

EX-VALET BRANDT TO GET NEW TRIAL

Justice Gerard Charges Rosalsky Illegally Condemned Man to 30 Years.

NEW DEVELOPMENTS VAGUE

Except for Service of Five Years in Sing Sing Prison ex-Employee of M. L. Schiff Is Where He Was After "Burglary."

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—(Special.)—Justice Gerard tonight in the eyes of the law as he was before he was sent away on April 4, 1907, to serve 30 years for burglary at the home of Mortimer L. Schiff, where he once worked as a servant. The long prison term was broken today when Justice Gerard, of the Supreme Court, sustained a writ of habeas corpus obtained in Brandt's behalf.

What other developments than a new trial there might be were tonight a matter of some controversy, but it was widely assumed that the hearing before Commissioner Hand, appointed by Governor Dix to hear Brandt's application for clemency, was now of no importance, as it was held that a pardon could not be given to a man who, as Brandt, now stands uncondemned.

According to records which Justice Gerard read into his opinion, Brandt on March 28, 1907, withdrew a plea of not guilty to the indictment charging that he feloniously broke into the Schiff house and stole two pins and a shoe horn, and pleaded guilty to the charge, sentencing him a week later to 30 years in prison. Judge Rosalsky illegally condemned the man, according to Justice Gerard.

The court held that the examination of Brandt at the time he was sentenced tended to refute the plea on the charge of first degree burglary, as he denied that he forced entrance to the Schiff house.

The name of Mrs. Schiff was frequently mentioned in connection with the case, it being said that Brandt went to the Schiff home the night of his encounter with Schiff at the request of Mrs. Schiff.

EVERGLADES PROBE HALTS

House Committee to Decide First on Scope of Investigation.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The investigation of the Florida everglades charges and the expenditures of the Agricultural Department in the reclamation of those lands came to an abrupt halt today when the House investigating committee decided to define more clearly the scope of inquiry. Senator Bryan objected to questions by Representative Harkley, Ohio, as to the desirability of draining the everglades. He submitted that the committee had nothing to do with that investigation, but that if it were undertaken, he wanted to present the Florida side of the controversy.

SPAIN ACCEPTS COMPACT

Negotiations With France Are Definitely Advanced.

MADRID, Feb. 21.—The negotiations between France and Spain regarding Morocco have been further advanced by Spain's definite acceptance of French proposals.

PITNEY'S NAME OPPOSED

Objectors May Have Confused Decisions With Father's.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Opposition to President Taft's nomination of Mahlon Pitney, Chancellor of New Jersey, to be an associate justice of the Supreme Court materialized today when Senator Kenyon, of Iowa, received from President Taft, of the Iowa Federation of Labor, a protest against Chancellor Pitney because of some of his "master and servant" decisions.

WOMEN WORKERS TO PRAY

Unionists Seek Spiritual Guidance in Their Organization.

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—Members of the Women's Trade Union League will resort to prayer in the Lenten season in the hope that it will assist them in the work of the organization.

PRINCIPALS IN SENSATIONAL CASE IN WHICH EX-VALET CHARGES HE WAS "RAILROADED" TO PRISON.



KNOX ALTERS PLAN

Secretary Will Embark Upon Cruiser at Key West.

ROUTE WILL NOT CHANGE

Hitchcock, of Nebraska, Seeks Investigation of Claim Colombia Has Against United States in Senate.

GERMAN TONE PEACEFUL

Inspired Newspaper Looks Forward to Peace.

POOLS UNDER INQUIRY

FEDERAL GRAND JURY TO EXTEND SCOPE OF PROBE.

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Charles F. Crocker, 15 Days Out From Astoria, Puts Into San Francisco.

ONE OF PUMPS DISABLED

Barkentine Is Leaking Badly and Loses 800,000 Feet of Lumber.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21.—(Special.)—The barkentine Charles F. Crocker, 15 days from Astoria and bound for Eten, put into this port at noon today in distress. The vessel was leaking badly and had three feet of water in her hold.

With about ten feet of water in her hold and minus 200,000 feet of her lumber cargo, the schooner Forester, bound for the Harbor for Santa Rosalia, put in here in distress late yesterday afternoon, reporting a terrible experience in a hurricane encountered off the northern coast.

SCHOONER IN STORM OF SAND

Cloud of Dust Envelops Alvena 75 Miles Off Shore.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Feb. 21.—With its decks covered with an inch or more of sand and the officers and crew looking as if they had returned from a desert trip, the schooner Alvena, 27 days from Columbia River, in command of Captain Abrahamson, arrived in San Diego this afternoon.

While the vessel was coming along under a fair wind, 75 miles off shore and 125 miles north of San Diego last Sunday, it became enveloped in a cloud of fine sand. The sea was smooth and the wind from the south-east. The dust seemed to drop from the sky. This condition prevailed for two days, according to the crew, and not until Point Loma was sighted late yesterday afternoon did they get out of the dust.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—It is believed here that a Federal grand jury at New York is inquiring not only into the alleged destruction of papers wanted by the Government in the "steel trust" civil suits, but also into the various pools and agreements charged in the civil bills, to ascertain whether there has been any violation of the law.

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At \$18.50 —This long, very smart Spring coat is developed of storm serge in navy, tan and white. Such shades that are always practical and modeled in a style that can be worn on any occasion.

—The rounded collar is stitched with a heavy white silk thread, and from the right shoulder is a very broad rever fastening below the waist line with large white pearl buttons.

—We are also showing another long coat at \$18.50 which is designed of white and navy serge. This coat shows a tailored collar and a nine-inch rever with deep cuffs. Trimmings of large and small pearl buttons.

—Another charming serge coat in navy and tan has a deep square collar and revers and deep cuffs. The coat is blue, has trimmings of white whipcord, very heavy corded, and embroidery of white and navy. The tan coat is self-trimmed and embroidered.

criminal section of the Sherman law. Department of Justice officials are reticent in regard to the investigation. The only statement obtainable was an assertion that the destruction of the papers suggested the grand jury inquiry.

Police Ball Is Tonight. Blue coats and brass buttons discarded for traditional "swallowtail" and "hard front" shirt, Portland's police department will disport in the annual police ball tonight in the Armory. Over 4000 tickets were reported sold for the affair. The money from the sale of tickets will be devoted to the Police Athletic Association fund.

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