

BRIDGE FIRE CAUSES BIG TRAFFIC SNARL

Shunting of B. R. T. Trains to Brooklyn Bridge Stalls Long Island Service.

EARLY RELIEF PROMISED

Normal Service Monday, Says Company; Month More Like It, Says Whalen.

For more than two hours last evening swarms of humanity snarled about the Manhattan end of the Brooklyn Bridge, while the elevated tracks crossing the structure were choked with stalled or slowly crawling trains.

It took some persons one hour to make the journey over the river, and many were unable to get aboard trains at all, because for a period the police reserves from the Oak street station stopped persons from going through the gates to the platforms.

All of this was occasioned by the fire that destroyed part of the Williamsburg Bridge structure yesterday morning, necessitating the service there. The Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company had merely attempted to divert the cars to the Williamsburg Bridge, but that usually runs over this bridge to the old structure. The result was an overcrowding of the system and a general condition of chaos on every line operating across the Brooklyn Bridge.

All Traffic Stalled.

As the crowds started toward those who boarded the B. R. T. subway with a view to making their way to the Canal street station and there transferring to the Williamsburg Bridge elevated trains found themselves confronted by guards, who announced that these trains were not running over their accustomed route. Passengers were all told to ride to the City Hall station, and there get transfers to the Brooklyn Bridge elevated lines.

Williamsburg Cars Jammed.

On the Williamsburg Bridge there was another scene of disorder. About 100,000 more persons who were accustomed to going home by way of that structure descended upon it at rush hour and tried to climb aboard surface cars. The headway of these cars was altered to about thirty seconds, but a large part of the crowd could not possibly obtain space in which to crowd or a station on which to hang. Thousands of men and girls clambered aboard trucks, just as they used to do in the days of the big strike last summer, and many paid good prices to get over by automobile.

WEARS MAN'S ATTIRE; SENT TO BELLEVUE

Woman's Second Offense Arouses Wrath of Court.

Ivy Nassur's insistence upon wearing male apparel evoked the wrath of Magistrate Tobias yesterday when Ivy came before him for the second time within a few weeks on similar charges.

MAN WHO SHOT WIFE FOUND DEAD IN WOOD

State Troopers Find Body of Harry Scott Near Home.

Troopers of the State Constabulary, while hunting yesterday for Harry Scott, who had been charged with feloniously assaulting his wife, came upon his lifeless body in a woods near his home. Scott was 20 years old.

ROBBERS GET \$1,800 AND BEAT VICTIM

Relief Worker Was About to Sail for Europe.

After withdrawing funds from his bank to finance a trip to Europe Aaron Goldman, 36 years old, a retired merchant in 214 Eighth street, Brooklyn, was assaulted and robbed of \$1,800 early yesterday afternoon in a hallway at 26 Forsyth street, where he had gone to visit relative.

BIGAMY CHARGE ADDS TO STEDMAN'S WOES

Action Filed as He Is Held on Grand Larceny Accusation.

That week is dull which brings no new troubles to Harry B. Stedman, 32 years old, a Harvard graduate and the son of a Boston banker. Before he left the court house in Brooklyn yesterday, after pleading to indictments charging grand larceny in the second degree, he was served with a summons and complaint in a suit for annulment of marriage brought against him by Mrs. Elizabeth Dorothy Stedman. She alleges that when Stedman married her he was already the husband of a Detroit girl.

CONDUCTOR SUES FOR \$5,000.

"Spotters" Accused Falsely and Beat Him Up, He Alleges.

PRISONER 4 YEARS. WIFE SAYS IN SUIT

German Idea Blamed for Ruined American Romance.

Mrs. Anna J. Helm, 26 years old, who is suing Frederick B. Helm, a chauffeur charged yesterday in the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, that since her marriage four years ago she had been "virtually a prisoner in one room" in the home of her husband's parents.

Mrs. Helm charged that her husband's parents, who are of German extraction, are "wholly continental in their ideas, loyalty and expression. They and my husband instructed me at the outset of the marriage that a wife is the personal property of a husband and that I was to submit to him and them in all things."

Mrs. Helm's papers add that she was continually admonished by her husband to leave the house. "I could not leave the room we occupied. When I have taken an occasional short walk for exercise one of the family has followed behind me."

POLICE TAKE HAND IN WHISKEY RAIDS

Say Search of Italian Kitchen Revealed Great Quantity of Liquor.

The police of New York who hitherto have shown little interest in the law known as the Volstead act took a hand last night in the prohibition enforcement work which is threatening to sweep country forever from this part of the country. Five detectives under the direction of Sergeant Nicola of Headquarters raided the Italian kitchen, at 107 West Forty-eighth street, just when the Harrison drug law and occasional raids of the presentment, which read:

"The Grand Jury feels it to be its duty to make a special presentment on the existing regulations controlling the sale and purchase of opium and narcotics in this district. Evidence before us in the case of the United States against Boris Aronovitch and Harry Aronovitch, accused of conspiracy to violate the Harrison drug law and occasional raids of the presentment, which read:

"We therefore recommend that the same regulations be adopted which now control the sale of liquor, that is, that the party to whom a license is issued shall be required to give bond and then to sell only on certificates issued after due investigation by the Collector of Internal Revenue or upon physicians' prescriptions."

Among the open indictments was one against Frederick W. Clawson, charged with using the mails to defraud in the sale of stock in the American-Canadian Corporation. In business as F. A. Clawson & Co. and as Clawson, Woodruff & Co., investment bankers, he expanded overnight into a \$5,000,000 corporation. It was charged, and proposed to issue \$175,000,000 worth of stocks, bonds and notes with which to establish a vast merchant marine.

MAIL FRAUDS ALLEGED

Correspondence School Financier Accused of Blowing Big Marine Bubble.

The Federal Grand Jury returned yesterday a batch of eleven open and two secret indictments together with two presentments one of which scored existing regulations governing the furnishing of narcotics. The secret indictments alleged oil and sulphur stock frauds, and bench warrants were issued to be served this morning.

Of the seven open indictments the only one in which the defendants had not been arrested and released on bail was against Boris and Harry Aronovitch, accused of conspiracy to violate the Harrison drug law and occasional raids of the presentment, which read:

"We find that by this means they bought and sold opium and that one purchase was over 500 pounds and that this opium was delivered to persons who had no right to purchase it. We are informed that the sale of opium and other narcotics is made under regulations prescribed by the Collector of Internal Revenue under the Federal statutes which have the force and effect of law."

MAIL FRAUD INDICTED

BY FEDERAL JURY

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STABBING REVEALS JEWELRY HOARD

Woman and Her Alleged Victim Are Arrested.

Police men who were summoned yesterday to the rooms of Mr. and Mrs. John Ebnar, at 55 West Sixty-eighth street, following a call for an ambulance and the statement that a man had "fallen on a knife," were writing down the facts as elements of an accident when the gilt of a gold bracelet weighing a quarter of a pound attracted their attention to a dressing table.

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