

KIRCHWEY GIVES AID TO PRISON INQUIRY

Acting Warden Goes to Weeks With Offer of Sing Sing Secrets.

TELLS OF ONE ASSAULT

OSWING, N. Y., Nov. 2.—George W. Kirchwey, former dean of the Columbia University law school, who is practically acting warden of Sing Sing prison during Warden Osborne's absence, today went to District Attorney Weeks in White Plains and offered to facilitate in every way possible the Grand Jury investigation of the prison.

Dr. Kirchwey offered to supply to the District Attorney the names of witnesses to an assault in the prison on Herman Kromansky about two weeks ago. Kromansky's attack was conducted with a hammer. The District Attorney, it is asserted, made three attempts to learn the name of the assailant from Warden Osborne and failed also in his effort to obtain interviews with men who were said to have been witnesses. Dr. Kirchwey's offer to furnish all information at his disposal to District Attorney Weeks is regarded as a happy contribution to a solution of the problem.

District Attorney Weeks received today a letter from Warden Osborne, who is now in his home at Auburn, in which the warden officially notified Mr. Weeks of the assault on John Leyden two weeks ago. Leyden was stabbed during a fight by another inmate, and on the 25th last his arm was amputated. This is the first notice, it is said, that Mr. Weeks has received from Mr. Osborne of the assault on John Leyden at Sing Sing, for five weeks deputy warden of Sing Sing, was engaged today in packing up his belongings preparatory to the opinion prevalent here, Mr. Church was ousted by Warden Osborne.

Dr. Kirchwey said today that he was acting in an advisory capacity and that Fred Barney, acting principal keeper, was really the executive at Sing Sing. "I have no desire to become warden," he said in reply to a question. "Heaven forbid," Mr. Osborne has no intention of resigning.

Dr. Kirchwey said in regard to Mr. Church's leaving that in his opinion there was no need for an official resignation at the prison and that he thought a much more inviting career was awaiting him outside the prison.

District Attorney Weeks, it was learned here today, will take several convicts out of prison tomorrow on writs of habeas corpus and will take them to White Plains, where they will testify before the Grand Jury on Monday.

Dr. Kirchwey arrived in New York last night following his conference with District Attorney Weeks at White Plains. He said he was in complete harmony with Mr. Weeks in regard to the Grand Jury proceedings. He was asked to define his status at Sing Sing, Dr. Kirchwey replied:

"Mr. Osborne designated me informally as acting warden and as completely as possible without legal authority I am acting in that capacity. Although, of course, acting Principal Keeper Horner is the executive in charge."

"I wish to say that all these stories in the newspapers that Mr. Osborne is instructing me in the duties of the warden so that he may retire are absolutely imaginary. I have the slightest intention of becoming warden, even should Mr. Osborne resign, which is highly improbable."

FIRE EXCITES SING SING'S 1,500. Convicts at First Think Alarm While Means Escape.

OSWING, Nov. 2.—The 1,500 convicts in Sing Sing prison had their sleep disturbed early today by a fire, which broke out in some wooden buildings at the Oswing line works, about 600 feet south of the prison.

The blasts from the fire woke the convicts, who thought at first it was the prison whistle to warn the village that some convict had escaped. The news quickly spread through the cell block that the line plant was afire.

TOM FOLEY KICKS DRISCOLL AT POLL

Ex-Sheriff Uses Boot on Meeting Political Enemy at Voting Place.

The two chief topics of conversation yesterday in the Second Assembly district, the sum being the ballcock of Big Tom Foley, were the young woman who was stationed as watcher in the polling place at 65 Madison street and the expedition which Eugene Driscoll made from that same address. The contrast between the staidness with which the woman watcher remained at her post and the precipitate manner in which Driscoll vacated the premises stirred the risibilities of everybody throughout the day at the Downtown Tammany Club at 59 Madison street.

Mr. Driscoll is known in the district as a brother of former Deputy Police Commissioner Leon Driscoll, but chiefly as the man who, with the aid of the elusive Mike Brofano, started the Home Rule Democratic Club, an anti-Foley organization with headquarters at 48 Madison street. There has been ill feeling between the former Sheriff and Driscoll for some time, so when Driscoll left his home around the corner at 9 Oliver street yesterday and moved toward the polling place he moved quickly, not stopping for any night struggle with those who stood in goodly numbers around the steps of the Foley club. He voted quickly and quietly and then started for the street. Right in the doorway he almost bumped into the rather simple figure of Big Tom.

"Don't say anything to me now, Tom," said Driscoll as he hastened his step.

"No, I won't," replied Foley, and then, according to his own account and that of numerous witnesses, he speeded the starting guest with a generous bump from the Foley foot. Right away things happened over which Big Tom, of course, had no control. A crowd of future Foleyites disclosed themselves as fully armed with various light missiles gathered from the gutter and thoroughfare of Madison street. Driscoll did not stop to caution the youths, but ran the unpleasant gauntlet to the corner of Oliver street and there disappeared.

"Nothing to it," said everybody about the clubhouse. "No harm done. Foley booted him all right and the kids just jingled in."

SUSPECT IN FIRE PLOTS ON SUGAR SHIPS TAKEN

George Van Horn, Arrested on Charge of Stealing \$1,000 Worth of Auto Tires, Is Believed to Know About Bomb Activities.

In the course of the general investigation to unearth the activities of German sympathizers in this country, an inquiry which resulted in the arrest of Lieut. Robert Fay of the German army and five others named as his associates in conspiracies and bomb plots, George Van Horn, a German, who has been known as Guyonardus Verdoyek, was arrested yesterday at West New York, N. J., charged with the theft of \$1,000 worth of automobile tires.

Capt. Tunney of the New York Detective Bureau, who in company with Detective George P. Barnitz questioned Van Horn after he was arrested by Chief of Police William Clossery of West New York, said last night that he had reason to suspect Van Horn knew something about the sugar ship fires which occurred last summer.

At that time bombs were found aboard the British steamship Kirkowald. There were three bombs and at sea on the steamship Knutsford, Devon City and Craigside. Bombs were found in the cargo of the steamship Handala. The bombs were almost all to start fires by chemical reaction. They were placed among bags of sugar in the holds of the steamships or upon the pier.

An Important Prisoner. Capt. Tunney questioned Van Horn, or Verdoyek, for several hours last night, but was not ready to assert when he finished questioning the prisoner that any direct connection had been found between the activities of Van Horn and the doings of Lieut. Robert Fay and the men accused with Fay.

It was evident, however, that Capt. Tunney, who was in communication with the United States Secret Service, believed that Van Horn was an important prisoner, and that something more was to be obtained from him by further questioning than the admission of the theft of the sugar ships at the time \$100,000 worth of sugar was stolen.

Van Horn said he had been living in the 414 West Forty-second street, Manhattan, and that he had moved from there to Eighth street and Hudson avenue, West New York. Capt. Tunney was on friendly terms with Lieut. Fay and with others accused by the Government investigators, and that Van Horn admitted

WOMAN 'SPOOK' PUFFS CIGARS AND SHOOTS

Oyster Bay Badly Scared by Figure in Black That Defies Posses of 100.

OYSTER BAY, L. I., Nov. 2.—A woman "spook" who dresses all in black, smokes cigars and shoots a revolver has scared Oyster Bay, L. I., in the grip of a bad scare. She appears only after nightfall and is credited with chasing children to their homes, following unaccounted women and men, and with disappearing, seemingly into thin air, when pursued by a posse of 100 men and the village police force. Constable John Thompson.

The woman of mystery has been busy several evenings and women and children are afraid to venture out of their homes. Children playing in the woods that skirt Northwood, the country home of Mortimer L. Schiff, were first chased by the "spook." They were later caught at until Teart Corey of Baylis Hill, an asthmatic carpenter, ran in terror when he saw the woman, armed in one hand and with a cigar sticking out of her mouth at a rakish angle, walking toward him.

As he ran, he says he heard a hoarse laugh and the sound of a revolver shot and a bullet whistled near his head. His sister-in-law, Mrs. Victor L. Corey, whose husband is also a carpenter, and the woman, and she says many others have been terrorized by the fearsome spectacle.

On Sunday evening a posse was formed after church. Armed with clubs and sticks and led by Constable Thompson, the posse patrolled the roads in the neighborhood of Berry Hill, which is the favorite haunt of the "spook." Half the posse, it is said, remembered pressing engagements elsewhere when three or four were reassembled from the detritus of the woods, each accompanied by a hair raising laugh.

Residents advance several theories to explain the presence of the mysterious woman. One is that the "spook" is an escaped male lunatic, masquerading as a woman and living in the bushes. Others believe it is simply a practical joker.

DEMAND SUNDAY SALOON LID. Church Workers to Bring Pressure to Bear on Mayor.

Three hundred clergymen, secretaries of reform bodies and lay men and women from Protestant churches of New York attended a meeting yesterday afternoon at the Broadway Tabernacle to demand that Mayor Mitchell enforce the Sunday saloon closing law and to arouse sentiment to compel him to do so. The Rev. Dr. William Sheafe Chase of Brooklyn, president of the New York Civic League, presided.

Authority was given to Dr. Chase to appoint a committee of ten to go to Mayor Mitchell, tell him the sentiment of the meeting and ask him to enforce the Sunday closing law. The committee of ten was also directed to find out the sentiment of Protestant churches, and having done so to bring it to bear upon Mayor Mitchell. No mention was made of Jewish sentiment, but it was stated that somehow the sentiment of Catholic churches ought to be obtained and put to use.

Bishop Courtney urged all church workers to write to the Mayor. He said Mayor Mitchell of Chicago has closed the saloons there on Sundays and that New York has a better Sunday closing law than Illinois.

Supp. Anderson of the Anti Saloon League said it was not best to try to convict one saloon keeper and let all the others go free, but that they should work to break up the system. He believed New York would have dry Sundays before long. The Rev. Dr. George Alexander, the Rev. O. R. Miller and others spoke to the same effect.

FIFTEEN DROWN IN PACIFIC SHIPWRECK

Santa Clara Goes on Rocks Off Oregon Coast—Crowded Lifeboat Swamped.

VESSEL HAD SUNK BEFORE

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 2.—Fifteen or more lives were lost tonight when the steamer Santa Clara, owned by the North Pacific Steamship Company, went on the rocks off Coos Bay, Oregon, with seventy-five or eighty persons on board, including the crew.

There were about fifty passengers bound for the South, most of them Oregon citizens on their way to the Panama Exposition. Some were from Washington and others from California. The sea was running high, as it had been for the last four or five days. The steamer Achille Smith was standing near but when the Santa Clara struck it was only a few moments before she began to sink and the first lifeboat launched, which was filled with a score of persons, swamped before it had fairly got under way. It is believed that only four or five of them reached shore.

The Santa Clara had been two days behind schedule on the last two voyages because of delays experienced through unfavorable weather at coast ports, and she had a notan last night that Van Horn, who operated until the Santa Clara and Kilburn were sent here.

ISAAC I. RICE DEAD. Lawyer Dies Suddenly in His Apartments at the Ansonia.

Isaac Leopold Rice, 65 years old and suddenly last night in his apartment in the Ansonia Hotel in New York City. He was born in Waltham, Mass., and came to this country when a boy. He was graduated from the Central High School in Philadelphia in 1880. After two years as lecturer in the School of Political Science and instructor in the Columbia law school he became counsel for the Southern Railway. For many years he was president of the Electric Boat Company, Holland Torpedo Boat Company, Electric Lumber Company, National Torpedo Company, Car Lighting and Power Company, Consolidated Railway, Electric Lighting and Equipment Company, and Lindstrom Engine Company.

ARREST HOLDS UP \$500 PRIZE SONG CONTEST

Promoter Is Held in \$1,500 Bail—Many Composers Alleged Victims.

J. Victor Greene, former head of the Knickerbocker Harmony Studios, at 13 West Forty-second street, was arrested yesterday on a Federal indictment charging him and John T. Hall of the Hall Musical Publishing Company with using the mails in a scheme to defraud aspiring song poets. Greene was arraigned before Federal District Court Judge Foster and held in \$1,500 bail on the suggestion of Assistant United States Attorney Julian Hartridge.

Hall was arrested in November, 1914, and held in \$5,000 bail on testimony given by Post Office Inspector Mayhew concerning a song poem contest in which the composers of the three best poems to be set to music were to be judged. The impression in his advertisements and letters, it is alleged, that he would see to the writing of the music and the advertising of the songs enticed to him for a fee of from \$35 to \$45.

In this way, it is said, he coaxed contributions from about 6,000 song writers and informed more than 1,000 of them that they were in a fair way of winning a prize. He told them, it is alleged, that they would have to have their songs set to music before the judges, could be induced to consider them as prize winners and suggested that they have their work done by the Knickerbocker Harmony Studios.

Greene also would write to the contestants, it is charged, and offer to have the music written by a well known composer for \$100 in a letter dated September 9, 1914. He informed Miss Mary A. Dolan of Fall River, Mass., that her verses, entitled "The Doctrine of Moore," were excellent and that the establishment was amply qualified to fix up a melody that would do justice to her composition. The trial is scheduled to begin before Judge Foster today.

READY FOR WAR ON DR. HILLIS.

Ferguson Denies Allegations Made in the Beecher Statement.

Released from his pledge of silence by the collapse of the arbitration plan, Frank L. Ferguson, former chairman of the board of trustees of Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, and for five years business agent and adviser to the Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis, pastor of the church, gave out another statement yesterday in which he says he is ready to make war with Dr. Hillis or any friends who see fit to expose the clergyman's cause.

The statement follows the one prepared by Col. William C. Beecher and signed by twenty-six members of Plymouth Church. Mr. Ferguson asserts that many things alleged in the Beecher statement are false; that nearly all who signed the statement are ignorant of the details of Dr. Hillis's business ventures, and that the statement should not be taken as in any way representing the sentiment of a church whose membership exceeds 2,000.

SUICIDE IN HUDSON TUBE.

Trains Held Up Half an Hour as Body Is Removed.

James Kelly, 45 years old, of 8 Mercer street, Jersey City, committed suicide by plunging in front of a westbound tube train at the Exchange place station in Jersey City yesterday afternoon. Traffic was delayed for an hour while the body was being removed.

ATTACK ON WIFE TO SAVE OFFICE GIRL

Dr. Buxbaum Replies to Suit Asking Alimony of \$600 a Month.

Dr. Asher I. Buxbaum, dentist and physician at 341 Madison avenue, who has been sued for a separation by Mrs. Emma N. Buxbaum, who asks \$600 a month alimony and accuses her husband of devoting too much attention to his office assistant, Miss Laurel May Glover, issued a statement yesterday defending himself and Miss Glover. The statement, which was made public by his attorney, Louis S. Levy, said:

"I had hoped that I might be spared this culmination of twenty-five years of torture. But it is quite in keeping with experience that my wife, from whom I have irrevocably separated and for whom I have made more than adequate provision, should under guise of a 'suit for separation' prepare this stage setting and concoct these stories in order to mask a sordid demand for money."

"I should maintain silence if she had not maliciously and mendaciously attempted to smother the good name of one whom she knows to be innocent. While my statements cannot at this time repair that cruel injury, the public may draw its own comparisons between a wife who deserves her husband when he is at the point of death with pneumonia, who dissembles her home, who pretexts such of his property as is movable and who vilifies his reputation, and a faithful, modest employee who, in the company of her own good mother, renders as a nurse, the kindly service which no money can buy."

"Such are the facts, which will be clearly demonstrated at the proper time and place. Meanwhile I wish to deny entirely these malicious charges of misconduct and to state that much against my will I shall be compelled to show to the court just what I have had to contend with all these years."

The alimony application will be heard in the Supreme Court on November 8.

BURLESQUE SHOW RAIDED.

Comedians and Dancers Taken From Garrick in Patrol Wagon.

A patrol wagon varied the direction of a crowd outside the Garrick Theatre last night by carrying away eight persons because of their connection with an alleged improper production called "The Joyland Burlesque (Gris)." The raid was led by Detectives Conway and Keith on the strength of four warrants obtained from Magistrate McGuire.

A charge of participating in an improper performance was made against Billy Gilbert and Murray J. Simons, comedians, and Beulah Kennedy and Marie Ross, dancers. Sim Williams was accused of producing the show and the management of the theatre, comprising Walter Rosenberg, James Dillon and Charles Bryant, was charged with permitting the exhibition. The performers were held in the West Thirtieth street station and the others taken to the night court.

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