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EN JURORS SELECTED

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Jan. 28.—J. S. Dunne, a traveling freight agent, aged 40, a married man, has been selected as the sixth juror in the Thaw trial. All other Thaw party were present at trial this morning, apparently in a happy frame of mind in contrast to their former morose attitude. During the examination of the talesman, Evelyn read a number of letters one of which she handed to her husband who after reading seemed very much pleased and chuckled audibly several times. Subpoenas from the several district attorney's offices have been issued to draw a dragnet over New York to locate Mrs. J. J. Caine, who was an early friend of Evelyn. The prosecution think they will be able to throw some light upon the relations of the chorus girl and the murdered man White and thereby reveal the motive of Thaw in the killing of the night. Mrs. Caine is a buyer for a Boston millinery house and lived in the same house that Evelyn and her mother when the Nesbits came to the city. At that time the mother and daughter were hard straight and Mrs. Caine helped them. All efforts so far have failed to find Mrs. Caine.

FOR GOOD ROADS

(Scripps News Association)
Little Rock, Ark., Jan. 29.—There were no less than three expert road builders of the Agricultural department of the United States at the Arkansas Good Roads Convention which was held here today. There was an address by ex-Governor Bob Taylor and some practical work done showing the necessity for improving the roads in the state.

THE LARGEST STUDIO BUILDING

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Jan. 29.—The largest studio apartment hotel in the world has just been planned by Walter Russel, the portrait painter. It will be sixteen stories, and will be erected in Seventy-seventh street, facing the Museum of Natural History. The building will cost \$5,000,000.

LIGHT COMPANY TO BUILD

The Grande Ronde Electric Light Company is to have an office and store rooms in a building of its own, according to plans that are now being considered. Approximately between six and seven thousand dollars will be used to make the brick structure on Washington avenue, that is now being used for a sub station, into store, office and exhibit rooms. The structure as it stands now is built in two parts, one being two stories in height and the other but one. It is the plan of the company to enlarge the building in height and depth, so that the entire building will be two stories high and reach back to the alley running parallel with Washington avenue. Modern office and store rooms will be installed on the ground floor, while the second floor will be devoted to miscellaneous uses, such as exhibits and additional store rooms.

DIED IN PORTLAND

The remains of Mrs. W. R. Willard arrived on the late train yesterday afternoon from Portland and were shipped to Enterprise this morning, where the deceased's family resides and where interment will be made. A few days ago, Dr. Anderson of Enterprise who had been treating Mrs. Willard during her long illness, suggested that she be taken to Portland to undergo an operation. He accordingly accompanied Mrs. Willard to the Metropolis but the dreaded disease of cancer of the stomach, had done its work and the operation was of no avail.

DAMAGING EVIDENCE

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Jan. 29.—It was discovered today that John Bell, accused of murdering Dr. Townsend, who was shot in his bed by the side of his wife had left a letter addressed to his brother ordering the disposition of his body. This letter was taken by the police to indicate that Bell contemplated suicide after committing some act possibly the Townsend murder, for which purpose the letter was written, that his relatives might see that he was practically at least justified for his rash act.

JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION

(Scripps News Association)
Naples, Jan. 29.—The Duke of the Abruzzi has again resumed command of the armored cruiser Varoy. He has announced that he will take his ship and two other first class cruisers to America and be present at the opening of the Jamestown Exposition. The Duke is a first cousin of King Victor Emmanuel and has devoted his life to scientific research.

BAKER CITY TRIAL NEWS

Apparently there is little probability of a decision on the motion for a directed verdict in the Widdowson murder trial until some time tomorrow. The entire morning and a great portion of the afternoon was occupied by Judge White in presenting his argument for the motion and the time of action by the court will be regulated by the length of the argument for the state as presented by Mr. Lomax.—Says the Baker City Herald.

Saturday the state rested its case against Alex Widdowson, who is held with Ira Brown charged with the murder of Willard Moody, and the attorneys for the defense offered a motion for the court to direct the jury to return a verdict of not guilty.

In his argument today Judge White cited a large number of parallel cases all of which, he contended, presented stronger circumstances against the defendant than the case at bar, and all of which were finally decided in favor of the accused.

If the court allows the motion of the defense the case will be thrown out of court but in the event that the state wins the argument the testimony of the defense will necessarily be presented and the case given to the jury with only the usual instructions.

ICE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS

(Scripps News Association)
Saranac, Jan. 29.—Under the auspices of the Nation Skating Association of the United States the championship races for amateurs and professionals are being held on Saranac Lake today. There are upwards of sixty competitors for the ten events. The attendance is very large. The winners in today's competition will represent the United States in Montreal at the Canadian championships next month.

ONLY FIVE KILLED

(Scripps News Association)
Boston, Jan. 29.—A wreck occurred this morning near South Deerfield, on the Boston & Maine road, resulting in the death of five persons.

COAL AND COKE PRODUCTION

(Scripps News Association)
Pittsburg, Jan. 29.—Last year was a record one in coal production in Westmoreland county, the most famous in the state, the output being approximately 26,000,000 tons, an increase of over 3,000,000 over 1906 the highest on record. The output would have been at least 2,000,000 more if the railroads had been able to handle the coal. The outlook for the present year is very good and an output of 30,000,000 tons is expected. The output of coke for 1907 will show an increase of over 1,000,000 tons on account of about 500 more ovens being in operation.

SPREAD OF PLAGUE IN RIO

(Scripps News Association)
Rio De Janeiro, Jan. 29.—The bubonic plague is spreading at an alarming rate. Up to the present there are sixty cases and fourteen deaths. Yellow fever has also made its appearance and several deaths from leprosy are reported. The bubonic plague was brought into this country by a number of coolies on a British tramp steamship. They were shipped in Bombay. All steps are being taken by the Sanitary authorities to stop the spread of the disease.

THE CUBAN PINE APPLE CROP

(Scripps News Association)
Havana, Cuba, Jan. 29.—The production of pineapples on the island is annually increasing. The crop of 1906 amounted to 828,417 crates and in 1906 to 978,962. It is expected that the coming season's crop will beat all records as the acreage has been largely increased and greater care will be taken with the crop. Pineapples are at present selling at from \$2 to \$2.25 per crate.

"JIM CROW" BILL

(Scripps News Association)
Jefferson City, Jan. 29.—The committee on railroads today reported favorably on "Jim Crow" bill which provided that all railroads and street car companies shall provide movable screens to separate the white passengers from the black.

INCREASE OF PENSIONS

(Scripps News Association)
Washington, Jan. 29.—The senate bill was reported favorable in the house today providing \$12 monthly pension to veterans of the Mexican and Civil War veterans over 62 years of age, \$15 over 65 and \$20 over 70 years.

BANK STATEMENTS CALLED

(Scripps News Association)
Washington, Jan. 29.—The comptroller of the treasurer has made a call for statements of the condition of business in all of the banks of the United States at the close of business on January 26.

MANY NEW CASES

(Scripps News Association)
Chicago, Jan. 29.—Four hundred and seven new cases of scarlet fever and twenty-nine cases of diphtheria have been reported within the past twenty hours in this city, breaking all record since the present epidemic.

OLDEST MASON DEAD

(Scripps News Association)
Rockford, Ill., Jan. 29.—Otis Eddie, aged 103, the oldest Ancient Free and Accepted Mason, died here this morning.

SOCIALIST TOLSTOI DYING

(Scripps News Association)
St Petersburg, Jan. 29.—It is reported this morning that Tolstol the world wide known Socialist, was dying.

SONS OF ERIN

The Grande Ronde Sons of Erin will give a banquet in the honor of St Patrick on March 17th. This will be their first annual banquet, to be followed by one each year on March 17th. The affair will be on a rather grand scale, costing \$2.50 per plate. A full orchestra will furnish the music for the occasion. Several old Irish songs will be rendered by local talent, also talks by local orators. Rev. Father Whyte will deliver the principal address. The Grande Ronde Sons of Erin is a local order including Union county only. Any one of Celtic blood or part Celtic, is entitled to membership.

It is also a non-sectarian organization. At present the membership is 80 and rapidly increasing. About 150 are expected to attend the banquet. The officers for the ensuing year, A Buckley, Pres; J H Pearce Sec; Rev. F. White, Treas; Com: on general arrangements, R Kelly J J Corbett J W Egan, Jas Garrity, F O Hare F L Meyers John Gardner. Any information regarding this organization can be had from any of the committee.

POLICE COURT

F. R. Swaney, of the Swaney & Lilly cigar store, J. C. Smith, proprietor of the Mint saloon, and M. Kakuu, the Jap who "swamps" the two places mentioned above, were arraigned before Recorder Snook this afternoon by a warrant sworn out by Street Commissioner Stoner. The complaint charged the defendants with violating the new ordinances regarding the emptying of cuspidors on street or in the gutters. Recorder Snook found them guilty and fined each five dollars. In view of the fact that this was the first case under the new ordinances, and also that Mr. Swaney was laboring under a misunderstanding in regard to what his liberties were in emptying cigar butts in the gutters, the sentence was suspended. Mr. Smith, also, had misunderstood the ordinances. The street commissioner and the recorder united in the statement that from now on, there would be no more suspension of penalties and that any one convicted of violating this ordinance, would be dealt with as required by the provisions of the ordinance.

SUPPOSED SUICIDE

(Scripps News Association)
Chicago, Jan. 29.—Sulski, aged twenty five, and his wife, aged twenty, deaf mutes, were found in their home this morning asphyxiated, clasped in each others arms. The couple had been married seven months. It is supposed to be a case of mutual suicide.

JEROMES ANTI-BETTING BILL

(Scripps News Association)
Albany, N. Y., Jan. 29.—The Committee on Codes are today considering District Attorney Jerome's racing bill which provides that betting on horses on race tracks shall be made a felony, the same as outside the tracks is at present. When the bill will be presented to the House it will meet with considerable opposition.

WAIVED EXAMINATION

Officer J. H. McLachlen returned on late number six last evening from Napa, California having in charge Perry F. Harvey, who it is alleged to have forged his brother's name, L. W. Harvey, to a check on the La Grande National Bank of this city. The alleged forgery took place several months ago, and the whereabouts of the young man, who is only twenty-three years old, was recently ascertained. He was found to be serving a 100 day jail sentence in Napa on charge of carrying concealed weapons. He was arraigned this afternoon before Justice Hough.

WAIVED EXAMINATION

P. E. Harvey was arraigned before Justice Hough this afternoon and waived examination. The justice fixed a bond of one thousand for the defendant's appearance before the circuit court. As the amount was not liquidated today the prisoner was lodged in the county jail.

A MILLION SALMON EGGS

(Scripps News Association)
Bangor, Jan. 29.—1,120,000 salmon eggs have been received from the Craig Brook Government hatchery at East Orland for the Bittle Spring Brook hatchery on the Penobscot, West Branch about fifteen miles from Stacyville. These eggs were taken from river salmon caught in the weirs at Bucksport and other places down the river last summer. When the eggs are hatched and ready to leave the spawning beds they will be "planted" in the head waters of the Penobscot and the lakes and ponds of Northern Maine.

Dr. M. K. Hall, who has been ill at his home for several all days is today some better and is improving rapidly.

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