

HARRISON IS GUILTY

Coroner's Jury Returns Verdict in the Iroquois Theatre Horror.

HIGH OFFICIALS BLAMED

Round-Up of the Responsible Ones Begins and There is General Satisfaction Expressed—The Grand Jury.

(Journal Special Service.) Chicago, Jan. 25.—General satisfaction is the result of the finding of the coroner's jury, which has been sitting for three weeks to determine the responsibility of the Iroquois fire.

City officials came in for the heavy charges, and the blame, indirectly, for the great loss of life is laid at their doors.

The following are those named in the verdict rendered last night, and they are held for the grand jury:

Arthur H. Harrison, mayor of Chicago.

Will J. Davis, proprietor in part and manager of the theatre.

George Williams, building commissioner of the city.

Edward Laughlin, building inspector under Williams.

William Sellers, fireman in the theatre.

James E. Cummings, stage carpenter, William McMullen, who had charge of the lights that caused the fire.

Fire Marshal William H. Musham.

Soundings Them Up.

The rounding up of the men named by the coroner's jury as responsible for the Iroquois horror began this morning.

Mayor Harrison was not placed under actual arrest. He came down town at 10 o'clock to arrange security for his appearance.

Manager Davis was arrested at his home by two detectives and brought to the city hall.

George Williams and Floodlight Operator McMullen are locked up.

The Mayor Charged.

"We hold Arthur H. Harrison, as mayor of the city of Chicago, responsible, as he has shown a lamentable lack of force, and in efforts to escape responsibility, evidenced by the testimony, Building Commissioner Williams and Fire Marshal Musham, as heads of departments, under said Arthur H. Harrison, following his weak course, have given Chicago a lamentable service, which makes such calamities as the Iroquois theatre horror a menace until the public service is purged of incompetence."

Building Commissioner Williams is held "for gross neglect of his duty," in allowing the theatre to open its doors to the public, when the said theatre was incomplete and did not comply with the building ordinances of the city of Chicago.

Fire Marshal Musham is held responsible "for gross neglect of duty, in not enforcing the city ordinances and failure to have his subordinate, William Sellers, fireman at the theatre, report to him the lack of fire apparatus in the theatre. Sellers is held for not reporting the lack of fire apparatus; McMullen for carelessness in handling the light that caused the fire; Cummings, as stage carpenter, for not providing the stage with proper fire protection."

The Mayor Perturbed.

Mayor Harrison gave bonds for \$5,000 and Davis, Fire Marshal Musham and Building Commissioner Williams for the same amount. The bonds for others were fixed at \$2,000 each. Harrison is perturbed and haggard. He declared that the action of the coroner's jury was unfair and unwarranted and said a man with 500 heads couldn't handle the details of a city like Chicago.

KID BROAD IN FRISCO READY FOR HANLON

(Journal Special Service.)

San Francisco, Jan. 26.—"Kid" Broad said this morning that he sure would win although he had not seen Eddie Hanlon work. He watched him carefully and thinks he is a good man, but has to make a better showing than he has in the past to beat him. The "Kid" was stopping in New Orleans for a few weeks and watching the track, but as soon as he heard that it was possible to go a few with the gloves in this city he bought himself a ticket, and now he is here. Broad will be Eddie Hanlon's next opponent if everything goes right. The boys are matched to go 20 rounds under the auspices of the San Francisco Athletic club next Friday evening at catch weights.

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MANY SEEKING COUNTY OFFICES

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In that event it is probably safe to say that the office nets him over \$10,000 a year. Naturally he wants to hold on to it, and he announced long ago that he would be a candidate for re-nomination. But the Mitchell faction, which put Storey in office, is not willing to hand-icap itself so heavily as to nominate him again, fearing that he might drag the whole ticket down to defeat. His record in office is the one great blemish upon the present county administration, and it is already virtually settled that he will not have a place on the ticket. Storey asserts that if he does not get the regular nomination he will run as an independent candidate, but the threat excites no apprehensions among other aspirants. All stress point to his retirement to private life at the expiration of his present term.

Some Likely Candidates.

John Driscoll, who ran for the office of sheriff two years ago, failing of election by an extremely narrow margin, has been strongly urged by some of his friends to seek the office again. He does not seem disposed, however, to heed these suggestions. Driscoll is a member of the Port of Portland commission, and is not likely to resign that position, especially as if he should resign it might give Jack MacNeil the much-coveted opportunity to gain control of the commission.

Major C. E. McDonnell, the present assessor, is a candidate for sheriff. He has had two terms as assessor and his record in that office will help him materially. Under his administration the county assessment has been raised from \$29,000,000 to over \$50,000,000, and the burden of taxation has been much more equitably distributed than under some of his predecessors. His office has been free from the scandals that have disgraced some other departments in the county courthouse. McDonnell's personal popularity adds much to his strength as a candidate.

Lewis H. Adams, manager of the Baggage & Omnibus Transfer company, would like to enter Storey's shoes, and if the Mitchell faction wins at the primaries he will make a fight for the nomination. He has a large circle of personal friends and may prove a factor of importance.

James W. Mathews, who is taking an active part in the Mitchell campaign, is said to be in a receptive frame of mind and, if that faction wins, might develop into an avowed candidate.

Bailey and Hutchinson.

Two members of the legislature, A. A. Bailey and Joseph Hutchinson, are said to be casting long eyes at the nomination for sheriff. Both owed their election to the legislature to the labor vote. Bailey is a compositor and is employed on the Oregonian. He drew down upon himself the censure of many members of his union by the course he pursued at Salem a year ago, when in defiance of the instructions of the union, and in obedience to the wishes of the Oregonian, he opposed the Associated Press bill.

Hutchinson is now holding a position as deputy in the city hall. He gained some notoriety at the special session of the legislature by his introduction, at the request of some mysterious "friend," of the anti-gambling bill. It is a question whether either of these legislators could command heavy support from the workingmen if Nathan Bird carries out his expressed intention of making a third campaign as the labor candidate for sheriff.

Daniel Moore, who served two terms as circuit court clerk and who is identified with the Mitchell organization, thinks himself the right man for sheriff, and James Scott, Storey's former chief deputy, has been credited with a desire to make the race. Charles Burkhardt has been mentioned as an aspirant for the job, but the Mitchell faction could not afford to put forward anyone so well known as a henchman of Jack Matthews, and Burkhardt is not counted as a possibility. His past defeats as a candidate for elective office are a further argument against his nomination.

If H. C. Smith, the present circuit court clerk, should enter the race, he would command considerable strength, but as yet, at least, he is not an avowed candidate.

On the Simon Side.

If the Simon faction triumphs in the primaries, George McMillan will make a strong try for the sheriff's nomination. He is especially popular among the younger element, and is well known as the manager of the Multnomah football eleven. It is said to be the intention of the Simon faction to put forward young and new men, as far as possible, for the county offices, and McMillan's nomination would be in accord with this policy.

W. E. Steele, formerly county commissioner, and F. Wilson, an east side auctioneer, are wearing lightning rods on their hats, in the hope that the nomination will strike them if Simon carries the primaries.

The fight for district attorney will be almost as keen as that for sheriff. The salary attached to the office is \$4,000, and there are no legitimate perquisites, though the opportunity for levying tribute upon the gambling element is well known. The term is four years.

As to John Manning.

John Manning, the Democratic incumbent, expects to be nominated by his own party, and feels confident that he can be elected. Said one cynical Republican:

"Manning can line up the gamblers and the church people—and they usually vote for the same candidates—he might win out."

Manning has been in office about a year, having been appointed by Governor Chamberlain when the latter entered upon his term as chief executive. Manning counts upon strong support from Republican voters, and in this hope he has the precedent of Chamberlain's election to the same office.

Dan J. Maharkey is a candidate for the Republican nomination in case the Mitchell forces carry the primaries. He

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is an able lawyer, a ready speaker, and has some strong backing, though he is not without opposition in his own faction. L. A. McNary, the city attorney, is another Mitchell Republican who is said to be in the running. John Logan, the law librarian, is a possible candidate, and would have strong support from the members of the bar. He is popular and stands well in his profession. Logan has always taken an active part in Republican politics.

S. G. Spencer or D. Solis Cohen.

If the Simon Republicans are in the ascendant when the county convention assembles, it is highly probable that Col. S. G. Spencer will be their nominee for district attorney. He has never been a candidate for any elective office, though he has been an active factor in party politics. Colonel Spencer was appointed judge advocate-general by Governor Geer and continued to hold that position during the first year of Governor Chamberlain's administration. As a jury lawyer, Spencer has been particularly successful, and is a clear and forcible speaker. This is an important qualification in a district attorney, whose duties are largely the prosecution of criminal cases.

D. Solis Cohen has been talked of as a possible candidate for this nomination at hands of the Simon Republicans, but it is said that such talk is unauthorized and that he is not in the running. B. S. Pague, who was in the weather bureau for a number of years before he became an attorney, is another reputed candidate. "Cloudy, with possible storms," seems to be the forecast of the political weather awaiting Mr. Pague, according to some who profess to be wise in such matters.

Cleland and Fraser.

There is not likely to be any contest over the two places which are to be filled on the circuit bench. Judge Cleland's nomination seems to be conceded, whichever faction controls the convention, and it is almost equally certain that Judge Fraser will meet with no serious opposition. There is some slight anxiety as to the Mitchell faction, but it does not seem likely to reach large proportions.

If there is anyone who wants to run against Frank Fields for county clerk, he has not yet made it known. Fields has made a record during his present term, which commands him very strongly to the business men and independent voters of the county. The expenses of his department have been greatly reduced, many improvements and safeguards have been introduced, and the office has been run upon business principles. Though Fields has been identified with the Mitchell faction, it is doubtful whether the Simon Republicans would be disposed to nominate anyone else for the office. Fields is in the enviable position of being reasonably assured of the nomination whichever way the cat jumps in the primaries. The office pays a salary of \$2,500, and, as now administered, there are no perquisites.

HE BUNKOED THE LOTTERY COMPANY

San Francisco, Jan. 26.—Louis Metzger of the Little Louisiana Lottery company paid out \$7,500 on a bogus lottery ticket made by a man named E. F. Holmes, who came here recently from St. Louis. Holmes has a confederate in St. Louis, who is the one who numbered the same as the Honduras company he would wire Holmes the winning numbers in advance. Holmes brought with him a machine with which to stamp numbers on lithographed tickets. On the train he met Herman Schuchack, who came here from St. Louis with letters of introduction to prominent people here. The day before the drawing Schuchack was handed by Holmes a ticket stamped with the drawing number of the Honduras company. It was agreed between themselves that any winning would be divided between them.

BLEW BUILDINGS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY

Baker City, Or., Jan. 26.—What might have been a very serious accident and one which was rather expensive to the owners of the property occurred at the Platte group of claims on Rock creek, yesterday, which are being operated by Geiser-Hendryx company.

Just before going to dinner the miners set a box of grain powder to thaw out by the fire and before they had finished their meal the powder exploded with a terrible report and blew what is known as the timber shed and the blacksmith shop all over the country. There was nothing left to show where these buildings had stood except the big stumps.

When the foreman telephoned to Mr. Hendryx to send some more supplies he told him to duplicate the rig in the blacksmith shop except the anvil. It is fortunate that none of the men were injured.

OFFERS CHANGE OF GRADE.

A petition remonstrating against the proposed change of grade on Powell street, between Thirteenth and Fifteenth streets, has been filed with City Auditor Devlin. The petition asserts that the grade was established a short time ago, and that a change would be detrimental to property interests.

CORPORATION BUREAU ISSUES ITS REPORT

Salem, Or., Jan. 26.—The bureau of corporations in the state department has issued its annual report showing the receipts from the date of the organization of the department, May 21, 1903, to December 1, 1903, aggregating \$94,570.21. The report is as follows:

Number	Organization Fee	Declaration Fee	Annual License Fee	Sup. Increase, Dec. Fee, Inc., etc.	Total Fees
Domestic, organized for gain.....	239	\$5,195	\$4,429.48	\$	\$9,624.48
Domestic, org'd. charitable, etc.....	27	185			185.00
Domestic, supplemental articles.....	20	550		\$100	1,000.00
Domestic, increase of stock.....	29	550			1,078.31
Domestic, decrease of stock.....	43	550			2,100.00
Domestic, dissolution.....	47		135.23	235	\$70.23
Domestic, filing annual report.....	1899		\$3,785.00		\$3,785.00
Foreign, filing declarations, etc.....	177	\$8,850	17,651.59		\$26,501.59
Foreign, filing reports July 1, 1903.....	3		375.00		\$75.00
Totals.....		\$5,980	\$8,850	\$88,905.31	\$102,180.31
Domestic, delinquent annual license fee.....	181		7,610.00		7,610.00
Net receipts May 21, to Dec. 31, 1903.....					\$94,570.21

TO RECLAIM 240,000 ACRES IN IDAHO

Nelson Bennett, the man who says he fell heir to the Tacoma Ledger one time because of an old debt, and "it cost me \$120,000 before I could get rid of it" is in Portland today on his way to Tacoma to visit his family.

Mr. Bennett is engaged at present in constructing the Twin Falls canal in Idaho, which, when completed, will cost in the neighborhood of \$3,000,000, and will reclaim 240,000 acres of land. The canal will be 63 miles in length and its construction is made possible by the Carey act.

Mr. Bennett is well known in the Northwest and in Alaska. He built the famous Stampedo tunnel on the Northern Pacific. It is rumored that he is interested in the construction of the Alaska Central railway, but Mr. Bennett denies this, and says he has all he can attend to on the Idaho ditch.

"I am on my way home to visit my family," he said, "and just stopped off in Portland between trains."

Mr. Bennett has figured in the politics of Washington more or less during the past 15 years, and while proprietor of the Ledger was a strong rib in the Republican ship.

SEVEN MORE ORDERS JOIN THE TEMPLE

Seven more fraternal societies applied for admission to the Fraternal Temple association yesterday afternoon, giving the organization a membership now of 30 orders.

Reports of committees to draft rules were received at yesterday's session and the following committee was appointed to proceed with permanent organization and order of business: A. B. Ferrera, Mrs. L. E. Connell, F. Joplin, O. N.

REAR END CRASH ENDS IN DEATH

THREE LIVES ARE KNOWN TO BE LOST IN BURLINGTON WABCO-DENVER SLEEPER WAS DEMOLISHED - PORTLAND CAR WAS NEXT, BUT ESCAPED INJURY.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 26.—Three lives are known to be lost in a rear-end collision early this morning on the main line of the Burlington system, between an accommodation train and the Denver sleeper, which was bound for this city. The wreck occurred during a blinding snowstorm, at a water tank near Gardener station, 40 miles north of this city. The dead are: J. O. Conover of Denver, Elmer English of St. Louis, Mo., Benjamin Bennett, colored porter of St. Louis. Engineer Nunns of the accommodation train is missing, and it is believed he is buried under the debris. Seven were injured, but not seriously. The express train was taking water, and the rear end of the train was standing on the bridge over Gardener creek, when the crash came. The rear car, which was the Denver sleeper, was demolished and a majority of the occupants were either killed or injured. The car ahead was the Portland sleeper, but all its occupants escaped injury. The accommodation train took fire and was destroyed.

BEAU BRUMMEL AMONG ROBBERS

San Francisco, Jan. 26.—A halo of romance has been thrown around the man who is held in custody at San Luis Obispo charged with having robbed the Sunset Limited train last Thursday. Though from the very moment he was arrested he has obstinately refused to make known his identity the longer he appears in prison under the pseudonym of John Doe, the more the detectives say his real name is Walter McGuire, and that for a number of years he passed under the assumed name of Walter Clark.

It appears that there are two reasons for the prisoner's reticence concerning his personal history. One is that he is a deserter from the United States army. The second reason is considered to be more important, as that he is a well-connected young man, born of wealthy parents and brought up in luxury. Unsavory as McGuire's reputation as a servant of Uncle Sam must be, from the manner in which the service there is enough known about him that will bear out the theory that he is no common robber. He served at Fort Stevens, near Astoria, and was known at the fort as one of the most particular men there concerning his personal appearance. He had two sets of uniforms, and so far as regulations would permit was the Beau Brummel of the post. Detectives will not give out further information, but they say they know his people, who are wealthy.

\$300,000 FIRE.

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