

DEATH, NOT LIFE IMPRISONMENT, MAY BE SENTENCE GIVEN DYNAMITER OF TIMES

JUDGE BORDWELL WAS NOT PARTY TO ANY ARRANGEMENT WHEREBY PLEA OF GUILTY WOULD SAVE NECK

Both Men Will Make a Clean Breast of Their Connection With the Crimes Charged Against Them—District Attorney Admits That He Has Possession of Other Moneys Used for Bribery Purposes in Connection With Case in Addition to the \$4000 Seized.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 2.—What penalty will be imposed on John J. McNamara and J. B. McNamara when they are arraigned before Judge Bordwell for sentence next Tuesday will not be known until that time. Despite all rumors to the contrary, there has been no arrangement regarding sentence. Judge Bordwell will not party to any arrangement. He will sentence the two men when they are arraigned, and if he thinks that on his plea of guilty J. B. McNamara merits death, that penalty will be imposed.

That both men will make a clean breast of their connection with the crimes charged against them before they are sentenced was stated today by the district attorney. He said that these statements will be taken into consideration by the court in passing sentence. "As far as I am concerned," said the district attorney, "I have not yet considered the matter."

District Attorney Has Bribe Money.

A sensational development in connection with the case came today when the district attorney admitted that he had possession of other moneys used for bribery purposes in connection with this case in addition to the \$4,000 alleged to have been seized from Bert Franklin. Just how much this fund amounts to he would not say.

When Captain Fredericks was asked regarding a report that there had been turned over to him money paid for the purpose of bribing witnesses, prospective witnesses and venemans which would more than pay the \$50,000 offered as reward in the case, he said: "All that I can say at this time is that there is more or less truth in this report. I cannot talk about it now. It will be a story for another day, however."

Captain Fredericks then gave the complete inside history of the negotiations which led up to the sensational surrender yesterday of the defense.

History of Negotiations Told by Fredericks.

"Last July," he said, "I was approached on behalf of the defense by Larry Sullivan, one of their investigators. He said that the defense was willing to enter a plea of guilty to murder in behalf of James B. McNamara if I would agree to drop the proceedings against John J. McNamara and turn him loose, and also to save James B. McNamara's life. I laughed at the offer. I knew the strength of my case and had no doubts of the outcome so far as either man was concerned.

"Well, about two or three weeks ago some of my friends in business circles approached me and told me that they had been approached by a man who wanted them to influence me to consent to letting one of the McNamaras plead guilty and let the other go. I soon found that this man was Lincoln Steffens, and I talked with some of my most intimate friends.

"I told just what I had and they advised me to refuse to make any concessions. Wednesday I understand certain men had a meeting and decided that I ought to accept J. B. McNamara's plea of guilty and let his brother go free. Thursday I was approached by Darrow and Davis, but it was the old proposition, and I flatly told them there was nothing doing. But that night they saw the light and came to me with what I had fought for—the confessions of guilt of both men."

Knew Guilt and Admitted It Last July.

Fredericks' statement that as long ago as last July Darrow and Davis had admitted J. B. McNamara was guilty of blowing up the Times, at a time they were asserting he was absolutely innocent, was one of the great surprises of the case. But Fredericks insisted that it simply confirmed him in his opinion that his case was a good one to try. "I'd rather have tried it than taken a plea," he said.

When the district attorney was asked whether he had been asked to consent to a plea of guilty by McNamara and then urge sentence to be suspended so he could be taken to Indianapolis to testify in the federal proceedings there, he said he did not care to discuss the matter. Later, however, he made a decidedly significant statement in this connection. Asked whether he would now make public the details of the secret confession of McNamara, he said:

"Well, if, as you suggest, he might be taken to Indianapolis, it would be improper for me to make his statements public now."

Will Not Give Out Nature of Plans.

Fredericks was asked whether he had certain California labor leaders under surveillance, one in or near St. Louis, he said:

"Well, this is a matter that I will not talk about. If I was to tell the press that I planned to prosecute certain people it would be tantamount to notifying these men in person. There are some things a lawyer would not say."

Judge Bordwell was asked regarding a report, widely circulated, that sentence might not take place on election day because of the crowds that might be attracted to the court room. He laughed at the suggestion and made it very plain that there was absolutely no danger of violence in this case.

The men must be sentenced in open court. That will be the fifth day since they were permitted to plead and the last day of grace permitted under the California code. A report that the sentence might be in secret was scouted, and it was emphatically asserted that the men will appear in open court and their reasons why the extreme penalty shall not be imposed must be made public at that time.

It is already evident that there is friction over the bargain entered into yesterday. The allegations of bad faith made against Darrow and the McNamaras increases, and the end of this case is far from being in sight.

FOR THE PEOPLE.



CAPTAIN J. D. FREDERICKS,
DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CAL.

FOG SHROUDS WRECK; 42 AT WAVES' MERCY

Several Ships Creep Through Dense Fog Endeavoring to Locate Steamer Tees—"Send Help Quickly" Is Last Word Heard.

WILL PROBABLY GO TO PIECES SOON ON ROCKS

Fog Has Held Back Work of Rescue Went on the Rocks Last Wednesday.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 2.—Somewhere in the thick fog of Kyanoot sound, Vancouver Island, is the Canadian Pacific steamship Tees, captain Gilliam, with 42 persons aboard, in imminent danger of going to pieces on the rocks.

Several vessels are creeping through the fog hunting the vessel, and unless they reach her quickly she will be lost.

The "S. O. S." signal of distress reached the United Wireless station here last night, the first word received from the vessel since she went on the rocks Wednesday morning. "Come quick. Vessel stranded on a rock and in great danger," read the message.

Then "Still alive, still on top," followed. The station asked her location but there was no answer. This morning wireless stations heard her call again.

The United States revenue cutter Tahoma is searching the treacherous waters for the Tees, as is the Canadian Pacific tug Nanoose.

SIAM HAS NEW KING CROWNED

Somdech Phra Paramendr Maha Vajiravudh Ascends Throne of His Father With Customary Oriental Pomp.

BANGKOK, Dec. 2.—Somdech Phra Paramendr Maha Vajiravudh was crowned king of Siam today with characteristic oriental pomp. King Vajiravudh, who is 31 years of age, succeeded his father King Chulalongkorn, who died in October, 1909.

The ceremony took place at the royal palace. It was a lengthy mixture of Siamese and Buddhist rites, and at its close the king, wearing the crown and royal robes, presented himself to his subjects.

The United States and the big European powers were represented either by their ministers or counsels or special ambassadors.

There will be a state banquet tonight at the palace. The festivities will last until December 10 and will cost more than \$1,000,000.

ARE KEEPING UP FIGHT IN LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 2.—Despite the fact that the developments in the McNamara case have completely overshadowed all other matters of local interest, even including the coming city elections, the workers for both Job Harriman and George Alexander have not abandoned their fight. Although the general opinion at the outset was that the agreement to accept pleas of guilty from the McNamaras meant the success of Alexander, the developments of the last few hours have not yet confirmed them.

BANKER IN SEARCH FOR MISSING WIFE



Five hundred chauffeurs and 1,000 bellboys in the principal New York hotels have joined in the search being made by John B. Sneed, wealthy cattleman and banker of Amarillo, Tex., for his wife, Mrs. Lena Sneed, who disappeared ten days ago from the Arlington Heights sanitarium in Fort Worth, Tex. They also are looking for Albert G. Boyce, Jr., a wealthy real estate operator of Amarillo, who left there about the same time. Mr. Sneed has offered a reward of \$500 for the apprehension of Mrs. Sneed and Mr. Boyce, the latter being charged with abduction.

JIM McNAMARA NOT MURDERER AT HEART--DARROW

"All I Expect Is to Have My Best Friends Understand Why I Took the Case," Says Chief Counsel for Defense

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 2.—

Half an hour after the McNamara brothers pleaded guilty a United Press correspondent walked the side streets of Los Angeles for fifteen minutes with Clarence Darrow, chief counsel for the defense. He had left his office because questions from all parts of the country were flooding in upon him by telegraph.

"All I expect," Darrow said, "is to have my best friends understand why I took the case. But the chances are that the world will not understand."

"When I took the case last March I could look ahead to this very moment and see just what was before us. All I wanted to do was to save the lives of the McNamaras. Say what you please about them, they thought they were taking the only course left to win the fight in Los Angeles. They figured themselves as soldiers in the war between capital and the common people. Whether they were right or wrong, they believed they were on the firing line.

Not Murderers at Heart.

"They are not murderers at heart, but they were destroyers of property. Jim McNamara did not intend to kill anybody. His dynamite broke the gas mains. And that's the plight I found him in. He told me the truth about it all, and because he wasn't a murderer at heart I decided to do the best I could to save his life.

"All my life I have tried to be on the side of those who lose in the unequal fight between the rich and the poor. Here was a man who, whether in the right or the wrong, tried in his own grim way to be a soldier on the same side—the side of the poor. I couldn't see him go down without giving what help I could. But I know there are many Americans who will not understand what I have done and who will be unable to analyze the spirit in which I did it. I know that I took the only possible chance there was of saving McNamara's life."

DESPITE WAR PERSIA PLANS TO STAND PAT

No Indications That Persia Will Submit, Although Russian Troops Are Advancing Toward Her Borders—Shuster's Bodyguard Increased.

AMERICA DEMANDS THAT SHUSTER'S LIFE BE SAVED

Persian Colony at Constantinople Wires Reichstag to Prevent Dismemberment.

TEHERAN, Dec. 2.—Although Russian troops are advancing on Persia with the declared intent to gobble up the monarchy, Persian officials stand pat and there is no indication of submitting.

Treasurer General W. Morgan Shuster's personal bodyguard has been doubled, as it is feared assassins will make another attempt to get rid of him. Intense excitement is rife throughout the nation and violent anti-Russian disorders are feared.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 2.—It is stated here today that urgent cables have been sent to Curtis Gould, American ambassador at St. Petersburg, and to C. W. Russell, American minister to Persia, containing the mandate that the life of W. Morgan Shuster, treasurer general of Persia, must be preserved.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 2.—The Persian colony here today telegraphed an appeal to the German reichstag to interfere in the threatened dismemberment of Persia by Russia and England.

GOMPERS TURNS FROM M'NAMARAS

Declares They Are Fanatics, and That the Best Thing They Can Do Is to Make Complete and Full Confession.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—"I would have backed up the McNamaras with my life. This is incredible. I am astounded," declared Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, today. "The McNamaras are a pair of impostors. I have a personal letter from them assuring me of their innocence. When I went to see them they again assured me of their innocence. I was satisfied the whole thing was a frame-up. I thought Detective Burns was trying to make a reputation at the expense of the McNamaras. But there is bad and there is good in every organization, and organized labor is rid of the McNamaras. They are fanatics, and the best thing they can do is to make complete and full confession."

Federation to Act.

TROY, N. Y., Dec. 2.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, today announced that the McNamaras' confession would be formally considered by the executive council of the federation at a meeting to be held at Washington on January 8, 1912.

Drops Extradition Case.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 2.—The extradition proceedings in the court of Judge McInnes against Barney O'Neil, who in 1910 came within 700 votes of being elected governor of the state of Idaho, were this morning dropped.

OLD ADAGE "MURDER WILL OUT" IS BROUGHT HOME TO SCORES WHO PINNED FAITH ON M'NAMARA

Brothers Silently Await Words Which Will Send One to Penitentiary for Life, or to His Death, and the Other to a Term of Years in Prison—Entire City Seems to Have Had a Burden Removed From Its Mind by Yesterday's Confessions.

FOR THE DEFENSE.



CLARENCE S. DARROW.

into eternity, expects to get off with a twenty-year term that will spell freedom after a trifle more than eleven years' incarceration.

Mountainous Load Lifted From Minds of McNamaras.

John J. McNamara, secretary-treasurer of the International Association of Structural Iron Workers, and his brother, James B. McNamara, slept well last night. According to the jail officials, they seemed, when they were returned to their cells after their open confession of guilt in that crowded court room, like men from whose minds a mountainous load had been lifted. Both ate their supper in silence. Then they sat for hours conversing in low, whispered tones. Their jailers did not disturb them, although their every movement was closely watched. There is always the ever-present fear of self-murder in cases of this kind, and while there was apparently nothing in this particular case on which to base such a fear, Sheriff Hammell was too experienced to take any chances. While they had in the court room their cell had been carefully searched and everything that looked like a weapon removed.

And through the silent watches of the night and again today stalwart men lounged in positions of vantage in and near the iron-barred prison. They had suspicious bulges in their clothing, and all visitors and passers-by were carefully scrutinized.

Fear No Violence, But Guards Remain Ready.

There was no fear of violence; in fact, the entire town seemed to have had a burden removed from its mind by the confessions, but these guards were in readiness should any be needed at any time. There has been no threat of any kind against the two men who are awaiting their sentence.

Their story is accepted at its face value, but there are hundreds of men and women workers who openly assert that these men, and the men who aided and abetted them, have betrayed the cause of labor. Their acts are warmly condemned by the thousands of men and women who abhor violence and murder, but who "earn their bread by the sweat of their brow," but the followers of "big business" have nothing to say. Union labor accepted the word of these men that they were innocent, and is properly shocked as a result, but the men who were behind the prosecution are only interested in the effect this sudden shift in a noted trial may have on the political situation in Los Angeles.

Politics Are Seen in Acceptance of the Pleas.

That there was politics in the acceptance of these pleas of guilty five days before the hottest-contested city election in the history of the city, is absolutely certain. Job Harriman, leading the fight against George Alexander, who was backed by the united old-line political machine and the so-called good government forces, was not consulted about the plea, although he was counsel for the accused men. Certain of his friends positively charged today that the men behind Alexander, fearful that the union labor-socialist candidates would be swept into power, pledged to repeal the anti-picketing law, reform the police and make other radical changes in the city administration, deliberately framed the episode of yesterday for the effect it would have on the campaign.

This is, however, indignantly denied by District Attorney Fredericks, who insists that the only reason for accepting the plea was to save the county the million dollars the trial was certain to cost in fees for witnesses, hotel bills, car fare, etc.

Positive Proof Found Against McNamaras.

In connection with the plea of guilty, it is asserted that the beginning of the end came several days ago. While James B. McNamara was lazing back in his chair listening to the monotonous interrogation of venemans, a man came quietly into the room and took a seat inside the enclosure reserved for lawyers. A few minutes later he was joined by another. As they gazed long at the man accused he seemed to feel their gaze and turned toward them. He caught their eyes fixed on him, looked closely, and then a mantle of red mounted to his pallid forehead. Shortly afterward he whispered to Joseph Scott of counsel and later to Clarence Darrow.

What McNamara told his counsel developed today. The men had met McNamara as he went into the alley at the Times that dark night more than a year ago. They had spoken to him at the time and he had answered them. And the murderer realized that this was the positive proof that Fredericks had boasted of. The chain about him had been clinked, and he