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STAGGERED BY KILLING BLOWS DEALT TO BOSS RULE, TAMMANY FIGHTS HARD TO BLOCK HEARST CONTEST

PARTY BOSSES, DEMOCRATIC AND REPUBLICAN, DEPOSED AT THE POLLS



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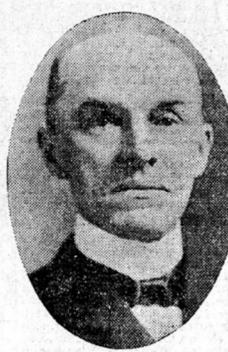
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E. B. ODELL, Republican, New York.



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PATRICK H. MCCARREN, Democrat, Brooklyn.



ARTHUR P. GORMAN, Democrat, Maryland.

MURDER CHARGED TO MRS. BRENNAN

Coroner's Jury Sifts Facts Regarding Shocking Tragedy on North Side. Surviving Boy Comes Bandaged to Inquest—What Prompted Verdict.

THE VERDICT

We, the jury, find that Elizabeth Brennan caused her death by reason of a gun-shot wound in the head, inflicted by Stella Brennan.

"O God, have mercy on me!" These were the words Mrs. Stella Brennan repeated over and over as she lay half-conscious and bleeding, the night three of her stepchildren were murdered and a fourth wounded at their home, 1622 Fifth avenue N.

The words also played an important part in the deliberations of the coroner's jury today, which named her as the slayer of the children. For the sake of brevity, the inquest dealt only with the death of Lizzie Brennan, the oldest girl, and the first to die from her wounds. Scarcely a line of evidence was introduced that did not point to Mrs. Brennan as the guilty person.

After Dr. E. H. Beckman, city physician, and Dr. J. W. Little reported on the autopsy, Tommy Brennan, the only surviving child, told his story to the jury. He was attired in a new suit of clothes and shoes purchased yesterday by his stepmother, against whom circumstances compelled him to give damaging testimony. His shattered jaw was bandaged.

The boy repeated the story told to the officers the day of the murder: how Mrs. Brennan stood beside his bed and told him to look out of the window and how he was shot as he did so. In answer to Assistant County Attorney Elmer Gray, he said:

"Yes, she was jealous of all of us, but not as much of me as the others." Tommy said that there was a light in the room, when Mrs. Brennan came into the room that night, and that he thought she could have seen a third person, had one been there. The shot sounded as if it came from within the room. After he had been wounded, he had gone to his stepmother's room, he said he heard a grating sound, and that someone was saying, "When asked if the noise might not have been a ringing in his ears caused by his wound, he said it might have been."

A Scene of Horror. Captain George H. Smith of engine company No. 16, the first man to enter the rooms after the tragedy, told of the appalling scene that confronted him, Lizzie, the oldest child, lay dead in bed between Arthur and Alice, who were then in their death throes. Mrs. Brennan lay on the bed in the front room beside Tommy and was repeating short prayers. "O, God, have mercy on me," in a subdued tone. Captain Smith further stated that when he entered the rooms they were so full of powder smoke that he dimly saw the oil lamp could hardly be seen. The odor of the powder was suffocating.

The first thing Mrs. Brennan said when thoroughly aroused, was: "I have done it. Lizzie comes to me. Why don't you let her and she doesn't come." W. G. Farmer, who lives directly below the Brennan flat, testified that he heard five shots fired. Three shots were fired in rapid succession, then a short pause and then two more were fired.

Accused Her Husband. Detective Edward Holin, who arrived at the house shortly after the shooting, said the windows were all down and locked and the shades drawn. The windows were all sound and no shot had been fired thru any of them. The bullet that had passed thru Thomas Brennan's jaw was found on a small pillow back of the couch, as if it had been fired from a point in the room. Mrs. Brennan told Holin that she looked from the kitchen window and saw a man sitting on the woodshed. The woodshed cannot be seen from the kitchen window. When first questioned by the detective, Mrs. Brennan said that she thought it was Mr. Brennan who had done the shooting, but later contradicted this statement, saying that he would not stoop to such a thing. She also said it might have been Tommy, but again retracted her statements. She said the man who stood over her bed and shot her was small and had a sallow complexion. She professed to know nothing more about the case.

Lieutenant Frank Perm of the North Side station testified to finding the revolver in a rear room. All the chambers were empty.

WANT GOVERNOR TO TAKE PROXIES

Organization of Northwestern Policyholders Not Satisfied with Lawson. Insurance Commissioner O'Brien Goes East at Governor's Special Request.

Northwestern Policyholders in the New York Life and the Mutual Life are being formed into an organization for the purpose of having their voice in the companies' affairs and in the proposed organization.

The movement started last week with an informal meeting of traveling salesmen at Watertown, S. D. At this meeting it was decided that instead of sending proxies to Lawson, northwestern policyholders ought to have a representative of their own, and Governor Johnson of Minnesota was agreed on as a suitable man to entrust with the proxies. W. P. Enright of St. Paul, who was chairman of the meeting, returned home and took the matter up with Governor Johnson. He had a circular printed for distribution, containing a proxy to be signed, and an appeal, which reads as follows:

"You have the right to vote. Exercise that right. The time may never be so opportune. Do it now. Fill in the blank lines on the proxy blank and send by first mail to Governor John A. Johnson, state capital, St. Paul, as the representative of the policyholders of the different life insurance companies, especially of the Mutual Life Insurance company and the New York Life Insurance company.

"If the policyholders move, and move quickly, they can save for themselves not only the rights of their policies, but will aid in securing the restitution of from \$75,000,000 to \$150,000,000 that rightfully belongs to them. You can do your small share to elect to the offices men who will not use the vast funds of the companies to corrupt the ballot box and lawmakers of the country, and you can do your share toward lowering the cost of your premiums. We are participating now in an examination of the New York Life, and I do not want to do anything that will embarrass that work. Meanwhile, the organization started at Watertown is being extended. It is being spread by the traveling men, but is not confined to them, and it is intended to hold a number of meetings in different localities in Minnesota and the Dakotas, to organize and make the northwestern policyholders a big, united influence in the reorganization.

The head of the temporary organization, W. L. Enright of St. Paul, is a well-known traveling salesman and a policyholder in the New York Life.

O'Brien Goes to Investigate.

These circulars have not been issued, and may not be for several days. Governor Johnson said he would prefer not to act on such a proposition too hastily. He has received many letters with inquiries and advice of various kinds, and in order to understand the situation, he has asked the Insurance Commissioner T. D. O'Brien to go to New York and make a personal investigation.

Mr. O'Brien leaves tonight for New York. He will get in touch with the work being done by the actuaries for Minnesota and other western states, and also with the work of the legislative investigating committee. "I am willing to do anything that may be for the best interests of the policyholders," said the governor this morning. "but I do not want to act hastily. We are participating now in an examination of the New York Life, and I do not want to do anything that will embarrass that work."

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MRS. HUBBARD WINS GOAL IN LABRADOR

New York, Nov. 9.—Mrs. Leonidas Hubbard, Jr., who has been exploring in Labrador, and for whose safety fears were entertained, today reported her successful completion of the expedition. The following telegram, signed by her and dated yesterday at Chateau Bay, Que., was received today by Herbert L. Bridgeman of Brooklyn: "Successful. Will return home by steamer King Edward."

FROM MIKADO TO PRESIDENT.

Tokio, Nov. 9.—Lloyd C. Griscom, the American minister, had a farewell audience with the emperor today, who asked him to convey his thanks to President Roosevelt for his care of Japanese interests in Russia thruout the late war.

Massacre, Mutiny and Torch At the Gate of St. Petersburg

WARSHIP HURRIED TO SAN DOMINGO

Uprising Is Threatened—New York Capital Said to Back Movement.

Washington, Nov. 9.—A revolutionary movement has developed in San Domingo and an uprising is threatened. News of this effect reached the government here yesterday.

News of this uprising, the first since Morais installed American customs collectors at the island ports, came to the state department from one of its representatives in San Domingo. There is a lack of details, the statement being merely that an uprising has occurred at Mocois, directed against the administration of President Morales.

Says Everything Is Quiet. While advices from Colonel Colton, who is chief of government agents in San Domingo, say "everything is perfectly quiet," ships have been hurried to the scene of the threatened trouble. The navy department has been advised by cablegram that the cruiser Denver left Guantanamo yesterday for San Pedro Maroons, San Domingo. Rear Admiral Bradford also sailed yesterday with his flagship, the cruiser Olympia, from Guantanamo for San Domingo city.

Nothing is known definitely as to the cause of this outbreak, but it is said here that the leaders have been financed by New York parties with the purpose of stirring up strife just at a season to influence adversely action in the United States senate on the pending Santo Domingo treaty.

GUAM SWEPT BY TYPHOON.

Guam, Nov. 9.—A severe typhoon, accompanied by a deluge of rain, took place here yesterday. The damage done to property is considerable, but its extent is unknown. The towns of Agaña and Piti were inundated. No lives were lost.

BOY'S DEATH PUTS BAN ON FOOTBALL

Illinois Highschool Authorities Forbid Games—Preacher Condemns Play.

Special to The Journal. Alton, Ill., Nov. 9.—The Alton board of education has placed a ban on football in consequence of the death of Right Tackle James Squires of the Alton high school Rugby team from injuries he sustained in a game with the East St. Louis high school two weeks ago. Superintendent Haight says there will be no more football in the Alton school, and the team has been disbanded. The father of the victim of the game was here yesterday.

Captain E. D. Enos of the Alton team, whose collarbone was broken in the same game, was at the funeral, swathed in bandages.

Rev. J. A. Scarrit, who officiated at the funeral, condemned the Rugby game as being similar to the Spanish bull-fight in point of brutality, and characterized as a national error the public sentiment that would tolerate a continuance of the Rugby game in schools and colleges.

LAKE RECORDS BROKEN

33,000,000 Tons of Iron Ore Shipped from Upper Ports. Journal Special Service.

New York, Nov. 9.—Preliminary figures indicate that 4,000,000 tons of iron ore were shipped from the upper lake ports in the month of October, bringing the total for the season beyond 29,500,000. Shipments this month are expected to bring the total for the year to 33,000,000, which will exceed any previous yearly record by about 5,000,000 tons.

Treppoff Is Deposed.

Both Count Witte and the emperor have made another surrender. General Treppoff has been removed from the post.

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KRONSTADT FIRED SO CZAR MAY SEE

Russian Capital Alarmed Over News of Uprising in Chief Naval Port.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 9.—It is reported that a massacre occurred at Kronstadt, the seaport of this city, last night, and that the infantry, using machine guns, fired on the people. The city is reported to be in flames. Telephone communication with St. Petersburg is interrupted, but the telegraph lines are working.

A force of Ulian cavalry sent to Kronstadt from Peterhof is reported to have joined the insurgents. It is also reported that the artillery men of the fortress have joined the insurgents.

Intense excitement prevails here, owing to the alarming news from Kronstadt. According to the reports, a mutiny of the sailors occurred in the night and was followed by a regular battle with the troops, in which machine guns were used. The workmen sided with the sailors and hundreds were killed or wounded. Later the torch was used and the town is now in flames.

It is reported that the glare of the fire can be seen from the windows of the emperor's palace at Peterhof. The inhabitants of Kronstadt are in a panic. The boats to St. Petersburg have stopped running and telephone and telegraph communications have been severed. It is impossible now to verify the reports or secure details of the happenings.

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HEARST BLOCKED IN FIRST MOVE

Democratic Official Refuses to Accept Ballot Boxes from the Police. Streets Filled with Wagons Guarded by Police and by Hearst Men.

New York, Nov. 9.—Aided by an array of legal talent in which are lawyers of great prominence, not only as masters of their profession, but also as leaders in more than one movement for good government in this city, William H. Hearst has begun his fight in the courts for the mayoralty which he believes he won in Tuesday's election.

His first step has created a situation apparently without precedent. Last night he obtained an order from Justice Gaynor of the supreme court, directing the police to turn over all ballotboxes to the board of elections at 10 o'clock to the board of elections at 10 o'clock.

The police obeyed the order as far as they could, but when they proceeded in the after-midnight hours to the election board's office, there was no one there to take custody of the boxes, and the police were left in the strange position of trying to carry out the court's orders, but unable to do so.

President Voorhis said that even if the legal decision should be decided in favor of the mayor, Tuesday's election board must receive the ballot boxes, he would have them sent under police guard to some storage place other than his office, which was too small for the purpose.

Blocked by a Democrat.

Mr. Voorhis is a democrat and when his decision was made known, the Hearst men turned to Charles W. Page, a republican member of the board, but he also declined to act, and then the police were left in the strange position of trying to carry out the court's orders, but unable to do so.

The street in the vicinity of the election board offices presented a strange sight, and hundreds of policemen stood on guard around the patrol wagons and canny vehicles in which the boxes had been conveyed from the various precinct station houses.

Hearst Hears of Plot.

Mr. Hearst's order was obtained from Justice Gaynor after the circulation of a story that a printing firm had been turning out large numbers of facsimiles of the official ballot and that these were being marked by McClellan and placed in the ballot boxes in place of Hearst ballots to be removed. The moment this rumor reached the Hearst headquarters it was decided that the ballots ought not to remain longer in the station houses, and the application to Justice Gaynor was drawn up as quickly as the papers could be made up.

Ivins Helping Hearst.

Among the attorneys aiding Mr. Hearst is William Ivins, the republican candidate for mayor in Tuesday's election. Mr. Ivins volunteered his services to Mr. Hearst and the offer was accepted. Another attorney acting for Mr. Hearst is Judge John Dixon, who was at one time judge of the supreme court of Iowa.

Took Charge of Boxes.

At noon Police Inspector Max Semitberger took charge of the ballot box wagons in Manhattan, and said that things will remain as they are until the corporation counsel gives his decision. A representative of the Municipal Ownership league watching the arrival of the wagons reported to President Voorhees that two boxes protruded from the back of a wagon with their covers unsealed. He said these boxes had come from the eighteenth assembly district of which Charles Murphy is the leader. He asked that the boxes be sealed, but Mr. Voorhees replied that he did not have the power to do this.

Parker Helps McClellan.

Mayor George B. McClellan announced today that to protect his interests in the proceedings brought by W. R. Hearst contesting the mayoralty election he had retained legal counsel. He has employed the law firm of Parker, Sheehan and Hatch, of which Judge Alton B. Parker is the head, and the firm of Dykman & Carr. The first named firm is of Manhattan, and the second of Brooklyn. The mayor said that he did not expect to be directly involved in any legal action.

Jerome Is Aiding.

District Attorney Jerome's first official act after his re-election was to begin a thorough inquiry into the charges of fraud made by representatives of W. R. Hearst. After spending the entire

KNELL OF BOSSES IN VOTE AT POLLS

Tuesday's Election Upheaval as Much a Social Protest as a Revolution. In Cities and States the People Rose to Drive Out Political Autocrats.

Special to The Journal. Chicago, Nov. 9.—Walter Wellman, in a Washington special to the Record-Herald, says:

Most public men who comment on the elections ascribe Tuesday's upheaval to political discontent with bossism, with insurance frauds, with corrupt combinations between political leaders and the manipulators of franchises and corporations. It was almost as much a social protest as a political revolution. Of itself, it carries no decisive word as to the future of parties.

The republicans missed an opportunity in New York city such as they are not likely to have again in a generation. But for treachery in the republican machine, and the fear among the better class of republicans that Hearst might win, Ivins could have been elected.

The republicans meet with disaster not unmix with good in Ohio, they hold their own in Massachusetts and Illinois, New Jersey and Rhode Island. The democrats gain a double victory in New York city, and suffer a marked rebuff in Maryland. So the honors are divided.

Uprising Against Bosses.

The first thing that strikes everyone is the magnitude of the popular uprising against bosses. In New York city Boss Murphy is practically dethroned. Even if Tammany saves the mayoralty, which is to be fought out in the courts, it has lost the most of its power. It has lost control of the aldermen and the board of estimates. The tiger's claws are clipped and well clipped, for he is a very dirty, ravenous beast. If Mayor McClellan, in his office, has friends predict he will do as Weaver did in Philadelphia—throw the machine over and serve the people. Boss Murphy and Boss Odell are both repudiated in New York.

In Philadelphia the cause of decent government has won a notable triumph. Boss Durham is crushed so completely he can never recover his clutch upon the city.

Boss Gorman Beaten.

In Maryland Boss Gorman is beaten and discredited, and his unworthy political scheme to disfranchise the negroes of the state is repudiated. Gorman is still a senator and at the head of a remnant of the democratic party, but the other senator, Mr. Rayner, and the governor, Mr. Warfield, are against him. It is believed that the election marks the beginning of the end of Boss Gorman and his local lieutenant, Boss Ransin.

New National Issues.

Government ownership of railways and telegraphs, municipal control of public utilities and a general opposition to corporation manipulation of congress, of legislature and of city governments. All this, in the opinion of many observers here, is foreshadowed by Tuesday's elections for the democratic issue in the presidential campaign in 1908. Democrats as a rule feel encouraged over the national outlook for their party. On the other hand, republicans do not admit that they are discouraged, despite the party reverse in Ohio.

Said by 'Hod' Taylor.

Assistant Secretary Taylor of the treasury, said in his opinion the election in New York and the Chicago election last year make it certain that in the next presidential campaign the democrats will nominate candidates on a public ownership and anti-trust platform. In Chicago last year the mayor was elected on that issue exclusively, and the big vote in New York for Hearst, Tuesday, shows the democratic trend toward municipal ownership and anti-trust as their platform for the future.

"This is an off year," remarked Mr. Taylor, "and in such years the people go on the rampage and work off all their grudges. The results of Tuesday are healthy signs of a crusade against graft and corruption in office. It is a sort of protest against machine rule. The people are getting independent and tired of political bosses. I do not think the result forebodes disaster to the republican party, but will tend to purify the party and strengthen it. By 1908 the party will be in line to win the election easily."

Buenos Aires Has a New Service of Automobile Cabs.

Buenos Aires has a new service of automobile cabs. The cabs are supplied with a taximeter.



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