ELEVEN MINERS DIE

ONE CRAWLS FOR LIFE

Pennsylvania Accident Adds to Recent Fatalities.

RECENT MINE ACCIDENTS.

NOV. 13.—St. Paul Mine, Cherry, Ill.; gas explosion; 285 dead.

JAN. 31.—Main Mine, Colorado Fuel and Iron Company, Primero, Col.; gas explosion; 75 dead.

FEB. 1.—Browder Mine, Drakesboro, Ky.; 35 dead.

FEB. 1.—Stoll Mine, South Bartonville, Ill.; fire (thought to have been incendiary); the only two men in the mine were rescued with difficulty.

FEB. 2.—Palau Mine, Las Esperanzas, Coahuila, Mexico; fire set by miner's cigarette; 68 dead.

FEB. 5.—Ernest Mine, Indiana, Penn.; gas explosion; 11 dead.

TOTAL DEAD, 474.

Indiana, Penn., Feb. 5.—Ten Hungarians and one American were killed by a gas explosion to-day in the No. 2 slope of the Ernest mine of the Jefferson and Clearfield Coal Company, five miles north of this place.

The explosion occurred in a heading where twelve miners were working, and one of these, Andrew Krazcer, escaped by crawling a quarter of a mile on his stomach to evade the noxious gases. His inability to speak English prevented a lucid explanation of the cause of the explosion. When he saw the lights of the rescuers he moaned and tried to crawl. He was slightly burned, but suffered chiefly from the effects of after-damp.

Some of the dead were found near the entrance to the heading, others lay along the track at short distances from each other almost at the face of the coal. Two bodies nearest the face were burned slightly about the faces and arms. The position of the bodies showed the men had made desperate efforts to crawl away from the heading.

How Krazcer escaped cannot be learned. The only intelligible signs he makes are of crawling. When he recovers from fright and exhaustion it is thought he may be able to tell of the accident.

One hundred and ten men working in the same slope escaped through other headings of the mine, although they were held back for about ten hours by the black damp until a rescue party of twelve mine bosses reached them. One thousand other men working in adjoining mines within a radius of three miles who heard the concussion paid no heed to it and did not learn of the accident until they came out of the mines early to-night. Four men who were laying tracks just within the mouth of the mine slope were knocked unconscious by the concussion, but were revived later.

The mine has been known as a gaseous mine, and plenty of fire bosses have been maintained. To-night it is reported that no fire boss made any return of his inspection this morning, and this has been reported to the state mine inspector of this district.

Michael Harrington, the only American among the dead, was a son of John Harrington, foreman of the mine. The younger man, acting as assistant to his father, was directing the work on the heading when the explosion occurred.

The first report of the explosion was made by seven track repairmen, who had been working at the back of the main entry. They were hurled from their feet although 125 feet away. As soon as they came out of the drift a rescue party was headed by John Harrington. Some of these were overcome and were found by a second rescue party, but all revived shortly after being taken out.

Coroner James M. Hammer, who arrived about noon, was not permitted to go into the mine, because of the prevalence of gas, and when Clarence Hall, W. C. Snelling and A. C. Ramsey arrived from the government geological station at Pittsburg with oxygen helmets and apparatus, he was advised to defer any attempt until to-morrow.

WORKING FOR PEACE.

Terms Signed at Central American Convention.

San Salvador, Feb. 5.—The Central American Peace Conference, the sessions of which have been held here, has concluded its work, six conventions being signed to-day. The first provides for the establishment in Costa Rica of a pedagogic institute for Central America, and the second for the unification of the consular service abroad of the five republics. Monetary uniformity on a gold basis is agreed on in the third. Central American commercial reciprocity in the fourth, while the fifth declares for the adoption of the metrical system of weights and measures, and the sixth defines the functions of each government toward the Central American Bureau in Guatemala.

At the opening of the conference the Guatemalan and Salvadoran delegates made the declaration that the presence of a delegate from Nicaragua did not imply any official recognition of Madriz as President of Nicaragua by these countries, respectively.

PUZZLE IN HEIKE'S CASE.

Counsel for Sugar Secretary Seeking Way to Avoid Jury Trial.

The immunity plea of Charles R. Heike, secretary of the American Sugar Refining Company, indicted for alleged complicity in the frauds on the docks of the company at Williamsburg, will come up before a jury in the Criminal Branch of the United States Circuit Court next Thursday, unless another method of determining the matter is found in the mean time by his counsel, John B. Stanchfield.

Mr. Stanchfield, for Mr. Heike, and Henry L. Stimson, the special prosecutor for the government, yesterday were before Judge Martin, who said that the proceeding was so new to him that he would prefer to have it tried in the regular way. At the same time he requested Mr. Stanchfield to study the case, to find out whether there was not some other way in which the plea could be decided.

Mr. Stimson has blocked the effort to have the court pass on the immunity plea, and thus permit an appeal if it should be adversely decided. An attempt was made by the counsel for Mr. Heike to arrive at an understanding with Mr. Stimson regarding the facts upon which the plea should be based, but Mr. Stimson said that he would traverse any statement of the case that might be made; in other words, deny the facts. This would result in a recourse to a jury every time, and hence Mr. Stanchfield's determination to refrain from calling for the minutes of the grand juries.

Henry A. Wise, United States Attorney, was in the courtroom when the time for the trial of Mr. Heike was under discussion. He wanted it as soon as possible, because the assistant who had conducted and was conducting the new investigation of the sugar companies had to go west soon on a phase of the case which, Mr. Wise said, was of much more importance than that now under consideration.

Oliver Spitzer, former dock superintendent of the Williamsburg refinery, convicted of complicity in the frauds in sugar weighing, was to have been sentenced yesterday, but was still too ill.

MOVE ON MANAGUA.

General Mena Reports Victory—Bluefields Excited.

Bluefields, Nicaragua, Feb. 5.—Dispatches received here describe the engagement which took place between the insurgent forces, under General Mena, and the government troops. In an official dispatch, General Mena says that he defeated six hundred of the enemy, commanded by General Garrida, a Guatemalan, at Las Garitas, which is midway between La Libertad and Juigalpa.

Mena completely routed the enemy, capturing many prisoners and rifles. The losses to the Madriz forces were heavy, while the rebels suffered only slightly.

General Mena is pushing forward to join General Chamorro at Comoapa, which is well along the way to Managua. Chamorro in the last few days in his advances upon the capital executed a flank movement, thus evading the Madriz troops, who expected to engage him at Acoyapa. Comoapa is one and a half days from Teustepe, in Managua province, with a clear road from there to Granada.

The Madriz forces, the dispatches say, have retreated to Santo Domingo, directly to the north of Teustepe. General Chamorro holds all the lines to the interior, and the enemy behind him is completely cut off. General Aurelio Estrada, brother of the president of the provisional government, has twelve hundred men in the hills six miles from Managua, having successfully organized a rising some time ago directly under the nose of the administration, and he will join Chamorro and Mena in the march on Managua.

The provisional government expects that the people of Granada and Rivas will reinforce the provisionals, making Estrada's army six thousand strong.

Great excitement prevails here. The expedition which went to Greytown on the gunboat Ometepe has returned after having been fired upon a number of times by the batteries. No landing was effected. A courier from Chamorro bearing dispatches to General Mena was captured by the Madriz soldiers and shot.

ODD LEGAL TANGLE.

Two Marriages Make Estate's Settlement Difficult.

Surrogate Millard, of Westchester, is knitting his brows over a legal problem which will have no precedent in law to make easier his decision. Mr. Millard must unravel the tangled skein of legal red tape which binds about the affairs of Mrs. Patrick Flannigan, whose husband recently died, and her stepdaughter.

Mrs. Flannigan, formerly a resident of Troy, married at an early age. Her husband was committed to a sanatorium and later disappeared. Not hearing from him in five years and believing him dead, the wife married Patrick Flannigan. The newly married couple went to Larchmont to live and opened a hotel and grew prosperous.

When Flannigan died, a married daughter of Flannigan's by a previous marriage, asked to be appointed administratrix of the estate, as did the widow. The daughter claimed that her father's second marriage was not legal, on the ground that Mrs. Flannigan's first husband did not die until 1904, five years after her father's marriage to her.

Surrogate Millard ventured the opinion that Mrs. Flannigan had a right which should be considered, as she had married Flannigan in good faith. The contesting parties were given until next Wednesday to come to an agreement, otherwise the Surrogate will render his decision.

SUBPŒNA JOSEPH.

Packing Grand Jury to Start New York Inquiry.

Chicago, Feb. 5.—Frederick Joseph, president of the New York Butchers' Dressed Beef Company, has been subpœnaed to appear before the federal grand jury now conducting the Beef Trust inquiry, according to a report here to-day. It is said that Mr. Joseph and three or four other witnesses from New York will be brought on next week to tell what they know about the Eastern operations of the packing companies.

Leo Joseph, who is one of the directors of the New York Butchers' Dressed Beef Company, of which Frederick Joseph is president, said last night that no subpœnas had been received by any of the officers or directors. Moses H. Joseph, who is the secretary, is in Chicago, on business, it was said, the company having a branch there which occasionally requires the presence of one of the officers. Frederick Joseph was out of the city last night, on a usual week-end absence.

SHOWER FOR TAFT.

"Anti-Meaters" Plan Deluge of Postal Cards.

If Mrs. Arthur Alfred Brooks's advice is followed by the people who gathered in Union Square yesterday afternooon to hear her talk about the so-called meat trust, President Taft will have to get out his umbrella.

"I want you to give the President a regular shower bath of 'abstain from meat' postal cards," Mrs. Brooks urged, as she mounted the drygoods box that served as a rostrum. "I guess he'll be surprised to find his bathtub filled with postal cards. Don't write them all in ink of one color. Have some in red ink, and some in purple, and some in violet, so as to make a real lively rainbow colored bath for the President."

The head of the Gotham Club thought the men were not working hard enough in this meat matter. "Just see how hard I'm working," she complained. "I've written so many postal cards to the Meat Trust that I positively can't button my glove," and she held up a lavender gloved hand with the clasp unfastened to prove it.

"Now, do go home," she ended, fixing her eyes on a down-and-outer in a crushed hat, "and ask your grandmothers and your wives and mother-in-laws and aunts to write to the President about the prices of meat; and get them all to abstain from it. I've abstained from meat for three weeks, and so has my pink Persian cat, King Edward. I must tell you about my cat," she added, confidentially. "I brought him from Windsor Castle last summer, and, what do you think? One of the officials of the Meat Trust heard about him, and sent word that he was going to have him cut up into sausage meat. Fancy that—my dear little pink King Edward made into sausage meat!"

The mass meeting had been announced by Mrs. Brooks for 4 o'clock, but nobody was there when the hour arrived but Mrs. Sofia Loebinger, an argumentative man who turned out to be the editor of a vegetarian monthly, and a curious small boy with a lean dog on a string. When Mrs. Brooks finally arrived she departed immediately to hunt up a brass band she had hired by telephone to enliven platters. Mrs. Loebinger mounted the drygoods box and held the crowd that speedily collected until Mrs. Brooks returned with the sorrowful news that the band couldn't be found; and the musicless meeting went on.

LOST $10,000 BILL

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ceipts had been already sent to the bank and the $10,000 bill was placed between the leaves of a bankbook.

Young Lang had been in Wall Street a few months only, and was unable to treat a $10,000 piece of yellow paper with the indifference that experience would inculcate. He could not forebear to take it out, on the way downstairs in the elevator, and stroke it. Another boy employed by the same firm being in the elevator at the time, Long let him feel it, too, and it felt good to feel that way, apparently. The other boy's name is Ashland. Lang afterward told Detective David Wilber, of the Central Office. Then Lang permitted the elevator operator to see the curiosity.

The bleating of the lambs when the street was reached, and the accustomed sounds emanating from the bulls and bears, did not inspire in Lang any sense of danger, and he next showed the yellowback to P. Moschovitos, a Greek bootblack, with a stand in front of the building. The Greek was interested in the novelty of the sight, but did not believe that the figures on the paper meant what they indicated. It was pretty, however, and Moschovites held the bill up to the sunlight, which brought out some hidden beauties, and after another close inspection he handed it back to Lang. Ashland, young Lang said, went with him as far as Wall and New streets, and there they separated. Lang insists that the bill was then in the passbook which he placed in the outside pocket of his overcoat.

In the bank Lang took out the passbook, and found that, while it was safe, the $10,000 bill had disappeared.

Lang was a prisoner at Police Headquarters last night, charged with being a suspicious person.

John W. Prentiss, a member of the firm, after questioning the boy at length said that he believed his story.

"We think he is a good boy," he said, "and that he really lost the certificate as he says he did."

In the hurry to get the certificate to the bank before the closing hour the firm neglected to record its number, a precaution that is generally taken, but Mr. Prentiss said yesterday that even though the number of the bill was not known there was little doubt that the certificate would be recovered. As soon as he heard of the loss he at once informed the banks, the Sub-Treasury and the New York Clearing House. Even when the loss of such a certificate has not been reported, no bank, it was said yesterday, would change it unless the person who presented it was known to the officers of the institution.

Hundreds of men and boys in the financial district failed to find the bill, although they diligently searched for it.

BOY HAD AN AFFLICTION.

Lang, who, it was learned, had been an outdoor patient at the psychopathic ward of Bellevue Hospital, became dizzy when he discovered the loss. His mother says that he was subject to such spells when excited, and there is no reason to doubt this part of his story.

He told the detective he left the bank in a daze without making his loss known, going on a long walk, his brain "whirling." He reached Columbus Circle, or, at least, he thinks it was Columbus Circle, and went into the park and sat on a bench.

The boy's mother, Mrs. David Lang, yesterday morning took him to the firm's office. The firm had called in the Pinkerton Detective Agency just previously. Mrs. Lang told the police, after the boy had been turned over to them, that the lad was subject to fits of nervousness, was often dizzy when excited, and for several months, while not working in the late fall, never left the house, but sat near the radiator at home. In Lang's pockets were found two hospital cards, one from the psychopathic ward at Bellevue, where he was treated for nervousness, and one from the medical department of St. Luke's Hospital.

When asked why he did not go to the office after discovering his loss, he simply stuck to his story that it had made him dizzy and he did not know just what he was doing.

FORD JURY OUT.

Disagreement Is Expected—Judge's Charge Favorable.

Cincinnati, Feb. 5.—The jury in the case of Mrs. Jeannette Stewart Ford, accused of blackmail, has been out since shortly after noon and a disagreement is expected. Mrs. Ford is charged with having extorted large sums of money from Charles L. Warriner, defaulting local treasurer of the Big Four Railroad, who was convicted on his confession that he had embezzled $643,000.

When court convened this morning counsel for the defence resumed their plea to the jury. Mrs. Ford was depicted as an unfortunate woman who had been ruined by the machinations of Edgar S. Cooke, of Chicago, and Warriner. The state replied briefly, and Judge Swing then charged the jury. He defined the law of blackmail and instructed them that the mere fact that Mrs. Ford knew of the Big Four shortage would not prove her guilty. The charge was accepted as favorable to the defendant.

The jury was locked up for the night at 10:30 o'clock.

RUMOR ABOUT GAFFNEY.

Contractor, Murphy's Friend, Said To Be Slated for "Big Bill's" Job.

The report that Mayor Gaynor was seriously considering the appointment of James E. Gaffney as Street Cleaning Commissioner to succeed Commissioner Edwards was received with astonishment yesterday by those who have watched the appointments of the Mayor so far. They hesitate to believe that he would place a man so close to Tammany in his cabinet.

In spite of the fact that Mr. Gaffney is a member of the Bradley-Gaffney-Steers company, which is trying to get some contracts for building subways, it was said that he was willing to take the job. Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, is said to have the idea that Mr. Gaffney might be of considerable use to the machine as the head of this department, and has urged the appointment on the Mayor.

Mr. Gaffney called on the Mayor last week, and, it is said, the Mayor was much impressed with the ability of his visitor.

LYNCH QUITS CITY PAYROLL.

Water Register of The Bronx Loses His $3,000 Job.

Thomas M. Lynch, who since January, 1904, had been water register in The Bronx office of the Water Department, at a salary of $3,000 a year, is no longer on the city payroll. His connection was severed yesterday.

Commissioner Thompson believes he will be able to get a man more fitted for the duties of the office. On Friday night Mr. Lynch denied that he had written a statement of the duties of water register, which was given out in the City Hall as having been received by the Water Commissioner after he had asked Mr. Lynch for such a statement. The spelling in this document was more than original.

PRINCETON TANGLE

VIEWS OF ALUMNI.

Trouble May Follow Rejection of Proctor Gift.

When the quarrel between Woodrow Wilson, president of Princeton University, and a large percentage of the alumni is stripped of "hot air," as one graduate put it last night, it is reduced to a fear on the part of the alumni that President Wilson will influence the trustees to reject the gift of $500,000 from William Cooper Proctor for the graduate school, and an additional $500,000 raised among the alumni and friends of the institution to secure this gift, because of the conditions imposed.

The only connection the present question has with Dr. Wilson's advocacy of the "quad" system two years or so ago, it was explained, is that the same officers and friends of Princeton who backed him up in that project are supporting him in his present stand. It may be said, also, that the same forces who opposed the establishment of the "quad" system oppose the president's position with regard to the Proctor gift. They comprise, so graduates say, the greater part of the alumni.

Three or four years ago Mrs. Thomas Swann, the widow of a former Governor of Maryland, died, leaving her residuary estate, amounting to about $500,000, to establish a graduate school at Princeton, "on the university grounds." Her idea in putting the latter condition was to insure the erection of buildings and not the buying of land with her money. A site for the new school was therefore chosen on the campus, but this action immediately aroused opposition because many alumni contended that the particular spot chosen would crowd the graduate school beyond possibility of growth and might make necessary also the removal of the president's house, which is an old landmark.

So Mr. Procter offered his $500,000 on the condition that the graduate school be built off the campus. The best available site on university ground, Princeton alumni say, is on the golf links across the railroad from the campus, and it is here that those opposed to Dr. Wilson wish the school established. They say that the executors of Mrs. Swann's estate have all signified their approval of the golf links site and that eminent lawyers have said it fulfilled the conditions of her will. But President Wilson, they declare, is unalterably opposed to it and in favor of the campus site originally chosen.

There seems to be a division of opinion among the graduates in this city as to whether the president opposes the residential character of the proposed school, which was vigorously attacked in an editorial in a Wednesday morning paper. An anonymous statement from some alumnus, who says he is voicing the sentiments of a large group of graduates, accuses Dr. Wilson of having written this editorial.

He points, however, to the president's former advocacy of just this feature of the plans, and to the fact that it would be applying to the graduate school the same "quad" system which Dr. Wilson had wished to establish in the undergraduate department. One graduate said last night that this residential feature was a part of the plan for a graduate school on the campus, which the president favors.

One result of the present controversy, it is said, is the estrangement of President Wilson and Dean Andrew F. West, of the graduate school. In 1906 Dean West received a call to the presidency of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The trustees, faculty, students and alumni begged him to remain at Princeton to carry out the plans of the graduate school, and he consented to do so, at a financial sacrifice to himself. He now faces, alumni say, the nullification of his work during the last four years.

Those who see a revival of the effort to establish the "quad" system at Princeton in the present trouble say the present administration can never regain the support so generously offered by the alumni up to the time that proposition was launched. If President Wilson succeeds in having the $1,000,000 for the graduate school rejected, they say, he can whistle for any further contributions from the graduates.

LAUDS DISGRACED PATROLMEN.

Magistrate House Commends Men Who Made Excise Arrests.

Magistrate House, sitting in the West Chester court, yesterday, praised Patrolmen Keenan and Cunningham, who were recently transferred from the grade of mounted patrolmen in Westchester and sent to do patrol duty in downtown East Side precincts.

The occasion was the arraignment of Emil Haas, jr., bartender for Joseph Wagner, of No. 2176 Westchester avenue, and Oscar A. Schmidt, who tends bar in the Westchester Inn, which is licensed in the name of Mrs. Pauline Olpp, whose husband is the president of the local branch of the Liquor Dealers' Association. The two men were arrested by Keenan and Cunningham last Sunday for alleged violation of the excise law. State Senator Stephen J. Stillwell, who appeared for the defendants, waived examination, and the cases were held for the Court of Special Sessions. Bail was fixed at $500 in each case. The two patrolmen appeared rather crestfallen at the turn matters took in court.

After the two chief cases were disposed of Patrolman Scarlett, of the West Chester station, appeared as the complainant against Christian Lentler, a bartender, at No. 2472 Walker avenue, The Bronx, whom he charged with selling him a glass of whiskey last Sunday, when Scarlett was doing excise duty. The defendant was held in $500 bail for Special Sessions. The magistrate then said to Scarlett:

"I want to compliment you, and the other officers as well, for making these excise arrests. They are clear cases of violation of the excise laws, and you officers are entitled to the commendation of the community, and you ought to have the commendation of your superior officers, as well."

OLD WOMAN'S SNOW DANCING.

Aura Mary, Who Says She Is 115, Joins Barefoot Celebration.

Cleveland, Feb. 5.—Aura Mary, gypsy queen emeritus, who says she is 115 years old, danced barefoot in the snow with the other members of her tribe during the celebration of Ave Maria Day at their camp near here yesterday.

Aura Mary believes in living close to nature. She never wears heavyweight clothing, and it is her daily custom to go barefoot through the snow or over the ice. She is spry, and smokes, and says she expects to live ten years longer.

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HUNT GIRL IN N. Y.

Miss Day, Missing from School, Writes Clew.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

New Haven, Feb. 5.—The adventures of Catherine Day, oldest daughter of Arthur H. Day, a business man, are supposed to have landed her alone in New York City. She disappeared Friday morning, after leaving her home to go to school. Searching parties were looking for her near here all last night. A postal card mailed in Derby, Conn., from the missing girl was received by her father to-day. Miss Day wrote that she was calling upon Miss Sloane, a school friend in Derby. Mr. Day hurried to Derby in his automobile, but found that his daughter had not been seen

CATHERINE DAY.
The missing New Haven girl.

by the Sloanes. With the aid of the Derby police he ascertained that she had been seen yesterday wandering on the streets of Derby.

Conductor William Cone, of the New Haven road, says that the girl was a passenger on the accommodation train that left this city last night at 5:40 o'clock and arrived in New York City at 8:39 o'clock. He says he told the traveller that she could save time by getting off the train at Bridgeport and taking an express train, but she refused his suggestion.

Osborn Day, an uncle, and Captain Frank Baker, of the United States Army, left here late this afternoon to conduct a search in New York for the missing girl, who is fifteen years old. Her mother is critically ill in a sanatorium here.

At Police Headquarters here it was said that no report that Catherine Day had come here had been received. Neither Osborn Day nor Captain Baker had called upon the local authorities for aid up to a late hour last night.

ARRESTED AT OPERA HOUSE.

Because of his persistence in annoying patrons of the Metropolitan Opera House last evening, Albert Brown, of No. 62 West 11th street, a ticket speculator, came to grief. He was arrested and taken to the West 20th street police station, charged with assault, on the complaint of Edward Johnson, the negro carriage starter at the opera house. Johnson said that Brown insisted upon rushing up to the carriages as they drew up at the entrance and offering choice seats for the performance to the occupants. When Johnson remonstrated with him, Brown struck him, the complainant declared.

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VERDICT SET ASIDE

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his account. The bulk of the day's resay to that?" he added, turning to Mr. Moss.

"I do not oppose the motion," said Mr. Moss.

"Very well, then, your motion is granted, Mr. Hibbard," said Justice Goff, ignoring the efforts of the latter to be heard.

"But I withdraw the motion," protested Mr. Hibbard.

"There is nothing to withdraw," was the response of Justice Goff, as he waved his hand. "You made a motion, the District Attorney did not oppose it, and judgment has been rendered. That is all. The jury is dismissed."

The jury filed out. Half of them had left the courtroom, when Mr. Hibbard asked that they be recalled. His request was granted, and the jury, filing in again, took their seats.

Mr. Hibbard consulted with the prisoner, urging him to change his plea of not guilty.

"It is the best thing for you to do," urged the lawyer.

"I won't," was the stubborn reply.

Whatever else McGrath said could not be heard. Apparently unable to comprehend that while he had just missed the electric chair, yet he was again to be placed on trial for his life, he was led back to the Tombs.

Again counsel turned to the court and tried to plead for reconsideration of its decision.

"There is no use," said Justice Goff. "The jury is dismissed and court is adjourned."

In reply to the court's question, Mr. Moss said McGrath would be placed on trial as speedily as possible.

Yesterday's occurrence was the second unusual one in the trial of McGrath. On the preceding day, after both sides had summed up and the court was ready to charge the jury, the case was reopened to permit the introduction of newly discovered evidence by the prosecution.

McGrath is charged with having murdered Benjamin Rose in the latter's home, No. 411 West 23d street, on last Labor Day. The defence has relied for acquittal chiefly on an alibi.

When McGrath was arrested he was wearing the dead man's clothing and jewelry. He claimed to have received them from a friend named "Ben Reiser." Reiser has not appeared in the trial. The prosecution claimed that Reiser was a myth, born of association in the mind of McGrath of the name "Ben Rose," the deceased, and the word "razor" the weapon with which he was slashed to death. The defence maintained that some of the evidence was "planted" by the police, and that McGrath was intimidated under the so-called "third degree."

MARTIN GETS IN LINE.

Bridge Commissioner Martin has decided to reduce his staff of assistant engineers by thirty before March 1. He said yesterday that the men who will have to go are able and efficient, but, the construction work on the Manhattan and Queensboro bridges having been about completed, there is no need for their services. The salaries of the men selected to go range from $1,200 to $2,400, which means an annual saving to the city of some $60,000.

Commissioner Martin has notified twenty-five of the men of the reasons that compel him to lay them off, and has told them he will do all in his power to have them transferred to the Board of Water Supply.

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