

FEARS THAW WILL ATTEMPT TO KILL

Why Evelyn Thaw Does Not Want to Testify.

ASKS TO HAVE HIM SEARCHED

Will Tell About Threats When Court Orders Today.

HE CONTEMPLATES MURDER

Court Will Decide Today That She Must Testify—Dr. Sills Says Thaw Still Gives Her Over \$500 a Month.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., July 14.—(Special.)—Mrs. Evelyn Thaw will take the witness stand tomorrow and will be permitted to testify as to a threat to kill her made, it is alleged, by her husband during one of her earliest visits to him in Matteawan Asylum.

She stated today to acquaintances and to officials who are seeking to keep her husband in restraint that, though she may be called to the stand and directed by the court to testify, she will not utter one word about her husband until he has been searched for weapons in her presence. She said she had long been convinced that it is Harry Thaw's intention to take her life if he ever regains his liberty.

Deputy Attorney-General Clarke, who is conducting the state's case in the proceedings brought by Thaw against Dr. Amos T. Baker, superintendent of Matteawan Hospital and Thaw's custodian there, was sufficiently impressed with Mrs. Thaw's representations to cause one of his representatives at the close of today's session to make sure unknown to Thaw, that the latter had no weapon concealed about him.

LIPS SEALED UNTIL TODAY

Court Will Tell Evelyn Thaw to Repeat Thaw's Threat.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., July 14.—Evelyn Thaw's lips were still closed by legal technicalities today and she did not resume the stand, as expected, to testify for the state in opposing Harry K. Thaw's attempt to prove himself sane.

The state's attorney announced at adjournment yesterday that they would show today that the much disputed conversation between Thaw and his wife at the asylum, in which Thaw is supposed to have threatened to kill her when he got out, was not privileged, and therefore Evelyn Thaw's refusal to testify and her testimony on this point would be admitted. This was not done, however.

Again tomorrow the state will attempt to show that this conversation should be admitted. At adjournment tonight Justice Mills intimated to Thaw's counsel that he was inclined to admit it.

Evelyn's Attitude Puzzles.

A great crowd packed the courtroom today. The testimony was environment at times by bits of humor and Thaw often laughed heartily at some remark at his expense. Attendants at Matteawan testified that he always appeared rational in speech and action, and several physicians testified along the same line.

Evelyn Thaw's attitude toward her husband is puzzling. It is not generally known whether she would rather see him free or confined as a lunatic. While she has often been quoted as repeating in effect her famous declaration, "I'll stand by you, Harry," it is reported that, in the event that her testimony ultimately goes against Thaw, his attorney will call witnesses to show that she remarked that she was glad to see him in Matteawan. The former chorus girl has not joined the Thaw family during the hearing. When she left White Plains today she traveled to New York alone.

Thaw Still Supports He.

During her testimony yesterday Mrs. Thaw said that her husband was not supporting her properly, but it was brought out on the stand today that he is paying her \$500 a month.

Dr. Valdimir Sillio, a New York practitioner, testified that he had seen Thaw about 25 times in all, and that Thaw always appeared rational. Dr. Sillio related a conversation with Thaw at Matteawan, in which Thaw referred to an incident at the Hotel Knickerbocker in New York, in which Evelyn Thaw figured.

"I regret very much she persists in keeping herself so much in the public eye," Thaw said, "but what can I do? I have done everything I can for her," said the witness.

Dr. Sillio testified that for the last three months the Harry Thaw had been sending him \$70 a week and \$200 at the end of each month and that he had been turning the money over to Thaw's wife, as he had been instructed to do.

Miss Anna G. W. Davley, a lawyer, of Poughkeepsie, testified today that she had attended to some small legal matters for Thaw when he was in the Poughkeepsie jail and had frequently seen and talked with him during that time. He always impressed her as rational, she said.

Miss Mary Murane, matron of the Poughkeepsie jail, testified that "Thaw always appeared rational." At this point Deputy Attorney-General (Continued on Page 2.)

VITRIOL THROWN IN WOMAN'S FACE

WALTER BREEN ACCUSED BY WIFE, AND IS ARRESTED.

Actor Charged With Cowardly Assault—Victim Escapes Serious Injury.

"I guess that will spoil your looks," declared Walter Breen yesterday, as he threw the contents of a vial of vitriol into the face of his wife, Elizabeth Breen. Fortunately for the woman, who appeared at the police station yesterday afternoon and caused a complaint to be issued for the arrest of her husband, Breen made a mistake in his purchase at a local drug store, prior to making the cowardly assault, and received blue vitriol, instead of the more deadly drug, which is another name for sulphuric acid. In consequence, Mrs. Breen escaped all permanent disfigurement, although the declares it was through no intentional mistake of her husband's.

Breen was arrested by Patrolman Graves, and will have a hearing in the Municipal Court this morning. By profession, Breen is an actor, and he is said to be known as Walter Oro, and he is said to be a former manager of the Star Theater. Mrs. Breen is conductress of a tailor shop at 271 Taylor street. Breen is charged with threatening his wife with bodily injury.

MAN BOUNDS LIKE BALL

Falls From Tenth Floor and Every Bone in Body Is Broken.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 14.—(Special.)—H. Simpson, aged 43, fell from a window on the tenth floor of the White building at 9:30 this morning and was fatally injured. Every bone in his body was broken.

Simpson was washing windows and had not fastened his safety belt to the ledge. As the man bounded from one platform to the other like a huge rubber ball, the rebound caused him to turn over so many times that every portion of his body had struck before he finally reached the inside of the court.

BODY IS FOUND ON TRAIL

Victor Ettwein, of Tillamook, Thought to Be Suicide.

TILLAMOOK, Or., July 14.—(Special.)—The body of Victor Ettwein was found this morning on a trail leading to his homestead near Beaver. It was not known at first whether he had committed suicide or had been murdered. Sheriff Crenshaw and Coroner Hawk believe Ettwein had made two attempts to take his life with a rifle, the second shot penetrating the temple.

He left a letter written in German bidding everybody goodbye. He was about 50 years old and had acted strangely of late.

JAPANESE SEALERS SEIZED

Schooner and 18 Men Taken by United States Revenue Cutter.

SEATTLE, July 14.—A dispatch from Seward, Alaska, says that the United States revenue cutter Perry has seized the Japanese sealing schooner Taki, with 18 men, while they were killing seals within three miles of the Pribilof Islands.

Four boats and crews belonging to the Taki and her crew were taken to Unalaska. There were more Japanese sealers in Behring Sea than for ten years.

ROOSEVELT IN "DRY CAMP"

After Long Day's March Hunters Find Pool Dried Up.

NAIVASHA, B. E. A., July 14.—The members of the Roosevelt party are active in their search for game in the vicinity of Lake Naivasha. Monday and Tuesday of this week the party was on the march from dawn until after nightfall.

At the end of the first day the pool that had been the objective was found to have dried up and the party had to spend the night in a waterless camp.

GOLD BASIS IN GUATEMALA

Congressman Sulzer Arranging for Refinancing of Republic.

NEW ORLEANS, July 14.—The Times-Democrat will say tomorrow: Through the efforts of Congressman William Sulzer, of New York, and a large New York bonding syndicate, President Cabrera is negotiating for the refinancing of Guatemala.

It is stated that Mr. Sulzer has arranged through the syndicate to negotiate a loan of \$25,000,000 for Guatemala and to place the country on a gold basis.

SPANIARDS SHELL MOORS

Put to Flight Army Which Prepares Attack on Melilla.

MADRID, July 14.—A dispatch from Melilla says Spanish troops at Alalayou shelled a body of tribesmen who were making preparations to attack the Spanish forces. Several tribesmen were killed or wounded and the others fled.

BARCELONA, July 14.—An additional force of 400 infantry with a section of machine guns under General Delmas has embarked for Melilla.

CONTRACTOR SHOT; POLICE PUZZLED

R. F. Brackett Says He Was Thugs' Victim.

HIS STORY DOUBTED BY POLICE

Well-Dressed Men Seen Running from Scene of Crime.

MAY BE WOMAN IN CASE

Many Facts Conflict with Story of Member of Engineering Firm, Whose Wound May Be Fatal, Say Doctors.

Under circumstances which are to a large degree surrounded by mystery, R. F. Brackett, 29 years old, member of the firm of Brackett & Myers, electrical contractors and engineers, at 27 Second street, was shot and perhaps fatally wounded on the sidewalk a few minutes after midnight this morning on Yamhill street, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth. He is now in the Good Samaritan Hospital with a pistol wound in the left abdominal region, which he may not survive. Surgeons operated on him, and several hours later they were uncertain as to his ultimate recovery.

There were not witnesses to the shooting, but three people saw incidents immediately after the shooting which tend to show that the shooting was the result of some private affair of Brackett's, and not an attempt to hold him up, as he stated to the police and others immediately afterwards. His assailants were two well-dressed men, according to all witnesses, but their identity is not known. A woman who might also have some relation to the case is also unknown. The witnesses to the affair are Mrs. Ward, of 155 Fourteenth street; R. E. Dent, an employee of the O. R. C. station, Fourteenth and Yamhill streets, and S. Twarowski, a milkcarrier, between Yamhill and Taylor streets.

Significant Remark Heard. Mrs. Ward heard a pistol shot a few minutes after 12 o'clock. She rushed out her back door and saw two men running south on Fifteenth street. Just before that she had heard some one say, "Well, I guess you've got me this time." This remark came from the same direction from where a few seconds later the pistol shot sounded. Mr. Twarowski was unhitching his horse when the shot was fired. He looked out in time to see the same two men running south on Fifteenth street. Later Mrs. Ward saw the two men standing in the shadow of a tree when the police patrol wagon drove up, and then heard one of them say: "This is no place for us now. We had better get away." This was the last seen of them. They headed west on Fifteenth street.

After Brackett was shot he staggered to the O. R. C. station and asked Dent to get him assistance. "Two men stepped out from behind a tree on Yamhill, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth," said Brackett, "and they held me up with a gun. One of them said, 'Throw up your hands,' and the other one said 'Shoot.'"

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WESTON ENDS HIKE ACROSS CONTINENT

AVERAGES 40 MILES PER DAY THROUGHOUT TRIP.

Veteran Reaches Oakland Mole at 9:11 P. M. His Elapsed Time Being 105 Days, 5:41

SAN FRANCISCO, July 14.—Vigorous as a man of half 70 years and striding out like a soldier on parade despite the 40 miles he tramped during the day, Edward Payson Weston set foot in San Francisco at 10:40 tonight with his 4000-mile journey from New York completed.

The actual distance covered by the white-haired athlete was 3325 miles by mile-posts, but figuring the thousands of times he has swung from side to side of the way, he has tramped nearly 4300 miles. The time consumed on the journey was 105 days 5 hours and 41 minutes. He has maintained a gait of nearly 40 miles a day all the way across the continent.

Weston's long road actually ended at Oakland Mole, where he arrived at 9:11 o'clock tonight, attended by a crowd of admirers who had waited hours for his arrival. To offset the ferry trip the pedestrian doubled on his trail before reaching Oakland, covering six additional miles. With this accomplished the journey ended when he walked into the dispatcher's office on the Mole.

No plans for the immediate future have been laid by Mr. Weston, but it is stated that he is contemplating a tramp to Seattle during the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition.

CONVENTION RATES OPEN

All Westerners May Travel at Fare and Half to East.

CHICAGO, July 14.—(Special.)—Reduced passenger fares to Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha and St. Joseph will be available this summer from all states west of the Missouri River, as a result of a decision just announced by a number of leading Western railroads, which competitive conditions will make applicable to all roads.

It has been decided to open to the general public rates of a fare and a half for the round trip from points west of the river which were granted on account of Fall and Summer merchants' meetings at these cities, provided there is a minimum attendance at each meeting of 100 or more persons holding certificates from organizations under whose auspices excursions are held.

The reason for opening these rates to the public generally is ascribed to an opinion rendered by the legal department of one of the roads that to confine reduced fares to a specified class of persons constituted discrimination against the general public in violation of rulings of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

LONG TRIP MADE TO WED

Groom Travels 1000 Miles From Alaska, and Bride 2000 Miles.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 14.—(Special.)—Frank R. Hopper, assistant secretary of the Porcupine Gold Mining Company, journeyed 1000 miles to Seattle from Porcupine, Alaska, and Miss Marian Morse came 2000 miles from Kansas City last week to bring a romance to a successful end.

Mr. Hopper was originally from Kansas City, where he and his wife were school-day sweethearts. They will make their home in Porcupine for the rest of the time and will divide the remainder of the time between Seattle and Kansas City. Mr. and Mrs. Morse accompanied their daughter to Seattle and will go to Alaska with the young couple.

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EMPEROR SPEEDS HIS CHANCELLOR

Von Buelow Goes Out; Hollweg Comes In.

WILLIAM COURTS PUBLICITY

Receives New and Old Ministers in People's View.

VICTORY FOR REICHSTAG

Rejection of Von Buelow's Bill for New Taxes Caused Retirement and Marks Step to Responsible Ministry.

BERLIN, July 14.—Prince von Buelow, Chancellor of the Empire, retired from office today and was succeeded by Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg. The latter was succeeded by Herr Delbrueck as Minister of the Interior and Vice-Chancellor Herr Sydow, Secretary of the Imperial Treasury, has been appointed to the Department of Commerce, while Herr Wermuth, Under Secretary of the Interior, is the new Secretary of the Treasury. Herr von Troit zu Soiz, president of the Province of Brandenburg, succeeds Ludwig-Holle, Prussian Minister of Public Instruction, who has retired because of ill health.

Says Farewell in Public. The Emperor, departing from all court traditions, transacted the business pertaining to the change of Chancellors with the broadest publicity. His Majesty received Prince von Buelow upon a small garden terrace between the palace and an arm of the Spree in view of a great crowd of spectators, who gathered on Electors Bridge, some 50 yards away, and in Burgstrasse on the other side of the narrow stream.

About 10 o'clock this morning the Emperor appeared on the terrace, walking alone. A servant soon announced Von Buelow. After 30 minutes His Majesty screened from the public behind the thick shrubbery, embraced the Prince and waved his hand affectionately as the latter withdrew. Dr. Hollweg then appeared.

Welcomes New Chancellor. Later his majesty received in audience several members of the Federal Council from the Kingdoms of Bavaria, Wurtemberg and Saxony. Finally he received together Herr Delbrueck, Herr Sydow, Herr Wermuth and Herr von Troit zu Soiz.

The Emperor presented the retiring Chancellor with the order of the Black Eagle, set in diamonds and with it a cordial letter, which is published in the official gazette, expressing his reluctance at parting with his Chancellor and subscribing himself: "Your grateful sovereign."

Means Responsible Ministry. The political aspect of the change is important. Prince von Buelow is the first German Chancellor who has been compelled to leave office because of an adverse parliamentary majority. The change today is regarded by the Liberals as a long step toward ministerial responsibility.

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FIVE YOUNG GIRLS DROWN AT PICNIC

WADE OFF FROM LEDGE INTO DEEP WATER.

One Body Recovered After Sad Ending to Sunday School Festivity Near Vancouver, B. C.

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 14.—White wading band in hand on the beach of Burrard Inlet, 12 miles from Vancouver, this afternoon, a teacher and four of her girl pupils, members of a Sunday school picnic party, got into deep water and were drowned.

The dead are: Miss Gertrude Ankers, aged 25, the teacher; Annie Murphy, aged 17; May Murphy, aged 15, her sister; Alice Polson, aged 12; Signi Buck, aged 10.

The children and their teacher had gone to the beach from the Brownsville School, near New Westminster. They had been on the beach three hours when they decided to go in bathing.

Donning their bathing suits, they joined hands with Miss Ankers and waded out. One of the girls stepped off a ledge into deep water. The others tried to save her, but one by one were pulled in and were carried away by the tide.

A number of boys bathing farther up the beach heard the screams of the girls and rushed to their assistance, but arrived too late. The body of Miss Ankers was recovered soon after, but none of the others has been found.

MUD HEN IS NOT DUCK

"Reform" and "Anti-Reform" Forces at Union Declare Truce.

LA GRANDE, Or., July 14.—(Special.)—Although the court at Union today held that technically a mud hen is a duck, under the statutes, the case of the state against ex-Mayor Law was dismissed on grounds a mud hen is not a game bird and it is not the spirit of the law to punish a man for killing mud hens.

With this decision, the legal battles growing out of the sensational strife between the "reform" and the "anti-reform" elements came to an end this afternoon. Councilman Pratt and John Wolfe, convicted and fined \$5 for assault and battery, came into court today and asked that their fines be increased, so they would be assured of an appeal to the Circuit Court. This was contested by District Attorney Ivanhoe, who declared he would dismiss the cases if the appeal should be allowed.

LAUNCH TO BRAVE WAVES

Craft Only 28 Feet Long Starts From Aberdeen to Alaska.

ABERDEEN, Wash., July 14.—(Special.)—Braving the waves of the Pacific in an open gasoline launch not more than 28 feet long and provisioned for a ten-day run is the feat attempted by George Pott, who left yesterday for Wrangell, Alaska, in the Duck.

Pott will enter the Straits of Fuca and plans to take the inside passage through the Gulf of Georgia and the islands of Southeastern Alaska. A portion of the trip will be comparatively safe, but much of the way lies through the open sea. Pott is taking the northern coast of Vancouver Island. He must navigate the length of Queen Charlotte Sound and will there be fully exposed to the full sweep of the Pacific.

PIGEONS START ON FLIGHT

Leave Albany for Visalia, Cal., 607 Miles Away.

ALBANY, Or., July 14.—(Special.)—Flying due south, six carrier pigeons started from Albany at 5:05 o'clock this morning on a flight of 607 miles to Visalia, Cal. They were sent here by a Visalia homing-pigeon association for the purpose of a test flight, and the time it takes each bird to cover the distance will be recorded.

The pigeons lost no time in circling to get the direction when they were liberated, but started straight southward, all keeping together. After flying about two miles they circled once and again turned to the southward, flying rapidly. They are expected to reach Visalia before dark tonight.

AWAITS HARRIMAN'S WORD

Southern Pacific to Electrify Whole Sacramento Division.

NEW YORK, July 14.—It is stated that orders amounting to \$13,000,000 for the electrification of the Sacramento division of the Southern Pacific Railway—a project that has been under consideration for some time—will be placed as soon as a cable of authorization, now expected hourly, is received from E. H. Harriman.

Steep grades, heavy snowfall and many snowsheds and tunnels have always hampered steam locomotives in the haul from Reno, Nev., to Sacramento, Cal.

STAAK TO LEAVE GERMANY

American Marksmen Ordered Out for Dodging Army Service.

HAMBURG, July 14.—F. Staak, a German-American marksman, who arrives here to take part in the shooting competition, received today notification from the police to leave the country.

WHEAT SOARS TO NEW HIGH RECORD

July Cash Grain Is Held at \$1.27 Mark.

PRICE LEAPS CENT AT TIME

Patten Said to Be Repeating Deal Worked in May.

RATE OF \$1.50 PREDICTED

Rush of Shorts to Cover Sends Grain First to \$1.25, and Later Deals, With Bad Reports, Add Two Cents.

CHICAGO, July 14.—(Special.)—July wheat jumped seven cents in the stormy pit today, setting a new high mark for cash cereal and giving promise of a repetition of the Patten corner in May. The price was forced up from \$1.20 to \$1.27. James A. Patten is in command of the bulls, as he was in the May market, and the forcing of the present price to within a few cents of the record of the May deal gives promise of another coup.

Twice during the day the pit was thrown into a turmoil, first when five cents were added to the price early in a few minutes, and again near the close when two more points were added to the total. Meanwhile Patten who is reported to be long 5,000,000 bushels, told the bears to buy in their wheat in the pit. His advice was followed and the market boomed.

Elevator Men "Hedge."

Leading warehousemen and professional traders are the principal shorts. Elevator men weeks ago bought wheat in the fields in Kansas, Oklahoma and other winter wheat states. They hedged against their country purchases.

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