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## JURY FINDS THAW IS NOT GUILTY

### DEFENDANT COMMITTED CRIME WHILE TEMPORARILY INSANE

### MUST GO TO AN ASYLUM

Prisoner Feared That He Would Be Dealt Harshly With by Talesmen—Wife Was Confident of Light Sentence.



THIS SKETCH SHOWS THE MEETING OF HARRY K. THAW AND EVELYN NESSBIT THAW AFTER THE SHOOTING OF STANFORD WHITE, AT MADISON SQUARE GARDEN. THE SKETCH IS DRAWN FROM A DESCRIPTION OF THE SCENE AS GIVEN BY WITNESSES AT THE TRIAL OF HARRY THAW.

New York, Feb. 1.—Harry Thaw will have to spend some time in an insane asylum. The jury this morning returned a verdict of not guilty on account of insanity and committed the prisoner to Matteawan. This means that Thaw will probably be forced to remain at that institution for some weeks or months, after which he will in probability be removed to a private sanitarium, then discharged as "cured."

The jury remained out all night and did not arrive at a verdict until a great mass of exhibits in the case had been carefully gone over and as carefully discussed. It was not long after daybreak when the verdict was sent out and immediately a great crowd assembled about the newspaper offices to hear the particulars. Word was sent by telephone the night he appeared in court, who gave it to Clerk Penny who read aloud, "Not guilty on the ground of insanity."

Last evening Thaw was in a very downcast frame of mind. He seemed to imagine that the case would be decided against him and when he learned that the jury had been locked up for the night he appeared extremely nervous and secured little rest during the balance of the night.

Evelyn Nesbit Thaw on the contrary was optimistic and told through the Thaw attorneys that she believed her husband would be acquitted. She did not even consider it probable that Thaw would have to go to an asylum, maintaining that the husband's weakness was due to his extremely nervous disposition and that the taint of insanity could be obliterated with careful attention to well known methods of dealing with such patients.

Littleton was greatly elated over the verdict and congratulated Thaw and his young wife. Mrs. Thaw, Harry's mother, wept silently when she realized that her son had been sent to the bleak asylum for the criminal insane.

There were a few awful moments as the jury filed in to deliver the verdict. Rumor had it that it was to be another split jury and Thaw and his wife dreaded the ordeal of another trial, and a repetition of the strokes of both their lives. Harry looked the jurors in the eye as they went by but there was nothing to be learned.

The verdict seems to satisfy public opinion in New York.

Attorney Littleton said: "The verdict is not a surprise to me. I expected that the jury would find a verdict of not guilty, but I did not wholly expect a commitment to an asylum. This, however, does not mean so much as it is supposed."

Dist. Attorney Jerome had little to say. He thought that the jury had miscarried and that the jury had been affected by woman's tears and the general feeling against Stanford White.

John Temple Graves of the Hearst service thus summed up the position of Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw for his newspapers:

"How any wholesome woman, old or young, could have loved Harry Thaw is impossible to see. Nothing but the ab-

### FIRST BLOW AT HARRIMAN

Government Files Suit to Dissolve Merger Between Union Pacific and Southern Pacific—Other Actions Will Be Filed Soon.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Salt Lake, Utah, Feb. 1.—The government's suit to dissolve the merger between the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific railroads was filed here in the federal court this morning by District Attorney H. E. Booth. This is the first of a series of suits which the government will file against E. H. Harriman to break his railroad monopoly. Others will follow which will be directed against all of Harriman's lines and allies. The Southern Pacific officials have been racing across the country in a special train, reaching this city yesterday to build up a defense against the blow, which is aimed to break their hold on the people of all territory they tap. A conspiracy in restraint of trade and illegal monopoly of the transportation

### WILDE CUTS LARGE SUM OFF BANK SUBSCRIPTION

President of German-American Bank Angered at Attack Made Upon Plan of Reorganization of the Oregon Trust—Judge Commends the Expert's Report.

L. J. Wilde, president of the German-American bank, has lopped off \$25,000 of his subscription to the stock of the reorganized bank. This action was taken by him peremptorily yesterday afternoon following the issue of a local evening paper in which appeared a labored attack on the reorganization plan. Mr. Wilde's anger arose, and in spite of remonstrances of his friends he declared he would reduce his subscription \$25,000 every time the newspaper in question repeated its attack, until he was out of the reorganization altogether. It is said the report of Charles P. Pfahler, a well known expert accountant, made in connection with the receiver's report, is an exceptionally plain and business-like document. It has been highly complimented by Judge Gantenbein, who has said it is an admirable statement of conditions existing in relation to the bank and the proposed merger.

A hearing on the petition of the receiver to sell the assets of the suspended bank to the German-American bank was given by the court this afternoon, when the attorneys for the various interests involved appeared and threshed out their contentions. The court is expected to make an order for or against the merger next Monday.

### WANTS HOQUIAM POLICE PROBED

Councilman Asks That the Grand Jury Be Called to Hear Charges.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Hoquiam, Wash., Feb. 1.—Councilman John Richardson exploded a bomb at last night's council meeting when he offered a resolution calling for a grand jury, the resolution being as follows: "The recent upheaval in the police force of Hoquiam has developed a state of affairs in Hoquiam and Chehalis county that is a blot on civilization. Wherever there are charges and counter charges of graft, bribery and extortion and malfeasance in office; now therefore be it resolved, that the mayor and council of the city of Hoquiam that your honor assemble a grand jury in special session to inquire into civic affairs of Hoquiam and elsewhere throughout the county, as may lawfully come before it." It is not likely that a grand jury will be called. The matter was laid over for one week.

### RUSSIANS SAY JAPS WANT WAR

Gen. Kuropatkin Declares United States Should Beware of Assurances Made by the Mikado—Warns Against Treachery.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Berlin, Feb. 1.—Herr M. Reusner professor of international law, has furnished the American correspondent with the following extracts from a letter received from General Kuropatkin, former minister of war in Russia. "I am following with special attention the Japanese-American diplomatic relations. I am able to do, after certain experience and away from my official position. The Japanese-American relation is at the present time just equal to ours previous to the war. The Americans themselves might not be able to conceive it as deeply as an experienced foreigner, therefore I wish to give you certain facts: "The psychology of the Japanese is the reverse of ours and of the Americans. It is important to know that fact. When a Japanese says to you he likes you and is your intimate friend it is not true. The Japanese are the most sly nation I ever saw imagine, and you ought to take in dealing with a Japanese just the reverse of what he assures you. Such is the behavior of our merchants in the east dealing with the Japanese business men, and that should be considered also in the Philippines and great national affairs. I will show the facts.

### Officer Condemns Stupid Americans Who Laugh at Possibility of Fight—Pretensions of Friendship Are False.

"Several years before our war with Japan there could be noticed a hidden hostility toward the Russians, but we did not pay any attention to it. The hidden hostility was intensified and the Japanese government and newspapers began to announce that Russia was their best friend and that there could never be any trouble between them. We believed those supposedly sincere assurances and suppressed all utterances in regard to the Japanese politics. But that was a great mistake and the cause of our failure.

Japs Are Wily. "After the Boxer rebellion in China our government occupied Manchuria and displayed a great friendship in the far east. I could notice the change of attitude toward us, of which I made a long report to the czar. It was a very peculiar position and the czar recommended me to make a tour through Japan and the far east. I was received with great friendship and new assurances by the mikado and his people that pacific relations between Japan and Russia had never been as strong as then.

"Then I returned from my trip home and pacified all excitement, but while doing this officially I had an intuitive feeling that there was a trick back of all this cordial Japanese assurance, but I could not express officially my personal opinion. Another point was that I did not see a sufficient cause for war, because we kept strictly within our obligations and the private affairs in Korea, which seemed to excite some Japanese business interests were so insignificant for a political trouble that I did not pay them any attention.

"The Japanese government and newspapers continued to be our greatest friends until the very moment war was declared. "Looking at the American situation I

### BROOKLYN BANK GOES TO WALL

Run on Small Institution Puts It in Hands of State Department.

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Feb. 1.—After withstanding a run for several days, the Home bank of Brooklyn failed to open its doors this morning. The bank is capitalized at \$100,000, and had deposits estimated at \$245,000. It is reported that the state banking department will take charge of the institution.

### IN A COMMON CAUSE



### PLUCKY WOMEN SAVE HOUSE

Unable to Unlock Door to Room in Flames, Brave Housewives Creep Along Narrow Cornice of Third Floor—Gain Entrance Through Window.

Two women by exercising sheer nerve and quick judgment yesterday afternoon saved the flat at 275 North Twelfth street from burning. Unable to reach the fire in any other way Mrs. James White and Mrs. Charles Fox climbed around the narrow wooden sill surrounding the third story of the building and by passing one another buckets of water kept the fire under control until the fire department arrived and extinguished it with chemicals.

Mrs. Fox and Mrs. White were alone in the house with the two small Burns children, Lena and Lester, in their charge. During the high wind storm the flue of one of the chimneys was blown down and sparks flew into a clothes closet in the apartments of Mrs. White. The kerosene in some lamps left on the closet shelf was ignited in a minute and set fire to the clothing. When the women smelled the smoke they attempted to reach the White apartment but the night lock had sprung and they were unable to gain entrance through the door.

The only thing left was to crawl around the 12-inch wooden cornice from the kitchen window and reach the fire by means of Mrs. White's bedroom window. This meant a trip of more than 30 feet around the corner of the house with nothing to cling to but the clasp-boarding of the walls. The wind was blowing a gale outside, and was not only creating a strong draft for the fire but made the feat of climbing around the wooden sill, 40 feet above the ground a dangerous one. "Well, I'll do it," said Mrs. White, after she had taken a glance at the situation. Then sending the children to turn in an alarm the two women got buckets, filling them at the bathtub, and Mrs. White ventured out over the cornice. Reaching the bedroom window raised the window and was able to find the source of the fire.

In order to get water, however, it was necessary for Mrs. Fox to fill the buckets in her apartments, carry them part way around on the cornice and hand them to Mrs. White, who threw them on the fire. Working in this way for nearly 15 minutes, they managed to keep the fire from spreading from the closet, and practically had it extinguished by the time the chemicals responded to the alarm. The damage was confined to the walls of the closet and the clothing, which was burned and ruined by water. Neither of the two plucky women suffered serious results from their experience further than an attack of "nerves" when it was all over.

The building is a large frame structure, used as a flat by several families, and would have burned quickly but for the prompt action of Mrs. White and Mrs. Fox.

### ORCHARD WILL NOT BE FREED

Confessed Assassin of Former Governor Steunenberg Will Stand Trial.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Caldwell, Ida., Feb. 1.—Plans are being laid for the prosecution of Harry Orchard, the confessed murderer of former Governor Frank Steunenberg. The prosecuting attorney insists that Orchard has no immunity contract and that he will have to pay the penalty for his crime. The trial will be commenced in March or April. It has been freely predicted that Orchard would be freed by the prosecution on immunity contract purchased by his testimony against Haywood and Pettibone. The prosecution denies this and Orchard himself has repeatedly sworn that he had no agreement with the state before giving his testimony. Orchard is now being held in the penitentiary at Boise.

### FIVE KILLED IN FIRE AT KANSAS CITY

Fifteen Persons Seriously Injured in Blaze Which Destroys Boarding-House at Early Hour—Occupants in Panic.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Kansas City, Feb. 1.—Five persons were burned to death and 15 seriously injured this morning when a boarding-house at Eleventh and Wyandotte streets was burned. The fire broke out before daylight this morning, when the occupants of the house were sleeping. When the alarm was given there was a panic and five lost their lives. The survivors were unable to save any of their possessions and most of them were forced to flee into the streets in their underwear. The night was the coldest of the year and the thinny clad refugees suffered severely.

### CHILEAN TENDER MEETS FLEET

Private Steamships Leave Punta Arenas to Greet Sailors Off Island.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Punta Arenas, Feb. 1.—The Chilean tender Yanco and several private steamships, through with excursionists have sailed to meet the battleship fleet off Magdalen Island. The fleet weighed anchor and sailed early today from Possession bay, 30 miles west, where the strait proper begins.

### SEVERAL INJURED IN ARSENAL EXPLOSION

(United Press Leased Wire.) Philadelphia, Feb. 1.—Several persons sustained serious injuries yesterday as the result of a fire and explosion at the Frankford arsenal, which is located in the northwest part of the city. The explosion occurred in the storage room, where a number of girls were employed making cartridges for the army. A panic started but it was quickly stopped.

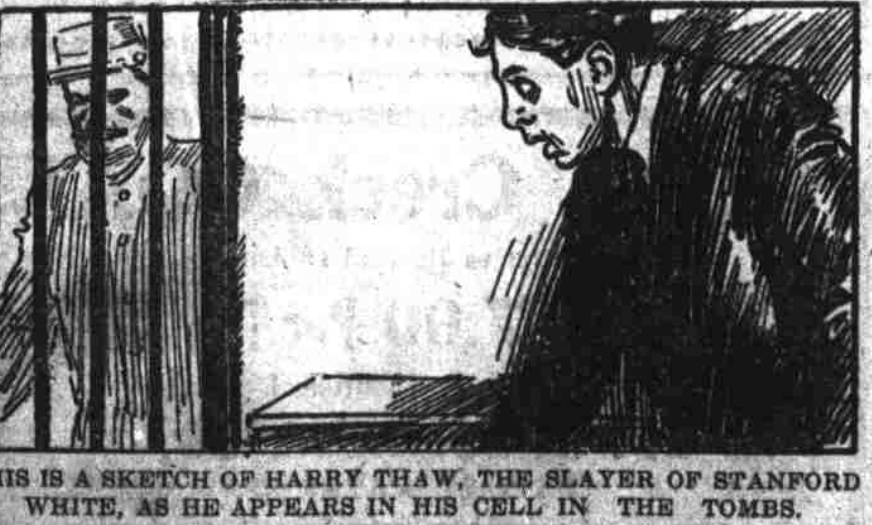
### Irish Actor Dies

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 1.—Dennis O'Sullivan, the famous Irish actor, died at the Grant hospital today after an operation for appendicitis.

### DO YOU WANT THE NEWS?

THE OREGON SUNDAY JOURNAL SUPPLIES YOU WITH ALL THE NEWS OF THE WORLD. ITS MAGAZINE SECTION IS THE BEST. HERE ARE SOME OF THE FEATURES: 18,000 MILES OF OPPORTUNITY—Connection of a hundred rivers is the greatest waterway project of the age. CHINESE OFFICIAL LEARNS AMERICAN WAYS—Appointee of emperor in Peking studying for benefit of his own country. SOMETHING GOOD TO EAT—Oregon produces a delicacy which is found nowhere else in the world. Do you know what it is? OREGON'S GREAT WATER POWER CITY—Clackamas county has one of the most important manufacturing communities in the world. HANDS THAT MAKE MUSIC—They have characteristics and individuality as well as their owners. SLANGY POSTOFFICES—Ban is put on names which do not sound well by Postmaster-General Meyer. FASHION PRANKS WITH FEMININE FORM—The draperies the world has brought from Paris in a century are varied in effect. FRESHISH FRIGIDS FOR FUNMAKERS—The Sunday Journal comic supplement is a sidesplitter. See it. NEWS THAT IS NEWS—Two leased wires and special service that covers the entire globe.

### THE SUNDAY JOURNAL



THIS IS A SKETCH OF HARRY THAW, THE SLAYER OF STANFORD WHITE, AS HE APPEARS IN HIS CELL IN THE TOMBS.