

TO WITHDRAW "SALOME"

CONRIED WILL NOT FIGHT

Drama Will Be Withdrawn Unless House Owners Relent.

If the directors of the Metropolitan Opera and Real Estate Company, which owns the Metropolitan Opera House, refuse to withdraw their protest against a repetition of "Salome," no further performances of the Strauss-Wilde drama will be given at the Metropolitan Opera House.

The opinion seemed to be last night that the opera would be withdrawn, and that the opera company would be obliged to forfeit a large amount of money to Mr. Strauss for failure to keep the contract, which called for ten performances here.

Heinrich Conried, the president of the Conried Metropolitan Opera Company, and the managing director, did not agree to the conclusion of the executive committee yesterday until he was induced to believe that it was the only solution.

He is proud of the production of "Salome," feeling that it is a great artistic triumph, and having a sympathy with those who hold that it is objectionable, according to the opinion of his friends.

With reference to certain statements in the daily press as to the condition of Director Heinrich Conried of the Metropolitan Opera House, the attending physicians desire to state—believing that those reports are entirely untrue.

The meeting of the executive committee of the opera company was held at the home of Ravillas Cottenet, one of its members, at No. 110 East 25th street.

A person closely in touch with the directors of the opera company said last night: "The directors felt it their duty to the public to produce this great opera, which is being produced in the great cities of Europe, but out of regard for the feelings of a considerable number of the music-loving public are willing to withdraw the opera if it can be shown that there is strong sentiment against it."

Ernest Goerlitz, business representative of Mr. Conried, was asked whether, if "Salome" should be withdrawn from the Metropolitan Opera House, the contract with Mr. Strauss could be fulfilled by producing the opera elsewhere.

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Asked if he would call a meeting of the directors of the real estate company, he replied: "I can't tell. We have received no request to do so yet."

MEN PROMINENT IN THE METROPOLITAN CONTROVERSY OVER "SALOME."

Directors of the Opera and Real Estate Company. G. S. BOWDOIN. GEO. P. WETMORE. HEINRICH CONRIED. GEORGE GOULD. A. G. VANDERBILT.



J. P. MORGAN. W. K. VANDERBILT. JAMES H. HYDE. JAMES SPEYER.

A TARIFF WAR AVERTED

BASIS OF TREATY LAID.

German-American Commissioners Make Known Results.

Berlin, Jan. 27.—The conference of the American and German tariff commissioners ended on Friday. S. N. D. North, who is head of the American delegation, will sail for the United States next Wednesday.

The Associated Press some days ago requested both commissions to authorize the publication of a summary of the results of the negotiations.

The sessions of the commissions have been harmonious from the start, and nothing has occurred at any point to interfere with the cordial and friendly relations originally established.

So far as both governments are concerned, no commitments have been made, but the understanding is such that if the two governments shall desire to enter into a commercial agreement the preparatory work has been done.

The Foreign Office will issue an announcement to-morrow identical with the foregoing. Following diplomatic usage, the American commissioners felt that the details of the results reached ought to be laid before President Roosevelt first.

It is permitted to add that the commissions arranged a plan which, with the approval of President Roosevelt and the Reichstag, will avoid tariff hostilities, and, as alluded to in the foregoing authorized summary, a basis for a long term arrangement to the mutual advantage of both peoples was fully considered.

ROCKEFELLER HELD UP.

William G.'s Automobile Stopped—Chauffeur Arrested for Speeding.

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"Why, we were only going fifteen miles an hour," said the chauffeur.

"The law only allows eight miles in the city limits," replied Mara, "so you will have to come to the station house."

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"Can't I bail this man out?" Mr. Rockefeller asked. "I can give my wife's house at No. 292 Madison avenue as security."

The sergeant informed him that he could not give his wife's property on the bond, but that \$100 cash would do. "Oh, is that all?" said Mr. Rockefeller, as he handed over a \$100 bill.

NEW TOWNSEND ARRESTED

POLICE CONCEAL NAME.

Mystery Surrounds Move of Manhattan Authorities in Murder Case.

An arrest was made in Manhattan late last night in connection with the murder of Dr. Charles Wilton Townsend, of No. 5 Westervest avenue, New Brighton, Staten Island, who was shot in his home on Saturday, and died at 1 o'clock yesterday morning at the S. R. Smith Infirmary.

On request of Captain Gallagher, of the West Brighton police station, Morris Silverman, the hack driver, was held in \$25,000 bail as a suspicious person, when arraigned before Magistrate Marsh in the Stapleton police court yesterday.

Silverman is the man named by Dr. Townsend immediately after the shooting as being similar in appearance to the man who shot him.

When Silverman was arraigned yesterday a dramatic appeal for his liberty was made by his young wife, who was a "boarder" patient of Dr. Townsend. Later Mrs. Silverman said she would appear before Magistrate Marsh again to-day with a statement from Dr. Mord, the coroner's physician, declaring that Dr. Townsend made a second ante-mortem statement in which he exonerated her husband.

INSPECTOR EXPECTS DEVELOPMENTS. Inspector Schmittberger and Coroner Cahill held a conference early yesterday afternoon.

One of the principal witnesses who will be called at the coroner's inquest is William Crabtree, who lives opposite the home of Dr. Townsend. Mr. Crabtree was one of the first to enter the surgeon's home after the shooting.

Mr. Crabtree's statement that Mrs. Townsend immediately suggested that burglary was not the motive for the shooting contradicts the story told by the surgeon's wife to the police after the shooting.

PHYSICIAN HAD NO ENEMIES. According to a story told by Lawrence Crabtree, the seventeen-year-old son of William Crabtree, the rear door of his home was open immediately after the servant called for help.

FLORIDA'S FAMOUS TRAINS. 2:30 P. M., 9:25 A. M. and 9:25 P. M. Unexcelled service via Penn. & Atlantic Coast Line R. Florida Information Bureau, 5 way, cor. 34th St.—Adv.

BACK TO COURT TO-DAY.

THAW EVIDENCE NEARER.

Jury May Be Completed Wednesday—Jurors Have a Drive.

The trial of Harry K. Thaw for the killing of Stanford White will be resumed this morning before Justice Fitzgerald, in the Criminal Branch of the Supreme Court.

There has probably never been a murder trial in this county which, for sustained interest, has equalled the Thaw trial.

The court house was built six years ago, the erection and equipment costing the county \$120,000. The total insurance is \$66,200. All the records are safe in the fireproof vaults.

SUICIDE BEFORE TRAIN. Camden, N. J., Jan. 27.—With arms entwined, an unknown young man and a young woman stood on the tracks of the Pennsylvania Electric Railroad over Newton Creek early to-day and waited until an electric train ran them down.

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