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GOVERNOR DIX REFUSES TO GIVE BRANDT HEARING; WHITMAN URGES PARDON

Governor's Assistant Legal Adviser Will Hear Banker Schiff's Side of Case.

MANY PERSONS QUIZZED

District Attorney Conducts Searching Investigation Before Advising Release.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 27.—Gov. Dix will not give a hearing Tuesday, on the application for a commutation of the thirty-year sentence imposed on Fouke Engle Brandt, former valet to Mortimer L. Schiff of New York, according to a statement made at the Executive Chamber to-day. It was stated the law firm of Parker, Hatch & Sheehan, representing Mr. Schiff, had written to Owen L. Potter, assistant legal adviser to the Governor, who has charge of such matters, asking they be permitted to present Mr. Schiff's side of the case to him and Mr. Potter agreed to see them on Tuesday.

Mr. Potter will later make a report to the Governor. In addition a report is expected early next week from District Attorney Whitman, of New York, who made a personal investigation of the case.

THE COMPLETE STORY OF BRANDT-SCHIFF CASE.

District Attorney Whitman will turn over to Gov. Dix, Monday or Tuesday, a voluminous report on the case of Fouke Engle Brandt, who is appealing to Gov. Dix for a pardon from further service of the thirty-year sentence imposed on him, five years ago, by Judge Chesley on a plea of guilty to the charge of attempting to kill Mortimer L. Schiff, the banker.

This report, according to the best authority, will recommend the former valet's pardon. The District Attorney has examined dozens of witnesses, and has the affidavits of more than a score of persons in support of his recommendations.

In opposition to the pardon is an imposing array of legal talent representing the banker, including such men as Paul D. Cravath, Alton B. Parker, William Sheehan and Howard K. Zam. If the Governor repudiates the pardon story and refuses his application for pardon or commutation of sentence, it will save the reputation of a woman about whom no breath of scandal has been heard.

LETTER WAS STARTING POINT OF THE TROUBLE.

Just where the truth lies in this most remarkable and complex situation, it is impossible to learn without having the benefit of the District Attorney's power to summon and question those having an intimate knowledge of all the official ramifications.

To understand the situation a brief review of the early facts in the case is necessary. The following statement is given by a man knowing all the facts of the case, and who has been in the confidence of the District Attorney.

In the first place, according to Mr. Schiff's side of the case, it was the man around the bar and the woman who took the place of the valet, who had absolutely nothing to do with the affair. He was engaged in a perfectly legitimate business and did the work of a valet, and was never in any way connected with the case.

LETTER TO MRS. SCHIFF ASKED FOR HER COPIES.

Mr. Potter, however, has not yet seen the letter, and it is not known whether it will be given to him. It is believed that the letter will be given to him, and that he will be able to advise the Governor of its contents.

NEW YORK BEATS PHILA. IN RACQUET TOURNAY.

PHILA., Jan. 27.—Philadelphia has been defeated by New York in the racquet tournament which was held here to-day. The New York team, consisting of eight players, won the match by a score of 10 to 6.

GIRL BRUTALLY BEATEN AT DOOR STIRS BAY RIDGE.

Pretty Evelyn Duffield Fights Off Assailant and Screams Bring Landlady.

MAY BE A LUNATIC.

Frequent Attacks Since Agnes Waugh Was Nearly Killed on Way Home.

Bay Ridge was thrown into another panic of fear and indignation to-day by an early morning assault on Miss Evelyn Duffield, eighteen years old, of No. 225 Fifty-fifth street, a pretty stenographer employed by the New York Lawyers' Reporting Company, No. 115 Broadway, Manhattan.

A man seized her as she was about to open the vestibule door of her home at 1 o'clock, and in trying to drag her to the cellar brutally beat her about the face and head. She fought off, and screamed so loudly he ran. In this same section of Brooklyn several similar assaults have been reported to the police recently and the inhabitants are kept in constant dread.

Whether a madman is at large or the culprit is merely a vicious criminal, is something the police have been unable to decide, but there is a growing demand for better police protection.

Miss Duffield is five feet five inches in height, weighs about 110 pounds and has black hair and eyes. She is a native of Cuba and is of the distinctive Spanish type of beauty found among her countrywomen. She has lived in New York for four years and, according to Mrs. Murray, with whom she has boarded for a year, her legal guardian is a Mr. Whitney, said to be connected with the District Attorney's office.

Mrs. Marshall's home, a three-story house with a large courtyard in front, is in Fifty-fifth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues. There has been so much work lately in the offices where Miss Duffield is employed that she has had to remain late at nights.

LEFT HER WORK NEARLY HOUR AFTER MIDNIGHT.

The time she found near her this morning after the attack showed that she went to work at 5:15 o'clock yesterday morning, and that she left her work at 12:45 o'clock this morning.

She went directly to the Wall street subway station and took a train to the Flatbush avenue station of the Long Island railroad, and arrived at a Fifth avenue trolley car for home.

Leaving the car at Fifty-fifth street a few minutes after 1 o'clock, she walked rapidly toward the house, midway of the block. About four doors from the building she saw a man standing in the doorway, and she stepped into the house and made a dash across the courtyard to her home for the stoop. She had her foot on the first of the three steps when the man seized her by the arm, and tried to drag her to the cellar door.

She tried to shove him off, and he struck her a terrific blow between the eyes.

Ananias, Eh? With "Goods" on "T"?



CRUIKSHANK RUNS MARATHON FOR HIS FARE TO NEW YORK

Sprints Five Miles From Syracuse, Touches Old Friends and He's Coming Back.

(Special from a Staff Correspondent of the Evening World.)

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Jan. 27.—Look out!

Capt. Barton Cruikshank, Disappearance Champion of the World, holder of the American Affinity Hunter's Association Medal and contestant for the five mile sprinting record now held by George Bonhag, of the Irish American A. C. of New York, is at large again in the "disappearance" phase.

He arrived from Syracuse to-day, biting and debating after his unsuccessful attempt to reconcile his wife to living with him again. She was too much preoccupied by her knowledge that after reading her belief he had been crowned he had made love to various young women and was willing to say that he still loved at least one of them better than his first wife.

At the station he found a considerable number of reporters to greet him. He did not want to see them. But he could not retreat to the train. He was unfortunately enough to lack the ready means to pay his fare to New York.

He fell back on the sprinting powers he demonstrated so convincingly Thursday, when he led an eager posse of reporters, friends, reporters and photographers in a wildly scrambling race across the scumblized thoroughfare of some of the most domesticated of the Syracuse streets. He finished in 12:45.

When they got to the Wall street station, he was met by a large number of reporters and photographers.

WALL OF WATER KEEPS BIG BLAZE FROM OIL TANKS

Firemen Face Desperate Fight When Conflagration Starts in Pratt Oil Works.

The extensive plant of the Pratt Oil Works, a subsidiary of the Standard Oil Co., at the foot of North Twelfth street, Williamsburg, was menaced to-day, by a fire which started in the filling department, occupying a corrugated iron building on a dock extending into the East River. Four alarms were deemed necessary to concentrate a sufficiently large fire fighting force to handle the blaze, which was confined, with difficulty, to the dock.

While the fire raged on the dock, millions of gallons of oil in tanks on the shore a short distance away, were drawn out and pumped through pipes under Hudson and Newtown Creeks into tanks in Long Island City and Nassauville. Lines of hose were concentrated to form a veritable wall of water between the burning dock and the buildings and tanks on shore.

The docks on which the filling department is located was 100 feet long and was entirely covered by the corrugated iron building, two stories high. In this structure the cases were filled with oil. These cases contain from one gallon to ten gallons each.

Between 20 and 30 men were employed in this building. Some were engaged in soldering cases filled with oil and some of these, it is said, played a part in the fire.

An explosion followed, and resulted in two deaths and a considerable area of the building was destroyed.

Reporting the whole building would soon be a mass of flames, the fire was kept from the tanks on the shore by the wall of water.

TAFT HERE TO-DAY, THEN ON TO OHIO

President Will Speak in New York, Cleveland, Columbus and Akron on 5-Day Trip.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—President Taft left Washington at noon to-day on a five-day trip that will take him to New York and Cleveland, Columbus and Akron, O., the most important journey in the eyes of many of his friends that he has planned since he got back to the White House from the West. A still has a cold he contracted early in the winter, but it is not serious enough to make him break engagements made many weeks ago.

In New York the President will be the guest overnight of his brother, Henry W. Taft, and will attend three dinners and one ball. Mr. Taft will spend three days in his home State, and make more than a dozen speeches, and probably see many of the political leaders.

The President is scheduled to reach New York about 5 o'clock to-night. He will attend the annual banquet of the Ohio Society, and "look in" on those of the West Virginia Society and the Aero Club of America, and will then visit the annual ball of the Home of Daughters of Sons of New York City.

Leaving New York tomorrow about the President will reach Cleveland Monday about noon. His engagements there include luncheon with the Chamber of Commerce, an afternoon with former Gov. Herrick and a reception to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. On his way to the McKinley Day banquet of the Progressive Club, the President will visit the markets of the Cleveland Law School and look in on the Hungarian citizens' banquet.

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FIND THE ANANIAS BY "COURT OF HONOR," WATTERSON INSISTS

Colonel Wants Five "Gentlemen" Chosen at Once to See Proofs That He Was Authorized to Raise Wilson Fund.

'HAS THE GOODS' HE SAYS, AND WILLING TO SHOW 'EM.

Considerable Sum Already in Hand for Campaign, but He Won't Tell Who Contributed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—A "court of honor" was to-day suggested by Col. Henry Watterson to settle the Harvey-Wilson-Watterson controversy regarding Watterson's authority to solicit campaign funds for Gov. Woodrow Wilson's boom.

Col. Watterson declared the following statement:

In my letter to Senator Tillman I offered to furnish him proof of any disputed statement made by me. If Senator Tillman will do me the honor personally to call upon me, as I am confined to my hotel and cannot personally call upon him, I will furnish him proof not only that I had AUTHORIZATION to raise money for the Wilson campaign but that I did, in fact, raise a considerable sum.

In case Senator Tillman's avowal, after inspecting this proof, be deemed equivocal or insufficient, I propose that Gov. Wilson name two impartial friends, I to name two, the four to make a list, and this court of gentlemen thus constituted to determine the facts between us.

I am confident that this is done at once, as I prefer to leave Washington tomorrow night to fill important engagements.

"HAS THE GOODS" COL. WATTERSON DECLARES.

While this statement was being made, Col. Watterson declared he had the goods to back up and wanted to see "gentlemen's courts." He wanted to see "gentlemen's courts" to determine the facts between us.

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GUINEA PIG SURVIVOR OF EQUITABLE FIRE GOES AWAY IN PRIVATE CAR.

Henry W. Ward, millionaire of Washington, carries off his pet guinea pig in a private car.

The guinea pig, which was named "Burrhead," was the only survivor of the fire at the Equitable building in New York City.

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LABOR LEADER RYAN CLASHES WITH SLEUTH.

Joe Wacker, head of the labor movement, clashed with a police detective in a recent encounter.

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DUKE OF CONNAUGHT ARRIVES IN OTTAWA.

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