

C. O. KRUGER'S BODY EXHUMED IN FIGHT OVER INSURANCE

Physicians Differ as to Whether Transit Company President's Death Was Due to Heart Disease or Accident.

The body of Charles O. Kruger, late president of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, who fell dead at the Racquet Club on November 4, has been exhumed and examined by physicians in an effort to settle a dispute as to the cause of death.

A sharp controversy, arising out of the fact that accident policies had been taken out by Mr. Kruger with the Travelers' Insurance Company, has resulted from the findings at the autopsy and the claim of Mrs. Elizabeth Kauffman Kruger for payment of her husband's accident policy.

Though it was said at the time of his death that Mr. Kruger had succumbed to heart disease, Mrs. Kruger, through her attorney, Bernard J. O'Connell, entered a claim on December 5 for payment of the accident policy on the ground that Mr. Kruger had died as the result of an injury to his heart induced by an automobile collision on November 3, the day before his death.

Physicians for the Kruger family asserted today that the autopsy proved conclusively that Mr. Kruger's death was brought about by the automobile accident. On the other hand, physicians acting for the insurance company are so positive that the accident had nothing to do with it.

EVIDENCE OF CHAUFFEUR. If the case is contested in court the insurance company, it is said, will produce an affidavit sworn to by William G. Moore, who was chauffeur for Mr. Kruger for two years, setting forth that the accident amounted to nothing more than a slight bump between the Kruger machine and another owned by William Lord Sexton.

The collision, according to Moore, was so slight that the cars did not even stop at the time. It occurred at Broad street and Allegheny avenue on the morning of November 3. Twenty-seven hours later, after luncheon at the Racquet Club, Mr. Kruger fell unconscious in the billiard room of the club and died a few moments later.

Dr. L. D. Roberts, examining physician for the Travelers' Company, declared today that he had never seen a clearer case of heart disease. There was not the slightest evidence, he said, that Mr. Kruger had died from anything but natural causes. His heart had been affected for some time, Doctor Roberts said, but the accident had not aggravated the condition.

W. F. Marshall, head of the claim department of the Travelers' Insurance Company, 415 Walnut street, was equally positive the accident had nothing to do with Mr. Kruger's death. "There is nothing to show that the death was caused by the accident," he said.

HOW ACCIDENT HAPPENED. William Moore, whose evidence may be important, said he had been employed for five years by the Rapid Transit Company and that for the last two he had been chauffeur for Mr. Kruger, driving a motor car owned by the company. On the morning of November 3, he said, he was driving Mr. Kruger south on Broad street on his way to the company's offices in the Land Title Building.

At Indiana avenue a car owned by William Lord Sexton appeared suddenly from behind a street car and bumped against the top of the Kruger machine. Neither car stopped, at the moment, but later he and Mr. Kruger got out to look at the damage.

Mr. Kruger took the accident as a joke, Moore says, and stood laughing about it while the chauffeur arranged the top so that they could proceed. The shock of the collision was so slight, Moore says, that neither he nor Mr. Kruger was even jarred.

MR. KRUGER'S BODY EXHUMED. A month after the accident Mrs. Kruger's claim was filed. Her husband had two policies in the Travelers' Company. Both were for \$500, but with accumulations they would have amounted to \$15,000. On Thursday the body was exhumed at the Northwood Cemetery, Oak Lane, and in the underground shop of D. E. Schuyler, at Broad and Diamond streets, several physicians made an autopsy. The body was reinterred yesterday.

Dr. William S. Wadsworth, of 207 South 4th street, who acted for Mrs. Kruger at the autopsy, was asked today what it had revealed. He refused to discuss the matter at all.

Another physician who attended the autopsy is Dr. Walter Strong, of 216 North 13th street, who said he attended the autopsy on invitation of Bernard J. O'Connell, attorney for Mrs. Kruger, but not as a representative of either the family or the company.

DOCTOR STRONG'S OPINION. "Mr. Kruger was a lifelong friend of mine," he said, "and I was naturally interested to know the exact cause of his death. In my opinion, the examination certainly bore out the statement that he died from a heart condition caused by the shock attendant upon an accident.

"Before that accident Mr. Kruger's heart was perfectly sound. I am sure of that. He had obtained insurance policies from other companies without difficulty. After the accident he was refused a policy by one company to which he applied because of his heart condition.

"I do not believe the Travelers' Company will resort to litigation in this matter. My understanding is that they merely required an autopsy as a matter of form. Such a requirement was entirely within the company's rights and a matter of good business judgment."

Bernard J. O'Connell, attorney for Mrs. Kruger, said today that he had not been notified by the Travelers' Company of its intention to contest the payment of the policy. He would not discuss the statements made by the company officials. After reviewing the circumstances attending Mr. Kruger's death, he said:

"There seems to be but one side to the matter, and I do not think the insurance company will contest the case. Policies on Mr. Kruger's life issued by other companies have already been paid. When the Travelers' Company refuses payment will be time enough to discuss that possibility."

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CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Two armed bandits at noon today held up H. Mandel, of the Mandel Limousine Company, and Louis D. Greenburg, cashier of the company, in front of their office, 360 West Huron street, and escaped with a satchel containing \$1000 in cash, the week's payroll.

A dozen pedestrians were passing the office when one of the bandits pressed a revolver against Greenburg's side and commanded him to keep quiet. The other snatched the satchel and ran. The first robber stood guard for a moment and then fled.

George School Wins Defeats Episcopal Soccer Team by Score of 8 to 0. George School soccer team swamped Episcopal Academy this afternoon by the score of 8 to 0. In the first half George School scored five goals and three in the second. The game was played at George School.

Amelia was the star for George School, scoring three of the goals. Hough also scored three and Carr and Wilson one each.

THE WEATHER Official Forecast WASHINGTON, Dec. 19. For eastern Pennsylvania: Cloudy tonight and Sunday, probably with rain or snow; colder Sunday afternoon; fresh to strong south and southwest winds.

U. S. Weather Bureau Bulletin Observations made at 8 a. m. Eastern time. Station. S. a. m. T. Fall. Wind. W. Weather.

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MRS. ELSIE WHELEN GOELET Well known in Philadelphia, where her family is socially prominent, she will become the bride of Henry Clews, Jr., son of the New York banker, tonight.

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Continued from Page One beauty attracted much attention. Mr. Goelet, the only son of Mrs. Ozden Goelet, and Miss Whelen were married at Wayne, Pa., June 14, 1906. Mrs. Nicholas Longworth attended the bride and Mrs. Craig Biddle, a sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Mr. and Mrs. Goelet passed their summers at Newport. There two sons were born.

Rumors of an estrangement were current during the latter part of the season of 1913. In January of this year Mrs. Goelet filed suit for divorce, charging cruel and abusive treatment. Mr. Goelet hotly contested the suit, and the case was the talk of society for months.

Mrs. Goelet's mother is now the wife of C. Hartman Kuhn, millionaire Philadelphia and director of banking concerns. Mr. Clews is 38 years old. He was divorced from his first wife in Paris in 1910. He arrived in New York from Europe yesterday. Immediately on his arrival he called at Mrs. Goelet's home at 8 Washington square. He avoided interviews and could not be located today.

The wedding ceremony will take place at Mrs. Goelet's Washington square home. It will be an extremely quiet one. Plans for the wedding were guarded with the utmost secrecy. After the ceremony Mr. Clews and his bride will leave New York. Their destination is not known.

JUAREZ ENTRIES First race, selling, three-year-olds and up, 5 1/2 furlongs—Admiral's Daughter, 98; Polaris, 100; Venus Ferry, 100; Eryon, 108; May E. Coghlin, 108; Ed Nelson, 108; Charles J. Gort, 108; Jasper, 108; Palma, 108; Allen Tessa, 108; Black Sheep, 108; Fannell Hall, 110.

NEW SOCCER LEAGUE So many clubs have recently become affiliated with the Allied American Football Association that it has been decided to form a fourth division of the League, and a meeting will be held at the residence of Oliver Reinweiser, secretary, 422 West Huntington street, this evening, for that purpose.

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PLAIN, EVERYDAY DOGS GET PRIZES AT SHOW

Collars for Twenty-five, Sweaters for Two Nondescript Pets. Dogs without pedigrees were entered this afternoon in the first annual show of the Common Dog Association.

It was planned to have the judging in Washington Square, but the rain prevented this and the show was held in a vacant storeroom at 24 South 6th street.

The common, ordinary, every day run of a dog came into his own before the judging was over, and 25 of that variety are wearing collars probably for the first time in all their dogged days.

There were prizes for the largest dogs, the smallest dogs, the kindest dog, the dog with the largest bark and even for a dog who could take a walk alone without getting into trouble.

DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSMEN CLASH IN HOUSE OVER BILL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—A sharp clash occurred in the House today between Representative Hefflin, of Alabama, and Representative Moon, of Tennessee, chairman of the House Committee on Post-offices and Postroads, during consideration of the postoffice appropriation bill.

Mr. Moon denounced the Democratic members of the House who yesterday changed their votes from aye to no and defeated the special rule making in order proposed legislation recommended by Postmaster General Burleson and approved by the committee.

Representative Hefflin took exception to the denunciation of Mr. Moon, and vigorously denied that a railroad influence had controlled his vote.

"The statement is absolutely false and untrue," shouted Mr. Hefflin. "The gentleman will not make that charge outside of this House," retorted Mr. Moon.

"I will make any statement outside of this chamber that I have made inside," Mr. Hefflin replied.

Mr. Saunders, of Virginia, who was in the chair, rapped for order, and the incident ended without further trouble.

PHILADELPHIAN FIRST

Examiner Swanson Leads 38 Competitors in Civil Service Test. Chief Examiner Arthur M. Swanson, of the Philadelphia Civil Service Commission, made the highest mark in an examination for secretary of the Civil Service Commission of Chicago, according to dispatches from that city today.

The Philadelphian had to compete with 38 civil service men, among them the incumbents of the Chicago post, who got ninth place.

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PAT GANNON IS WINNER IN FIRST OF RACING EVENTS

Winner Beats Out Euterpe for First Money on Charleston Track—Francis, Long Shot, Runs Third

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 18.—Pat Gannon, a 3 to 1 shot, took first money in the opening race here this afternoon, beating out Euterpe. This event was 5 furlongs, for 3-year-olds and up. Francis ran third. The winner's time was 1:17-5/8.

First race, for 3-year-olds and up, 5 furlongs—Pat Gannon, 114; Euterpe, 117; Francis, 119. Second race, for 3-year-olds and up, 5 furlongs—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113.

Second race, selling, three-year-olds and up, 5 furlongs—Francis, 114; Euterpe, 117; Pat Gannon, 119. Third race, for 3-year-olds and up, 5 furlongs—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113.

Fourth race, for 3-year-olds and up, 5 furlongs—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113. Fifth race, for 3-year-olds and up, 5 furlongs—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113.

CHARLESTON ENTRIES

First race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds, maidens, 5 furlongs—Strom, 109; Hugo, 109; Golden Lasso, 109; The Lark, 109; Shrewsbury, 111; Sir Charles, 112; Fox Graf, 112; Hugh, 112; Bryan, 112; Revere, 112.

Second race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds, selling, 5 furlongs—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113. Third race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113.

Fourth race, pure \$300, all ages, handicap, 5 furlongs—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113. Fifth race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds, selling, 5 furlongs—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113.

Sixth race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113. Seventh race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113.

Eighth race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113. Ninth race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113.

Tenth race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113. Eleventh race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113.

Twelfth race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113. Thirteenth race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113.

Fourteenth race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113. Fifteenth race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113.

Sixteenth race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113. Seventeenth race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113.

Eighteenth race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113. Nineteenth race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113.

Twentieth race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113. Twenty-first race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113.

Twenty-second race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113. Twenty-third race, pure \$300, 2-year-olds and up, selling, mile and sixteenth—Francis, 109; Euterpe, 111; Pat Gannon, 113.

PETROGRAD DENIES VICTORY REPORTED BY HINDENBURG

War Office Scornfully Indicates Lack of Details. PETROGRAD, Dec. 18. Scornful official denial of the German claims of General Hindenburg's victory in the east was made from the War Office here today.

MAY SHIP COPPER TO ITALY

British Ambassador Says His Government Will Not Interfere. WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—British Ambassador Spring-Rice today informed Secretary of State Bryan that there is a prospect that copper may be shipped from the United States to Italy without interference on the part of the British authorities.

Secretary Bryan said he was not in a position to say just what arrangements would be made, but it is believed Great Britain will receive additional guarantees against the re-shipment of copper consigned to Italian ports.



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