

# BECKER CASE TO GO TO THE JURY WITHIN A WEEK

### Case May Hinge on the Stipulation Entered Into by the District Attorney With Gamblers.

New York, Oct. 19.—The Becker case will go to the jury next week. That was made certain today when Attorney John F. McIntyre for the defense, managed to get before the jury the extraordinary stipulation entered into by District Attorney Whitman with the quartet of gamblers, who are the key-stone of the state's case against the police lieutenant accused of having forced the murder of the gambler, who threatened to interfere with alleged graft payments.

The case against Becker may stand or fall on this document, entered into by the chief county prosecutor with the full knowledge and approval of Judge Mulqueen of general sessions court, McIntyre, although trying to discredit the four gamblers as much as possible by the evidence of witnesses who assail certain portions of the remarkable startling story they told on the stand, expects to use the stipulation as the chief note of his summing up speech to the jury. He admitted tonight that he will argue to the jury that the stipulations—there are four, one for each witness, Schepps, Rose, Webber and Vallond—prove the motive that actuated the story told on the stand. He will argue, he said, that promised absolute immunity and that they would be permitted to walk the streets free men as soon as the present case ends no matter what evidence of the crime in which they were participants is revealed by the disclosures of the present trial, the quartet had to make their story stand up and this is the reason why each tale of graft and murder dove-tailed as closely with the others as it did.

**Forced to Enter Stipulations.**  
District Attorney Whitman admitted that he expected McIntyre would make this use of the stipulations but said that he would show the jury that he had to enter into this agreement in order to make his case stand proof. And he intimated that he would handle without gloves the story told by Reporter Hawley and by the police witnesses, who testified today, when he reaches the order of rebuttal, and summing up.  
Today's session of the trial was cut short in order that the jury might register so that the members can vote on election day. In a big eight-wheel automobile they were taken to their various polling places under guard of

court officers.  
Most of today's session proved profitable for the defense. After getting the stipulations before the jury McIntyre also forced Whitman to submit Rose's original confession which differed in several parts from the tale he so glibly related on the stand. Police Lieutenant and Mrs. Schepps flatly contradicted Schepps when they swore they were at Becker's house until after midnight following the killing of Rosenthal and that Schepps was not there at any time. Schepps swore that he called on Becker that night, found the house in darkness and Becker would not let him light a cigarette because he said the house was watched. Whitman could not shake this story in the slightest degree.

**Rose Threatened Rosenthal.**  
Other witnesses swore they had heard Jack Rose threaten Rosenthal's life and one of them also said that he was told by Bridget Webber that he (Webber) would like to cut Rosenthal's throat. Policeman Joseph P. Sheppard, former member of Becker's strong-arm squad, contradicted Mrs. Rosenthal's story that she talked privately with Becker at the time he raided her husband's gambling house and he told her that it "was either Herman or me." All that happened, Sheppard swore, was an appeal to Becker by Mrs. Rosenthal to let her young nephew go free, an appeal which was refused.

McIntyre said today that he could close on Monday and Whitman said he could get all of his rebuttal in, in one day. McIntyre will ask for two days in which to sum up, but it is not likely Justice Goff will give each side more than half a day and it seemed certain tonight the case would get to the jury by next Thursday or Friday.

## SUFFRAGETTE IS

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"This time Governor Wilson could not restore order. The whole theater seemed to rise and demand Miss Malone's expulsion. An usher crowded through the aisle to her, but she paid no attention to him until he took hold of her arm. Then she shook him off. He retreated and came back with three policemen.

A dozen men near Miss Malone jumped to their feet and waved small flags which had been placed on each side in the theater and yelled:  
"Let her alone," "take your hands off her; don't touch that woman," but the cries of "throw her out," were stronger and the cops did so, in spite of Governor Wilson's frantic appeals from below, which they did not hear.  
Seizing her about the waist and pinning her arms to her body the officers carried her on the run to a fire exit of the balcony and disappeared.  
When the uproar was stilled again Governor Wilson, looking very solemn, said: "Ladies and gentlemen, I am sure the lady ought not to consider it a discourtesy if I decline to answer her

## ARRESTED IN NEW YORK CITY FOR STEALING PURSE YEAR AND A HALF AGO



Miss Dorothy Dale, stepdaughter of Della Fox, the actress, has been arrested in New York city, charged with stealing a gold watch purse a year and a half ago. Curiously enough, her arrest was caused by the Follies sisters who themselves get into the police news on an average of once a month.

questions at this time, but I want to say this is a very serious thing. She was ejected much against my will. I had rather the meeting had been broken up than that she should have been removed. I appreciate the feeling of persons of strong convictions that they have the right to ask questions about things in which they are so deeply interested, but I feel that her questions were not pertinent to the subject under discussion."  
Miss Malone was released after being removed from the theater.  
At Carnegie hall Wilson addressed a gathering with Representative William Sulzer and Martin Glynn, the heads of the state ticket. At the Academy of Music in Brooklyn he talked before another large audience. True to his declaration of a few days ago, he confined his speeches to criticism of the Republican party and to outlining the Democratic program, letting Roosevelt and the Progressive party alone.  
Governor Wilson put in an enjoyable day prior to his speechmaking. He had the rare opportunity of visiting with his wife and two of his daughters, the Misses Jessie and Eleanor Wilson. They occupied a box at the Carnegie hall meeting, which was under the auspices of the German-American society of New York.

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## TAFT DECLARES HE IS HOPEFUL OF RESULT

New York, Oct. 19.—President Taft declined two New York dinner invitations for tonight by telegrams in which he incorporated confident hopes of his election and high praise for the Italian race. The first addressed to Samuel W. Fairchild of the Union League club, read as follows: "I regret my inability to be present with you tonight, and I send to you, and your grand old Republican club, my heartfelt greeting. I am very hopeful that the contest now pending will result in a Republican victory and that in this way the protective economic policy of our government may remain unchanged; business be undisturbed and the prosperity that is now on the threshold may not be halted or driven away; and that the levers of our constitution and the institutions of civil liberty therein may have no cause for alarm from radical changes which would shake the structure of Democracy, constitutional government which our forefathers and we have so carefully and laboriously reared for the lasting benefit of the American people."  
In the other to Luigi Solaro of the Italian chamber of commerce in New York he said:  
"I greatly regret that I am unable to be present with you tonight and enjoy your hospitality. I would like to take the opportunity of testifying to my high appreciation of the Italian race, and to my belief that it has greatly assisted the police of the United States in the development of this country and that it has added to our citizenship a large body of earnest, law abiding, artistic, music loving and chivalrous people, whose thrift, industry and happy temperament have been of great benefit to our composite race, with whom they have amalgamated well. I give you the toast, 'long life to the Italian chamber of commerce.'"

## COST OF LIVING

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the price of seven cents a bushel as compared with last year. The temporary effect of the big corn crop is a scarcity of meat because the farmers are waiting for the cheaper corn, but the ultimate effect will be cheaper meat. That is inevitable.  
"Second only to corn, the hay crop affects the price of meats. This year the crop amounts to 72,000,000 tons. The average price of hay had fallen on Oct. 1 to \$11.75 a ton. In addition to making for cheaper meats, the reduced price of hay will affect similarly the cost of milk, butter, cheese, etc.  
"This year's crop of oats amounts to 1,417,000,000 bushels. Most of this crop is used as food for stock. The increased crop and lower prices will also make for lower prices for meats and all livestock products.  
**Price of Potatoes.**  
"The decreased price of potatoes will alone affect a saving of nearly \$100,000,000 in the cost of living. The tremendous production of potatoes has caused a reduction of 27 cents a bushel compared with last year.  
"The cotton crop of this year is the largest on record, a fact which may cause lower prices, so that some reduction in the cost of cotton goods may be looked for."  
Secretary Wilson advised the president that on the nine great crops of the country, the Oct. 1 first price indicated a saving to the consumer of nearly \$500,000,000.  
"Furthermore, the increased crops will make up to the farmer for the reduction in prices," Taft said. "At the prices prevailing Oct. 1, 1911, the return to the producers will amount to \$4,454,000,000.  
"There is, therefore, nothing to be feared from a lack of prosperity, due to inability of the farmer to buy what he needs, or desires, unless the prices should be very seriously depreciated as the result of political developments."  
The president has also received reports indicating material reduction in the cost of other food staples. The price of sugar is reported to have fallen one and two-third cents a pound, compared with Oct. 1, 1911. The reduced cost of living affected by this single item will amount to \$105,000,000, the report says.  
Still another staple which is materially cheaper, is dried fruits, on which the

price is reported to have fallen from 10 to 40 per cent. In the light of these figures, the president said he felt that he had ample warrant for declaring that the crest of the high cost of living wave has passed and that it is now rapidly receding.

## CRIPPLED STEAMER PICKED UP AT SEA

Marshfield, Ore., Oct. 19.—The coast steamer Camino, which was a drift and helpless off the coast north of the Umpqua river as a result of losing her screw in the gale last night, has been picked up by the steamer Watson of the Alaska Steamship company line. The Camino is now being towed to San Francisco.  
The steamer President of the Pacific Coast Steamship line, stood by the Camino all night until further aid arrived. A wireless sent the Camino afterwards was unanswered but it is supposed that the vessel is safe.

**Fatal Aeroplane Fall.**  
Berlin, Oct. 19.—With the death today of Lieutenant Weissbarth and a passenger by the fall of their aeroplane near Geigen, Wurtemberg, the number of aviation fatalities in the past four years reached 203.

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## BULGARIAN PORTS ARE BLOCKADED

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five countries involved apparently were handled with the especial purpose of encouraging the wildest fakes, each in the interest of the state whence it emanated. Reports were current of numerous important battles, but the best judges in Vienna believed they were mere outpost skirmishes.  
The Austrian official view was that, so far as it was possible to draw any conclusions whatever from the conflicting rumors, indications seemed slightly to favor the Turks.

The Bulgarians' capture of the Turkish frontier town of Mutapha Pasha, heralded earlier in the day as a brilliant victory, only amounted, it was learned, to an abandonment by a small Turkish force of a position considered strategically unimportant.  
There appeared to be no doubt that the Turks have repulsed the Montenegrins near Scutari, and reports that the Bulgarian and Serbian forces marching southward into Turkey were meeting fierce opposition were fairly well authenticated. Rumors of a Turkish advance through Juma Pass and by way of Timrush into Bulgarian territory, were also generally credited.

That the sultan's troops would reach either Sofia or Philippopolis without desperate fighting was anything but a foregone conclusion, however, and the reported Turkish incursion into Serbia, near Krushevatz, which the Servians say, was marked by the massacre of the inhabitants of three villages, was only a dash by a band of bandits.  
The main forces of the rival armies were nowhere in contact, however, so far as could be learned and the minor engagements thus far were not regarded as proving much.  
Belgrade messengers complained that a cold rain was hampering operations. A Constantinople dispatch said the sultan's warships were blockading the Bulgarian Black sea ports of Varna and Burgas. Another asserts that the Turkish soldiers have been warned against looting or molestation of non-combatants under penalty of death.

**Bloody Siege Expected.**  
London, Oct. 19.—Half a million men, armed with the deadliest of modern war implements, are gathering around Adrianople for what is expected to be a long and blood sledge. The Bulgarian army, estimated to number 200,000 men reinforced by 50,000 Servians, as soon as war was declared, began fighting their way through the mountain passes which divide the Balkan states from Turkey, in three columns. The Turks already have 200,000 men in position and thousands more are arriving daily so that when the forces meet, they will be approximately equal in numbers. The Turks apparently are preparing for a great battle and are satisfied to withdraw their troops from the frontier posts as their opponents advance. The commanders of the various armies have imposed a strict censorship.

**Proceeding with Caution.**  
United States District Attorney James H. Wilkeson, admitted tonight that the government is trying to connect Johnson with violations of the Mann white slave act.  
"The government is proceeding with caution in its investigation of Johnson's alleged association with white girls," said Wilkeson. "We have information from a reliable source that the Cameron girl was brought to Chicago for unlawful purposes, by a woman who was in some way associated with Johnson."  
Johnson's cafe was crowded to the doors tonight but the negro was not there. The cafe manager said Johnson would be in during the night but refused to say where he was. The place was guarded by six city policemen, in addition to Johnson's private staff of guards. It was stated that Johnson had requested them and that he was paying the city for their services.

**Purse Was Raised.**  
Poplar Bluff, Mo., Oct. 19.—When a report that Jack Johnson had been shot in Chicago by the mother of Lucile Cameron, a 19-year-old white girl, reached here today, citizens of the town raised a purse of \$1000 within five minutes. It was their intention to send it to Mrs. Cameron. The money was given back to the contributors when the report was found to be untrue.

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