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SWANN BACKS UP SMITH IN POLICE GRAFT INQUIRY; COSTIGAN SEES PROSECUTOR

District Attorney Calls Assistant's Accusers "Stupid Fellows."

ROUND UP WITNESSES.

One Man on "Inside" of Vice Ring Said to Be About to Confess.

District Attorney Swann informed the public to-day in a prepared statement that he was heartily in accord with Assistant District Attorney James E. Smith and his work seeking the conviction and punishment of policemen who have been guilty of the vicious elements of the community.

Judge Swann referred to policemen who have attacked Smith as "those stupid fellows." He points out that the affidavits given out by Inspector Henry bear dates which show they were taken at about the time Smith was prosecuting Hennessey Rosenthal, a notorious gambler, though friendly with many police officials.

Smith, said the District Attorney, knows more about the personnel of the Police Department than any member of the Bar of New York City, and his Little Red Book contains the material for an encyclopedia of the officials of the department who think their duty for profit or power.

Former Inspector Daniel Costigan visited Criminal Courts Building to-day and consulted with District Attorney Swann and Assistant District Attorney James E. Smith. It was understood that a phase of the controversy between Smith and Inspector Dominick Henry was the reason for the talk, though none of the parties would talk.

Smith said to-day that he would not go further with regard to his intended revelations until the Extraordinary Grand Jury which is investigating him and two other assistants of Mr. Swann is through with him.

One of the persistent rumors about the Criminal Courts Building to-day was that one of the men who is the subject of Smith's investigation has offered to turn State's evidence against higher officials of the Police Department.

The name of this person is carefully guarded, but he is said to show signs of "breaking" and offering to turn State's evidence. It is said that he will involve the methods of a superior in an important section in the department in the alleged sale of protection to illegal restaurants. This possible witness, it was said, has been on the inside of the alleged graft ring around. Some of those who should know said he was "not quite ready to come forward."

District Attorney Swann is expected to direct in person the regular Grand

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THE WORLD

BRICKLAYERS END THEIR LONG STRIKE; HYLAN IS ARBITER

\$100,000,000 Housing and School Building Can Now Begin.

The bricklayers' strike has been settled this afternoon by an agreement between the Bricklayers' Unions of New York and Long Island and the Master Builders' Association.

The bricklayers agree to re-suspend the strike order which has tied up building in the city, and to return to work, with the understanding that their demands are to be submitted to Mayor Hylan, whose decisions shall be final and binding on both parties.

The agreement which goes into effect immediately shall continue until all questions now existing and which were considered by the Joint Arbitration Board are finally and mutually agreed upon. The decision of Mayor Hylan shall be retroactive from the day the men return to work and shall continue until Dec. 31, 1920.

The agreement also provides that the arbitration board shall resume its sittings and adjust whatever grievances may be presented from either side. Both sides shall present their briefs within forty-eight hours after the men return to work.

New York City's school building program, involving \$25,000,000, and the \$100,000,000 housing project can now be begun.

U. S. COMMISSIONER REIFSCHEIDER IS HELD FOR TRIAL

Federal Official Must Face Special Sessions Court on Conspiracy Charge.

United States Commissioner Felix Reifschneider of Brooklyn was held in \$1,000 bail this afternoon by Magistrate Dodd in Adams Street Court for trial in Special Sessions. The charge is that he conspired with Mrs. Annie Mills, a negro, in whose name he brought a \$25,000 damage suit against Isaac C. Jersey, alleging that Jersey is a contractor, was the father of the Mills woman's two children.

Mrs. Margaret Jersey, wife of the contractor, recently testified from her bed in the Presbyterian Hospital to the effect that Reifschneider, acting as counsel for the Mills woman, knew that her damage suit was based on falsehood. This morning Mrs. Jersey did without knowing that her testimony had been perhaps the deciding factor in holding Reifschneider for trial. The case has been before Magistrate Dodd for three weeks.

That the decision was a surprise to Reifschneider was indicated by the fact that he was obliged to send out for a surety company to give him bond.

Magistrate Dodd said that uncontradicted evidence had been offered showing that a crime had been committed and that the evidence was sufficient cause to believe Reifschneider guilty and held him for trial.

WIFE NO. 3'S SPIRIT FORBADE REGAL'S MARRIAGE TO NO. 4

Mrs. Rosenthal, Suing for \$50,000 for Breach of Promise, Says He Told Her So.

CALLED "SUGAR PLUM."

Hard to Write of Love with Thermometer at 98, Said Letter Read to Jury.

Testimony by Mrs. Cecelia Rosenthal, a widow of No. 370 West 156th Street, that Samuel Regal, Vice President of the American Fashion Company, broke off their engagement because the "spirits" of his dead third wife appeared to him at night advising him against remarrying, will be offered to-day at the trial of her \$50,000 breach of promise suit, Henry Brill, her counsel, told Supreme Court Justice Pitcock and a jury when the trial of the case began this morning.

According to her complaint Mrs. Rosenthal agreed to Regal's proposal to wait until a year after the death of his third wife, and until he placed a headstone over her grave, but that before the year was over Regal showed signs of becoming reftive and finally told her he would not marry her. Mrs. Rosenthal is a sister-in-law by marriage of the third Mrs. Regal.

Letters, written by Regal to Mrs. Rosenthal, while she was living at Kansas City in the summer of 1917, were read to the jury by Attorney Brill. Each was addressed to "Dear Cell."

The letters repeatedly made use of the expression "My dear." Once he called her a "sugar-plum" and many times his sweetheart. In one of these he admitted he felt "mushy" and spoke of the time coming when he and the plaintiff could be out of doors "under the sky for a canopy and God's green grass for a carpet." He declared in the same letter "one doesn't need to sit on a piazza and rock all day."

In another letter Regal asked "How can one write his impressions of love with the thermometer standing at 98 in the bedroom, so good night my dear?"

In still another letter describing in detail a blow-out suffered while moving, he compared the marks of love to the sparks of magneto and the thrills of affection to the electric current playing along vibrating wires.

According to the complaint, Mrs. Rosenthal later came to New York and lived at the Regal home at No. 97 Fort Washington Avenue until the engagement was broken, when she brought suit.

The third Mrs. Regal, according to the complaint, died in December, 1916, and the courtship started next June.

TENANT VICTOR IN DISPOSSESS SUIT

Appellate Term Overrules Municipal Court in Denying Proof of Unreasonable Cause.

The Appellate Term of the Supreme Court today reversed an order of the Seventh District Municipal Court in favor of the Gotham Construction Company and against Samuel R. Woodman, a tenant, in an opinion by Justice Craig. The Appellate Term ordered a new trial.

The plaintiff brought suit to dispossess the defendant under the modern form of lease which permits the landlord to order a tenant's removal if he deems the tenant an unreasonable one. The Municipal Court declined to permit the defendant to produce witnesses to prove that his landlord could have no reasonable cause to regard him as unreasonable. The Appellate Term holds that was the tenant's right.

N. J. DENIES RIGHT OF U. S. TO ENFORCE DRY LAW IN STATE

Argues in Court She Alone Can Determine What Is "Intoxicating Liquor."

AFFECTS PUBLIC HEALTH

State's Attorney General Asserts 18th Amendment Was Not Legally Adopted.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—A United States Supreme Court decision on the validity of Constitutional Prohibition is looked for April 19. Chief Justice White to-day stated the court would recess until that date. It was considered likely that the final decision would then be made.

The Prohibition amendment is legislative in nature and revolutionary in character, according to Attorney General Thomas F. McLean of New Jersey in opening his argument before the Supreme Court of the United States in the suit of New Jersey against the Federal Government to have the Eighteenth Amendment declared void and the Volstead Enforcement Act unconstitutional.

The action was instigated by Gov. Edwards, who was elected on a "wet" ticket, and whose election was followed by the passage by the New Jersey Legislature of a 2.50 per cent. beer bill to be effective when peace is officially proclaimed.

The bill of complaint, upon which the court was asked to pass, prayed that a writ of injunction issue against the Government to restrain the Government from enforcing the Volstead Act which is intended to enforce the Eighteenth Amendment.

It was averred in the bill that if the Government was permitted to enforce that act of Congress within the State it would override and destroy the inalienable rights of the people of New Jersey and of its people to control the internal affairs of the State, and would cause pecuniary loss to the State and affect the public health and welfare.

Attorney General McLean declared that the Eighteenth Amendment was not constitutionally proposed, that the proposal is subject to judicial review; that Congress did not by two-thirds in numbers of both Houses affirmatively vote for the proposal of the resolution; and that three-fourths of the States have not ratified in the constitutional sense.

DECLARES FEDERAL GOVERNMENT INVADES THE STATES.

The brief discussed the effect of a literal interpretation of the Eighteenth Amendment which would make the act of New Jersey operative in California and the act of California operative in New Jersey and the act of Utah to control the commerce of New York and San Francisco and, further, the right of the Federal Government to invade the domain heretofore conclusively belonging to the States.

It was claimed that the true con-

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HUDSON TUBE FARES CAUSE PROTESTS

State Board and Representatives of Cities Open Fight on Increased Tariffs Proposed.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Protests against the proposed increase in fares on the Hudson and Manhattan Railroad between New York City and points in Jersey City and Hoboken were made to-day before the Interstate Commerce Commission, which was asked by representatives of the New Jersey cities and the State Board of Public Utilities to suspend the new tariffs filed by the road pending an investigation.

FARE BILL—ANS AFTER MEALS AND 20¢ PER HOUR FOR GOOD DIGESTION

ALL-NIGHT FLAMES REVEAL ROBBERIES; MANY OVERCOME

Burglars Who Ransacked Offices Blamed for South Street Blaze.

GAS MASKS ARE USED.

"Buff" Mainzer and Firemen Knocked Out by Fumes From Burning Spices.

A fire in a grocery warehouse at No. 290 South Street, which burned nearly all night, brought to light a series of petty burglaries in the block for the last three weeks which have been kept secret by the police. Dense smoke from burning spices played havoc with the firemen. At times eight or ten of them were under the care of ambulance surgeons.

The police believe the fire was started, probably unintentionally, by the same persons who had forced a door, ransacked the office and attempted to break into the safe of Frank Young & Co. The attempted robbery in the Young office was discovered by Assistant Chief Martin's chauffeur, Daniel Healy, while he was aiding in keeping the flames from spreading. The combination of the safe had been battered and the hinges smashed and jammed. There were signs of malicious destruction in the office. A typewriter had been wrecked, desks splintered and electric light globes broken. The tools used on the safe had been taken from a box on the first floor.

The first of the robberies, all of which have been on Sunday, was three weeks ago in the office of the Reardon Warehouse Company at No. 296 South Street. Boxes of chocolate and candy and cans of condensed milk were stolen. The contents of some of them were apparently consumed on the premises. A week ago yesterday the Fidelity Warehouse building was entered, as was that of the Union Card and Paper Company.

Honorary Deputy Chief Robert Mainzer, who was at a dinner at the Plaza, left at the third alarm and arrived at the fire in evening clothes and silk hat. Knowing that milk was a good antidote for smoke irritants, he bought the neighborhood in his automobile, buying all the milk he could find. While handling it out in glasses to the firemen he was himself overcome by the acid fumes, but remained on the job after being treated by an ambulance surgeon.

DE LAMAR FUNERAL COST WAS \$22,730

Accounting in Court Show Present Value of Estate to Be \$3,000,000.

The funeral of Captain Joseph R. De Lamar, who died three years ago, cost \$22,730, according to the accounting filed with Surrogate Foley by the executor of the estate, to-day. Of this sum \$10,000 was paid for a burial plot in Woodlawn cemetery, where cost \$7,477, \$200 was paid for casket and the casket was for \$200.

NC-2 CRASHES ONTO SANDBAR

Trans-Atlantic Airplane Loses Way Off Atlantic City and Is Badly Damaged.

Special to The Evening World. ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., March 28.—Commander Fred, transatlantic pilot, and a full crew about to transmit a message NC-2 and a crew off shortly after noon to-day, when the plane, on a trip after being assembled, crashed on a sandbar a half mile out from the inlet here. Confused by the dense fog, the plane had been spinning back and forth over the reef for a half hour, trying to solicit a safe landing.

MABEL CHOATE'S FIRST POLITICAL PLEA FOR HOOVER



Miss MABEL CHOATE... Daughter of Former Diplomat Tells Why She Has Entered Politics.

Miss Mabel Choate, daughter of the late Joseph H. Choate, who with Julian S. Myrick, is a candidate for delegate to the Republican National Convention from the 17th Congressional District, pledged to support Hoover, to-day issued her first statement, covering the reasons for her entry into active politics.

She commends Mr. Hoover for his work in behalf of humanity when Food Administrator and declares his Americanism was proved by his stand in Paris during the peace negotiations.

GIRL THROWS SELF UNDER TRAIN AFTER TIFF WITH FATHER

Suicide, Twenty Years Old, Wrote "One of Us Must Remove Himself."

Miss Norma Atkinson, twenty years old, daughter of Jay F. Atkinson, a wealthy resident of Orange, N. J., quarreled with her father this morning. After the father had left for his New York office, Miss Atkinson went to the Highland Avenue Station of the Lackawanna, walked down the freight car on a siding. When she heard the Morristown Express approaching she took off her hat and coat and threw herself in front of the engine. She was instantly killed.

The young woman left a note in her coat pocket. It said: "Dear Mother—Please forgive me for that which I am doing. I don't know whether I am in the wrong or my father, so it is up to one of us to remove himself. I know you will understand. You have been the bestest mother and ever, but that the word mother signifies 'Dad'."

Mrs. Atkinson collapsed when police notified her of the finding of the body.

Mrs. Atkinson rushed to her home in an automobile as soon as she heard of the tragedy. He admitted that he had had "a few words" with his daughter this morning, but had not considered the matter serious.

THOUSANDS ARE HOMELESS; DEATH TOLL IN TORNADOES IN EIGHT STATES GROWING

At Least 150 Known Dead and La Grange, Ga., Says List Will Far Exceed Earlier Estimates—Martial Law in Elgin, Ill.

Wire communication is slowly being re-established in the tornado swept sections of Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Missouri, Wisconsin, Alabama and Georgia, and the present reports indicate that the loss of life in Sunday's storm will exceed 150, with more than 500 others known to have been seriously injured. Thousands are homeless.

The property loss will amount to many millions of dollars. A telephone message from La Grange, Ga., to Atlanta, Ga., to-day stated the death list there was far greater than indicated in earlier reports, which had said sixty were killed.

Fires caused by crossed wires and overturned stoves, have added vastly to the suffering.

Floods are reported to be following in the wake of the storms in the South and further loss of life is feared.

The Western tornadoes appeared first in St. Louis and swept northward, branching out over Indiana, Ohio, Illinois and Michigan and extending into Wisconsin. It finally spent itself in Lake Michigan. The greatest damage seems to have been done in the vicinity of Chicago.

Most of the cities hit by the tornadoes are without light, gas and water.

WINITSKY TO PRISON FOR 5 TO 10 YEARS

Communist Sentenced for Criminal Anarchy—Larkin Wants to Be Deported.

Harry Winitsky, Secretary of the New York branch of the Communist Party, was sentenced to Sing Sing for five to ten years by Justice Weeks to-day. He was found guilty of criminal anarchy because of the part he took in framing the Communist manifesto, advocating the overthrow of the United States Government by violence.

In imposing sentence Justice Weeks said he did not see how a young man who had even enjoyed the benefits and opportunities of American institutions, who had even held a State position (Winitsky was a clerk for the Public Service Commission) could enter a conspiracy to destroy the Government. He added that the Government, when attacked, must act for its own preservation.

The trial of James Joseph Larkin, the Irish agitator, charged with criminal anarchy, was set for next Monday. "I want to be deported," said Larkin, "I am a citizen of the Irish Republic and there is a conspiracy between the Government of the United States and England to prevent me from going back to Ireland."

ANOTHER IRISHMAN SLAIN AT OWN DOOR

Called From Home at Thurles and Shot Down as Was Young Baker Last Saturday.

DUBLIN, March 28.—Thomas Dwyer was killed from his home at Thurles early to-day by an armed party, and was shot to death.

Last Saturday, James McCarthy, a young baker, was shot at his home in Thurles under similar circumstances. He had received a warning that he would be attacked.

GIVE UP GUNBOATS, ORDER TO GERMANY

Allied Ambassadors Refuse Request to Be Allowed to Keep Them.

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