# LIGHT ON TRUNK CASE

## *Say Son Killed Rosenbloom—Identity Questioned—Arrests Here.*

Baltimore, Aug. 24.—According to the detective authorities of this city, Mrs. Bonnie Rosenbloom and her daughter, Eva, confessed to-day that the body found in the trunk near Camden, N. J., on August 16, was that of Samuel J. Rosenbloom, of Windber, Penn., husband of the elder woman, and that he was killed by the son, Alexander Rosenbloom, at their home in Windber, on or about November 12 last. The woman said the cause of the murder was that her husband had beaten them.

Mrs. Rosenbloom, who is fifty-seven years old, and her daughter, who is sixteen, were arrested this morning at their home, No. 1526 East Baltimore street. Mrs. Rosenbloom and her daughter had lived in a flat at the East Baltimore street house since July 1 last, having come to this city from Windber, the scene of the murder, because one of the sons of the family, Harry Rosenbloom, had employment here. They had been living quietly and had no idea that their presence was known to the police until yesterday afternoon, when they were told that the house was being watched.

Mrs. Rosenbloom said that on the night of the murder her husband quarrelled with her and with her son and daughter. She and her daughter, she said, went upstairs to their room. They heard loud words in the store beneath. In the morning, when they came downstairs, her husband was not there.

They asked her son, Alexander, where his father was. He replied that he had "gone away." Later, Mrs. Rosenbloom said, her son said to her:

"I have killed father because he quarrelled with all of us and beat you and Eva."

Mrs. Rosenbloom says she did not know of her son concealing the body of his father in the trunk and that neither she nor her daughter ever asked him any questions. They sold trunks in the store, she said, and she supposed that her son placed the body in one of the trunks and carried the trunk and body into the stable in the rear of the store, where he kept it until he was ready to take it away.

Mrs. Rosenbloom said that she did not know of her son's whereabouts and that he went away a few days after November 12.

The mother and daughter will be held for the Pennsylvania authorities. As yet no formal charge has been laid against them.

Mrs. Rosenbloom and her daughter have consented to return to Windber without waiting for requisition papers. S. W. McMillan, chief of police of that town, is expected here to-morrow.

Johnstown, Penn., Aug. 24.—District Attorney John Lewis, of Somerset County, has asked the county commissioners to offer a reward of $1,000 for the arrest of Alexander Rosenbloom, who is now charged with the murder of his father at Windber, Penn. Warrants were issued to-day for the arrest of Alexander Rosenbloom, Mrs. S. J. Rosenbloom and Eva Rosenbloom, and Joseph and Louis Egler, nephews of the dead man, who live in New York.

Camden, N. J., Aug. 24.—The local detectives found three men in Mount Ephraim, near here, to-day, who will, it is asserted, swear that they saw Alexander Rosenbloom in Mount Ephraim in November, 1907, or about the time the elder Rosenbloom disappeared from his home. Not only did these witnesses identify photographs of Alexander Rosenbloom as those of the man they saw, but one of them heard him addressed by a companion as "Alex." This, the detectives say, indicates that the missing son was in Mount Ephraim about the time the trunk containing the murdered man's body was received at the railroad station there.

New Brunswick, N. J., Aug. 24.—Louis Weller, a clothing dealer of this city and a son-in-law of Samuel J. Rosenbloom, of Windber, Penn., returned from Camden to-day and stated positively that the body of the man found in the trunk there was not that of his father-in-law. Mr. Weller saw the body with his wife's brothers, William Rosenbloom, of Piedmont, W. Va., and Louis Rosenbloom, of Charleroi, Penn. None of the three thought it resembled S. J. Rosenbloom. The body shown them, Mr. Weller says, was that of a beardless man not more than forty years old, while Mr. Rosenbloom was over sixty and wore a beard. Traces of broken bones in the leg and wrist sustained by Mr. Rosenbloom were lacking in the Camden body.

At the request of Chief of Police McMillan of Windsor, Penn., Detectives Fogarty, De Mar ini and Wood, of Police Headquarters, last night arrested Joseph Adler, twenty-three years old, and his brother, Louis, twenty-eight years old, both of No. 120 Monroe street, on the charge of murdering Samuel J. Rosenbloom, a merchant of Windber, for whom the brothers formerly worked.

Developments have sprung up in New York recently in connection with the case which indicate that Alexander Rosenbloom, the son of the dead man, who disappeared soon after his father, was in New York shortly after the murder and was under treatment by Dr. Nochin Sapiro, of No. 223 East Broadway. This discovery, the police believe, may have an important bearing on the case.

The two prisoners taken last night told a story to Captain Carey, of the homicide bureau at Police Headquarters, which, if proved, will virtually clear them of the murder, since they claim to have been in New York City before and after the elder Rosenbloom disappeared.

Shortly after the merchant's disappearance in Windber Mrs. S. J. Rosenbloom, the widow, wrote to the police here and asked them to investigate a statement found in her husband's desk after his disappearance, indicating that he had taken treatment from Dr. Shapiro, in East Broadway. This statement was signed by Dr. Shapiro, and was left, presumably, by the husband to reassure friends as to the cause of his absence. The statement, dated November 21, 1907, read:

"This is to certify that S. J. Rosenbloom was under my treatment for a serious disease."

Dr. Shapiro has identified a picture of Alexander Rosenbloom, the son, as the person who visited his office. Dr. Shapiro refused to tell the police the nature of the disease for which he treated Rosenbloom.

The climax of the doctor's part in the case came only recently, when a young woman called at his office and asked about the visit of Rosenbloom. Dr. Shapiro gave a minute description of the patient, and then, according to Dr. Shapiro, she exclaimed:

"That was my brother. He killed my father."

The police here say that there was a large insurance policy on the father's life, which is thought to have some bearing on the case. This, it is understood, was made payable to the missing son, Alexander.

## "WHISKEY" MUST BE WHISKEY NOW.

### Government Wins Contest Under Pure Food Law Against Ohio Distillers.

Cincinnati, Aug. 24.—By the decision of Judge Thompson in the United States Court this afternoon the government wins the contest it has been waging with the local distillers to compel them to brand as "imitation whiskey" the rapid process product which for many years has been on the market under the name of whiskey. The action of the government has been the outcome of the new pure food law and the determination to make it effective.

The decision is rendered in the suit of the Union Distilling Company for an injunction or restraining order to stop Internal Revenue Collector Bettmann and the revenue employes here from carrying into effect the new rules relative to the branding of distilled spirits.

## SUMMER HOTEL SAFE LOOTED.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Catskill, N. Y., Aug. 24.—Selecting a night when it was supposed that the safe in the Walters Hotel, at Cairo, would be well filled with valuables belonging to guests and with cash, burglars entered the house about 2 o'clock this morning, and, after unlocking the safe, stole $1,800 worth of postage stamps, $300 in cash, a gold watch and chain and diamonds and other jewelry worth $500 and seven bankbooks.

## E. R. THOMAS TO BE OPERATED ON HERE.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Long Branch, N. J., Aug. 24.—E. R. Thomas, who was injured in an automobile accident here on August 14, was removed from the Monmouth Memorial Hospital here to-day and taken to New York, where it is said he will undergo a serious operation. The injury to his knee is said to be proving more serious than at first expected.

# *FIGHT OVER D. & E. ROAD.*

## *Mr. Milburn Asks for Receiver—Opposed by Griggs and Bruce.*

Justice Bischoff, in the Special Term of the Supreme Court, yesterday took under advisement the application of John G. Milburn, representing a bondholders' committee of the Delaware & Eastern Railway, for the appointment of a receiver and for the making permanent of a temporary injunction issued by Justice Dugro on July 29 restraining the Delaware & Eastern Railway and the Delaware and Eastern Construction Company "from assigning and carrying out a certain contract for the delivery of $4,700,000 par value bonds of the Delaware & Eastern Railroad or $4,850,000 par value of the capital stock of said company."

Mr. Milburn was opposed in the action by John W. Griggs, former United States Attorney General, and ex-Judge M. Linn Bruce, representing the railroad. The temporary injunction was obtained by Bush & Hare, as counsel for Joseph H. Holmes, of Pittsburg, and others and prevented the assignment of contracts for the completion of the road. Mr. Milburn asserted that the road, which it is proposed to run through Schenectady and Scranton and thus tap the coal fields of Pennsylvania and give an outlet to the Boston & Maine and New England in that direction, existed merely on paper. Under the Civil Code, said Mr. Milburn, it was impossible for the road to issue notes or bonds in great advance of its probable value, and he declared that Section 43 of the corporation act prohibited such action. He said that the opposing counsel had admitted that the cost of the road would be only about $3,000,000, whereas stocks and bonds had been issued to the value of $9,000,000.

Ex-Attorney General Griggs was amused at Mr. Milburn's assertion that so far the road had been operated in evasion of the law, and declared that Holmes owned thirty-three shares of stock, which he never paid for. Mr. Griggs then went on to show that there had been no insolvency alleged, either in the papers or in the argument, and that the Pittsburg crowd was merely trying to grab the valuable property and held it for the coal roads.

Judge Bruce added that part of the road had already been built and was going to be an active competitor of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad.

Justice Bischoff gave both sides until August 27 to submit further arguments.

# *MONROE CAUGHT, ESCAPES*

## *Eludes Sheriff—Said to Have Been Surrounded in Woods.*

Hackensack, N. J., Aug. 24.—William Monroe, the desperado who on Friday murderously attacked five persons on the Deyo farm, at New Paltz, N. Y., and then burned a barn, was arrested by Sheriff Decker and two deputies from Orange County near the home of his halfbrother, John Harris, at Camp Gaw, this morning, but he was only in custody a minute or two, and although the three men had guns he ducked away from them, leaped a fence, got into a cornfield and made his escape. Sheriff Decker came down from Middletown early this morning to arrest Monroe.

He planned a fake telegram scheme to get Monroe to go to the Camp Gaw station, where a spectacular arrest was to be made. The telegram was to have Monroe meet his wife at the 1:40 train from Middletown this afternoon, and a boy was taken to within a short distance of the Harris home and then put out on the road to finish the journey afoot. But Monroe appeared on the road before the boy had gone many feet. He gave a hasty glance at the automobile and the men and then started to run. The automobile soon caught up to him, and the three officers, revolvers in hand, alighted and placed him under arrest. He walked along with them quietly for a few yards, then suddenly ducked and slipped away from his captors. He jumped over a fence, went through a bit of a swamp, and was soon lost in a cornfield.

"Stop or we will shoot!" cried the sheriff and his deputies.

"Shoot and be damned if you have got any nerve!" yelled Monroe.

The officers fired at the fleeing man five times. Sheriff Decker says he is sure he hit Monroe with one of the bullets, for he faltered and cried out from pain after one of the shots. The men then gave up the search. The local authorities took up the matter, and county detectives guarded the cornfield until dark and said they would have a close watch kept all night. At a late hour it was reported that Monroe had been surrounded in the woods at Camp Gaw.

## GIRLS SEE YOUNG MAN DROWN.

### Sweetheart Saves Would-be Rescuer and Prevents Double Fatality.

The story of a dramatic drowning and rescue at noon Sunday two miles off Sandy Hook was told in Brooklyn yesterday. The man who was drowned was Walter Weinmann, the only son of a widowed mother, Mrs. Caroline Weinmann, with whom he lived at No. 320 Carroll street. The man who was rescued was William Bostlemann, who lives with his parents at No. 318 Carroll street. Bostlemann's sweetheart, Miss Meta Rupke, twenty years old, of No. 169 Conover street, made the rescue.

On Sunday morning, the young men, who are members of the Erie Basin Yacht Club, went out in the 25-foot launch My Girl, and took with them Miss Rupke, her sister Lillie and the Misses Bessie and Annie Ledle. Off Sandy Hook the sea became choppy and the men decided to cast anchor and lay to for a time. Weinmann went forward, but lost his balance. He grabbed the flagstaff, but it broke, and he went overboard. He could not swim, and Bostlemann shut off the power and jumped after him.

Weinmann grabbed Bostlemann by the throat, and both went down together. They rose to the surface, however, and Bostlemann tried in vain to break his friend's hold.

They had gone down three times when Miss Meta Rupke determined to go to their aid. She drew up a rowboat floating at the stern of the launch, and cast off. A few strokes of the oars and she was at Bostlemann's side. He was very weak, but with her aid managed to get into the rowboat. Weinmann had disappeared, and his body was not recovered.

Bostlemann and Weinmann were partners in business at No. 466 17th street, Brooklyn. The drowned man was a member of the Central Young Men's Christian Association.

## RESTRAIN COLER ON ASPHALT BIDS.

### Charges of Conspiracy Made in Application for Injunction.

An injunction granted yesterday by Justice Blackmar in the Supreme Court of Brooklyn restrains Borough President Coler from granting contracts to asphalt companies and requires him to show cause why it should not be continued. Charles H. Hyde obtained the writ on behalf of Adolph Luker, a taxpayer.

The charge is made that there is a conspiracy between four companies, which has resulted in the boosting of prices. It is charged in the papers that the companies have agreed to distribute the bids for public work so that the Uvalde company shall have half of the business, the remainder to be divided among the other three.

Hugh V. Monahan's suit against Mr. Coler, restraining him from awarding repair contracts in South Brooklyn to an iron slag pavement company, was postponed on request of Deputy Corporation Counsel Probasco when it came up before Justice Blackmar yesterday.

## FIRST GIRL TO DRIVE TAXICAB.

New Yorkers will have the opportunity of seeing the first female taxicab driver this afternoon, when Miss Freida Klingel, a former member of the chorus of "The Girl Question" company, will appear as an employe of the Red Taxicab Company. Mr. Higgins, manager of the taxicab company, said yesterday that in spite of the threats of his union drivers, he intended to let Miss Klingel operate one of the company's cars to-day.

## SCHOOLMATE OF U. S. GRANT DEAD.

Frankfort, Ky., Aug. 24.—The Rev. Thomas N. Arnold, one of the best known ministers of the Christian Church in the South, died yesterday while on the way to Versailles to preach at a funeral. He was a classmate of General U. S. Grant at school. In the stormy period following the Goebel assassination he was one of two ministers who attended the session of the state Senate. He was eighty-four years old.

# FEDERAL HANDS OFF

## *Fitzgerald Admitted to Bail—Chicago Authorities Have Case.*

Chicago, Aug. 24.—George W. Fitzgerald, arrested yesterday on a charge of stealing $173,000 in United States funds from Assistant United States Treasurer William Holdenweck on February 20, 1907, was admitted to bail to-day by Judge Chetlain. Counsel for the defendant pleaded for an immediate hearing, but the court postponed the examination until August 31 to allow the State's Attorney to collect further evidence.

"I have not a nickel that does not belong to me," exclaimed Fitzgerald to reporters. He gave his attorneys an elaborate explanation of the money he had used in speculation.

When he was discharged from the government employ he declared he had $2,600, his wife possessed about $2,900, and later he inherited between $4,000 and $5,000. His egg speculations began with an investment of only $200, he asserted, as he had only to put up sufficient margins to cover probable fluctuations of prices. This deal netted him $700. He then interested several others, and together they made up a pool of $5,000, by the use of which they made some profit. As to the house he purchased, he said that it was offered for $4,500, with a $4,000 mortgage. He and Mrs. Fitzgerald obtained the property by paying down $5,300.

The evidence against Fitzgerald was worked up by a private detective agency, and no move was made by the government authorities in court to-day. A representative of the United States District Attorney's office, however, was present.

Assistant United States District Attorney Davis said this afternoon that the federal authorities had decided not to take part in the prosecution of Fitzgerald unless further evidence against him is unearthed. Mr. Davis and John I. Porter, chief of the government secret service in Chicago, declared that they did not believe the present evidence warrants the holding of Fitzgerald. Mr. Porter sent a telegram to this effect to Chief Wilkie at Washington.

## DROWNED UNDER EYES OF BRIDE.

### Man Who Could Not Swim Went Fishing in Leaky Boat and Upset It.

Scituate, R. I., Aug. 24.—In sight of his bride of four weeks, who was powerless to aid him, John Colon was drowned in Spencer's Millpond, this village, yesterday. Mrs. Colon was within twenty feet of her husband when he sank, and the only boat in the pond was floating bottom upward thirty feet offshore.

Colon, who was twenty-eight years old, with a companion named William Read, went fishing in a leaky boat, which was capsized when Colon moved forward to get the baling dipper. Read was able to swim to the shore, but Colon, who could not swim, sank. In the mean time Mrs. Colon had waded waist deep into the water, but was powerless to aid her husband. After he sank from sight she fainted.

Colon was superintendent of Irving Spencer's farm and had lived here about two years. He formerly lived in Montreal.

## DEFENCE REVEALED IN OHIO TRAGEDY

### It Will Be Alleged Morris Stein Killed Hester Porter and Himself.

Des Moines, Iowa, Aug. 24.—When the officers arrive from Ohio to-morrow morning with requisition papers for Mrs. Morris Stein and Mrs. Mary Bayard, wanted in Loudonville, Ohio, on the charge of murdering Morris Stein and Miss Hester Porter, they will be required to show their evidence to Governor Cummins.

It was disclosed to-day that since Stein left the office of the Iowa Automobile Company, on August 12, there has been missing from there a .32-calibre revolver. The defence, in maintaining the theory that Stein killed Miss Porter and then himself, say this will be shown to be the same revolver found at the feet of the two dying persons in Loudonville. The defence was disclosed to-day. It will be that Stein was insane and killed Hester Porter and then himself

Mrs. Stein and Mrs. Bayard refused temporary freedom on bail to-day.

Ashland, Ohio, Aug. 24.—The attempt to obtain requisition papers for Mrs. Morris B. Stein and Mrs. Mary Bayard, of Des Moines, Iowa, charging them with the murder of Morris B. Stein and Hester Porter at Loudonville, Ohio, failed to-day, Governor Harris at Columbus refusing to sign the papers owing to lack of evidence that a murder had been committed.

## CECILIE AFTER NEW RECORD.

### Likely to Cut Previous Time by Over Four Hours.

The North German Lloyd liner Kronprinzessin Cecilie, which broke all westward transatlantic records for German steamers from the Cherbourg Breakwater to Sandy Hook Lightship, was reported by wireless yesterday as 343 miles east of Sandy Hook at 11 a. m. It is generally believed that Captain Högemann is pushing the steamer to her utmost to lower the record time of her last passage to this port, which was 5 days 15 hours and 23 minutes.

Judging from the time she made up to yesterday forenoon, it is thought the Kronprinzessin will lower her record by about 4 hours and 12 minutes. The line expects her to land her passengers at 7:30 a. m. to-day.

## FORTY-EIGHT HOURS UNCONSCIOUS.

Miss Ella Schenck, the seventeen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schenck, of No. 121 Yonkers avenue, Yonkers, who about a year ago completed a forty weeks' siege in St. John's Riverside Hospital and has undergone three operations, at 7 o'clock last evening reached the forty-eighth hour of her unconsciousness from spinal meningitis. Miss Schenck was with her father at the Empire City racetrack on Friday afternoon. In the evening she was suddenly taken sick with headache and then fell unconscious. Since then she has been unable to recognize any one. Dr. G. Byron Brown is attending her. Fourteen years ago Mr. and Mrs. Schenck lost two children through spinal meningitis. Miss Ella has been a sickly child for years. Ice bags are being constantly applied. Dr. Brown has prepared a special drug, which is being constantly applied with massage treatment to the spine. The physician is confident that he will cure her.

Miss Schenck has undergone three operations for fallen arches of the feet, and the physicians believe that the spinal column has been affected therefrom.

## TRAIN MET BULL—DISASTROUS TO BOTH.

Kingston, N. Y., Aug. 24.—When an express train on the Ulster & Delaware Railroad last night approached a giant bull standing on the tracks the bull lowered his shaggy head and charged. The impact with the cowcatcher threw the bull to the top of an embankment, but the animal struggled back to the tracks to continue the battle and fell under a parlor car, derailing it. The train was quickly stopped and no one was injured. The passengers assisted the train crew in disengaging remnants of the carcass from the running gear, and after an hour's delay the train proceeded on its way to New York.

## ACCUSED CASHIER A SUICIDE.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Americus, Ga., Aug. 24.—While officers were searching for him Alonzo Walters, cashier of the bank at Ellaville, Ga., committed suicide by shooting in the Windsor Hotel to-day. It is said there was a discrepancy in his accounts of $50,000.

## HIPPODROME HORSES BACK.

Seventy horses belonging to the Hippodrome arrived at the big playhouse yesterday morning after a vacation on the farm. Frank Melville, the equestrian director, was with them, and they immediately started in the rehearsals for the new productions. Horses will figure extensively in the show, both in the circus parade and in the race scene, for which twelve fine animals have been specially trained. The Hippodrome horses have spent the summer on leased pastures at Nanuet, N. Y. Mr. Melville has been with them all summer, and after a few weeks of grazing and rest he put them at work on new Hippodrome features. Twenty of the horses are original members of the Hippodrome organization.

# *RAILROADS BRING SUITS.*

## *Interstate Commerce Commission Defendant in Five Actions.*

The Interstate Commerce Commission has been made a defendant in five suits in equity brought by railroads in the United States Circuit Court. Four are to test the constitutionality of the order issued by the commission, requiring the railroad companies to make monthly reports of all instances in which employes have been on duty for a longer period than that provided for in the law.

The railroads are the New York Central and Hudson River, the Central of New Jersey, the Ontario & Western and the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western. They declare that the purpose of the order is to provide one branch of the government with evidence under oath of infractions of the law, so that a penalty can be collected by another branch of the government. They assert that the order is not a lawful one, because the commission is not vested with authority to call for sworn reports.

In the fifth suit brought by the Lackawanna the commission and the Rahway Valley Railroad Company are made joint defendants. The plaintiff seeks to suspend an order made by the commission on June 24, last, giving the Rahway Valley Railroad permission to make connection at Summit with the tracks of the Lackawanna. The plaintiff says that the physical connections as ordered cannot be made and operated on its main line with safety, and are not justified by business demands or advantage to the travelling public.

## ENVY LED CHILDREN TO BURGLARY.

### Accused of Robbing Flat, 13 and 12 Year-Olds Say They Wanted Fine Things.

Two children—Julia Callahan, thirteen years old, and her brother Phillip, twelve years—who live in the basement of No. 306 West 68th street with their parents, are prisoners in the rooms of the Children's Society, accused of entering the apartment of Mrs. Elizabeth Pia, on the second floor of the house they live in, and stealing jewelry valued at $29 50.

The boy, according to detectives, said his sister found the key to Mrs. Pia's flat under a doormat and went in and took the jewelry.

Mrs. Pia told the police that her apartment had been entered by burglars, and Detectives Leonard and Thorpe were assigned to the case. While interrogating young Callahan, they say, they saw a ring belonging to Mrs. Pia on his finger. The detectives could find no trace of the girl, but they later found her behind a fruit stand at 69th street and West End avenue.

Phillip told the detectives, they say, that about six months ago he and his sister wandered about the shopping district, where they saw so many persons wearing beautiful clothes and jewels that they were filled with a desire to possess such. Shortly after this his sister took three dresses from a store, but was detected in the act

The articles stolen from the Pia apartment were a gold bracelet, two pairs of gold earrings, a gold brooch set with pearls, one watch, one gold ring, one pocketbook and one handkerchief.

## THOMAS L. HAMILTON'S FUNERAL.

### Many Pay Tribute to Memory of the Tax Commissioner.

The funeral of Thomas L. Hamilton, Tax Commissioner, who died on Friday at his home, No. 342 West 27th street, was held at 11 o'clock yesterday morning in the Collegiate Church of St. Nicholas, at 48th street and Fifth avenue. The services were conducted by the Rev. A. Hageman, and the sermon was delivered by the Rev. Dr. A. S. Rossiter.

The honorary pallbearers were Job E. Hedges, Charles Schroeder, Patrick Bowers, Joseph McCadden, Michael Feldson, Frank Reynolds, J. W. Ahles and William Halpin. The ushers were Henry Birrell, John J. Lyons and P. H. Dunn, Commissioner Hamilton's secretary.

Among those who attended the services were Herbert Parsons, James Martin, George Wanmaker, Frederick Eldman, Edward Lauterbach, Samuel Strasbourger, ex-Police Commissioners McAvoy, Sexton and Phillips, ex-Police Chief McCullagh, Inspectors O'Connor and Grant, Captain Corcoran, Justice Leonard A. Giegerich, former Judge Palmieri, Alderman R. S. Doull, Timothy P. Sullivan, ex-Senator Fitzgerald, Michael Dady, John B. O'Brien, John Little and Jacob Newstead.

The organizations represented were the 7th Assembly District Republican Club, the executive committee of the Republican county organization and the Mechanics and Tradesmen's Society. The ployes of the County Clerk's office, of the Tax Commission and of John L. Hamilton's Sons were also present.

## ANOTHER AMBUSH IN ALABAMA.

### Non-Union Miner Shot—Trestle Dynamited and Wires Cut—Evicted Live in Tents.

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 24.—A white non-union miner named Clayton was shot from ambush while on his way to work in the Sayreton mines to-day. Clayton was left lying on the ground, with three bullet wounds in his body. The attempted murder took place near a camp of guards and deputies.

Deputies and bloodhounds are tracking the man's assailants. Sheriff Higdon has sent a large force of deputies to Morris, where a trestle of a spur track of the Louisville & Nashville Railway was dynamited and the telephone and telegraph wires were cut. Striking miners at Indio have been evicted from their houses, having failed to comply with orders to vacate. They are now living in tents

## "GENTLEMAN BURGLAR" CAUGHT.

Paterson, Aug. 24 (Special).—Harry Hill is the latest "gentleman burglar" to be uncovered by New York detectives. He was arrested here by Lieutenants Louis Hyams and Thomas Hughes, who traced him to the home of his brother, at No. 42 Carroll street. Hill was committed to the county jail by Recorder Carroll in default of $10,000 bail, and he will be held here until he can be extradited.

The prisoner was well dressed. He took his arrest with a show of great indignation, but when told that Mrs. Joseph Curtis, wife of a man who is serving twelve years in the Auburn Prison for cracking safes, had "peached" on him he confessed that he had been connected with some big robberies in New York, Buffalo, Baltimore and other cities. The statement of the detectives that Mrs. Curtis had told all was a ruse, they say.

Hill told the detectives that in April last, under the name of Arthur Phillips, he called at a house kept by a Mrs. Richardson at No. 112 West 45th street, Manhattan, hired a furnished room and remained there long enough to clean out the place of jewelry, silverware and clothing valued at $500. He also confessed to robbing several other furnished room houses in New York.

## DR. BENSEL THREATENED AGAIN.

Dr. Walter Bensel, Sanitary Superintendent of the Health Department, has received another letter from the person who signed herself or himself "Millionaire" and threatened the doctor with death if he persisted in the crusade against stray dogs. This latest letter says:

I will carry out my threat very soon if you do not desist your abominable and beastly practices at once. I am watching you and just missed you very lately.

The letter was signed "Albert" and was inclosed in a mourning envelope.

## LIPTON SENDS $500 FOR ATHLETES.

Sir Thomas Lipton has sent $500 to the reception committee to welcome the American Olympic team of athletes on Saturday, with the following cable message:

Will be delighted to be allowed to help welcome home America's young athletes, who have so well and worthily upheld the honor and glory of the Stars and Stripes. Better sportsmen never crossed the ocean. Sorry cannot be with you.

## MORMON CONVERTS TO BE DEPORTED.

Boston, Aug. 24.—The local board of immigration inspectors held a special session to-day, and further investigated the cases of about one hundred Mormon women converts who arrived yesterday on board the steamship Republic. As a result of to-day's examination forty girls were held for further inquiry, and Margaret and Catherine Roe will be sent back to their father in Liverpool.

# PROBE INTO ASBURY

## *Judge Foster Says Jersey Excise Law Can't Be Enforced.*

[From a Special Correspondent of The Tribune.]

Asbury Park, Aug. 24.—The State Excise Commission began its investigation into excise conditions in Ocean and Monmouth counties to-day. All the commissioners were present, except John Howe, of Essex. Senator Edmund Wakelee, of Bergen, who introduced the resolution for the appointment of the commission, was one of the visitors. There was much interest in to-day's session, as three members of the commission now live in the counties under investigation.

These are Mayor T. Frank Appleby of Asbury Park, which is in Monmouth County; ex-Senator George T. Smith, who comes from Lakewood, and Peter Backes, who lives at Point Pleasant, both of the last named places being in Ocean County.

Aaron A. Ballard, vice-president and acting president of the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association, said there was much trouble over the delivery of beer by the Columbia Bottling Company to residents of Ocean Grove.

In reply to a question of Mayor Fisk as to whether there were any "speak easies" in Ocean Grove, Mr. Ballard said it was impossible under existing restrictions. He had received many letters, but on investigation found the complaints untrue. He said there was very little drunkenness in Ocean Grove, although many visitors brought liquor there. Dr. Ballard thought the Bishops' law was a fair one, as to go any further might put the liquor question back to the condition it was some years ago. He said it was uncertain whether Monmouth would vote for prohibition.

When A. J. C. Stokes, Assistant Prosecutor, took the stand he denied a statement made by Prosecutor Nevius early in the day. He assented that the Prosecutor had given him orders to confine his activities to the s outh of Deal Beach; that he (the Prosecutor) would look after the other part of the county. When Mr. Nevius was on the stand he said no such agreement existed.

The Assistant Prosecutor, who has been making a number of raids over the heads of the local police, said that Asbury Park was cleaner this year than ever before. So far as he could find out, things were in fairly good condition. He spoke of four hotels in Asbury Park which sold liquor to boarders or persons they knew. He never disturbed a place where liquor was sold with a meal.

# *W. T. WILLCOX ARRESTED.*

## *Charged with Driving Automobile on Wrong Side of Street.*

Court Officer Cavanaugh, at the request of a prisoner, handed a card upon which the latter had written to Magistrate House, in the night court, last evening. The card was signed "William Tod Willcox," and underneath was the address No. 537 Fifth avenue. The card read:

I'm held on a technical charge of breaking a traffic rule. As a personal friend of Judge O'Brien, also of Judge Truax, may I ask a disposal of my case?

William Tod Willcox is the second vice-president of and a director in the S. Osgood Pell Company, a real estate concern, with offices at No. 537 Fifth avenue. Mr. Willcox lives at No. 542 Fifth avenue.

Mr. Willcox had been arrested by Patrolman Fox, of the Bathgate avenue station, while operating an automobile on Jerome avenue. The charge was violating a city ordinance in driving the machine on the east side of the avenue while motoring southward. He had been placed in the large cell in which prisoners are kept pending their appearance in the night court.

Mr. Willcox told Magistrate House that he had been compelled to take the east side of Jerome avenue at the point where he was arrested, as workmen were laying a water main along the west side of the avenue. He said that he would not knowingly violate a traffic rule. Magistrate House discharged him with a reprimand.

## BURGLARS GIVE ADVICE TO VICTIM.

### Yonkers Dentist Told After Robbery Where to Find "Thief Proof" Safes.

Sending to a victim a marked copy of a newspaper giving a half-page account of how monster safe deposit vaults withstand the shrewdest of burglars seems to be the latest trick of those gentry.

Dr. U. S. Traub, a Yonkers dentist, left his office about noon on Saturday and went out in his automobile with his family. Late that night, on his way home, he stopped at the office and discovered that thieves had been at work. About $120 worth of gold had been stolen.

He received yesterday a marked copy of a newspaper containing a half-page description of big vaults and safe deposits, detailing how they withstand the cleverness of "crooks." It had been mailed in New York. With the paper there was a letter advising the dentist not to worry about his loss and warning him not to report the burglary to the police under pain of death.

## CONFLICT WITH CONEYS'S RULES.

### Power Boat Captain Tells of Instructions from Steamboat Inspectors.

"Matt" Coneys, the deputy surveyor of the port in charge of the work of enforcing the steamboat regulations on small power boats, made an unannounced trip up the North River last night on the Timmins. According to what Captain B. H. Perry of the three-ton power boat Annette told him the local steamboat inspectors were undoing the work the Treasury Department had put on a firm basis.

Coneys overhauled the Annette off Washington Heights and found that the skipper had no fog horn, no bell and was using a combination light. The boat was new and up to date in other equipment. When Coneys read to Perry the requirements of the law, the skipper replied that he had visited the office of the steamboat inspectors, and said that Captain Ira Harris had told him a combination light was ample for night cruising; that any old tin pan would do for a bell, and that he did not need to carry a fog horn. Perry said he had witnesses to prove the statement made to him by Captain Harris.

Coneys released the Annette, but took Perry's address, and will report the case to-day to Surveyor Clarkson.

## SHOOTS THROUGH DOG; HIT LAD.

A Madison street horsecar ran over one of the hind legs of a homeless mongrel last night in front of the Newsboys' Lodging House, in New Chambers street.

Several residents of the home took up the injured dog, and were looking for a veterinarian when Patrolman George L. Rourke, of the Oak street station, took the dog from them. He went into the middle of the street and fired two shots into the dog, which he held suspended from his left hand. The second shot went through the body of the dog and entered the thigh of "Mattie" Leavy, fifteen years old, who lives in the Newsboys' Lodging House.

An ambulance surgeon from St. Gregory's Hospital extracted the bullet and took the lad to the hospital. Captain Toole at the station gave Rourke, who has been on the force only one year, instructions in shooting a dog without hitting human beings.

## HANNA'S GRANDSON HELD FOR TRIAL.

Karl H. Hanna, who says he is a grandson of the late Senator Hanna, who was arested on Sunday on the Richmond Road in Staten Island for speeding his automobile, was held by Magistrate Handy in New Brighton yesterday in $100 bail, which he furnished, for the Court of Special Sessions. The gold watch and fob in which was the picture of a young woman, which Hanna said he prized highly, were returned to him.

John J. Moran, chauffeur for Henry H. Herrman, of No. 64 East 80th street, who was arrested on Sunday for speeding at Huguenot, was also held in $100 bail for the Court of Special Sessions.

## BIJOU THEATRE TITLE CHANGES HANDS.

John W. Hazlett transferred yesterday to Clarence D. Sire title to the Bijou Theatre property, in Broadway, between 30th and 31st streets. Mr. Sire retransferred the title to Salem R. Furman, and Mr. Furman passed on the title to Adolph D. Rosenthal

# *Of Interest to Women.*

## COLORED CLUBWOMEN

### *Representatives of Twenty Thousand Gather in Brooklyn.*

Twenty thousand colored women are represented at the sixth biennial convention of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs, which met yesterday in Brooklyn and will continue its sessions throughout the week. At the meeting in the afternoon of the executive board at the Concord Baptist Church, Duffield street, were Mrs. Lucy Thurman, of Jackson, Mich., president of the association; Mrs. Booker T. Washington, chairman of the board; Mrs. Mary Church Terrell, of Washington, and Mrs. Josephine Silone Yates, of Lincoln Institute, Jefferson City, Mo., honorary president. The delegates number about two hundred and come from far afield—from as far west as California,

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Utah and Colorado, and as far south as New Orleans.

There was a reception to the delegates last night at the Bridge Street African Methodist Episcopal Church. Bird S. Coler made the address of welcome, representing the borough. Mrs. A. W. Wiley, president of the Northeastern Federation, presided, and made an introductory speech. A concert followed

The programme for the week shows a wide range of subjects. Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Mary Rogers, of Adrian, Mich., will attack "The Race Problem" in an address at the Concord Baptist Church. "The Clubwoman and Her Relations to Negro Problems," will be the subject of a talk Thursday afternoon by Mrs. Lena Harris, of Johnstown, Penn. Dr. J. A. Kenney, of Tuskegee, will lead a discussion on tuberculosis Thursday morning. On Friday there will be a talk on "Child Labor," by Miss Roberta Dunbar, and a symposium on temperance. Reports on mothers' clubs, rescue work, fresh air work and the numerous other interests of the association will be made, and there will be medical hours led by physicians. Mrs. Terrell will speak Thursday evening, and Tuesday evening the president will give her address.

"Has your organization been successful in the work it set out to do?" Mrs. Washington was asked.

"I think we have accomplished a good deal," she said. "We have mothers' clubs, fathers' clubs, kindergartens, settlements and various kinds of clubs all over the United States, all of which have been established since the organization was formed. Is it growing? Oh, yes, growing and spreading. You know there are women here from almost every state in the union."

The association will not devote all the week to the discussion of serious subjects. There will be music and eating and several outings. Saturday there will be an automobile ride for a grand wind-up.

## TOWN PLAYGROUNDS.

### Children Outside Big Cities Need Amusements, Too.

A playground for country children is a new idea. That the city child needs one is obvious enough, but it doesn't seem to have occurred to any one heretofore that the country child is also suffering for opportunities to play. The Playground Association has now taken the idea up, however, and in connection with its play congress, to be held in New York from September 8 to September 12, has called a conference of country school superintendents to discuss the country playground and athletic field as a means of keeping country boys happy on the farms. Professor L. H. Bailey, a member of President Roosevelt's commission to investigate country conditions, with the idea of making farm life pleasanter, will take part in the conference.

The Playground Association, of which President Roosevelt is honorary president, also recognizes the need for playgrounds in the smaller towns and cities, and has instituted a national campaign to induce them to secure ground for playgrounds while land is cheap and before all the valuable sites are used up. Many of the larger cities find that they have waited too long, and in some cases have had to pay millions for a few breathing spots.

The gift of a playground to Sag Harbor by Mrs. Russell Sage is directly in line with this effort of the association to secure playgrounds for the smaller communities, and Mrs. Sage has adopted its suggestions as to the equipment. The place will be not only a playground for the children, but a public park, where grown people can have picnics, go driving or spend the evening. Equal attention will be paid to the needs of both boys and girls and special provision will be made for the smaller children. When the improvements are completed the people of Sag Harbor, both large and small, will have an ideal place for all sorts of outdoor pleasures.

## DARNING AND DREAMING.

It was mid-August and mid-afternoon. Waves of warm air usurped the place of any lifegiving breezes. It was the kind of afternoon when to try to do anything more than to keep comfortable seemed to call for superhuman effort.

In the half hour wait before speeding back from town to seash