

# WHITMAN REFUSES RESPITE TO MAN IN DEATH HOUSE

Will Not Interfere With Execution of Kushnieruk Before Dawn To-Morrow.

Word came from Albany this afternoon that Gov. Whitman had decided not to interfere with the execution at Sing Sing Prison to-night of John Kushnieruk, convicted of murder in

the first degree. Gov. Whitman early this morning agreed to give those interested in proving the condemned man's innocence until noon to-day to convince him a further stay of execution ought to be granted. Shortly after John Cominsky was murdered in Elizabethtown, N. Y., more than a year ago, Kushnieruk was found with the slain man's watch in his pocket. Together with Stephen Lutchek and a third man known only as "Mike" Kushnieruk stood trial for murder and was convicted. The presence of the watch in his pocket was the single telling piece of evidence against him. After Kushnieruk and Lutchek went to the death house—the man "Mike" having been sentenced to life imprisonment in Auburn—Miss Vida Milholland, a sister of the late Mrs. Ines Milholland Boissevain, became interested in Kushnieruk's case.

Sharing this interest were Deputy Commissioner of Charities Samuel Buchler and Rabbi Jacob Katz, a chaplain in Sing Sing. They believe they have found witnesses to prove that the condemned man came into the possession of the incriminating watch before its owner met his violent death. With this evidence they approached Gov. Whitman, asking for a stay, on Tuesday. At first the Governor refused to act, but another interview with him late last night led to his setting noon to-day as the limit wherein the new evidence must be produced.

## MANUFACTURERS ON RECORD AGAINST METRIC SYSTEM

Convention of National Association Elects Stephen C. Mason of Pittsburgh President.

Stephen C. Mason of Pittsburgh was elected President of the National Association of Manufacturers at a meeting of its board of directors here today. Other officers elected were: Henry Abbott, Treasurer; J. Philip Bird, Assistant Treasurer and General Manager; George S. Boudinot, Secretary. All three are from New York. It was announced that the Association had placed itself on record as opposed to the adoption of the metric system in the United States. Adjustments which would cause waste of time and impede the speeding up of war operations were considerations which moved the convention to this decision.

## HEAVY QUAKE REGISTERED.

Washington Seismographs Record Shock, Still Unlocated.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—A heavy earthquake occurred this morning, centered at a point not yet determined. The shocks were just dying down at 8:45 A. M., and until the seismograph records have been removed from the machines definite data will not be available.

CLEVELAND, May 23.—Father Odensback of St. Ignace College observatory said that his seismograph records showed a moderate earthquake disturbance this morning, the main wave starting at 7:13 A. M. and continuing for more than an hour.

The seismograph at Fordham University recorded heavy earthquake shocks between 8:04 A. M. and 9 A. M. to-day. The preliminary phases were not distinct, but the waves grew in violence. The observer ventured the opinion that the earthquake was in the same vicinity as that of Monday last—Chile.

## JUST ESCAPED NEW LAW.

Austrian Accused of Making Disparaging Remark About Government.

In imposing a six months' sentence on David Hirschfeld, nineteen-year-old Austrian, arraigned in Jefferson Market Court to-day, charged with making disparaging remarks about the Government, Chief Magistrate McAdoo told the prisoner that if the crime had been committed to-day or yesterday, when the new act went into effect, he would have been guilty of a violation of espionage law under which he might have received a year sentence. Hirschfeld, who resides at No. 79 Avenue A, was overheard to say: "This is not a fit country to live in; people get no justice here."

## WOMEN PATROL RIVERSIDE.

Vigilance Committee to Watch Park for Duration of War.

Mrs. Charles Bryan, President of the Women's League for the protection of Riverside Park, announced to-day that a vigilance committee has been organized for the duration of the war to patrol the park. Fifty women members have joined, and it is expected that a corps of ample size will be mustered in the next few days. The purpose of the committee, Mrs. Bryan stated, was to see that the city had proper facilities for lighting the park, more benches and more attractions for soldiers and sailors when they come ashore. The league has a membership of 500.

## BROKER TO WORKHOUSE

Must Serve Term for Driving Auto While Intoxicated.

Edward J. Martens, Jr., broker of No. 21 Beaver Street, who pleaded guilty this morning in the West Farms Court to a charge of driving an automobile while intoxicated, will have to serve a term in the workhouse. Magistrate Koenig, before whom Martens appeared, gave him two days in which to arrange his business affairs. "People who drive automobiles while under the influence of liquor must pay the penalty, and the penalty, in my opinion, should be more than a fine," declared the court.

## MRS. STOKES, "EDITOR."

Publishers of Jewish Daily News Explain Connection With That Paper.

To the Editor of The Evening World: In view of the statement made by Mrs. Rose Pastor Stokes in the course of her testimony that "when twenty-three years old she removed to New York and became the editor of the Jewish Daily News," permit us to enter an emphatic denial of that statement. Mrs. Stokes was at no time editor of the Jewish Daily News. For some time Mrs. Stokes was a contributor to the English department of the Jewish Daily News, her particular work being in connection with the girls' department of that page. Whatever Mrs. Stokes wrote at that time was in accordance with the policy of the Jewish Daily News; she was very tame then. In justice to us it should be said that the Jewish Daily News has always been distinctly American, and opposed to the views now held by Mrs. Stokes and those who think with her. May we ask you to give the same prominence to our denial as was given to the false statement of Mrs. Stokes. SARASOHN & SON, Publishers. New York, May 22.



# LAST 2 DAYS

## THE GREAT AEOLIAN SALE of PIANOS and PIANOLAS

Friday and Saturday  
May 24th and 25th

**PIANOS**  
Group A  
Prices as low as  
**\$135**

Upright Pianos of well-known makes at exceedingly moderate prices, including Sohmers, Krakauers, Hardmans, Kranich & Bachs, Fischers, H. F. Millers, Gablers, etc. These are all standard Pianos, their names guaranteeing their excellent quality. Like all the pianos in the sale they were exchanged for Pianolas—the piano which everyone can play—and not because they were unsatisfactory.

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**\$6**  
monthly

THE opportunity still remains to take advantage of this great money-saving event. You may still buy a Used Piano of standard make or an Exchanged Pianola, guaranteed by the leading house in the music industry, at a fraction of its regular cost.

There were over 600 instruments in the warehouse of the Aeolian Company when the Sale started. The stocks at Aeolian Hall and its Branches have been daily replenished from this reserve supply. For these last two days selling the remainder has been brought to the Salesrooms. Values are just as great, bargains just as numerous as on the first day of the sale.

If you contemplate the purchase of a piano or player-piano in the near future you will not wish to miss this opportunity to practise genuine thrift in its purchase. Remember Saturday night the Sale ends.

You are cordially welcome to come and look the instruments over even if you should not desire to purchase.

**PIANOS**  
Group B  
Prices as low as  
**\$275**

Grand and Upright Instruments of the finest types, including Steinways, Webbers, Chickering, Stecks, Knabes, Sohmers, Hardmans, etc. In this group are the finest pianos on the market. Some show use, though their musical qualities and playing condition are fully warranted. Others are practically new and apparently unused. Even these, however, are priced far below original figures.

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**\$335**  
They were exchanged for higher-priced Pianos or for the wonderful Duo-Art Piano. The Aeolian guarantee insures their perfect playing condition. The figures at which they may be bought in this Sale will probably never be duplicated.

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## A Clearance Sale of Misses' Tailored Coats and Suits

has been arranged for to-morrow in the Department on the Second Floor.

The prices at which these desirable garments have been marked should effect an immediate disposal.

Tailored Coats (In various models) reduced to **\$16.75**  
Tailored Suits, reduced to **18.50**

## Semi-made Skirts of White Serge

in several attractive models, adapted for town, country or sports wear, and at the seaside, are now on sale in the Dress Goods Department on the First Floor, at the special prices of

**\$4.50 & \$5.50**