

# MISSING WOMAN SEEN TO-DAY AT CONEY ISLAND

## AUTO SMASHES INTO LEXINGTON AVENUE CAR

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### WITNESS DECLARES HE GAVE GAFFNEY GIFT OF \$3,000 TO GET PAVING CONTRACT

Took Him In as Partner and Joseph D. Carroll Got \$3,000 Too.

\$2,000 TO CAMPAIGN

Whitman Discloses New Evidence at Inquiry Into Highway Graft.



JAMES E. GAFFNEY

District Attorney Whitman had everything arranged to make to-day a day of grim surprises and amazing developments in the John Doe inquiry before Chief Magistrate McAdoo. He shook from his sleeve the important contractor—he had hidden there since yesterday—the man who was expected to explode a 15-inch shell. This man was John M. Murphy of No. 1643 Nelson avenue, the Bronx. He is a big-framed, smooth shaven man with glasses. He has a large, round, bald head and a rather benevolent look. He was the first witness placed on the stand.

To begin with he stated that in 1911 he was employed under contract by the Warren Brothers company of Boston, the makers of the "Kargentite," a mixture of stone and asphalt used in paving. The contract, which was read, was signed in September, 1911. It was his work to have the Warren bitulithic pavement adopted for use on highway work. In this matter he had several conversations with C. Gordon Reel, superintendent of Highways.

SAYS REEL ASKED HIM TO CONTRIBUTE.

"Did Mr. Reel say anything to you about contributions to the Democratic party?" Mr. Whitman asked.

"Yes, he asked me if I could give anything to the Democratic State Committee."

"Was any amount suggested?"

"I don't remember. He merely said didn't I think I could do something for the Democratic party. I told him I thought I could. There was no amount named. He might have said \$3,000 of \$5,000, but it's a long time ago and I don't remember."

The witnesses commission on selling bitulithic pavement in the State, he said, amounted to \$3,000.

GAFFNEY GAVE \$2,000 FOR THE DEMOCRATIC CAMPAIGN.

"What did you contribute to the Democratic State fund?"

"I paid \$2,000 in cash in \$100 bills."

"Who was interested with you in the bitulithic contracts?"

"James E. Gaffney and Joseph D. Carroll."

"When did you give the \$2,000; before or after you received the \$3,000 for your contract?"

"It was after the contract had been signed. Mr. Gaffney and Mr. Carroll were my partners. They got one-third each of the contract amount; that is, each got one-third of the \$3,000 which remained after the \$2,000 had been paid into the Democratic State fund."

THOUGHT GAFFNEY WOULD BE ABLE TO HELP.

"Why did you go to Mr. Gaffney and take him in as a partner?"

"Because I thought he could help me. He knew a lot of people in New York."

"You gave him practically \$3,000; what did he do to help you?"

"Well, he—the witness hesitated and stroked his chin. "I gave the money because I thought it would help me, that's all."

"Did you have any talk with Mr. Gaffney before the contract for the bitulithic pavement was awarded?"

"I can't remember."

"Can you remember anything that either Mr. Gaffney or Mr. Carroll did for you for the \$3,000 you gave to each of them?"

"No, I thought that Mr. Carroll would speak to Mr. Reel."

"Your agreement with Mr. Gaffney and Mr. Carroll was made before you got the bitulithic contract?"

"Yes, it was an oral agreement, made in September, 1912."

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### ALDERMEN KILL LAW TO SUPPORT WIVES OF IDLERS

Turn Down Ordinance Giving Them 50 Cents a Day While Husbands Are in Jail.

IT LACKS SEVEN VOTES.

Alderman Walsh Says He Prefers Whipping Post to Proposed Plan.

The board of Aldermen this afternoon defeated the ordinance providing that between \$10,000 and \$15,000 should be appropriated a year to allow 50 cents a day to help maintain women whose husbands are in jail for non-support. There were 35 votes for the ordinance and 7 against it, 40 votes being necessary to adopt the measure.

If the ordinance had been adopted the Commissioner of Correction would have opened an account with the Commissioner of Charity, and through these channels the 50 cents a day during the incarceration of the husband would have been paid.

Alderman Walsh, Manhattan, spoke in opposition to the ordinance.

"The dominant thought of to-day," he said, "appears to be Governmental direction of all the affairs of life. There are many injustices, much unnecessary suffering, gross inequities and menacing absences, but Governmental charity is not the antidote."

"Much as I detest corporal punishment, intensely as I abhor the whipping post, I could almost think it the lesser evil if for no other reason than that it may lessen desertion and restore the American idea of individual responsibility."

Alderman Folks said the mothers of families should be protected, even if the husbands have transgressed.

"Little Tim" Sullivan, representing the Bowery, said every man who took a woman as his wife should be compelled to support her. If Alderman Folks could show him how the 50 cents a day proposition would uplift the woman and compel a husband to support his wife he would vote for the ordinance.

Alderman Dowling said that other charitable schemes adopted by the Aldermen have outworn their original appropriations. He cited the milk stations, declaring that where they cost \$40,000 the first year that amount is now about \$100,000.

"We get carried for better or worse," said Dowling, "often the man gets the worst of it. Wives would have their husbands sent to the island for six months at three dollars a week. Then they'd let them out for a month and then back to the island for another six months. The wives would think this was better than having their husbands run over while looking for work."

Members at work on the second floor of the building went out for lunch at 12 o'clock and it is supposed they left a lamp burning. At any rate, about half an hour after the departure of the plumbers Supt. John McMahon heard the hoars growling and crashing against the sides of their cages. He left the office and saw smoke rising down from the second floor.

McMahon first telephoned a fire alarm and then called up the White House stable in West Thirty-seventh street and asked that the men on hand be sent over to get out the bears. A crowd of stable employees hurried over on a motor truck, but the smoke and flames, which were abating when they arrived and the firemen were at work.

It was quite a job dragging out three cages each containing two maddened bears. When the men were starting in for the fourth cage Deputy Chief Martin wouldn't allow them to proceed. He was afraid the falling, which was about to fall on them. His direction of the chief a stream of water was kept playing on the dangerous ceiling and the bear's cage was flooded.

A green row of shelves was swarmed to the scene of the fire. The policemen, on duty were unable to handle the crowds and the reserves from the West Thirty-seventh street station were called out.

THAW TO BE EXAMINED, IN FEDERAL COURT

WHITE HOUSE MINT BED GONE

Roosevelt's Delight Gives Way to an Evergreen Tree.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The famous Roosevelt mint bed, located just behind the executive offices, and from which Mr. Roosevelt used to have an occasional julep manufactured, according to testimony of the Macmillan trial, has been sold. It had been used during the administration of such late as James G. Thompson.

Today a small evergreen tree marked the spot.

### Missing Jessie McCann, for Whom Nation-Wide Search Is Made



Miss Jessie Evelyn McCann.

### ASSEMBLY JOINS IN THE FIGHT FOR FIVE CENT PHONES

Legislators Aid Evening World in Its Fight Against the Monopoly.

ALBANY, Dec. 9.—The Evening World's fight for a five-cent telephone rate in Greater New York was taken up by the Legislature last night, and the Public Service Commission for the Second District was politely but firmly asked to bring to a speedy termination its investigation of the finances and affairs of the Telephone Trust, so the new Legislature, when it meets in January, may put through a five-cent rate bill.

Assemblyman Mark Goldberg of Manhattan offered the resolution, which the Assembly unanimously adopted, calling for daily sessions of the Public Service Commission in order to end the adjournments and delays resorted to by the telephone company to put off indefinitely the final disposition of the rate question.

In advocating the adoption of the resolution Assemblyman Larimer of Brooklyn made a bitter attack on former Gov. Sulzer for not signing the Larimer five-cent telephone rate bill passed at the last regular session.

"There was \$20,000 worth of reason why my bill wasn't signed," said Larimer. "It had appeared that the Governor received \$20,000 in cash from men connected with the Telephone Company, for which he gave no writing, or note, or anything of a nature which would show the transaction had taken place."

Mr. Larimer continued: "I have attended all the hearings of the Public Service Commission for the Second District and the last one was put off until the twenty-second of this month. The Commission has gone on record as being decidedly and distinctly in favor of a five-cent rate in Greater New York. They take the stand that it is better for them to order a five-cent rate and for the company to refuse to give it than to have the rate started in a law, because the company would throw the matter into the courts and carry it to the Supreme Court of the United States and keep it there for three or four years. This resolution is a very good one."

COMMISSIONER IN FAVOR OF FIVE-CENT RATE.

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### AUTO TRUCK HITS TROLLEY CAR; FOUR PERSONS INJURED

Lexington Avenue Car Hurled From Track at Forty-eighth Street by Impact.

PASSENGERS IN PANIC.

Showered With Broken Glass—Policeman's Foot Broken by Accident.

A big automobile truck of the Gulf Refining Company of No. 21 State street, passing through Forty-eighth street, ran into a northbound surface car in Lexington avenue late this afternoon.

The force of the collision threw the car off the tracks, smashed in its side and broke almost all the windows. The front of the heavy truck was damaged and it came to a halt close against the side of the car, blocking both north and southbound tracks.

The trolley car was crowded, and men and women were hurled in heaps on the floor and showered with broken glass. They fled for the doorways in a panic. Policeman John C. Pennessy of the East Fifty-first street station, who was riding on the front platform of the car, was tossed off, and besides severe bruises and cuts probably had his right foot fractured.

Motorman Edward Payne was hurt, and Mrs. Augusta Payne of No. 60 East Sixty-fifth street, and Mrs. Ellen Crockett of No. 26 Dale avenue, Paterson, N. J., had hysterics and with the two injured men were taken to Flower Hospital by Dr. Cooley.

The chauffeur of the truck saved himself by jumping just before the smash. He rolled over on the pavement and was slightly bruised but not otherwise hurt.

The Board of Aldermen, by a resolution adopted to-day, transferred Inspector Richard H. Burke of the Aqueduct police to be a captain in the New York police, subject to the approval of the Police Commissioner.

Alderman Abram Herat introduced the resolution, which was passed 4 to 5. If Burke gets the post his salary will be reduced from \$2,500 to \$2,750 a year.

Recently the transfer of aqueduct policemen to the regular force was authorized by legislation, but the Civil Service Commission questioned the authority. Burke's transfer may be held up in this way.

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### HOMESICK GIRL THROWS HERSELF UNDER 'L' TRAIN

Mary Ann Doyle, Recently From Ireland, Longed to Go Back.

The body of the young woman who killed herself by jumping in front of an approaching train at One Hundred and Eighty-third street and Third avenue early to-day was identified this afternoon at the Fordham Morgue as that of Mary Ann Doyle, twenty-two years old, a servant in the rectory of the Church of St. Martin of Tours, One Hundred and Eighty-second street and Cambridge avenue. The identification was made by Rev. Edward J. O'Grady, pastor of the church, who had read the description of the suicide in the newspapers and associated it with the absence from the rectory since early morning of Mary Ann Doyle.

The girl, who was quite pretty and well educated, came to New York from Ireland seven months ago. She was brought out by her two brothers, who were employed in Shanley's, and lived somewhere in West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street. On her arrival she found that her brothers had few friends and she was very lonesome.

In order to gain companionship the girl sought a position and found one in the rectory of the Bronx Church. For the last ten days she had been extremely depressed and confined to the other servants that she was homesick that she wished she were back in Ireland with her father and mother.

She left the rectory at 4.30 o'clock this morning, telling her fellow servants that she was going to the early mass connected with a mission in St. Joseph's Church, in West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street. Half an hour later she threw herself in front of a northbound 'L' train and was instantly killed.

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### SEARCH CONEY ISLAND HOMES FOR TRACE OF MISSING JESSIE M'CANN

Father Sure She Telephoned From Surf Ave. Drug Store This Morning and Identifies Her From Descriptions Furnished Him.

MAYOR KLINE WILL TAKE UP SEARCH PERSONALLY

Nurse Girl Talked to Social Worker in Coney Restaurant Thursday and Saw Her Again Friday.

Jessie Evelyn McCann, the pretty young social worker and daughter of Robert G. McCann, who left her home, No. 435 East Twenty-first street, Flatbush, last Thursday morning to go to the School for Destitute Children in Sterling place, where she was employed as a kindergarten teacher and who has not been seen by her family since, was in Coney Island no later than noon to-day, so her father is convinced. He and Detectives Brierton and State, with dozens of amateur assistants, are making practically a house-to-house canvass of the almost deserted summer resort in the hope of finding the girl.

The father and the detectives reached Coney Island shortly after noon, and hurried to Zeller's drug store, in Surf avenue, near the Culver Railroad depot, where they inquired eagerly if a girl answering the description of Miss McCann had telephoned from there.

Arthur Effers, a clerk, recalled that at about 10 o'clock two young women had entered the place and one had gone into the telephone booth, where she remained for many minutes. He described her as well as he could recall her appearance and Mr. McCann exclaimed:

"It was she. I am sure it was Miss McCann."

"She" was the family pet name for Miss McCann and Mr. McCann said Effers' description of the girl was almost perfect, the discrepancy being such as one might make on seeing the girl only for a few minutes.

Mrs. Zeller, wife of the druggist, told the searchers that while she had been alone in the store in the morning a girl had entered and asked to be directed to some place where she could get a furnished room nearby. Mrs. Zeller had referred her to a group of houses known as Kister Court.

The woman's description of the girl tallied closely with the description given by Effers of the girl he had seen and Mr. McCann and the detectives hurried from the drug store. It was not until after they had gone that Effers or Mrs. Zeller recalled that they had not asked them how they came to have knowledge of a girl having telephoned from the place.

The fact that Mr. McCann and the detectives were cognizant of this fact seemed to add strength to the supposition that it really had been Miss McCann in the store and that she had telephoned to some friend, who conveyed the news of her whereabouts to her parents.

Capt. Murphy of the Coney Island station hurried into the drug store soon after Mr. McCann had left. He was looking for the father and told the druggist that Mayor Kline had arranged to escort Mrs. McCann to the island some time in the afternoon to take up the search unless the father's hunt meantime had proved successful.

GIRL SAW MISS M'CANN AT CONEY ON FRIDAY.

It was a clue given by a nurse girl employed by an old friend of the McCann family that sent Mr. McCann to Coney Island first. This girl told her mistress, who carried the news to the McCanns that she had seen and talked with the missing girl in Coney Island Thursday, and had seen her again, though not to speak to, the following day.

"Miss Jessie was in a little restaurant in Surf avenue, opposite the K. M. T. depot," said the nurse girl, "and when I spoke to her she said that she had been very nervous, and instead of going to the school had taken a long

SENATE MAJORITY VOTES TO SUPPORT GLYNN'S MEASURES

Bills Will Be Rushed Through and Final Adjournment Taken Next Friday Night.

ALBANY, Dec. 9.—A majority of the members of the Senate in conference to-day voted to support Gov. Glynn's legislative programme. The plan arranged by them contemplates final adjournment Friday night.

On Thursday the primary bills and the constitutional convention resolution will be taken up and on Friday the Workmen's Compensation bill.

No Assembly conference has been held.

SIX DAY RACE SCORE.

(Forty-First Hour—5 o'clock.)

Verdi and Brocco..... 500 0

Bretton and Forchiot..... 500 0

Root and McMamara..... 500 0

Lawrence and Magin..... 500 0

Halstead and Drobach..... 500 0

Fogler and Goulet..... 500 0

Hill and Ryan..... 500 0

Hansen and Anderson..... 500 0

Carmen and Cameron..... 500 0

Walshour and Collins..... 500 0

Milton and Thomas..... 500 0

Applehans and Packard..... 500 0

Clark and Grande..... 500 0

Walker and Coffey..... 500 0

Kopely and Reese..... 500 0

Former record 831 miles so legs made by Root and Heiler in 1912.

FOR STORY SEE SPORTING PAGE.

Panama Fair Board Off to Chile.

BUENOS AYRES, Argentina, Dec. 9.—The Commissioners visiting the Republic of Central and South America to arouse interest in the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco left here today for Chile after a short sojourn.

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