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CONTRACT AWARDED FOR CANNERY IN SALEM

PLANT WHICH IS TO EMPLOY 300 IS TO BE BUILT

A. J. Anderson is Given Job and Building is to be Finished and Equipped for Operations June 1--Enormous Quantities of Fruit Raised in Marion and Other Counties Will be Taken Care of--Capacity of Not Less Than 75,000 Cases Annually--Equipment to be Modern--No Trouble Will be Found in Disposing of Entire Output--May Include All Vegetables Later.

The contract for the construction of Mr. Allen states that there is a great demand for canning facilities for the smaller fruits and that the new plant will soon be in shape to handle all of the produce brought in this year.

Preparations Completed. According to W. G. Allen, who is to manage Hunt Bros' cannery, there is nothing to prevent Mr. Anderson, the contractor, from beginning actual construction today, the contract papers having been sent to California for necessary signatures and the land upon which the plant is to be erected being already cleared of all old buildings and fences preparatory to foundation work.

Warehouse Next Year. The work of getting the working plant in order for operation will take up the company's time this year, but Mr. Allen states that next year a big concrete warehouse will be constructed near the plant. When completed, the new plant will cost in the neighborhood of \$50,000.

Operate June First. The new cannery establishment will be ready for the 1914 crop, the machinery having all been ordered and expected to arrive within a short time and the building expected to be completed in time to enable the company to make all necessary preparations to start operation the first of June.

Must Have Market. It depends on the market to some extent as to the amount of fruit which the new cannery will handle. Mr. Allen states that if the market is good, there will be no limit to the bulk of produce to be canned. He believes that there will be no trouble along this line, however, as the Oregon fruits are in great demand all over the United States and that it is beyond question that Marion county raises some of the finest fruit in the world.

Give Fruits Preference. For the time being at least, the cannery will handle fruits most extensively such as berries of all kinds, pears, apples, peaches and possibly plums.

Mr. Allen states that about 75 per cent of the fruits received will be contracted ahead, while it is surprising to know the amount of fruit received at canneries at the door. The fruitmen in Marion county will not be compelled to spend much of their time waiting for places to dispose of their crops hereafter or as soon as the new cannery plant is in operation, as with a canning capacity of over 75,000 cases in five months, the fruit can be handled fast and in enormous quantities.

The machinery for the plant will be in the city before the building is completed, states Mr. Allen, and it will be set up in the shortest possible time. The most of the canning equipment is coming from California and Portland while some of it is being purchased in the east. The eastern machinery, however is not suitable for the canning of small fruits and other classes of fruits which are raised in the west for the reason the eastern canners have no call for such equipment. The machinery will be strictly modern and capable of turning out the work at a great rate and in a thorough manner.

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FOUR GUNMEN TO DIE BUT BECKER IS GIVEN NEW TRIAL BY COURT

Former Police Lieutenant of New York Will Have Another Chance.

ERRORS OF JUSTICE CITED

One Member of Circuit Court Votes Against Giving Alleged Head of Graft System New Trial.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 24.—Former Police Lieutenant Charles Becker, of New York City, under sentence of death in Sing Sing prison for the murder of Herman Rosenthal, was granted a new trial today.

The retrial was granted Becker by the circuit court of appeals. Six of its members voted in favor of his application for a new trial. Justice Werner opposed the application.

The court's opinion was written by Justice Hiscock, and the lower court's decision was reversed, as a result of errors by Justice Goff, who presided at Becker's trial.

Four gunmen under sentence of death for the actual killing of Rosenthal were denied new trials.

It was alleged at Becker's trial that the gunmen killed Rosenthal at Becker's instigation.

WOULD RETAIN WATER LINES.

Washington, Feb. 24.—Seven railroads today petitioned the interstate commerce commission for permission to retain water lines under the Panama canal act. The Southern Pacific, operating the Pacific Mail ships, and the Spokane & Seattle railroad, operating Columbia river boats, were among the seven.

WEALTHY CINCINNATI MEN ARE ACCUSED BY GIRL OF BUT 16 YEARS

Cincinnati, O., Feb. 24.—Colonel Brent Arnold, aged 65 years, general freight agent for the Louisville & Nashville railroad, and a prominent society and club man, was today served with a juvenile warrant, charging him with contributing to the delinquency of Mildred Crane, aged 16 years, a former employe of a manicure parlor. Warrants also were issued for three other prominent men, including a millionaire manufacturer.

JAPANESE CONTRACTORS INVOLVED IN GREAT GRAFT SCANDAL

Yokohama, Japan, Feb. 24.—There was a big sensation here today following last night's arrest of three big native contractors, charged with complicity in the navy graft scandal.

MRS. DROWN GOES ON TRIAL FOR HER LIFE AND PLEADS INSANITY

Oakland Woman Fired by Jealousy When She Ended Life of Rich Helpmate.

BITTER FIGHT PROMISED

Trial Will Be Long and Sensational, It Is Believed, and Much Testimony Will Be Introduced.

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 24.—Mrs. Amelia Drown, who early on the morning of October 24 last shot to death her husband, Archer C. Drown, at their beautiful Rand street residence here, went on trial for her life today before Superior Judge Frank B. Ogden.

Both the prosecution and the defense had made elaborate preparations to fight the case to the last ditch.

Mrs. Drown has surrounded herself with an array of California's best criminal lawyers, of which Judge A. L. Frick will be counsel in chief. District Attorney W. H. L. Hynes will personally supervise the prosecution. Willard N. Drown, a brother of the dead man, will lend his moral, if not actual support to the accused woman.

Will Plead Insanity.

Mrs. Drown, who has freely admitted that she shot her husband to death, will plead temporary insanity and will attempt to show that she was unbalanced by the alleged actions of her husband, whom she charges was unduly intimate with Mrs. Marie Miller, whom it is alleged Mrs. Drown attempted to slay, following the killing of her husband. The defense also will attempt to prove that Mrs. Drown has become a victim of hereditary insanity.

That the trial will be a long and sensational one is predicted because of the nature of the testimony which developed at the preliminary hearing and the additional fact that the prosecution and defense have announced they have fresh testimony on which they are relying. At the preliminary hearing Mrs. Drown was in a state of mental collapse and immediately went into hysterics when she heard the word "murder" or when she was called upon to testify.

The murdered man, Archer C. Drown, was a member of one of San Francisco's oldest, wealthiest and most prominent families and a son of the late Judge Drown, pioneer attorney and one time chancellor of the Episcopal church. The surviving brothers of Archer Drown are prominent San Francisco attorneys.

Confesses Killing.

The dead body of Archer Drown, reposing in his bed in the Rand residence was not discovered until almost 24 hours after his death, and it was not learned that he had been killed until the wife, who had spent the evening in San Francisco at the Portola celebration, confessed to a prominent merchant that she had shot her husband. Miller Drown was summoned and a party went to the Drown home in Oakland. Dr. E. J. Boyes entered the room and found Drown lying dead with two bullets in his head. A pool of congealed blood had formed under the pillow and the walls were spattered with brains and blood. Drown's posture and expression seemed to indicate that he met instant death while asleep.

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The Weather

The Dickey Bird says: Oregon, tonight and Wednesday rain west portion, cloudy in east portion, and probably rain or snow, southerly winds.

Estimated Only Half of Women Registered Vote



Mr. and Mrs. D. E. B. Abbott, 842 Crescent Place, registering on their golden wedding anniversary.

Chicago, Feb. 24.—Chicago women who registered for the city primaries failed to vote today. This was due to a lack of contests in some wards, and to the disagreeable weather. The registration of women was about 150,000, but it was estimated that not more than 75,000 women went to the polls. The heaviest woman vote was between 10 and 12 o'clock and between 2 and 4 o'clock. The early vote in the first ward was light.

OHIO'S EXCISE TAX LAW IS UPHELD BY U.S. SUPREME COURT

Washington, Feb. 24.—The supreme court today validated the Ohio excise law, one of the most drastic in the country. It provides a four per cent tax on the gross interstate earnings of railroads and provides special taxes for other corporations doing business there.

The Ohio River and Western Railroad and the Marietta, Columbus & Cleveland railroad tested the constitutionality of the Ohio excise tax law in suits against the Ohio tax commissioner and state treasurer, respectively.

That the tax was discriminatory by providing different rates on different classes of corporations was declared by the railroads. They also asserted the 4 per cent levy on gross interstate earnings was confiscatory.

The federal district court of Ohio held the law to be constitutional, but granted an injunction against its operation pending the final decision today of the supreme court.

AMOUNT NEEDED FOR CANAL.

Washington, Feb. 24.—Colonel Geo. E. Goethals, builder of the Panama canal, yesterday afternoon appeared before the house appropriations committee. He told its members that an appropriation of \$2,531,830 would be needed for canal appropriations this year.

Secretary of War Garrison, Major-General Leonard Wood and General Crozier also testified before the committee.

NOMINATIONS FORCED.

Washington, Feb. 24.—The senate committee late yesterday favorably reported out the following nominations: Charles Walton of Fresno to be United States marshal for the southern district of California and James Mc Govern of Wilbur, Wash. to be United States marshal for the eastern district of Washington.

BRIDE OF ONE WEEK IS SLAIN

Abraham Pepper, Rejected by Mrs. Johnson, Deliberately Plans Crime.

ALSO SHOTS SELF BUT WILL RECOVER

Pretends He Wanted to See Her on Important Matter in 'Frisco Hotel.

(UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.)

San Francisco, Feb. 24.—Abraham Pepper, a lace salesman, today shot and almost instantly killed Mrs. Dorothy Johnson of Tacoma, Wash., a bride of a week, here with her husband on a honeymoon trip. Then Pepper fired a bullet into his own head, but physicians say he will probably recover.

Mrs. Johnson before her marriage was Miss Danhauser. She was 24 years old and a brunette of a strikingly beautiful type.

Pepper had been a suitor for his victim's hand for more than a year and broke down when he heard of her marriage a week ago to S. L. Johnson, Tacoma representative of the Sherman-Clay company of San Francisco.

About 10 o'clock Pepper called up Mrs. Johnson over the telephone and said he wished to see her on an important matter. She consented to see him. Mrs. Johnson notified Pepper, however that the conference must be brief and that she would see him in the hallway of the Sutter hotel.

Shoots Her Down.

Pepper flattened himself against the wall beside the door of the room occupied by Johnson and his wife. As she emerged from the room, clad in a dressing gown and felt slippers, Pepper drew a revolver. With a muttered curse he pressed the revolver against the back of her head and fired. To make sure of accomplishing his purpose Pepper stooped and fired another shot into the prostrate body. Then he sent a bullet into his right temple.

Johnson ran from the room with the first shot and reached his wife's side just after Pepper fired the bullet into his own head.

"My God!" he exclaimed over and over again. "He has shot my wife."

Husband Tells Story.

In broken sobs the prostrate husband then told the story of Pepper's rejection by his wife.

Pepper met the Johnsons at the ferry building when they arrived here five days ago and congratulated them. Again two days later, he sent them flowers, professing pleasure at their marriage and wishing them many years of happiness.

Learning that Mrs. Johnson had come into an estate of \$25,000 from a relative, Hermann Klaber, who went down with the Titanic, he made this an excuse for seeking an interview and that was the important matter referred to when he telephoned to her.

Pepper regained consciousness shortly after reaching the Central Emergency hospital, and made the following statement to Detective Dolan:

Says She Jilted Him.

"I had been going with Mrs. Johnson for a number of years, and she made me believe that we were to be married, right up to the last moment. Then she married the other fellow.

"I came to San Francisco from Tacoma, so I could forget the whole affair. Then they had to come down here on their honeymoon. Everywhere I went I seemed to meet them, and it simply drove me insane.

"I did not want to shoot her. I merely wanted to kill myself. I told her when I called at the hotel that I

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