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FIFTEEN KILLED BY FIRE IN SWEEP THROUGH HOTEL; OTHERS REPORTED MISSING

Guests Trapped in Omaha Hotel Have Escape Cut Off by Collapsing Roof.

JUMP FROM WINDOWS.

Firemen Driven from Structure While Attempting Rescue of the Victims.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 28.—Fire, believed to have been caused by a gas explosion, cost fifteen or more lives here to-day and caused a loss of \$200,000. The Dewey Hotel, a second-class hotel at Thirteenth and Farnam streets, was destroyed by fire which swept the three-story building with a speed that precluded attempts at rescue.

Some of the guests had time to reach the stairways, but others were caught by the collapsing roof of the structure before they could be rescued from windows on which they had taken refuge. Several of the victims jumped or fell from windows and met either instant death or mortal injury.

This afternoon only about twenty-five out of sixty persons estimated to have been in the building had been accounted for, but it was hoped that the death list would be smaller than at first estimated, as it was known that a score or more of those who had escaped, left the neighborhood without revealing their identities.

In addition to the loss on the hotel proper several business firms which had their establishments in the building suffered.

The known dead are: MISS ALICE BRONNIEVIE, CHARLES CUMING, jumped from third story, breaking his neck. M. BEVERLY, a waiter. JAMES PROKES, a cooper-smith. CHARLES BEVERLY, employed in a local oyster house.

The injured are: VIVIE STIFF, fourteen; overcome by smoke. TINA NIELSON, chambermaid; leg broken. MRS. E. C. WILKINSON; badly burned.

GUESTS JUMP FROM WINDOWS TO ESCAPE FIRE.

According to guests who escaped, the first intimation of the fire came when a woman's scream awakened them. The building was then filled with smoke. Charles Cuming, a bartender, who had a room on the Farnam street side of the hotel, jumped from a third story window and met instant death. He struck head first on the sidewalk.

Mrs. C. E. Hawkins, who had a room on the second floor, dragged her sister, Miss Alice Bronnive, to a window. There Miss Bronnive collapsed. Mrs. Hawkins jumped, and although two policemen broke her fall, she was badly

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Help for the Helpless!

Letters Like This Are Received at the World Office Through Nearly Every Mail.

KAUFMAN COSTUME COMPANY, Makers of COATS AND DRESSES, 25 West 51st Street, New York, Feb. 24, 1913.

New York World: We are pleased to inform you that we have had excellent results through the advertisement for "Help Wanted" which appeared in your paper last Sunday, Feb. 23. We like to give credit where credit is due.

Respectfully yours, KAUFMAN COSTUME CO., A. D. LEVY, Treas.

The advertisement referred to is for "Finishers" and "Operators." "Good" and "perma" t; "idians" were offered.

For workers Monday use World Ads. Sunday.

BEST BANK WIFE'S STOCKING, SAGE OF 86 INFORMS COURT

Mr. Gutman Has Kept His Wealth There for Twenty Years and It's Still Safe.

NEEDS NO CHECKBOOK.

When Son Wanted \$8,000, He Fished It Right Out, Just Like That!

The crowd in the court presided over by United States Commissioner Gilchrist listened to the usual outpouring of whistling this morning and gave respectful ear to Isaac Gutman, whose bushy white beard and long, silvery locks made of him a very Solomon in appearance, mounted to the witness chair.

Mr. Gutman was called to testify concerning his financial interest in the firm of M. Gutman & Son, wholesale candy manufacturers, against whom an involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed a short time ago.

The examination of Mr. Gutman was conducted by J. Fred Alsgood, receiver of the concern under appointment by Judge Hand of the United States District Court.

"Have you any money invested in any enterprise at the present time?" asked Mr. Alsgood.

"No, no," Mr. Gutman answered quickly.

"Banks or trust companies?" repeated Mr. Gutman, in somewhat a shocked tone.

SWEENEY'S MAN INDICTED ON FOUR MORE CHARGES

Two Hotel Men Swear They Paid Duffy \$75 Monthly as Late as January.

SWEENEY'S BAIL RAISED.

Former Inspector Pleads Not Guilty, and Full Inspection of Minutes Is Desired.

The Extraordinary Grand Jury to-day found four additional indictments against Sergt. Peter J. Duffy, who is accused by the District-Attorney of having been the collector for Inspector Dennis Sweeney in the Sixth District. When these indictments had been handed in Justice Goff dismissed the Grand Jury until May 6 and thanked the members for the public service they have performed.

The evidence upon which the additional indictments against Duffy were found was furnished by James Dougherty and Hugh McIntyre, owners of the Hotel Monument, One Hundred and Twenty-third street and Eighth avenue. They testified that they paid Duffy \$75 on each of these dates—Oct. 4, Nov. 4 and Dec. 4, 1912, and Jan. 2, 1913.

GRAFT PAYMENTS AFTER SIPP'S REVELATIONS.

Their evidence shows that police graft was collected in Harlem even after the Sipp disclosures implicating Sweeney and Capt. Walsh had made inevitable an investigation and a series of prosecutions. Others have testified that they paid police graft after the first of this year.

Julius Roth, proprietor of a poker room in West One Hundred and Eighteenth street, was also a Grand Jury witness. He testified that he had paid monthly protection money to Duffy and Patrolman Eugene Fox. Roth said that Ashley Shea, the gambler and stool pigeon who has since turned State's evidence, came to him ten days ago, offered him to close up and instructed him to keep his mouth shut.

Capt. Dennis Sweeney, against whom eleven indictments were returned yesterday, charging him with collecting graft from disorderly resorts while he was acting as inspector in charge of the Sixth District, was arraigned before Justice Goff today for pleading. Through his counsel, Alfred J. Talley, Sweeney entered a plea of not guilty. His former bail of \$10,000 was continued, and \$5,000 additional was exacted to cover the additional indictments. Sweeney furnished a new bond for \$15,000 executed by a surety company.

REFUSES COMPLETE REVIEW OF GRAND JURY MINUTES.

Justice Goff handed down a decision on the motion entered by Sweeney for permission to inspect the Grand Jury minutes on which his first indictment, alleged by the defense to be defective, was based. The indictment charges Sweeney with being in command of the Sixth Inspection District and committing an illegal act based on such command "on or about April 3, 1911, at which time Sweeney was stationed in Greenpoint."

Justice Goff ruled that Sweeney's counsel could examine only such parts of the minutes as refer to the date in dispute. He refused the request of Sweeney's counsel for a complete review of the minutes for the purpose of allowing the defense to endeavor to sustain the charge that the first indictment was based on perjured testimony.

Patrolman John J. Hartigan, under indictment for perjury because he refused to admit he got money from Sweeney to be given as a bribe to George A. Sipp, applied, through counsel for permission to inspect the Grand Jury minutes. Justice Goff took the application under advisement.

Among the witnesses heard by the Grand Jury to-day was John J. Mustard, President of the Harlem Local of the Liquor Dealers' Association. He was questioned about charges that have been made tending to depict Mayor Gaynor's frequent declaration that graft in exact has been wiped out.

Mustard has a saloon at No. 1 S. hatway street. He became a factor in the investigation yesterday, when J. J. McGrath, who has two saloons in Harlem, was called before the Grand Jury and

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'GEN.' JONES'S 'ARMY' ENTERS WASHINGTON



Ending March From New York, the Pilgrims Are Given Great Ovation as They Parade Down Pennsylvania Avenue.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Gen. Rowell Jones and her suffrage "army" marched triumphantly into the capital shortly before noon to-day, through the Capitol grounds and down Pennsylvania avenue, with an escort of local enthusiasts and citizens, which fairly choked the streets and delayed traffic.

It was one of the most remarkable street demonstrations ever seen here. A Presidential inauguration could hardly have presented a more enthusiastic spectacle than Pennsylvania avenue from the Capitol to the Treasury Building, after the plucky, disheveled band of suffrage pilgrims swung wearily around the Peace Monument for the fifty-mile walk for the cause of equal franchise.

Incoming Presidents have not received more clamorous applause than did the company of brown clad women, huddled in a little group, forced to fight their way through veritable walls of shouting humanity for more than a mile of their historic "hike."

Police were powerless to restrain the crowds which overflowed from the sidewalks and choked the long thoroughfare from the Capitol to the suffrage headquarters.

Miss Alice Paul, head of the Washington suffragettes, met Gen. Jones on the arrival of the army, and together they arranged the line of march down B street on to First street, and from there to Pennsylvania avenue. A regiment of suffragettes met the marchers on Maryland avenue. Miss Margaret Hopkins and Miss Lucy Nell, on white chargers and with white riding habits, led them.

Of the original army that started from New York, ten finished. They were Gen. Rowell Jones, Col. Ida Craft, Martha Klatschken, Mrs. John Boldt, Miss Elizabeth Aldrich, Mrs. George H. Wendt, Miss Minerva Crowell, Miss Bowen, Miss Elizabeth Deutch and Miss Gustanoe Lepp.

\$10 Men's Coats & Suits, \$4.95.

THE "W" Clothing corner, Broadway, cor. Barclay St., opp. new World Building, will sell today and Saturday the balance of their \$10 and \$12 Men's Winter Suits & Overcoats, all sizes, 34-44, fine black, blue, navy, gray, brown & dark mixed wools. Special, \$4.95. Open Sat day night till 10.

PAID LEWIS MONEY FOR HARRY THAW SAYS HOFFMAN

Agent of White's Slayer Says He Believes It Was Given for Writing.

ALBANY, Feb. 28.—Horace A. Hoffman of Red Hook, to-day told Gov. Sulzer's committee of inquiry his version of the latest attempt to liberate Harry K. Thaw from the Matteawan State Hospital. Hoffman, who said he had been in the employ of Thaw as a "messenger," testified that on Nov. 19, 1912, Thaw gave him an envelope containing Consolidated Gas stock and \$5,000 in cash to be delivered to John Stewart Anhalt, a lawyer, at his office, No. 60 Wall street.

Hoffman corroborated Anhalt's testimony regarding the "contingent retainer" of \$5,000. The witness said that at the request of Thaw he received two receipts from Anhalt, both of which were photographed in Poughkeepsie. On Jan. 22 last Anhalt returned 100 shares of the Gas stock to Hoffman, who sold them for nearly \$1,000 under Thaw's direction.

Hoffman testified that the "certificates of Gas stock were indorsed in blank by Mrs. Carnegie, a sister of Thaw."

Hoffman told of having carried messages to Alfred Henry Lewis in New York for Thaw and of having seen Lewis at Matteawan. He said he heard Lewis and Thaw talking "about writing some stuff—some things Thaw thought the people ought to know."

Hoffman said he had delivered data from Thaw to Lewis in New York.

"Was Mr. Lewis in the employ of Mr. Thaw?" asked John T. Norton, the committee's counsel.

SERVED SUMMONS ON MRS. GWATHMEY IN KNICKERBOCKERS

Co-Respondent in Bishop Divorce Suit Was Indulging in Calisthenics.

Mrs. Abigail Hancock Bishop, in the Supreme Court today, obtained an order from Justice Davis which prevents Mrs. Lela Guineo Gwathmey from sailing for Europe to-morrow. Mrs. Bishop's order directed Mrs. Gwathmey, who is named as co-respondent in the divorce suit brought against James Cunningham Bishop, a banker, to appear and testify.

Mrs. Gwathmey, through her lawyer, George Gordon Bittell, assured Louis S. Posner, Mrs. Bishop's attorney, that Mrs. Gwathmey would remain for the trial and on this agreement the appearance of Mrs. Gwathmey in the Supreme Court was waived.

Mrs. Gwathmey was served at the Gotham Hotel at 10 o'clock A. M. to-day with the order requiring her to appear for examination in Part II of the Supreme Court at 2 o'clock P. M.

The process server found Mrs. Gwathmey indulging in her morning calisthenics. The fair co-respondent, who is the wife of J. Temple Gwathmey, former President of the New York Stock Exchange, was garbed in knickerbockers and light sweater. There were dumbbells about, and on the wall was a chest weight and exerciser.

Access to Mrs. Gwathmey's apartment was obtained on the assumption that the process server was from the office of her attorneys, O'Gorman, Bittell & Marshall. The young man placed the Court's command in Mrs. Gwathmey's hands and fled. As he reached the elevator he saw a woman racing down the corridor over the knickerbockers and a silky kimono, which, with the flight of Mrs. Gwathmey after the intruder, failed to entirely conceal the attractiveness of Mrs. Gwathmey's gymnasium suit. As the elevator door opened the process server leaped into the car, leaving Mrs. Gwathmey storming furiously in the corridor.

The witness said he did not know the details of "the arrangements between

MRS. W. K. VANDERBILT URGES POLICEWOMEN FOR WOMEN'S CASES

Writes to Wagner Committee Urging That Supervision of Social Evil Be Taken Out of the Hands of Regular Force.

RECALL FOR THE MAYOR PROPOSED BY MITCHEL.

Question One of Men Rather Than Laws, Says President of the Board of Aldermen.

Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt today wrote to Senator Wagner, Chairman of the legislative committee which is seeking remedies for police conditions in New York, strongly advocating the plan of taking from plainclothes detectives the power to handle the social evil.

Mrs. Vanderbilt wrote that she was deeply interested in the treatment of the unfortunate women of the streets of New York, and she believed that by ridding them of the plain-clothes men something might be accomplished.

WOMAN SENTENCED TO DIE ON GALLOWS FOR HUSBAND'S MURDER

Mrs. Trost, Bride of a Week When Crime Was Committed, Is Refused New Trial.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 28.—Mrs. Frieda Hartman Trost, the "heartless widow," convicted of murder in the first degree last December on the charge of poisoning her husband, was to-day sentenced to die on the gallows by Judges in the Quarter Sessions Court.

Request for a new trial was refused and counsel for the woman immediately served notice that an appeal would be taken to the State Supreme Court. The execution will take place on a date to be set by the Governor.

Mrs. Trost was adjudged guilty by a jury after a brief trial, in which the prosecution alleged that Mrs. Trost had administered poison to her husband in order to obtain his property, which she had persuaded him to will over to her.

SUBWAY DEAL INJUNCTION TURNED DOWN BY JUDGES OF APPELLATE DIVISION.

Court by Vote of Four to One Refuses to Grant an Appeal.

By a vote of four to one the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court this afternoon denied the application of Clarence J. Shearn, counsel for John J. Hopper, for permission to take to the Court of Appeals the injunction order denied by the Appellate Division restraining the Public Service Commission from entering into a contract with the Interborough Rapid Transit Company and the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company for the operation of the dual subway system now building.

She said she believed that Miss Lillian Wald's proposed plan of keeping the police away from the women would mean good results for the women and the city.

"I have not given much study to the subject of women police," she wrote, "but Miss Wald's idea that women officers could best handle the problem appeals to me."

Mrs. Vanderbilt said in her letter that she would have been glad to have attended the hearing as a witness, but that she was sailing for Europe.

Miss Wald has worked for twenty years in the east side to better social conditions. She was a witness yesterday and urged the humane treatment of unfortunate women.

JOHN PURROY MITCHEL FIRST WITNESS OF THE DAY.

President John Purroy Mitchel of the Board of Aldermen was the first man invited to the chair to-day. Mr. Mitchel said that he was not a police expert but had served as Commissioner of Accounts and as Acting Mayor.

"The police conditions to-day," he said, "is not a matter of legislation but one of administration, of methods and of men rather than of the laws."

"The best measure that could be enacted for the people would be the recall for the Mayor and other high officials."

"When I was Acting Mayor I found that the most revolting dens were licensed by the police. Some of these were recalled, but only to be reissued later, as I learned. There should be a change here."

"The process of corruption in the police begins with the man on the beat. He is corrupted by example of those above him. I believe that the Commissioner should have all the deputies he desires subject to the action of the Board of Estimate."

"As acting mayor I found that complaints of citizens to the Mayor should have been helpful. I turned them over to the police and nothing was done. This investigation showed that seven-eighths of these complaints were well founded. The Mayor should have a staff to check against reports of this sort."

"An administrative order abolished the lineup and character investigation at headquarters, with bad results. An administrative order required detectives to telephone before serving certain warrants and this would give a chance to tip off the criminal."

"I am opposed to any law that would take from the Mayor the power to appoint or remove a police commissioner. The Mayor is held responsible by the public. His party cannot shift that responsibility. The Police Department can be handled effectively under the present law."

Mr. Mitchel then referred to his effort to clean up Coney Island after