

HELPED INDICT WARD
Ralph Refused to Disclose
Blackmail Secret Despite
Veiled Threats.

THE testimony of Ralph Ward, or rather his refusal to tell about the blackmail plot, was one of the principal causes of the indictment of Walter S. Ward for first degree murder by the Westchester Grand Jury, it was learned last night.

LAWYER SEES MINUTES
Hopes to Get Enough Points
by Thursday to Move to
Void Indictment.

Attorneys spent the day studying the minutes of the Grand Jury, which Allan R. Campbell of counsel for Ward obtained at the office of District Attorney Weeks in White Plains early in the morning on the order of Justice Morschauer of the Supreme Court.

325 PAGES OF EVIDENCE
Grand Jury Foreman Is Once
More Accused of Bias and
Browbeating.

Mr. Weeks turned over to him a bound volume approximately the size of a telephone book, which contained the 325 pages of testimony. Mr. Campbell said the next move of the defense would be the motion for a dismissal, which, he intimated, would be made Thursday, when Justice Morschauer returns from his holiday visit to Nantucket.

Foreman Is Called Biased.
Principal among the claims that will be put forward by Ward's lawyers will be one that Auckland B. Corder, foreman of the Grand Jury, was prejudiced against Ward because the latter had won the appointment as a Police Commissioner of New Rochelle, a position Corder had been seeking.

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60,000 DELAYED CHECKS
COST TAX MAN A CITY JOB

Secret Visit of Queens Grand Jurors Results in Ousting
Anthony Moors, Republican Leader, From Re-
ceivership by Democratic Comptroller.

Anthony Moors, Deputy Receiver of Taxes for Queens, has been ousted from office by Comptroller Craig according to an announcement made yesterday. Edward Smith, chief clerk, is in charge temporarily, and an audit of the books and records of the office will be conducted by Charles Kerrigan, secretary to the Comptroller.

Moors was removed because he failed to report to the Comptroller that four members of the Queens Grand Jury had visited his office about three weeks ago. This visit became known to us through a member of the Grand Jury. When Moors was questioned he stated that the men who visited the office were merely his personal friends, and that he showed them through the office and explained its workings. When we investigated we found the facts to be different and then Moors was suspended.

It was reported that one of the men who visited the receiver's office was George A. De Vester of Richmond Hill, a very active civic worker of that section of Queens. He is a personal friend of Moors, both men being active Republican workers.

"The visit to the tax receiver's office was not officially sanctioned by the Grand Jury," said one of the Jurors, "and no presentation or record concerning it was made."

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MARCONI'S WIRELESS
LARGELY USELESS

Visits Riverhead Station
Where Transocean Mes-
sages Come In.

The great radio receiving station at Riverhead, which is to serve as a model for future plants of the kind to be erected in foreign countries, was the object of an inspection tour by Senator Guglielmo Marconi and a group of radio engineers yesterday.

The wireless inventor was particularly interested in the great strides that have been made at this station in reducing static and the series of experiments being conducted in a specially equipped laboratory by Roy A. Weagant, consulting engineer of the Radio Corporation of America, the owners of the station.

Static, the bane of all radioists, has been the subject of special study by Senator Marconi for a number of years, and a long and earnest conference was held between him and Mr. Weagant at the shed where some of the best experimental work in this country has been conducted. Mr. Weagant has recently returned from a trip to Nassau, taken in order to encounter difficult atmospheric conditions with which engineers have to contend.

The importance of eliminating the adverse conditions at this point is readily seen in the fact that the Riverhead station is the "clearing house" for transoceanic messages from Norway, Germany, France and Great Britain. Its equipment in many ways is unique and the engineers are constantly striving for a betterment of conditions that will add to the accuracy of their messages.

Eighty per cent of the transatlantic business done through the station is commercial and the remainder press matter. Of the commercial cables about 75 per cent are delivered to downtown business firms in New York city.

Single Antenna Used.
The point of particular interest at the Riverhead station, for Senator Marconi and his colleagues was the method of receiving various messages from foreign stations on a single set of antennae, which is done through the use of a single antenna system.

Nine miles of antennae stretched thirty feet above the ground, and were connected by Riverhead to the Atlantic Ocean are employed in this process. They are the only antennae of the kind in the world, although in the new building erected under contract with the Radio Corporation of America in Poland the same system is being used.

The inventor of the wire antenna system, which is a combination of the wire antenna and the small shingled house situated in a wooded section of scrub pine and spruce, is the late Mr. Marconi.

Mr. Marconi, who was accompanied by his wife and daughter, arrived at the station at 10:30 o'clock. He was met by Mr. Weagant, who was in his usual state of health when he was last seen, was taken to the hospital Sunday, suffering from acute kidney trouble.

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GORGEOUS SPENDER TURNS
INTO AN 'IZZY' DRY SKELETON

Chicago Carefully Nurtures a 'Count' for a Month Only
to Have Him Bite the Hands That Quenched
His Thirst in Wholesale Raid.

Chicago, July 3.—Proprietors of hotels, restaurants, cafes and road-houses hereabouts were sadder but wiser today when Count William Yaselli, the "dry" skeleton, was taken to the city jail by police officers, who he arrested owners and managers of more than twenty places Saturday night and Sunday for violating the prohibition law.

The "Count's" methods—he was at one time a working partner of Izzy Einstein in New York—took Chicago by surprise. Trained for years to recognize a bootlegger, he was a blue serge suit, broad toed shoes and a stumpy of an unlighted cigar, which all regular detectives knew, some of Chicago's best known night life leaders are still trying to figure out what it happened.

The "Count" came to town a month ago, slim, sartorially perfect, with his snoutaches waxed to needle point and soon earned a reputation as a spender. When he appeared, accompanied by an attractive woman, head waters bowed to his choice of tables and he ordered says-wot liquors were brought at his request.

Saturday he called on the United States marshal and asked for twenty deputies to follow him in his automobile. There was no tip-off, for only the "Count" knew where they were bound.

At each place Yaselli was ushered to his favorite table by a smiling manager. Then the deputy marshals entered. The "Count" produced a notebook, scanned his notes and said: "I want this man and that man, and that man." The disillusioned proprietors and their helpers were bundled off to the Federal building.

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The agents said the basement was partitioned off into a neat moonshine factory of four rooms. In the larger of the rooms they found the two stills. A special pipe to carry the fumes from the boilers led up through the five floors to the roof. The stills were heated with gas.

In another room the agents reported they found twelve fifty gallon barrels of mush. The other two rooms were employed as the filtering and the bottling rooms. In the former were several barrels with charcoal filter outfit in the heads. In the bottling room the agents reported finding various sized containers, ranging from twenty gallon kegs to small bottles, all full of liquor. The apparatus was seized and taken to the Knickerbocker Warehouse, to be transferred later to the army base warehouse.

ACTRESS TAKES POISON.
Miss Anna Duane, 19, a vaudeville actress, who said she had been living at the Hotel Longacre, in West Forty-seventh street, tried to commit suicide last night at the Pennsylvania Terminal by swallowing bichloride of mercury tablets. Patrolman Winthrop sent her to Bellevue Hospital, where it was said her condition was serious.

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\$88,000,000 for Housing
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HUGE STILL SEIZED
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Agents, as "Gas Inspectors,"
Invade Basement of Five
Story Apartment.

SOME idea of the extent to which builders and contractors, encouraged by the Lockwood Committee laws, have been meeting the housing situation in this city was given yesterday in a report made public by the Tenement House Department. It shows that more than \$70,000,000 of new tenements are under construction or planned.

It appears also that about \$18,000,000 has been invested in new tenement houses. About 150 new apartment houses have been erected, providing about 13,000 rooms. Manhattan leads in the total of money invested with \$8,515,000, and Brooklyn is second with \$7,627,000.

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