

## 10,000 TAXICAB MEN BOGEY BONDING LAW

State Bureau Says Police  
Fail to Enforce Acci-  
dent Measure.

## JUDGMENTS NOT PAID

12,000 Pile Up While the  
Chauffeurs Ignore In-  
surance.

## DEATH RATE 3 A MONTH

Enright Says Trouble Is  
Drivers Don't Have to  
Produce Proof.

The Taibot-Kaufman law, which became effective July 1, 1922, and requires taxicab chauffeurs in the larger cities to furnish "accident" bonds, has been ignored by between 10,000 and 12,000 of the 16,000 taxicabs operating in New York city.

Virtually all the independents—against whom in particular the law was aimed—have failed to file bonds, and do not intend to do so as long as the Police Department keeps its hands off.

This fact is shown in the records of the State Insurance bureau. The bureau blames the police for non-enforcement of the law, but the police say it cannot be enforced as it stands, because chauffeurs do not have to show proof they are bonded.

Meanwhile there are about 12,000 uncollected judgments against taxicab drivers who have killed or injured persons and cannot pay, and the taxicab death rate in the city is three a month. It was consideration of these facts that impelled the Legislature to pass the law. Similar laws exist in twelve other States.

## Brown and White Complaint.

A taxicab "accident" bond, or its equivalent in liability insurance, costs approximately \$45 a month. None of the independent associations, except the Brown and White, has attempted to make its members obey the law and the Brown and White drivers cannot see why they should be compelled to do so, especially when their tariff is from 10 to 30 cents a mile less than most of the other independents.

David Rosen of Katz & Rosen, attorneys for the Brown and White Association, said yesterday he personally approved of the law, but until the police enforced it it was an injustice to the taxicab drivers who complied. His association has almost been disrupted by it.

As soon as the law went into effect, Mr. Rosen said, the Brown and White chauffeurs were told they must carry bonds. About 300 refused. The association now has thirty law suits on its hands to enforce the law. The law, he said, is by the chauffeur obtaining a bond from a bonding company for \$45 and showing this to the State Insurance bureau as evidence that the bond has been secured. As soon as the applicant gets his number plates and papers he hands the number by refusing to pay the premium.

The bonding company notifies the State Tax Department, which informs the Police Department that such and such a public hack driver has lost his license. According to Tax Commissioner, Walter H. Knapp that ends it. "So far the Police Department appears to have paid no attention to our notices," Mr. Knapp said yesterday.

## The City's Opinion.

In answer to this Commissioner Enright said he had an opinion of the law from the Corporation Counsel, who says:

"It is obvious that this law imposes no duty on the chauffeur or driver to have in his possession any evidence that he has been bonded. The law is limited to denouncing the owner who shall operate or cause to have operated such vehicle while the required bond is not on file with the Tax Commissioner."

Mr. Rosen said the public evidently is not interested. He thought it was a hardship to ask some chauffeurs to get bonded when the police did not try to prevent others from operating without bonds. The Brown and White Association began by about 1200 of its 1,500 members agreeing to pay the monthly bond premium. Now, however, only about 800 are keeping up the payment.

About the only other taxicabs in the city that are bonded are those owned by large corporations. Mr. Rosen said such owners would be responsible for damages in any case.

The Taibot-Kaufman law has been tested and upheld in the courts three times—once in the United States District Court, once in the State Supreme Court and once in Special Sessions, the latter to determine if violation was a misdemeanor.

## FALSE ALARM COSTLY AS WAY TO CELEBRATE

Firemen Will Watch Boxes;  
Courts Won't Be Lenient.

Thomas J. Brennan, Fire Commissioner, took precautionary measures yesterday to prevent as far as possible the sending in of false alarms of fire to any and to-night, when those prompted by the experience of other election days, when many persons in their enthusiasm over the returns sent in alarms for the mere sake of celebrating.

The Commissioner after a conference with John Kenlon, Chief, issued a call for volunteers to watch fire boxes, particularly those in the congested centers of Manhattan, Brooklyn and The Bronx.

Two hundred firemen off duty responded within an hour after the call went out, and it is expected that at least a hundred more will come forward this morning. City magistrates, it was said, will deal sternly with persons found guilty of turning in false alarms.

Commissioner Brennan has assigned firemen to each police precinct to assist the police in extinguishing bonfires kindled in the streets by election night revelers.

## SUSPENDS POLICE CAPTAIN IN LIQUOR SMUGGLING CASE

Commissioner Said to Base Action Upon Alleged  
Failure of Rohrig to Prevent Three Mile Line  
Swell From Breaking on Garrison Beach.

Capt. Frank J. Rohrig, of the Vandewater Park police station in Brooklyn, was suspended from duty last night on an order signed by Commissioner Enright on charges of neglect of duty in connection with liquor smuggling at Gertrude Beach, near Sheepshead Bay, where detectives made a raid last Sunday. Capt. Rohrig, however, protested that he did not know why he was being relieved.

At the office of John Daly, Deputy Police Commissioner in charge of the Brooklyn and Queens police, it was said that the police have been aware for some time of the liquor smuggling at the beach and that Capt. Rohrig had been ordered to watch the place.

Last Sunday, however, five men attached to Commissioner Daly's staff went to the beach and seized fifteen cases containing six bottles of liquor each. No policemen were in sight then, it was said, and no guard on duty, as Commissioner Daly says there should have been.

It was reported also that the suspension of Capt. Rohrig was caused by the raid on the schooner Marquette, when detective seized 300 bottles of whiskey. They arrested James E. Kellum of 163 Thirty-fourth street, Nick Hawkins of 267 Twelfth street and Michael Daly of 580 Clinton street, all of Brooklyn. They were held in \$1,500 bail each yesterday in Flatbush Avenue Court for examination November 21.

## DIER & CO. UNDER INQUIRY IN CHICAGO

Illinois Grand Jury Also In-  
vestigating Charges Involving  
Stoneham Company.

A United States Grand Jury in Chicago is investigating charges involving E. D. Dier & Co., stock brokers, who failed last July for \$3,000,000, and Charles A. Stoneham & Co., from whom Hughes & Dier, predecessor of Dier & Co., took over many accounts when Stoneham liquidated his business.

That was disclosed yesterday when Saul S. Myers, attorney for Manfred W. Ehrlich, trustee, successfully resisted a subpoena directing him to appear before the Chicago Grand Jury to-morrow and bring with him all the Dier and Stoneham records in his possession. The subpoena did not set forth the nature of the complaint, but called for:

"All day books, cash books, blotters, journals, ledgers, stock receipt and stock delivery books, customers' key books of transfer of stock from Charles A. Stoneham & Co. to Hughes & Dier, and all transcripts relating thereto from March 1, 1921, to January 14, 1922."

"All canceled checks passing from Hughes & Dier to Charles A. Stoneham & Co., Delaney & Co., Charles Stoneham, Robert Robertson and Horace Stoneham; statements of accounts of transfer of stocks, bonds and securities from Charles A. Stoneham & Co. to Hughes & Dier; statements of account of stocks, bonds and securities not transferred by Charles A. Stoneham & Co. to Hughes & Dier; contracts and memoranda of contracts of assignment or transfer of the business of Charles A. Stoneham & Co. to Hughes & Dier."

Mr. Myers contended that to comply would interrupt a proposed composition whereby creditors of Dier & Co. are to receive \$500,000 and would interrupt action in contemplation against other stock firms for the recovery of further assets and also the examination of the books by District Attorney Baughman, who is prosecuting Dier on charges of grand larceny and bookkeeping.

## WALPOLE SAYS SEAMAN STARTED CONRAD CAREER

Said 'It's All Right,' So Novel-  
ist Stuck It Out.

Three words in criticism of one of Joseph Conrad's stories changed the course of English literature, according to Hugh Walpole, novelist and literary critic, who yesterday gave the third in his series of lectures at the Broadway Theatre. The words were, "It's all right," and expressed the comment of a fellow seaman on a manuscript Conrad had asked him to read.

"When I look at the row of Conrad's volumes, twenty in all, I have a feeling that they are fairy books," said Mr. Walpole, "that there is a poetic sentiment about them that comes from another land. 'Mirrors of the Sea' and 'Personal Record' are Conrad's best, he said. On Friday Mr. Walpole will discuss 'The Rehearsal' (Bennett, Wells and Galewsky).

## THEFT OF COAT BRINGS GRAND LARCENY CHARGE

Harry Stone Accused by Six  
Others When Arrested.

Harry Stone, 25, of 12 East 113th street, was arrested in front of a restaurant at 145 Broadway yesterday on a charge of stealing from the restaurant an overcoat belonging to William Maglio of 134 West Fifth street. A crowd quickly gathered, which included several men who declared that during the last few weeks their overcoats had disappeared from the books where they hung them in the restaurant. The manager of the restaurant is said to have been watching Stone for several days and noted that he came in yesterday without an overcoat and departed a few moments later wearing Maglio's.

## BURGULARS AT OSSINING GET FAMILY JEWELS

Capt. John Jenkins Suffers  
Loss of Heirlooms.

Heirlooms a hundred years old were included in jewelry stolen yesterday from the home of Capt. John Jenkins on State street, Ossining. The loot valued at \$2,000 to \$2,500. A diamond pendant, rings and watches were taken. Capt. Jenkins, who is proprietor of Tumble Inn, a roadhouse near Croton, and his family were away when the chief broke through two glass doors. The house was ransacked.

Some of the jewelry had been in the family for four generations. Lieut. Nicholas Murphy, acting police chief, will try to obtain fingerprints and will send out a description of the stolen articles.

## WIFE TAKES POISON TABLETS.

Mrs. Miskell Attributes Act to  
Quarrel With Husband.

Mrs. Helen Miskell, 39, of 274 Ninth street, Jersey City, collapsed at Church and Cortland streets yesterday, and it was found at Bellevue Hospital that she was suffering from bichloride of mercury poisoning. Acting police chief said she said to have told the police that after a quarrel with her husband she took the poison tablets and started for the river to drown herself.

## FULLER AND M'GEE ORDERED TO TRIAL

Partners in Stock Brokerage  
Firm Are Charged With  
Bucketing Orders.

Edward M. Fuller and William F. McGee, partners in E. M. Fuller & Co., stock brokers of 50 Broad street, who failed last July for \$3,000,000, were placed on trial yesterday before Judge Robert S. Johnstone in General Sessions, charged with bucketing customers' orders. After the selection of one juror, Lee Hirsch of 118 East Eighty-first street, the case was adjourned until next Thursday.

The trial of Fuller and McGee is one of the first of the larger alleged bucketing cases to be called. They face thirteen indictments, all alleging bucketing, but are being tried upon one indictment only. F. E. Link, a Tennessee customer, charges that last May 19 he sent E. M. Fuller & Co., \$1,757.50 with an order to buy fifty shares of Sinclair Consolidated Oil stock, but that instead of buying the stock the firm bucketed the order. Judge Johnstone ordered the trial over the protest of counsel for the defendants.

Fuller and McGee are represented by William J. Fallon and Eugene F. McGee, formerly attorneys for "Dandy Phil" Kassel, who was indicted in Montgomery county a year after the New York District Attorney's office failed to act upon the identical charge here, and for Frank B. Taylor, who was brought to trial and sent to Sing Sing two years after he was accused of grand larceny in a stock deal and after counsel for the complainant had appealed to the bar association to compel trial.

## FLOOD HURLS FIREMEN FROM LOFT BUILDING

Six Nearly Drown When Wall  
Releases Pent Waters.

Six firemen of Hook and Ladder Company No. 9 narrowly escaped drowning yesterday in a fire in a seven story loft building at 129-131 Crosby street when a bulging partition gave way under the onslaught of their axes, releasing thousands of gallons of water which had been poured into the building.

Three of the firemen—Wynn, Scheek and Matofsky—were swept down the stairs from the first to the ground floor, and after being dashed from wall to wall finally were catapulted into the street, landing in the roadway half-conscious. Lieut. Lamb and Fireman Murmure, who were on the second floor, where they succeeded in clinging to the only substantial article in sight, a stair rail. Here they were found by a rescue squad which had entered the building thinking there had been an explosion and expecting to find only the charred remains of their comrades.

The upper floors of the building, which is occupied by various paper and hat concerns, were damaged badly, the loss being estimated at \$20,000.

## ARTIST FOUND GUILTY OF DISORDER IN PARK

Adopted Son of J. R. Mac-  
Arthur to Appeal Decision.

Alexander MacArthur, twenty-seven-year-old artist, of 177 East 78th street, was sentenced yesterday by Magistrate Hatting in Yorkville Court to three months in the workhouse for disorderly conduct. He was convicted October 24 after he had been arrested near the Indian cave in Central Park on the complaint of Paul Diehl, a baker.

Paul Diehl, his counsel, who obtained an adjournment of the case to call in an alienist, announced he will appeal from Magistrate Hatting's decision. Eight character witnesses testified for MacArthur yesterday. Among them were Canon William Sheafe Chase of Christ Church, Brooklyn, and Dr. Horace Clarke of St. James's Episcopal Church on Madison avenue. But for their testimony, the Magistrate said, he would have sentenced MacArthur the full term of six months.

MacArthur is the adopted son of John R. MacArthur, a wealthy engineer, with offices at 20 East Forty-second street.

## FATAL ANTHRAX CASE DEVELOPS IN HOSPITAL

Health Officers Seize Utensils  
From Barber Shop.

The Health Department is trying to trace the source of a case of anthrax which caused the death of Cornelius Sullivan, 40, of 22 Hudson street, in Bellevue Hospital Sunday. Sullivan was shaved at a barber shop in the vicinity of his home on October 28. Three days later a sample appeared on his cheek and when a physician pricked the pimple the patient's face began to swell. He was removed to Bellevue Saturday and anti-anthrax serum was administered, but without results.

Brushes, razors and other shaving materials were seized at the barber shop yesterday and will be analyzed at the department's laboratory.

## FIFTH GIRL DIES FROM FIRE.

Gertrude Ramelew, 21, who lived at a Y. W. C. A. dormitory in Twenty-first street, died in Bellevue Hospital yesterday, the fifth victim of the fire that swept through a comb factory at 18 East Thirtieth street Friday. Miss Ramelew's burns were not considered as serious as those of the four other young women who died, and it was thought that she would recover.

## COLUMBIA SUBDUES EDITOR AND PLAYLET

Author Accused of Blas-  
phemy in Sketch of Third  
Day of Resurrection.

## INCIDENT IS 'CLOSED'

Whittaker Chambers Su-  
perseded as Head of the  
'Morningside.'

## MAGAZINE IN NEW HANDS

New Manager Says He Will  
Continue 'Liberal Policy,'  
Despite Commotion.

The publication in the *Morningside*, a so-called literary and highbrow magazine at Columbia University, of a sketch purporting to be an episode in the life of Christ and so sacrilegious that it caused much shocked comment on the campus is a closed incident, said university professors last night.

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November 7, 1922.

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Pair of black glass lamps .....\$75  
Dark blue glass lamp .....\$25  
Tall ruby glass lamp .....\$90  
Apple green glass lamp .....\$90  
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Green glass with transfer .....\$50  
Fourth Floor, Old Building

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