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TOOK $10,400,000 OF SECURITIES

Attorney Moorehead for the Billard Co. Cleaned Out New Haven Road's Vault.

HE DECLINES TO GIVE AN EXPLANATION

Counsel Contends that Neithers the Commission nor Congress Has Power to Compel Officers to Testify—Mandamus Proceedings to Compel Production of Records—N. Y., N. H. and H. Road's Book Open for Inspection.

Washington, April 10.—Vain efforts were made by the interstate commerce commission at a public hearing today to obtain details of financial transactions between the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad and its subsidiary, the New England Navigation company, and the so-called Billard company, through which millions of dollars are alleged to have been improperly diverted from the New Haven. Witness after witness refused, pointblank, to testify to any of the affairs of the Billard company, or to produce any of the books, records or agreements said to be in existence concerning its financial transactions.

Joseph W. Folk, chief counsel for the commission, announced at the close of a day of virtually fruitless questioning that he would institute in the supreme court of the District of Columbia next Monday proceedings in mandamus to compel the recalcitrant witnesses to reply to questions put to them and to produce the books, records and contracts called for by the subpoenas of the commission.

Further proceedings were postponed until April 29, by which time, it is hoped, the courts may have passed upon the mandamus proceeding.

It had been expected that Charles S. Mellen, former president of the New Haven, and John L. Billard of the Billard company would testify at today's hearing, which was conducted by the commission by direction of the senate, with a view to disclosing whether the financial transactions of the New Haven, under Mr. Mellen's management, with the Billard company, had been legal, and whether any sums improperly diverted from the New Haven could be discovered. Because the foundation for their testimony could not be laid without the records, they were not called upon to testify.

Attorneys for the commission declared that they expected to show from the books and from certain witnesses details of the Billard company's organization, its financial relations with the New Haven and its subsidiaries; that immense profits had been made by certain individuals officially identified with the New Haven and with the Billard company through unsign transactions in finance between the two companies, and that much of this money was recoverable to the New Haven.

Just what the Billard company is was not disclosed at today's hearing. No witness except Samuel Morehouse of New Haven would admit that he had any connection with the company, either as a stockholder or as an officer, although the presumed president, treasurer and some stockholders were on the witness stand. They declined, "by advice of counsel" to answer any questions concerning the affairs of the Billard company. It was maintained by their counsel that neither the commission nor the congress had the power to require them to give the information sought.

Declines to Tell of Billard Company.

Mr. Morehouse, who said he was the attorney for the Billard company, was the only exception to the rule. He admitted that he was the company's attorney; that "in looking after the company's business" he had taken from the vaults of the New Haven railroad $10,400,000 of securities which had been kept there by the Billard company; in fact, that he had cleaned the vaunt out. He said, however, he knew of no contracts between the New Haven and the Billard company, and declined to tell anything else concerning the company.

Intimations from counsel for the witnesses are that the matter may not be settled without a protracted legal battle. As one of them expressed it: "This is merely the curtain raiser for a performance that will be long-continued."

Walker D. Hines, who appeared as counsel for the present management of the New Haven, assured the commission that he desired in every way to co-operate with the commission and to facilitate its inquiry. He said the present management of the New Haven had made an effort to obtain the books and records desired by the commission, but had not been successful.

ATTITUDE OF NEW HAVEN ROAD.

Present Officials Willing to Aid Commission in Every Way.

New York, April 10.—Chairman Howard Elliott of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad company, said tonight before leaving for Boston: "The Billard company matters, which are now under investigation by the Commerce Commission, relate to happenings several years ago, before I was connected with the New Haven company. Every facility has been given by the New Haven company to investigators of the commerce commission for the examination of the books and records of the New Haven company for the purpose of obtaining information about any transactions with the Billard company. The New Haven company does not in any way control the Billard company, nor has it control of the books and papers of that company.

"By an inadvertence it is stated in several of the afternoon papers in their despatches from Washington that Judge Henry Stoddard represented the New Haven company before the commission. But this, as I say, is erroneous as the only counsel for the New Haven company in this matter is Mr. Walker D. Hines."

RAILROADS SHOW DECREASED EARNINGS.

New Haven Road Shows Deficit of $777,436 for February.

New York, April 10—Increased deficits are shown by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company and virtually all its subsidiaries for the month of February. The main line reports a deficit in net income of $777,436, against $433,084 in the preceding month.

For the eight months of the fiscal year there is a deficit of $625,229 against a net income of $4,110,259 in the corresponding period of the previous year.

In smaller degree similar adverse exhibits are made by the Central New England Railroad Company, the New York, Ontario and Western Railroad Company, the New England Steamship Company, the Hartford and New York Transportation Company; the Merchants and Miners Transportation Company, which is soon to be disposed of to Baltimore interests, and all trolley lines and power companies excepting the Connecticut Company, whose net income, however, is reduced from $46,827 to $9,379.

MONOPLANE MOTOR EXPLODES AT HEIGHT OF 200 FEET.

Proves Fatal to German Aviator and Woman Pasenger.

Dresden, April 10—The German aviator Reichell carried a woman passenger with him on a flight this evening. At a height of 200 feet the motor exploded and the monoplane shot blazing to the earth. The woman was dead when extricated. Reichell died at a hospital. On several previous occasions Reichell had narrow escapes from death. Once, in 1913, with a passenger aboard, when at a height of 6,000 feet, the motor stopped and he had to plane downward through a heavy fog in the darkness. He landed on a house, crushing the roof, but he and his passenger escaped injury.

BRINGS SUIT TO SECURE DOWER RIGHTS.

Mrs. Henry Seigel Claims Her Husband Violated Agreement.

New York, April 10—Mrs. Henry Siegel of the bankrupt department store prince, brought suit in the Supreme Court today to set aside deeds depriving her of her dower right in the Siegel estate "Driftwood" at Mamroneck, N. Y. She maintains that her husband, whom she is now suing for divorce, induced her to sign these deeds in 1910 by fraud.

She told that the transfers are void because Siegel did not live upto his agreement to pay her $25,000 a year after their separation.

She values the property involved at $500,000.

Man of Many Wives Goes to Jail.

Fort Worth, Tex., April 10—Federal court here today, Turile Arnold of Blytheville, Ark., accused of having sixteen wives, was sentenced to ten years imprisonment on a charge of violating the Mann White Slave act. Several of Arnold's alleged wives testified against him.

NEW TREATY WITH WITH COLOMBIA.

Gives That Country Free Use of Panama Canal For Warships.

Washington, April 10—Free use of the Panama canal by Colombia men-of-war troop ships and army and navy supply vessels is proposed in the new treaty between the United States and Colombia signed at Bogata on Tuesday to heal the breach between the countries over the separation of Panama. This was announced tonight by Secretary Bryan, with the explanation that the clause in the convention was identical with the one in the Colombia treaty negotiated by Secretary Root in 1909, with the approval of Great Britain and ratified by the United States senate though never accepted by Colombia.

Mr. Bryan's statement followed a long conference at the state department with Senator O'Gorman, chairman of the Senate Canals commission, which has **under** consideration the administration bill repealing the clause of the Panama Canal act exempting American coastwise shipping from canal tolls.

Senator O'Gorman who is leading the democratic opposition to President Wilson's repeal policy, went back to the capitol, carrying new ammunition for his fight. He would not discuss the matter himself, but other opponents of exemption repeal pointed to the fact that Great Britain had agreed to preferential treatment for Colombian vessels, because of Colombia peculiar relation to the canal, as evidence that Great Britain and President Wilson now are putting a new construction on the words "All Nations" in the clause of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, guaranteeing equal treatment to the vessels of the nations using the canal. Their claim is that these words were not intended to apply to the United States, the owenr of the canal and they will urge the admission of Greta Britain in the Colombian matter as proof.

Mr. Bryan said the treaty signed at Bogota employs the language of the Root-Cortes ship canal treaty granting the use of the waterway to "The Troops" materials for war and ships of war of the republic of Coombia without paying any duty to the United States; even in case of an international war between Colombia and another country.

When the new treaty has been ratified, Mr. Bryan explained, it will be necessary to conclude a treaty between Colombia and Panama. He would not say whether the acceptance by all concerned of the tri-partite treaties would solve of the problems pending between Panama, Colombia and the United States, nor would he give any further hint of the provisions of the latest Colombian treaty, which will be made public next Wednesday.

Frozen Bodies of Two Men Found.

Kane, Penn., April 10—A three days' search by a party of relatives and friends ended late today when the frozen bodies of Audus Linzey, aged 30 and John Poppenburg, aged 22, of Russell City, were found along Sugar Creek, three miles from their homes. How the men met death is not known.

Cabled Paragraphs

King Gustave Continues to Improve.

Stockholm, Sweden, April 10.—The general condition of King Gustave of Sweden, who underwent an operation yesterday for ulceration of the stomach, continues satisfactory.

Lunatic Mutilates Monuments.

Berlin, April 10—Four of the statues in the celebrated Avenue of Victory in the Tiefarten were slightly mutilated during the night, among them that of Frederick the Great.

High Post for Fabre.

Paris, April 10—Victor Fabre, the chief public prosecutor, who resigned office in consequence of his connection with the postponement of the trial of Henri Rochette, the man who it is alleged to have carried out extensive swindles in France was appointed vice president of the Court of Appeals at Aix-les-Bains.

MILITARY CAMP FOR STUDENTS.

Valuable from Physical and Educational Standpoint.

Washington, April 10.—Major General Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the army, today sent out to school superintendents all over the country a letter endorsing the student military instruction camps to be held during the coming summer. Alluding to the fact that these camps have the hearty endorsement of President Wilson and former President Taft, as well as leading educators, General Wood says:

"Knowing the benefit of a certain amount of military training to a nation and that in the United States such training can only be obtained by voluntary effort, and that the great majority of young men are unable to afford this training as given in the various military schools and colleges, the secretary of war has decided to establish four students' military instruction camps during the coming summer, to which students 18 years age or over—members of the graduating classes at high schools throughout the country—are eligible to attend; this at the minimum cost for food and clothing and transportation.

"These camps are of great value not only to the students from a physical and educational standpoint, but to the nation, in that it spreads among its citizens a considerable amount of sound military information and increases by just that much the number of partially trained men who would be available and greatly needed in times of emergency."

The camps will be held at Asheville, N. C., Burlington, Vt., and Ludington, Mich., from July 6 to Aug. 7, and at Monterey, Cal., from June 28 to July 31. The University of Illinois, with 15 students enrolled for the camp at Ludington, leads all other institutions.

PART OF CARGO OF SOUTHERN CROSS

Seal Pelts Sighted 70 Milese South of St. Mary's Bay.

St. Johns, N. F., April 10.—Seal pelts thought to have come from the missing sealing steamer Southern Cross, were sighted today 70 miles south of St. Mary's bay, b ythe steamer Kyle which has been searching the coast for a week.

The pelts are skins which have been roughly removed and to which considerable fat usually adheres, causing them to float readily. It is believed that they either were washed from the decks of the Southern Cross or floated to the surface after she went down. None of the sealing fleet which came in last week from the St. Lawrence grounds, where the Southern Cross had been seal hunting, lost any pelts off the southern coast.

The Kyle reported by wireless that she would continue the search in the vicinity, although the weather was foggy at the time. St. Mary's bay is on the southern coast.

CROP DAMAGES BY HAIL AND WIND

Orange Groves and Melon Fields in Florida Suffer.

Ocala, Florida, April 10.—Hail and wind storms, accompanied by a sharp drop in temperature last night did much damage to vegetables and citrus fruit crops throughout central Florida. Orange groves and melon and tomato fields suffered severely. Southern Florida, however, where the bulk of the peninsula's citrus fruits are produced, experienced only a cool rain. Frost in the state was confined to the northwestern section, where crops were not sufficiently matured to suffer materially.

The heaviest loss was in this section, which was swept by a storm of cyclonic proportions. Houses were unroofed, windows broken and several orange groves destroyed. The melon crop in this and adjoining counties, the center of the melon belt of Florida, is believed to be almost a total loss.

CENSORSHIP OF PLAYS BY CATHOLICS

Organization to Determine Plays Fit for Members of That Faith.

New York, April 10.—The Catholic Theatre Movement, an organization which investigates plays to determine what is good for Catholics to see in the theatres, issued today its first "Whist List" of entertainments in the form of a printed folder called "The Bulletin" which will be sent to Catholics throughout the country.

The Bulletin names in its White List 135 plays produced during the last 25 years, the titles ranging from plays of ancient memory to some of the latest New York successes. In February last a dozen plays were named by the Movement as examples of those which would be placed upon the White List. Of the 135 plays named in the list only five of them are now being played in New York.

Safe Robbers at Work in Boston.

Boston, April 10.—Safe robbers operating without explosives continued their successful campaign in this city today at a bowling alley office on Summer street, where several hundred dollars was obtained by effective but noiseless work. Several other safes have been opened by similar means during the past three weeks.

End of Shoe Workers' Strike

Lynn, Mass, April 10.—The 700 members of the United Shoe Workers of America who struck at the local and Stoneham factories of the J. J. Grover's Sons last January because they objected to working with members of the Boot & Shoe Workers' union, returned to work today.

Steamship Arrivals.

Naples, April 10.—Steamer Princess Irene, New York.

Plymouth, April 10.—Steamer Philadelphia, New York for Cherbourg and Southampton.

New York, April 10.—Steamer Chicago, Mavre.

Huerta Must Apologize

FOR ARREST OF UNITED STATES SEAMEN AT TAMPICO.

ALSO SALUTE OUR FLAG

Reported that Admiral Mayo Has Given Him Until 6 O'clock Tonight to Comply With Order.

Mexico City, April 10.—A launch from the United States gunboat Dolphin, carrying the paymaster and a small detachment of marines, put in yesterday at Iturbide bridge, at Tampico. The Americans were after a supply of gasoline. They were in uniform, but unarmed. The launch flew the American flag. Colonel Hinojosa, commanding a detachment of Mexican federals, placed the paymaster and his men under arrest. They were paraded through the streets and held for a time under detention.

Uneasiness at Tampico.

Admiral Mayo made vigorous representations to the authorities and the men were released. General Ignacio Zaragosa expressed to Admiral Mayo his regret. Although President Huerta in an official statement to Nelson O'Shaughnessy, the American charge d'affaires, has apologized for the unusual seriousness of the Mexican commander at Tampico, there exists here tonight great uneasiness because Admiral Mayo is reported to have given the government authorities at Tampico until 6 o'clock this evening to salute the American colors.

President Huerta's statement was not received by Mr. O'Shaughnessy until after 6 o'clock, and it was considerably later before communication with General Zaragosa was possible. The statement was as follows:

"In view of the fact that the charge d'affaires of the United States hears that the whaleboat carrying the American sailors was flying the flag of his country, an investigation will be made to establish the responsibility of Colonel Hinojosa. In accord with the line of conduct which the government of Mexico always has followed in fulfillment of its duties of an international character regarding all nations, it deplores what has occurred.

Claims It Nothing More Than Mistake.

"The case has grown out of nothing more than a mistake of subordinate officials, since the superior in rank of this same official, that is, General Zaragosa, at once proceeded to point out that what had happened was unintentional and imposed upon Colonel Hinojosa disciplinary punishment, within the faculty of said General Zaragosa.

"If the investigation which is to be made should develop greater responsibility on the part of Colonel Hinojosa, a corresponding penalty will be imposed upon him by the authorities legally competent in the case."

Rear Admiral Frank F. Fletcher, the ranking admiral of the gulf, who is now at Vera Cruz, has forwarded to Charge O'Shaughnessy Admiral Mayo's telegram to him, in which the latter says the paymaster and marines were paraded through the streets two blocks, then back to their boat and released.

In view of the publicity, Rear Admiral Mayo asked for a disavowal and apology and also that the officer in charge of the Mexican squad should be punished and that the American flag should be saluted within 24 hours.

Intoxicated Hartford Man Suicides.

Hartford, Conn., April 10—Breaking away from his brother-in-law and a friend, who were escorting him home, Peter Tantala, leaped from the Commerce Street bridge over the Park river tonight, and was drowned. He was said to have been under the influence of liquor. The water revived him and he cried for help, but it came too late. The body has not yet been recovered. Tantala was 35 years old.

Crusade Against Pickpockets.

New York, April 10—The police of all large cities in the country wer easked today to help rid New York of pickpockets. The local authorities seek photographs, finger prints and histories of all the pickpockets on record in the United States.

Aged Actress Dead.

New York, April 10—F. A. Tannerhill, known to the stage for three generations as "Nellie" Tannerhill, died at her home here yesterday of paralysis. She was 83 years old.

San Pedro Evacuated

FEDERAL FORCES FLEE FROM SUPERIOR NUMBER OF REBELS.

REPORT FROM VILLA

Constitutionalists Were Surrounding the City When the Huerta Garrison Forsook Their Post.

Juarez, Mexico, Aprial 10—San Pedro, forty miles northeast of Torreon was evacuated by the Federals in the face of superior numbers today, according to a report from Gen. Villa to Gen. Carranza.

Eight days ago General Ortega, with only a brigade attacked the town, which lies on a plain and offers no cover. They found the Federals unexpectedly strong and llast Tuesday retreated to await reinforcements These arrived today and an enveloping movement was begun. Detecting this, the Federals forsook the city.

No advices were available as to the whereabouts of Gen. Velasco who evacuated Torreon eight days ago, but rebels expressed doubt that he had succeeded in joining another force of Federals, said to be under General Hidalgo, in the important city of Saltillo.

PRESIDENT AND FAMILY ATTEND GLEE CLUB CONCERT

Mrs. Wilson Still Shows Effects of Long Illness

White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., April 10.—More concerned over the health of Mrs. Wilson than in the surroundings of a fashionable hotel at Easter season, President Wilson spent his first day here with his family, little troubled by the throng of people. The president could not resist the ties of his college days, however, and tonight he and the family accepted the invitation of the Princeton University Glee, Mandolin and Banjo clubs to attend their concerts. A Princeton locomotive cheer rang through the ball room as the president took his seat in the audience. He was given an ovation by th ecrowd as well, and seemed greatly to enjoy the songs and selections reminiscent of his years at Princeton.

President Wilson golfed early in the day shortly after his train arrived and before the fashionable colony had aroused itself from its slumbers he played 18 holes and climbed up and down the hills with a vigorous stride. The Wilson family took their meals in their apartment.

In the afternoon President and Mrs. Wilson, accompanied by their second daughter, Mrs. Francis B. Sayre, went driving in a buckboard drawn by two spirited horses, while two other members of the presidential party rode horseback over the hills. The president and Mrs. Wilson had hardly left the hotel when two newspaper photographers waylaid them. When the president raised his hand and Mrs. Wilson asked that no pictures of her be taken, the photographers retreated with apologies.

Mrs. Wilson did not appear to have entirely recovered from her recent illness, showing the effects of long confinement by her pallor. The President hopes the mountain air will benefit her.

AUTOMOBILE KILLS NEW HAVEN WOMAN

Nearly Every Bone in Her Body Was Broken by Impact.

New Haven, Conn., April 10.—While crossing the street to attend church services tonight, Mrs. Philomena Riccio, aged 68, was struck by an automobile driven by Percy Rogers, a chauffeur, and instantly killed. The accident occurred in Dixwell avenue near Morse street. Bystanders say the automobile was traveling at a high rate of speed. Mrs. Riccio evidently became confused in crossing the street by the lights of two automobiles. Nearly every bone in her body was broken by the collision, and the bent and twisted headlight and mud guard of the machine gave mute testimony of the force of the crash.

Steamers Reported by Wireless.

Siasconsett, Mass., April 10.—Steamer Italia, Genoa for New York, signalled 248 miles east of Sandy Hook at noon. Dock 8.30 a. m. Saturday.

A SONG OF EASTER

Garlands of roses—
Mountains of these;
Festoons of Lillies;
Seas upon seas;
Wreaths of fair flowers—
Kingdoms' display—
Bring forth all these treasures,
'T is here—Easter Day!

Deck the Earth in rich colors—
The loveliest all,
On the air let sweet music,
And jubilant, fall;
Let wings vanish sorrow—
Let gloom hide away,
Let the World's heart lift praises,
'T is here—Easter Day!

Let Doubt be as mere fancy—
A dream gone before:
Let the Hope of the ages
Be Faith evermore;
Know ye now Life's eternal—
Forever, and yea—
It is here in its glory—
The glad Easter Day!

GEORGE NEWELL LOVEJOY

Condensed Telegrams

Secretary Bryan is back at his desk after a week's illness.

Charles F. Seyferlich, chief of the Chicago Fire Department, died after a short illnss.

Count Watanabe Chiaki, Japanese minister of the household, has resigned because of ill health.

Fire started by militant suffragettes destroyed the old Orlands mansion on Belfast Lough, Ulster County.

On man was killd and two injurd when fire destroyed an Erie Railroad tool house near Greenville, Pa.

Lemuel H. Davis, one of the first builders of gas plants in this country, died in Philadelphia, aged 91.

More than 1,000 boxes of Bermuda Easter lillies arrived in New York on the Royal Mail steamer Arcadian

The first trolley car on the streets at Hazleton, Pa., since January 1, when the trolleymen's strike started, was operated.

A general meeting of Ohio coal mine poerators to consider the situation in the mining districts will be held at Columbus.

Alfred Noyes, the English poet, was elected by the board of trustees as visiting professor of English to Princeton University.

Frank Palmer, six years old, was killed and five other persons injured in an automobile collision at West Orange, N. J.

Jackson B. McKinney, an instructor at the Northwestern University, who mysteriously disappeared, was located in New York.

Chairman Flood, of the House of Foreign Affairs Committee, introduced a bill to elevate the American legation at Chili to an embassy.

A Hebrew private in the 115th Infantry at St. Petersburg was sentenced to 20 years in prison for threatening to strike a fellow soldier.

Bustav de Gimpe, of Hoboken, N. J., with a bid of $207,500, received the contract to construct the State College of Forestry at Syracust, N. Y.

Two wholesale liquor stores, owned by Isaac Goldberg, of New York, were entered by thieves the same night who escaped with $3,00 in cash.

Edward Mendel, of Newark, a respectable business man by day and a New York thief at night was sentenced to 18 years in Sing Sing prison.

E. T. Meredith, a farm magazine publisher, of Des Moines, Ia., announced his candidacy for the United States Senate on the Democratic ticket.

Fearing gunners might shoot their pet deer, which chews tobacco, citizens of Coolin, Idaho, have equipped the animal with a large cowbell and blanket.

Clarence M. Smith, a New York broker pleaded guilty of selling $40,000 worthless bonds of the Oxford Linen Mills. His sentence was deferred.

Fire, supposed to have been started by strikers, destroyed the fan house of the Cherry Valley mine of the Pittsburgh & Eastern Coal Co., near Burgettstown, Ua.

The Republican Committee on Commerce and Industry of France adopted a resolution urging the Government to appropriate funds for an exhibit at the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

Governor Glynn signed the Murtagh bill appropriating $75,000 to purchase bricks for use in constructing highways in New York state. The highways will be built by convicts.

The War Department has distributed circulars to all public schools giving information regarding army camps being established to benefit students desiring elementary military instruction.

The Body of the Woman found floating in Long Island sound today off Stratford Light was identified last night as Mrs. Cora Chambers, colored, of Bridgeport.

Declaring that Miss Grace Schermerhorn an 18-year-old girl cannot live on an allowance of $10,000 a year, her guardians have the Supreme Court in New York to have it increased to $15,000.

Congressman Church of California, introduced a bill directing that ships operated by the Panama Railroad between New York and Colon shall extend their trips to Pacific ports of the United States.

The Body of the Dowager Empress who died Thursday at Namazu, arrived here about midnight. It was transported in a coach to the palace through streets lined with troops. Five hundred thousand persons stood uncovered while the body passed. An official announcement of the Dawager's death was then made.

As a Result of the representations by British Consul H. C. Myles of El Paso to General Carranza regarding the security of certain British mining property in northeastern Mexico, General Carranza this afternoon addressed notes to Gen. Jesus Carranza and other rebel chiefs in that territory instructing that British personal and property rights must be respected.

MOTHER TAKES LIVES OF TWO CHILDREN

Melancholy Woman Also Succumbs to Gas Poisoning.

New York, April 10.—Suffering from melancholia Mrs. Elizabeth Diamond, aged 32, wife of a tea-gown manufacturer living in Brooklyn, took her own life, and the lives of her two children, Morris, aged 9 and Dorothy, 4, today, by gas poisoning. A third child, Rubin, 6 years old, was picked up unconscious near a crack of the locked door, and will survive. The mother had gathered the children around her, turned on the gas, and read to them till she was overcome.

FARMER'S BODY FOUND SUBMERGED IN MUD.

Greenwich Man Had Been Missing Since Wednesday Noon.

Greenwich, April 10—Medical Examiner Clarke today started an investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of Clement Hurliman, a well to do farmer, whose body was found yesterday in a swamp, ten miles from here. Mr. Hurliman, who was 57 years old, had been missing from his home since Wednesday noon. When he did not return, a searching party was organized, and the body was located in the swamp, almost entirely submerged in the mud.

FIGHT FOR NEW TRIAL FOR GUNMEN

Supreme Court Justice Goff Signs Order to Show Why One Should Not be Granted.

STARTLING EVIDENCE HAS BEEN DISCOVERED

Counsel for Condemned Men Presents Affidavit of Man Who Saw "Bridgie" Webber, Sam Schepps and Harry Vallon in the Car that Sped Away After Rosenthal was Shot—Order is Returnable at Noon Today.

New York, April 10—Supreme Court Justice Goff tonight signed an order making it mandatory for District Attorney Whitman to show cause why four gun men now in Sing Sing awaiting death in the electric chair for the part they played in the murder of Herman Rosenthal, the gambler, should not be granted a new trial.

The order is returnable before Justice Goff, who presided at the trial of the gunmen, at noon tomorrow and was obtained upon the ground that new evidence had been discovered.

This new evidence, in the form of affidavits was presented to Justic Goff by Charles G. T. Wahle of counsel for the condemned men. The signer of one affidavit swore that a man whom he could identify and who was not one of the gunmen was in the firing party whose shots killed Rosenthal. The other declared that he saw Sam Schapps "Bridgie Webber" and Harry Vallon, the informers and not the men convicted, in the car that raced away from the scene of the crime after the tenderloin gambler had been shot to death in front of the Metropole hotel.

Order Served on Whitman.

The order was served upon District Attorney Whitman tonight and preparation of arguments to show why the gunmen should not be granted a new trial was immediately begun.

A sharp legal battle is expected before Judge Goff when the order is returned.

The two principal affiravits which Wahle urged Justice Goff to consider before the latter signed the order were those of William E. Burwell of Waterbury, Conn., a professional billiard player, and Karl Dresner, a bartender of New York.

Startling Affidavits of Eyewitness.

The two affidavits upon which counsel for the gunmen based their hopes were signed by William E. Burwell, a professional billiard player of Waterbury, Conn., who has given exhibitions all over the United States, and Karl Dresner, a bartender of New York. Burwell declares he saw the first shots fired at Rosenthal by a man whom he says he could identify if he saw him again, and he is certain this man was not one of the four gunmen, whose photographs he was shown today. Dresner's affidavit places Bridgie Webber, Sam Schepps and Harry Vallon in the murder as after the shooting as the car was being speeded through Forty-Third street. Murwell's affidavit says that on the night Rosenthan was shot, shortly after 2 a. m., he with three motor friends named Manning and Flynn, left the pool room over Dowling's cafe in Times square and crossed the square leaving his friends near the subway entrance while he crossed Firty-Third street diagonally, passing the door of what then was the Cadillac hotel, next to the Metropole in front of which Rosenthal was shot. "Just as I passed the door a man not five feet away from me raised his arm," his affidavit continued. "There were two flashes, two reports, and the man with the revolver fled across the sidewalk toward the stage door of the Cohan theatre. Right in front of that door a gray touring car was standing. Several men were in it. As the man who fired the first two shots fled for the automobile there were two or three more reports and then the men who had come from the Hotel Metropole dropped to the sidewalk. I cannot say whether the last shots came from men standing in the street or men in the auto. Immediately after the shots were fired the machine started with a jerk and dashed through Forty-Third street in the direction of Sixth avenue.

This memorandum came to the governor by mail. Another, said to have been dispatched by messenger, had failed to arrive tonight. It was understood that the latter message setforth alleged new evidence tending to implicate Harry Vallon, Bridgie Webber, Sam Schepps and Jack Rose, and to exonerate the convicted gunmen. Attorneys for the gunmen in New York today said they intended to produce this evidence in a supreme court and lay it before the governor in a final effort to obtain a stay of execution.

GUNMEN RESIGNED TO FATE.

Are Without Knowledge of Efforts Being Made in Their Behalf.

Ossining, N. Y., April 10—Without knowledge of the new turn of events in their behalf in New York city tonight the four gunmen, condemned to death for the killing of Herman Rosenthal, retired in Sing Sing prison apparently resigned to the prospect of execution of the court's sentence on Monday morning. Warden Clancy informed them that he would not extend their appointed hour of death to a later day next week, an option which the law allows the prison official. The warden tonight telephoned the same information to Charles G. F. Wahle, counsel for the gunmen in New York.

Significance was attached to a visit by the State Superintendent of prisons John B. Riley, late today. It was hinted that the subject of his conference with the prison officials was a possible delay of the gunmen's execution until the end of next week. No statement was given out, however.

"Lefty Louie" Rosenburg spent the greater part of the day in preparing an appeal to Governor Glynn, which was said to be the strongest argument written by any of the four and to contain reference to the new witnesses whose stories are the basis for the application to the supreme court in New York city for a new trial.

"Dago Frank" Cirofici explained to visitors today his sudden renunciation of the Episcopal faith in favor of the Catholic religion. The latter was the faith of his fathers, this gunman said, and as it was his own first faith he desired it to be his last.

His mother and sisters after a two hour talk with him, expressed a belief that "Something will happen to prevent the death of Frank."

Three brothers of "Whitey Lewis" Seidenshner were the gunman's only other visitors today. "Before Becker's trial I was approached," Whitey is reported to have said to his brother. "And told that if I would say that Becker committed the crime I could go free, but I would rather go to the chair than have the blood of another on my heard." "I hear there's going to be a confession and that I am going to make it. This is it:

"I swear by the blood of my father and mother that I am innocent." This will be my statement when I go to the chair."

Have Hazy Recollections.

Waterbury, Conn., April 10.— The actors Manning and Flynn, mentioned in William E. Burwell's affidavit today in connection with the gunben's plea for a new trial, were located at their rooms htre tonight. Although they go under the stage names of "Manning and Flynn," their real names are George Manaway and Horace Lavalley. Manaway claims he was not a member of the team at the time of the shooting, but Lavalley says he has a "hazy recollection" of some of the events mentioned in Burwell's affidavit. The team was being managed at the time by Burwell. Lavalley left two weeks after the murder, he says. He wouldn't discuss the case in detail tonight.

DEFENDS ITS CHOICE OF RESERVE BANK CITIES

Thirty-four Applications—Only Twelve Could Be Named.

Washington, April 10.—The federal reserve bank organization committee tonight issued a statement defending its choice of reserve bank cities and definition of reserve districts. It was the first official answer made to criticisms voiced in congress and heard from cities which sought reserve banks but failed to get them. For the first time, some of the data used by the committee in reaching its conclusions was made public.

Particular attention was given to the committee's reasons for choosing Atlanta, Ga., and Dallas, Texas, in preference to New Orleans; for selecting Richmond, Va., instead of Baltimore and for naming Kansas City instead of Denver, Colo., Omaha or Lincoln, Neb. The committee called attention to the fact that since 37 cities were applicants and only twelve named 25 had to be disappointed.

"With so many conflicting claims," said the statement, "somebody had to judge. Congress constituted the committee, a court, and gave the federal reserve board the power of review. Disappointed competitors should seek a remedy through the orderly process the law prescribes.

"Critics of the decision of the committee reveal misunderstanding and either do not know, or appear not to know that the federal reserve banks are bankers' banks and not ordinary commercial banks; that they are to hold the reserves, and clear the checks of member banks, make re-discounts for them, and engage in certain open market operations. As a matter of fact, the ordinary every-day banking relations of the community, of business men and of banks will not be greatly modified or altered"

Safe Robbers at Work in Boston.

Boston, April 10.—Safe robbers operating without explosives continued their successful campaign in this city today at a bowling alley office on Summer street, where several hundred dollars was obtained by effective but noiseless work. Several other safes have been opened by similar means during the past three weeks

DEATH SENTENCE FOR FLORIDA WOMAN.

First Time in State's History of Penalty for White Woman.

Tallahassee, Fla., April 10.—For the first time in Florida's history, a white woman today was sentenced to be hanged for first degree murder. Sister Johnson, aged 25 years, was found guilty in Calhoun county of killing John Whittington, aged 70 years, a farmer, four years ago, at Altha, a small country town.

The trial concluded today was the second. At the first trial the woman was found guilty, but the jury recommended mercy, which meant life imprisonment. The case was appealed and the verdict set aside. After long delay the case again was tried.

FIRE FATALITIES AT SAN ANTONIO

Two Women Burned to Death and a Man Seriously Injured.

San Antonio, Texas, April 10.—Two women were burned to death and a man was probably fatally injured in two fires here today. Sparks from a stove in her home ignited the clothing of Mrs. Tennessee Hill, 73, Mary Hill, her daughter, attempted to save her and both became enveloped in flames. Neighbors found them in a dying condition.

E. C. Jackson, a chauffeur, asleep in a garage, was probably fatally burned in a fire due to the ignition of escaping gasoline.

Charged with Illegal Voting.

Greenwich, Conn., April 10.—Frank Streckelmeyer, who was arrested last night charged with illegal voting, was today released in bonds of $1,000 for a hearing tomorrow morning. It is charged that he voted illegally in the borough election on Tuesday. His vote was challenged at the time. George R. Murray, who was running for a minor office on an independent ticket, was defeated b ytwo votes, and Murray's friends are said to be back of the action. Streckelmeyer denies the allegation.

Christmas cards were first printed in London about seventy years ago, but did not become popular until twenty years later.