

THREE CONVICTS RISK DEATH FOR PRISONER

Plunge Into Swift Current of Hackensack River to Prevent Suicide.

HEROIC STRUGGLE FUTILE

Freedom May Be Reward for Display of Courage at New Jersey Penitentiary.

Three men who wear the prison gray that marks the "long timer," the hardened offender, risked their lives yesterday in the tricky currents where the Hackensack River sweeps past the Snake Hill, New Jersey, penitentiary in an attempt to save the life of a fellow convict.

Peter Olsen, the suicide, was a "short term" man. He appeared to be better educated than the run of prisoners who go to the Hudson county institution and it was apparent that he felt his disgrace keenly. He kept to himself, made no friends and had never spoken two words with the men who were so quick to face the river currents.

Olsen had served sixteen of the sixty days that Judge But in the Jersey City police court had sentenced him to on the familiar charge of being "drunk and disorderly" when he was set to work yesterday morning at the stone crusher in the penitentiary grounds. It was nearing 11:30 o'clock, quitting time, and the work had slackened down. Olsen looked for a long moment across the swing greensack meadows and then without a word started for the river.

He held to the straight line a mad dog takes, his eyes blind to the armed guards who closed in swiftly and his ears deaf to their commands and threats.

His actions spoke of suicide so plainly that the guards held their knives, knowing that in any event there would be plenty of time to check the strongest swimmer, once he was fighting the six mile an hour current that surged about the pier where Olsen jumped.

Convicts Eager to Risk Lives. More than 100 of the convicts from the penitentiary and inmates of the Almshouse and Tuberculosis Sanitarium had gathered for the quitting hour and there was a concerted rush of the brown clad short time men, with here and there the light gray of the long timers showing. The guards held their weapons ready for quick use. They were not sure that it was not a cleverly planned scheme for a general getaway, and the Bergen county line lay just across the stream.

Three of the long time men led the rush, but the guards found in a moment that it was no attempt to escape they had to face. Instead they were being besieged by men anxious for the privilege of risking their lives to save Olsen.

Col. John Grimes, superintendent of the prison, who had rushed from his office at the first alarm, took in the situation at a glance.

"Let 'em go; I'll trust them," he yelled. The response was instant and it was said to have hit the water first, Andrew Duke, Thomas Callahan or James Sanford, the long time men who had been first at the river.

They didn't stop even to pull off their shoes. Their action was so quick that the bubbles were still breaking above the oily water where Olsen disappeared when the men dived.

All three were down a long time. The guards calculated the distance a determined swimmer can go under water and scanned the stream far out, thinking how easy escape would be for men hardy enough to breast that current.

But when the three heads rose they were close to the penitentiary shore although further down stream. They had been unsuccessful, but they wasted no breath in speech, diving again as soon as they could gain in another supply of air.

When it was seen that the first volunteers had not found Olsen several other convicts asked permission to go in. Col. Grimes remembered later that it was the men jailed for more serious offenses or serving terms for repeated minor offences who were eager to take chances. He decided that the rescuers might themselves need aid and ordered the others to stay where they were.

Meanwhile the fight with the tide went on. The three men in gray dived again and again, followed as they were by the prisoners who seemed to have forgotten who they were. They were in the intense struggle to save Olsen.

Nearly an hour had gone by and Drake, Callahan and Sanford were almost exhausted when Col. Grimes decided that it was useless to search longer.

"Olsen's zone," he called, "you've done your best men. Don't take chances any longer!"

The swimmers had to be helped ashore. Guards and prisoners crowded about, there was a brief moment of handshaking and back slapping, and then, with the brisk command to "March," the convicts were led back to the routine of prison life.

But Col. Grimes, who won his title on civil war battlefields, has a very warm spot in his heart for a brave man in any uniform. He said later that he was mightily proud of his three old timers and that he would call the attention of the court to what he called their "unhastening heroism."

Olsen refused to say where he lived or to give the names of friends when he was sentenced. He was 57 years old, about 5 feet 9 inches in height and weighed 189 pounds. His gray hair was thin and he was slightly bald. Col. Grimes believes that he belonged to respectable people and that the fear of his disgrace becoming known may have led him to end his life. He didn't come up after his plunge and a fellow prisoner, who had been working near him, reported that he had seen Olsen fling his blouse with stones from the crusher he ran for the river. The prisoner said he hadn't paid any attention to Olsen's action because he thought he was "queer" anyway.

McReynolds Going to St. Paul. WASHINGTON, June 6.—Attorney-General McReynolds announced this afternoon that he would appear in St. Paul on June 12 before the Federal District Court and Southern Pacific merger dissolution case.

WOMEN FORGET FIRE DRILL

Fail to Drop Escape Ladders in Factory Blaze Panic.

The cry of fire started a panic among eighty or more women employees of D. Kaplan & Co. dealers in woolen goods at 7 Vestry street yesterday morning. The concern occupies the three upper stories of the five story building which runs through to 28 Light street.

When the firemen arrived the frightened women were standing helplessly upon the fire escape landings. No one seemed to have the presence of mind to let down the drop ladders, although fire drills have been held in the factory frequently during the last few days. The firemen set the ladders in place and the women reached the street in safety.

The fire suddenly burst out on the third floor, where seven girls were at work. They screamed and rushed to the windows.

The women on the two upper floors piled out on the fire escapes and stood



begging to be rescued until the firemen came. The fire was put out with a damage of \$10.

GRAFT SKIN ON BURNED BABY

Newark Young Man Sells Needed Square Inch for \$25.

A square inch of skin was yesterday afternoon successfully grafted on the most of the face of a baby, a little fire victim, at St. Barnabas's Hospital, in Newark. The skin was taken from the leg of Frederick Guenhan, 22 years old, of 23 Holland street, Newark, who was chosen from twenty-five applicants who offered the needed skin for \$25.

Little Bessie, who is 19 months old, was burned while playing on the porch at her home at 150 Bond street, Newark, about five weeks ago with an older sister. It is thought they found matches and set fire to their dresses. The older sister, who was 12 years old, was burned most severely on the face. The other burns on her body healed.

STEEL MAN BALKS AT FAIR PROFIT QUERY

Judge Dickinson Fails to Frame Hypothetical Question to Bring Out Point.

The Government finished yesterday with Percival Roberts, Jr. at the hearing of its suit to dissolve United States Steel, but not until Jacob M. Dickinson for the Government had objected to the most of the testimony as hearsay. The most interesting passage at arms of the day came when Mr. Dickinson wanted Mr. Roberts, who is of the Steel Corporation finance committee, to define a fair profit.

"You tell me your profit and I will tell you if I think it's a fair one," was the steel man's reply.

Therapion M. Dickinson tried to frame a hypothetical question or two, but wasn't able to get all the factors in profit making into a single query. At one stage Mr. Roberts told him that he was leaving out the most important item, capital obligations, and said that a fine profit on sales meant little if interest and dividends cut it to pieces.

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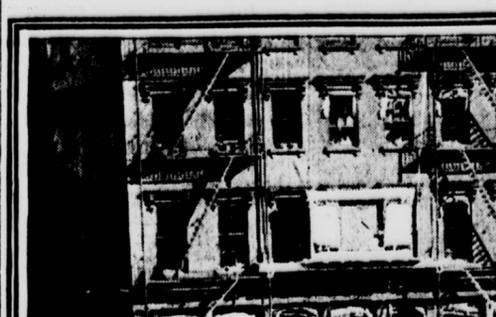
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AT THE GAME IN PARK ROW



Crowd Watching The Sun's Novel Score Board Which Shows Every Play in the Day's Baseball Contest.

The Sun's diamond-like scoreboard, which shows every play in the day's baseball contest, attracted a large crowd of enthusiasts in Park Row yesterday.

The scoreboard, which is a novel invention, displays the progress of the game in a clear and concise manner, allowing fans to follow the action from a distance.

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NEW HEARING FOR LITTMAN

Discriminates Against Jews.

Gov. Sulzer has instructed Attorney-General Cardozo to hold a public hearing in the case of Samuel Littman, formerly first sergeant of Company B, Forty-seventh Regiment, who alleges that promotion to a second lieutenant was denied to him because he is a Jew.

The hearing has been set for June 19. Adjutant-General Hamilton already has investigated the complaint and reported that while the commanding officer of the Forty-seventh Regiment was undoubtedly within his lawful rights in declining to order an election the Governor's policy is absolutely against any consideration of a soldier's religious faith as a qualification for membership or promotion.

The Governor's order for the new investigation is based on a resolution reported to him by the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith requesting a public hearing and characterizing Col. Henry C.

Barthman's refusal to order an election as "un-American and untrue to the principles and ideals of this nation."

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Advertisement for Scotch Whisky, featuring the slogan "The Top Notch of Scotch" and listing agents Francis Draz & Co. Sole Agents.

Advertisement for Educational Advertising, listing circulation figures for various newspapers and offering advertising rates.

Advertisement for Drake's Early Night School, offering business college courses for boys and young men.

Advertisement for the House in the Pines, a boarding school for girls and young women in Hackettstown, N.J.

Advertisement for the French Family School for Girls, located at 183 Avenue Victor Hugo, Paris, France.

Advertisement for the People of the State of New York, regarding legal notices and public hearings.

SUN'S DIAMOND LIKE REAL GAME TO FANS

Novel Scoreboard Attracts Daily Crowds of Baseball Enthusiasts.

Shows Players' Antics

Movements of Ball Trace in Detail Great Struggles of Leaguers.

Watch that ball! It is the delighted slogan of THE SUN's baseball board fans, who nightly pour through Nassau street, Park Row, through the City Hall Park and up from William street to join thousands of others of their kind and watch the actions of the little white ball and the movements of batters and base runners over the little diamond on the front of the Sun Building.

"Do you know I'd almost rather watch this sort of game than the real thing!" confided a prosperous looking person who might have been a lawyer or broker or some such to a friend in the great crowd that gathered yesterday afternoon to watch THE SUN's board show the antics which the Yankees and the Naps were making in real life up at the Polo Grounds. "It's getting so that New Yorkers like everything they have in tabloid doses, and that's the way you get baseball on that board. Just the plain, straight what really happened and nothing else. In this way you can more easily grasp the significance of every move."

His friend agreed with him enthusiastically. "If they'd only put on the tennis matches Saturday afternoon this way," he grinned, "that ball would be kept hopping some."

"Seven o'clock is the fashionable hour for dinner at my place now," said a Brooklynite who pressed into one of the human bordered avenues through which hurried the few with soot so dead as to have no interest in what lay about them. "My wife says if it's as interesting as I say some days there won't be any dinner. She says I'll find her in the crowd."

People already acquainted with the fascination of THE SUN's diamond board ball board began to wait for the game to start some time before the returns begin to come in. By quarter of four any afternoon there is a fair sized crowd shifting and waiting patiently for the little white pellet to curve down over the plate to ride into the outfield or when every avenue of approach to the bride entrance is pouring its humdrum stream homewards, that is the time that the game catches an attendance that would do any bush league proud.

A man stood on the City Hall steps and watched the crowd rapidly filling the space before THE SUN's scoreboard. "That's the best argument I have ever seen for the game," he said. "If you ever hear any one say that interest in baseball is artificial, just show him this crowd standing here with their suppers waiting. Let him hear those yells. That'll shut him up."

Mrs. Louise Miller, a noted spiritualist and medium, will be a guest at the new headquarters of the New York Temple of Modern Spiritualism, 208 Fifth avenue, and will speak on Sunday evening at 8 o'clock on "Truth of Immortality." Arrangements are also made for a special flower service after the lecture, with spirit messages. The society will continue its services on Sunday, Thursday and Saturday evenings, throughout the summer.

At the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church services will be held at 11 A. M. and at 4:30 P. M. by the Rev. Hugh Black.

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Y. M. C. A.'S 69TH ANNIVERSARY

Three-quarters of the Associations Are in This Country.

Young Men's Christian Associations of the World observed yesterday the sixty-ninth anniversary of their founding in London by the man who afterward became Sir George Williams. At the International Committee building in Twenty-eighth street, there were exercises and last night a dinner.

A statement given out by the New York associations yesterday shows that there are 2,584 associations, of which three-quarters are in the United States. The buildings are valued at more than \$100,000,000 and \$75,000,000 is invested in association land and buildings in the United States alone. The expenses of the North American Associations are \$11,000,000 a year. The membership is 567,000 in North America, 88,100 in all the world. In ten years the membership has doubled and the property values have trebled.

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