

HOUSE MAY COMPEL LAWSON TO TESTIFY

Republicans Compel Action and Financier Will Be Summoned Once More.

MORE POWER IS GIVEN

Contempt Charges to Be Preferred if Bostonian Refuses to Name Congressman Who Accused Member of Cabinet.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Clothed with new powers for forcing a witness to testify, the House rules committee will call Thomas W. Lawson before it again, probably Monday, and demand the names of the Congressmen who, he says, told him that a Cabinet officer, a member of Congress and a broker were in a conspiracy to make money in the stock market on official secrets. This action came as the result of insistence by the Republican members of the House.

changed to May 1, 1917, as it was fixed by the Senate. Prompt acceptance of the report is expected and the much-discussed bill, already passed by both Houses by overwhelming majorities, probably will go to the President early next week.

As it passed the House last year, the bill was to have become effective July 1, 1916. When it was taken up by the Senate an amendment was adopted making the date May 1, 1917. The Senate accepted the change without notice, but when the report came before the House today Representative Bennet, of New York, raised the point of order, and was reluctantly sustained by Speaker Clark.



Representative W. R. Wood, Whose Resolution for "Leak" Probe Has Borne Fruit.

This plan was agreed on by the committee today after an acrimonious debate between Democrats and Republicans on the floor of the House had advanced the generally accepted idea that agitation over the disclosure of the advance of President Wilson's peace note was about to subside.

LANSING'S AIDE RISES

REPUBLICAN NOMINATED AS ASSISTANT STATE SECRETARY.

President Names William Phillips in Spite of Strong Pressure for Political Appointment.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—William Phillips, of Massachusetts, Third Assistant Secretary of State, was nominated by President Wilson today as Assistant Secretary of State to succeed John E. Osborne, who recently resigned.

Breckinridge Long, a St. Louis lawyer, was nominated as Third Assistant Secretary of State.

Mr. Phillips, who is a Republican, has been in the diplomatic service for 13 years, and since the beginning of the European war has devoted his attention as Third Assistant Secretary almost exclusively to European affairs.

His record of promotions in the service has been regarded as exceptional and his elevation to a post second in rank only to the Secretary and counselor of the department is understood to have been decided on despite strong pressure to induce the President to make a political appointment.

Besides holding several diplomatic posts abroad, Mr. Phillips was for a time chief of the department's bureau of Far Eastern affairs. He is 38 years of age and a member of the faculty of the Harvard University.

6 INDICTED FOR MURDER

NEW YORK POULTRYMEN ACCUSED OF CAUSING RIVAL'S DEATH.

Grand Jury Action Is Outcome of Confession by Man Admitting He Was Paid to Engage Gunmen.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Six poultrymen were arrested here today on indictments charging them with murder in the first degree for instigating the shooting of Barney Baff, a rival poultry dealer, nearly two years ago. This Baff was charged with confessing to District Attorney Swann that he had been made by Antonio Cardinale, who was recently brought back from Italy. According to the prosecutor, Cardinale admitted he and Ippolito Greco, who afterward was murdered, received \$4800 to employ gunmen to kill Baff.

The motive for killing Baff, it was said by Assistant District Attorney O'Malley, was revenge for Baff's supposed efforts to drive the accused men out of the poultry business.

The six men arrested are Abraham Greco, a witness in the case, and five others. Greco was held in \$10,000 bail as a material witness in the Baff case; William Simon, a member of the poultry firm of Simon & Co.; Joseph Cohen, a witness in the case; Joseph Cohen and Jacob Cohen, brothers-in-law of Jacob, and Moe Rosenstein, known, the police say, as "Chicken Moe."

DEFRAUDER IS GUILTY

AGE MAY SAVE W. M. WILKINS FROM TERM IN PRISON.

Prosecution Overlooks Need of Showing Lack of Title, but Case Is Re-opened for Testimony.

DALLAS, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—The jury in Judge Bell's court tonight returned a verdict guilty against W. M. Wilkins on trial charged with defrauding Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wilson, an elderly couple, in a business deal involving a transfer of realty and other property.

Judge Bell intimated that owing to the defendant's age, Wilkins being 69, he probably would grant him a suspended sentence, provided complete restitution was made to the Wilson couple. In this event another charge arising out of the case would be dropped, it was said.

A feature of the trial was that when the state rested its case today at noon it had failed to prove that Wilkins did not have title to the property he was charged with unlawfully selling. The defense at once asked that a directed verdict be returned.

Judge Bell, however, allowed the District Attorney to reopen the case and introduce the evidence covering this point.

Negro Legally Hanged in Georgia. M'DONOUGH, Ga., Jan. 12.—Harris Sutton, 18 years of age, convicted of assaulting a 10-year-old white girl on December 3, was legally hanged here today.

HARRY WOOD FIN RESIST REMOVAL

Philadelphia Prosecutor Refers to Crime as "Particularly Atrocious."

PATIENT'S CONDITION GOOD

Fear That Slow Poison Tablets Had Been Swallowed Is Alayed. Report Charge Is Blacked-mail Warmly Denied.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 12.—Plans for the removal to New York of Harry K. Thaw, who yesterday attempted to commit suicide in West Philadelphia, as he was about to be surrendered to the New York authorities on charges of kidnapping and assault on Frederick Gump, Jr., of Kansas City, as soon as he is able to leave the hospital, were discussed at a conference late today between counsel for Oliver A. Brower and representatives of the Thaw interests in this city and Pittsburgh.

At the conclusion of the conference, it was announced that no efforts to prevent his removal are likely to be made.

Companion Held Without Bail. Brower, who is under arrest in connection with the charges against Thaw, was today held without bail to await registration papers from New York. Brower's hearing was brief, Assistant District Attorney Black, of New York, informed the magistrate that the crime with which it is alleged Brower was connected was particularly atrocious.

Henry Scott, counsel for Brower, said that his client had nothing to do with the crime charged against Thaw. He contended that Thaw was really the only man wanted, and now is in custody, and that there was no reason for holding Brower. He said that Brower was a business friend of Thaw's in Pittsburgh, and the papers bearing on the Gump case, which were found in Brower's possession, had been given him by Thaw and that he had no knowledge of their contents.

Thaw's condition was reported good tonight, and unless complications arise, his physicians say, he will be able to leave the hospital within two weeks. Dr. Elwood R. Kirby, of this city, who was summoned by the Thaw family to attend him, said the fear that Thaw had swallowed slow poison tablets, several of which were found in his pockets, had been allayed. He said his patient had shown none of the early symptoms of the poison and that he felt sure he had taken nothing.

Assistant District Attorney Black announced tonight that as soon as Thaw was able to leave the hospital, registration will be made for his return to New York. He declared that reports that the charges against Thaw were blackmail were absolutely untrue.

"We have sufficient evidence to prove our case," said Mr. Black. "The case seems complete, and there need appear to be a chance for Thaw to prove an alibi."

LEAP SAVES BURGLARS

F. I. Fuller Surprises Invaders on Return From Theatre.

Burglars last night entered the home of Franklin I. Fuller, vice-president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, at 563 Spring street, but were frightened away before they obtained anything except a small gold-mounted watch and a pair of cufflinks. Mr. Fuller said she heard the noise of men at the veranda when she arrived at home.

Patrolmen Stuart, Tully and Morris investigated and found that the building had been entered by a hole in a window pane and unlocking the window.

TOM LONG LAID TO REST

Pythian Services Are Given Late City Hall Obit Man.

With impressive services conducted by the Knights of Pythias, Tom Long, blind City Hall cigar dealer, who died Monday at noon, was buried today. The funeral was attended by a large number of blind persons, city officials, and employees, and friends of Mr. Long.

The funeral was given by Wilson Beneficial at his own expense. Rev. A. Bishop, of Central Presbyterian Church, spoke, and commitments were made by the Knights of Pythias, to which organization Mr. Long belonged at one time.

SHOVEL TIES UP 9 TRAINS

Machine Derailed and Southern Pacific Is Blocked.

OREGON CITY, Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Five northbound and three southbound Southern Pacific passenger trains were held up this morning when a steam shovel was derailed on the main line of the Southern Pacific was blocked from 6:30 to 10:30 o'clock this morning.

The nine trains gathered at Oregon City after the shovel was moved back on the rails and managed to untangle themselves on the sidings here.

SIGNAL SYSTEM ALLOWED

Streetscars to Be Rerouted When Broadway Bridge Is Open.

The Portland Railway, Light & Power Company was authorized by the County Commission yesterday to put in a signal system whereby streetcar operators will be informed when the Broadway bridge is open.

With the use of these signals the company plans when the draw is open, to route streetcars over other bridges. The signal will notify streetcar men at a sufficient distance from the approaches to the bridge so that cars can be rerouted without delay.

WHITMER FUNERAL TODAY

Woman Accidentally Shot by Son to Have Services at Finley's.

The funeral services for Mrs. Laura Whitmer, who died Thursday at Good Samaritan Hospital from a gunshot wound accidentally inflicted by her son, will be held this afternoon at 2:30 from the Finley chapel. The remains will be taken to the Portland Crematorium.

YEAR GIVEN CLUB HEADS

SALESMEN'S NEW OFFICIALS ARE "SENTENCED" TO OFFICES.

Philadelphian Prosecutor Refers to Crime as "Particularly Atrocious."

Before Walter H. Evans, as judge, and amid wild and confused applause and protest, the newly elected officers of the Portland Salesmen's Club stood up last night and were sentenced to a year's hard labor in their respective official positions, at the annual meeting and banquet of the club at the Portland Hotel.

Deputy District Attorney Charles Robison was the prosecuting attorney, and Barnet Goldstein, Deputy United States District Attorney, defended the prisoners, while the bailiff of the court was Frank Hennessy.

District Attorney Evans gave an address on "Club Spirit." Appearing in the programme were Miss Gertrude Hooper, Mrs. Isabel Wheat, Mrs. Fred Newton, Virgil Anderson, C. L. McNeill and Miss Blanche Roark.

The new officers are: President, R. R. Coster; first vice-president, A. T. Barton; second vice-president, Bert Holcomb; third vice-president, William Grinnell; treasurer, Roy Edwards; secretary, Charles Beggs; and C. L. McNeill, Charles Beggs and A. M. Work.

A. G. Clark, the retiring president, presided over the entertainment.

TREE PLANTER LOSES HAND

Member Is Shattered by Charge of Dynamite Used as Blast.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Using dynamite to blast holes in which to insert fruit trees today, a member of the Van Nuys Fruit Growers' Association, of Felida, his right hand today.

He was blowing out the holes for the trees by using half a stick of dynamite, lighting a short fuse and pushing it into a small hole with a stick. At the time of the accident the dynamite came out with the stick, and exploded before Mr. McCann could drop it. His hand was shattered so badly that amputation about the wrist was necessary.

Mr. McCann is 38 years old, and a brother-in-law of Charles Nichols, on whose place he was working.

GIRL IS MURDERED

Man Who Had Talked to Joe Tinker Is Sought.

MOTIVE STILL IS MYSTERY

Victim Stabbed in Neck and Shot in Head—Juvenile Court Probation Officer Says She Came From Good Family.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 12.—A girl murder mystery, the circumstances surrounding which compare in many respects with the case of Maise Colbert, Philadelphia model, puzzled the Columbus police tonight.

Mona Simon, 25 years old, said to be a member of a prominent family of Grafton, W. Va., is the murder victim. Her body was found in a room of a leading hotel of Columbus today.

The police are looking for a man said to have been employed until recently in a brokerage office in Kansas City as the alleged murderer. Thus far the police have been unable to learn the motive for the crime.

Girl Stabbed and Shot. A maid opened the door to the room early today, but did not enter when she saw a body on the floor, explaining later she thought the person on the floor was sleeping there.

When the housekeeper at the hotel investigated this afternoon she found the girl's body, a slash in her neck and a bullet wound in the back of her head. Towels found in the bath adjoining the room were marked with blood, indicating the murderer had cleaned his hands before leaving. The rooms of the hotel are sound proof and not even the occupant of the adjoining suite heard the shot.

Name Probably Is Alias. The man who occupied the room had registered as "G. V. Van Brunt, of Chicago," but a local sporting writer told the police tonight he knew the man.

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