on trial this morning at Jersey City upon two indictments, one for carrying concealed weapons and one for felonious assault upon Street Cleaning Commissioner Edwards, whom he slightly wounded after he had shot down Mayor Gaynor, but by agreement the case was continued until Tuesday, Jan. 3.

### A Senation Expected.

It is expected that by that time all the alienists who have been retained will be prepared to swear that Gallagher was not mentally competent when he attacked the Mayor and that he is not mentally competent now.

There will be a sensation when at least one of these witnesses, an insanity expert and physician of high standing, states under oath that in his deliberate opinion Gallagher, before that time a harmless type of mental incompetency, would never have committed his crime had not his insanity been fired upon by violent newspaper articles aimed at Mayor Gaynor. It will be recalled that when Gallagher went to the North German Lloyd pier with his pistol in his pocket he carried an editorial clipping from a New York evening paper containing an attack on the Mayor.

Gallagher, stooping and sickly looking, was brought to the new Hudson County Court House by two deputies. The associate counsel for the defense, Samuel P. Jackoff, sat down beside him. When he came away Mr. Jackoff had a grin on his face.

"Gallagher just told me," he said, "that he expected to be free by Christmas, and that he was going to hurry right back to New York as soon as he got out, so he could make his hands with all his friends and eat Christmas dinner in his old boarding house. He is smiling now at the prospect."

### Defense Asks Sanity Probe.

Meanwhile a consultation was going on in the chambers between the prosecuting justice, the lawyers on both sides and several of the alienists. As a result of this conference what happened in open court was largely out and dried. As soon as Supreme Court Justice Swan and his associates, Common Pleas Judges Hill and Carey, had mounted the bench the chief counsel for the defense, Alexander Simpson, made a formal motion for an inquiry into the sanity of his client.

It was customary, he said, for such requests to come from the relatives or close friends of a prisoner, but as this particular prisoner was both kinless and friendless, he, his lawyer, had assumed the right. He backed up the motion with short affidavits from two alienists, stating that in their opinion Gallagher was insane.

Public Prosecutor Pierre Garvan said he would not object to the motion, especially as two of the experts called into the case by him were not yet ready to commit themselves professionally. It was announced that both sides would be ready to go to trial at any time if Gallagher should be adjudged sane.

Justice Swan thereupon continued the hearing until Jan. 3, sent Gallagher back to jail and excused until that date the thirty-six men who were in court waiting to be examined for jury service. Gallagher, who had been listening to all this, was at once handcuffed and hurried away.

Forty-second street, including the Canal street spur and the Centre street loop, and also declared that the East River bridges could not be used, the customary concession to the B. R. T.

### WANTED NEW RIVER TUBE, TOO.

Close inspection of the Interborough offer shows that Mr. Shonks found the same fault with the Triborough route as had Mr. McAdoe—under no circumstances would it be practical to operate the Broadway portion of the Broadway-Lafayette branch, and that another tunnel must be built from lower Manhattan to Brooklyn.

This series of coincidences have since found an AMAZING REFLECTION IN A SUDDEN LUKEWARMNESS ON THE PART OF CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION TOWARD THE TRIBOROUGH AND A COCKSURE CONFIDENCE ON THEIR PART THAT THEY WILL CONTINUE TO HOLD THEIR \$5,000 A YEAR JOB UNDER THE NEW ALBANY ADMINISTRATION WITH THE PRAISE OF THE PUBLIC BEING IN THEIR EARNS FOR HAVING MOVED THE TRIBOROUGH INTO A PUBLIC PROBLEM.

The Evening World has already exposed the "joker" in the Interborough offer whereby the city would be pledged to make good the deficit from operating the Fourth avenue subway. But this will not be necessary, for this week the good old B. R. T. will offer to take the \$10,000,000 Fourth avenue subway and operate it for nothing, and the \$10,000,000 Centre street loop and operate it at next to nothing.

WHICH, IN CONCLUSION, AFTER FIFTY-FOUR DAYS OF MEMORABLE ACCELERATION BRINGS THE WHOLE RAPID TRANSIT SITUATION BACK TO THE INTERBOROUGH AND THE B. R. T., DIVIDING THE TRANSPORTATION PIE EQUALLY INTO TWO PARTS, WITH THE CITY OF NEW YORK AND ITS FAITHFUL PUBLIC SERVANTS AIDING IN EXTENDING THE "GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT" OF THE PAST INTO THE FUTURE, AND WHO WOULD BE SURPRISED IF THE HUDSON AND MANHATTAN RAILROAD COMPANY WERE CARRIED SAFELY ALONG UPON THE STRONG BEING SHOULDERS OF THE GREATEST TRANSIT MONOPOLY EVER CREATED IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD?

# THIS WASSOT WIFE HELPED DETECTIVE RUN DOWN BROKER

## Hollander, Wanted for Forgery, Brought Here After 11 Months' Chase.

### WAS FOUND IN ITALY.

#### She Knew Him by His Eyes When Disguise Fooled Her Husband.

After a chase that had extended pretty well over two continents Alexander Hollander, formerly a customs broker at No. 22 Wall street, was brought in the Concland of the Hamburg-American line to stand trial in the Federal courts for forgery. One of his warders was a remarkably pretty woman, the wife of the Secret Service agent who followed him from one country to another.

Last January Hollander learned that he was about to be arrested for the alleged altering of figures on consular certificates and manifests, of importations, notably automobiles and motor fittings. He fled to Canada.

Joseph A. Poutin, a young Frenchman who was attached to the Department of Justice at Washington, was detailed to find him. Poutin has one unfailing compass, he says—his plump and good-looking little wife. When he takes her with him on a trip he always brings back his man. He accompanied him this time on what they both thought would be just a short jaunt. It lasted more than eleven months.

### Hide and Seek in Canada.

Poutin located Hollander in Toronto, but before he got there Hollander had gone to Ottawa. They played hide and seek through the Dominion. Hollander took a boat from Quebec for London, where his wife was, just eight hours before the travel-worn Poutin arrived. The pursuers followed on the next boat. Knowing that he had not covered his tracks thoroughly, Hollander went from England to Paris and from Paris to Berlin. There he managed to break the trail. For a day or two Poutin and Mrs. Poutin were in a quandary. They rather supposed Hollander would make for his former home in Hungary. But somewhere the husband got a tip that sent them south. His information, broadly, was that Hollander was in Italy. But he didn't know what Italian city his quarry would select.

At random he selected Naples. He had been there a week without striking a lead. Late one afternoon he and Mrs. Poutin were passing through the Gallieri Umberto, a shopping arcade, she grasped his arm.

"There's your man, Joe," said the little woman, pointing to an elderly stranger, fashionably dressed, who was strolling along the other side of the arcade.

### She Knew the Oriental Eye.

"A man could shave his face and shape his head, but he couldn't alter the shape of his eyes," insisted Mrs. Hollander. "Remember the description in your trunk says Hollander had Oriental eyes with an upward tilt at the corners. And that man has that kind of an eye."

Poutin took another look. A moment later he had left his wife behind and was busily shadowing the stranger. He followed him to a hotel—the Pension Turco—found that the suspect was registered as James Bonhomme of Paris and set himself to watch. By nightfall he knew enough to warrant him in going to the Naples police and asking for their help.

An incident made a prisoner of this Bonhomme. At first the man denied that he had ever heard of anybody named Hollander. But by the next morning he was ready to own up to his guilt. That was on July 27.

Hollander fought extradition. He went to an Italian jail in the meantime, where he nearly starved. He kept all through the chase a watch on the Naples papers, printed a story that he had run away from the United States with five million dollars belonging to the Government, and afterwards caused him that police officials would come to him in his cell and ask him if it were true that he had brought five million American dollars to Italy. He always replied gravely in the affirmative.

"Then," so he says, "my faces would light up and they would ask with great politeness where he had left them. Each time he would tell them a different hiding place and they would go away and look for the treasure. It was after he had played the joke several times that his brains began to fall off. The Italians were getting even."

### No Trouble on the Voyage.

Edward J. Brennan, another secret service agent, went over to help guard Hollander on the way back. Mrs. Poutin also stood watch over him at odd times on the voyage. But he was a model prisoner and gave little trouble. At the pier this afternoon he was turned over to Deputy Marshal Craft, who took him to the Federal Building for arraignment before United States Commissioner Shields. The specific indictment on which he was arraigned charges falsification of the import figures of an automobile intended for Henry Clegg, the banker.

"I never saw an old chap in my life as Hollander," said Poutin. "And he has a sense of humor, too, that he has kept all through the chase. After he was the Naples papers printed a story that he had run away from the United States with five million dollars belonging to the Government, and afterwards caused him that police officials would come to him in his cell and ask him if it were true that he had brought five million American dollars to Italy. He always replied gravely in the affirmative."

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Funeral from his sister's, Mrs. Sullivan, 229 E. 46th St., on Wednesday, 19 A. M.; thence to St. Agnes' Church, Interment Calvary.

DIED.

DE LANEY.—On Monday, Dec. 19, MARGARET V. DELANEY, wife of Joseph V. De Laney and daughter of Ellen and Richard McLoughlin.

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