

DRAWS NET ABOUT THORNTON HAINS

Prosecution Shows How He Prevented Annis' Friend From Stopping Shooting.

MRS. ANNIS PUT ON STAND

Tells of Husband's Murder—Judge Refuses to Allow Attorneys to Exhaust Widow's Knowledge of Facts in Case.

FLUSHING, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Frederick A. Storm, a real estate dealer, testified today in the trial of Thornton J. Hains, as a principal with his brother, Captain Peter C. Hains, in the killing of William E. Annis, that the defendant had inquired as to the whereabouts of Annis shortly before the latter called up to the dock where he was waiting for the boat.

Point for Prosecution.

It is upon this statement of Storm that the prosecution hinges its contention that the Hains brothers lured up Annis for the purpose of killing him and that the real estate inquiry at the yacht club was a ruse.

Other important testimony was given by Charles Birchfield, a friend of Annis, who declared that Thornton Hains drove him back with a drawn revolver when he sought to stop the shooting. Thornton Hains also drove Mrs. Annis from the boat with the revolver, according to Birchfield.

Mrs. Annis Testifies.

"Stand back. He knows what he is doing. Don't interfere or you will get the same thing," were the words that Birchfield testified that Thornton Hains had used as he pointed his revolver at him.

Mrs. William E. Annis, widow of the slain man, testified to establish the death of her husband. She will take the stand again.

Admits Trouble With Annis.

A new light on the case was shed this morning when Hains' counsel admitted that Thornton J. Hains had had some trouble with William E. Annis over the publication of a magazine article last June. It is said that the author submitted a manuscript to Mr. Ripley, owner of the magazine upon which Annis was employed, in July, and that Annis induced Ripley to return it. Counsel for Hains states that the defendant then wrote a letter to Ripley, saying he knew why the manuscript was rejected, and concluded with the words, "I will get even with him yet."

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Model Gives False Impression.

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"Did you see your husband die?" "Yes."

"That is enough," said the District Attorney. Mr. McIntyre said that the District Attorney should examine the witness upon all her knowledge of the case. Justice Crane said it was not necessary.

"Then I have no question," said Mr. McIntyre.

Charles A. Birchfield, a member of the Bay-side Yacht Club, testified that at the club on the afternoon of August 15 he saw two men and a waiter talking. One of the men was the defendant, Thornton Hains, when the witness came up and engaged him in conversation about real estate, while they were talking Thornton Hains' companion came up and called the defendant aside. The witness said he next saw the defendant and the other man walking down toward the dock.

Pointed Out Annis' Boat.

"There was quite a little gathering on the dock," Birchfield testified. "There was Mrs. Annis, Mrs. Rockwell and Mrs. Nesbit on the dock. I think Mr. Funke was on the dock. I went down to the dock and talked with the defendant. He told me that he had made no deal with Mr. Storm, a real estate dealer, who had been mentioned. He asked me if Annis had a one-design boat. He said he had one, and he wanted to know which one it was. I pointed out Annis' boat coming into the bay. He asked me if Annis had come before the race, and I said that he did."

Describes Shooting.

Birchfield described the shooting, after which he said: "The defendant pointed his gun at me and said: 'Stand back; he knows what he is doing.' I moved a little forward, and the defendant said: 'Don't interfere; you will get the same thing.' The witness said he heard three distinct and separate shots and several other shots together. "The firing ceased after the gun was pointed at me," said Birchfield. "Annis then came from around the mast and whether he touched the float I don't know, but he fell into the water and two men pulled him out."

Mrs. Annis Screams.

Mr. Birchfield said that Mrs. Annis came down the runway screaming. At the bottom of the runway the defendant said something to Mrs. Annis and pointed his revolver at her. She turned and ran back up the runway, still crying out.

Birchfield said that he saw John Tanning, the boatman, run up and seize Captain Hains by the arm. He said he couldn't tell the exact moment the evidence in the case and as to what testimony he would give in the trial.

Recusing the Stand, Birchfield was given a long cross-examination by Mr. McIntyre, after the prosecution had asked the publication of a magazine article last June. It is said that the author submitted a manuscript to Mr. Ripley, owner of the magazine upon which Annis was employed, in July, and that Annis induced Ripley to return it. Counsel for Hains states that the defendant then wrote a letter to Ripley, saying he knew why the manuscript was rejected, and concluded with the words, "I will get even with him yet."

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HOUSE ASKS WHAT PRESIDENT KNOWS

Passes Resolution on Secret Service, With No Opposing Voice Raised.

WILLIAMS WAXES ANGRY

Imperative Demand That President Transmit Evidence and State Whether Prosecutions Begun Against Guilty Ones, if Any.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—By unanimous vote the House today adopted a resolution presented by the special committee of five calling on the President for proof of his charges that members were fearful of an investigation by the Secret Service agents. The committee submitted its report and recommendation immediately after the House convened.

The House adopted the resolution without a dissenting vote, and after very little comment. Mr. Cookran (New York) suggested that it should be made applicable to Congress as a whole, and not merely to the House, but the change was not made.

In reporting the resolution Perkins said it had been recommended unanimously by the special committee, and said that as soon as the President should send in any information in his possession the committee would make another report for the consideration of the House.

Let's Know if Congress Corrupt.

John Sharp Williams expressed the hope that the resolution would be adopted promptly. Williams said the committee would impartially report "on this seemingly unprovoked and unjustified attack upon the honor and reputation of the legislative branch of the Government."

"So far as the committee knows," said Williams, "there is not a scintilla of evidence to support that statement by the President. The committee has thought it would be fair to the President to give him further opportunity to produce testimony if he has any. The American people have a right to know if the American Congress is corrupt."

Such a proceeding, he continued, would allow the country, which, he said, "was the master of both of us," to exercise judgment in the matter.

The special committee, he said, would remain in session, to receive, compare and weigh whatever competent evidence the President can furnish with fair and just impartiality.

Williams said the committee was actuated by a desire to be entirely just to the President.

Resolution is Imperative.

Kiefer, of Ohio, wanted to know whether the words "if not incompatible with the public service" should not be in the resolution, as is usual on calling upon the President for information. This suggestion called forth laughter, and Perkins declared the resolution, as worded, was "a request for information" and was imperative in its wording.

Perkins cut off further discussion by demanding the further discussion by Speaker Cannon calling for a viva voce vote, there was a chorus of "ayes" favoring the passage of the resolution, followed by a dead silence when the "noes" were called for.

The text of the preamble and resolution follows:

Resolutions Cite Insult.

Whereas, There was contained in the sundry civil bill, which passed the House in the last session, and became a law a provision in reference to the employment of the Secret Service of the Treasury Department, and

Whereas, In the last annual message of the President of the United States to the two houses of Congress, it was stated in reference to that provision: "It is not too much to say that this amendment has been of benefit only and could be of benefit only to criminal classes," and it was further stated, "the chief argument in favor of this provision was that the Congressmen did not themselves wish to be investigated by Secret Service men," and it was further stated, "but, if this is not considered desirable, a special exception could be made in the law, prohibiting the use of the Secret Service force in investigating members of Congress. It would be far better to do this than to do what actually was done and to have effective action against criminals by the executive branch of the Government," and

Whereas, The plain meaning of the above words is that the majority of Congressmen are in fear of being investigated by Secret Service men, and that Congress, as a whole, was actuated by that motive in enacting the provision in question; and

Resolved, That the President be required to transmit to the House any evidence upon which he based his statements that the chief argument in favor of the provision was that the Congressmen did not themselves wish to be investigated by Secret Service men, and also to transmit to the House evidence concerning any member of the House of the sixtieth Congress with corrupt action in his official capacity, and to inform the House whether he has instituted proceedings for the punishment of any individual in his official capacity, who reported any such alleged delinquency to the House of Representatives.



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Richardson's Suggestion for Trip Probably Misunderstood as to Portland's Bearing Expenses.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—(Special.)—Officials of the Chicago Association of Commerce admit that the offer made yesterday by Thomas Richardson, of Portland, to take 50 school children to the Northwest free of charge might have been somewhat overdrawn. Mr. Richardson made a glowing speech, in which he drew a vivid picture of the wonders of his country and urged that the children be permitted to visit that land of milk and honey, as it would be the best advertisement imaginable.

While he was making his speech, a conference was being held to consider the advisability of accepting the offer and to arrange for the transportation of the children. The secretary of the Chicago association had the impression that Mr. Richardson said the expenses would all be paid, but this may have been incorrect. What he probably did say was that the transportation and expenses of the children would be a matter easily arranged.

The association and the public think well of the plan and some method will probably be devised to take advantage of the offer. The plan most in favor is to make the trip a sort of reward for excellence in school work, selecting from all the schools pupils who work hardest for the prize—a round trip to Oregon; the idea being to choose 50 pupils, or enough, to fill a chartered car and allow for caretakers.

MOB HANGS INHUMAN FIEND

Murderer of 13-Year-Old Girl Taken From Jail and Lynched.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 17.—Elmer Hill, charged with the murder of Mamie Womack, a 13-year-old girl in Adair County, was dragged from the jail at Monticello, Wayne County last night, carried four miles to Greasy Creek and there hanged to a tree. His body was discovered there this morning by passersby, who had heard nothing of the mob's action last night.

The mob worked quietly, coming from the direction of Adair and Russell Counties. They broke down the jail doors, dragged Hill out, he protesting his innocence, placed him on a horse and took him to Greasy Creek, where he was given a chance to pray before being hanged.

No shots were fired and no mutilation of the body offered. The mob then quietly dispersed. The body was cut down this morning.

After an assault, Hill killed his cousin, 13-year-old Mary Womack, in Adair County last week. Twelve mobs formed to lynch Hill but were prevented. Last night no warning had been received and the mob worked without real interference.

ELECT SIMON PRESIDENT

Haytian Congress Unanimously Chooses Him Chief Executive.

PORT AU PRINCE, Dec. 17.—General Antoine Simon, the leader of the last revolution in Hayti, that resulted in the flight of President Nord Alexis from the capital, and who made his triumphant entry into Port au Prince ten days ago, was today unanimously elected president of the republic by the Haytian Congress.

As soon as the result of the election became known the great crowd that had assembled outside the Parliament building broke into cheers and salutes were fired from the forts and the Haytian government gunboats in the harbor. The other aspirants to the Presidency did not come forward actively. The reason for this course was

the fear that another outbreak of the disorder would result in American intervention.

Recognizes President Simon.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Instructions were sent by the State Department today to American Minister Furness, at Port au Prince, to accord recognition to the new government of Hayti, headed by General Simon.

Deprive Militia of Arms.

CAPE HAYTIEN, Dec. 17.—The American cruiser Tacoma arrived here yesterday from Port au Prince and other coast ports to remain until the completion of the election of General Simon.

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