

REFUSES TO GRANT WARRANTS

New York, March 24.—If the grand jury which is investigating some of the conditions developed by the recent legislative investigation reaches the conclusion that contributions of insurance company funds to political campaign committees were made with intent to deprive or defraud the true owner of his property, it must find that larceny was committed. This opinion was expressed by Justice O'Sullivan in the court of general sessions in answer to a presentation on the subject submitted to him by the grand jurors.

"You are not to go seeking for shelter as an excuse to avoid an unpleasant duty," he said. This opinion is, in effect, directly opposite to one upon the same subject which was given by District Attorney Jerome several days ago. Mr. Jerome in his brief, which was submitted to Justice O'Sullivan, held that there was no ground for prosecution of any insurance officials in connection with the campaign, taking the ground that no intent to defraud had been shown.

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STRUCK BY LIGHTNING IN PULPIT

Rev. J. B. Lentz Killed at Carson, Ia. While Preaching. Carson, Ia., March 26.—While he was preaching to his congregation Rev. J. B. Lentz, pastor of a Lutheran church, was struck by lightning, which caused his death in an hour. The bolt descended during a hard thunder storm and was communicated to the preacher by a chandelier hanging directly over his head.

Twain's Books Barred From Children. New York, March 27.—Mark Twain's "Huckleberry Finn" and "Tom Sawyer" have been barred from children considered under the age of discretion by an order issued by the Brooklyn public libraries. The order went into effect some time ago, but its promulgation was not made public until after Samuel L. Clemens (Mark Twain) had been notified that these books were considered unfit for the youthful, after the authorities had given the matter serious consideration.

Murdered His Old Father. Valdosta, Ga., March 27.—News was received here of the death of John Brant, 81 years old, at his home at Nashville, Berrien county, as the result of injuries inflicted by his son, Bob Brant, aged 37 years. The report says that the younger man, under the influence of liquor, attacked and abused his father and left him for dead. Bob Brant defied arrest, but finally was overpowered and lodged in jail, with the charge of murder against him.

Life Insurance Swindle. Parkersburg, W. Va., March 26.—S. V. Duckworth, who was an agent of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, is under arrest, charged with taking out policies under fictitious names, forging death certificates and collecting the amounts of the policies. He is held under one charge, but is said to have collected a dozen or more policies aggregating many thousands of dollars.

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A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Wednesday, March 21. The pension appropriation bill, amounting to \$140,000,000, has been passed by the senate.

A railroad snow plow ran into a horse near Dayton, O., and was hurled from the track, killing the three men who operated it.

Hon. W. C. Arnold, a prominent lawyer of Dubois, Pa., died suddenly at Muskegon, Mich., where he was looking after legal matters.

A fast freight train on the Reading railroad was wrecked near Shamokin, Pa., by running into a pile of lumber. The engineer was killed.

Thursday, March 22. Congressman George R. Patterson, of the 12th Pennsylvania district, died suddenly at Washington.

Nearly a score of families were made homeless and property valued at \$27,000 was destroyed by fire at Point Pleasant, N. J.

The world's record in blindfold typewriting was broken in Chicago by Miss Rose Fritz, who wrote 4007 words correctly in 60 minutes.

Despondent over ill health brought on by the death of her husband, Mrs. Ruth A. Odgers, of Philadelphia, committed suicide by inhaling illuminating gas.

A verdict of not guilty was rendered in the case of Dr. Francis M. Morgan, who was on trial at Norfolk, Va., charged with performing a criminal operation upon Mrs. Josephine Davis.

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J. Edward Addicks' 300-acre farm near Wilmington, Del., was sold at sheriff's sale to Alexander B. Cooper, who is said to represent Addicks, for \$35,000.

Henry R. Thomas, former state railroad commissioner of South Carolina, fell dead from heart disease on his farm near Columbia, and his body was not discovered until a day later.

Saturday, March 24. The Mt. Holly Inn, a famous summer resort near Carlisle, Pa., was destroyed by fire.

General Julio Sanguly, who became prominent in the Cuban revolution, died at Havana.

George Cyphers, of New York, dropped dead while attending the funeral of his sister at Easton, Pa.

A bill has been introduced in congress to appropriate \$50,000 for a bronze statue of Samuel J. Tilden, to be erected in Washington.

Herman Reckling, of Hazelton, Pa., committed suicide by tying a stick of dynamite about his neck and hitting it with a hammer, blowing his head to pieces.

Monday, March 26. Five members of the family of Pedro Mezo, presidente of La Dura, Sonora, Mexico, have been slain by Yaqui Indians.

President Thwing, of Western Reserve University, speaking at Chicago, declared not over 5 per cent. of college graduates go to the bad.

A carpet tack caught between cog wheels caused a spark that resulted in the blowing up of the Phoenix powder plant near St. Louis and killing two employes.

George Schoenerberger, 5 years old of Allentown, was cutting pictures out of a paper when he fell on the scissors, both blades going through his left arm, breaking it.

Tuesday, March 27. An explosion of gas wrecked two dry goods stores at Osage, Ia., causing a loss of \$75,000.

Andrew Carnegie will give \$25,000 to the endowment fund of Roanoke (Va.) College if a like sum is raised.

Fire at Fayetteville, N. C., destroyed 11 buildings in the centre of the city, entailing a loss estimated at \$300,000.

Norval E. Board, for nearly 40 years associated with the Baltimore (Md.) Sun, died of pneumonia, aged 69 years.

Charles W. Saum, a Harrisburg, Pa., policeman, was acquitted of murder for shooting a 12-year-old negro boy when he was escaping after robbing a jewelry store.

PRODUCE QUOTATIONS

The Latest Closing Prices in the Principal Markets.

PHILADELPHIA—FLOUR steady; winter extras, \$3.35; Pennsylvania roller, clear, \$3.25 @ 3.40; city mills, fancy, \$4.00 @ 4.70. RYE FLOUR firm; per barrel, \$3.65. WHEAT firm; No. 2, Pennsylvania red, new, \$2 1/2 @ 2 3/4; No. 2 yellow, local, 51c; OATS steady; No. 2 white, clipped, 36c; lower grades, 34 1/2c. HAY firm; No. 1 timothy, \$15.50 for large bales. PORK steady; family, \$17. BEEF steady; beef hams, \$22 @ 24. POULTRY: Live steady; hens, 12 1/2 @ 13c; old roosters, 9 1/2c. Dressed firm; choice fowls, 14c; old roosters, 10c. BUTTER steady; creamery, 32c; per lb. EGGS firm; selected, 16 1/2 @ 18c; nearby, 15c; western, 14 @ 15c; southern, 14c. POTATOES steady; per bushel, 62c.

BALTIMORE—WHEAT quiet; No. 2 spot, 53c; steamer No. 2 spot, 70 1/2c; southern, 76 1/2c. CORN dull; mixed, spot, 48 1/2c; steamer mixed, 46 1/2c; southern, 46c. OATS firm; white, No. 2, 36 1/2 @ 37 1/2c; No. 3, 35 1/2 @ 36 1/2c; No. 4, 34 1/2 @ 35 1/2c; mixed No. 2, 34 1/2 @ 35c; No. 3, 33 1/2 @ 34c; No. 4, 32 1/2 @ 33c. BUTTER steady; creamery separator extras, 27 1/2 @ 28c; held, 23 1/2 @ 24c; prints, 26 @ 28c; Maryland and Pennsylvania dairy prints, 16 @ 17c. EGGS fairly firm; fancy Maryland and Pennsylvania, 15c; Virginia and West Virginia, 15c; southern, 14c.

PITTSBURGH (Union Stock Yards)—CATTLE steady; choice, \$5.00 @ 5.50; prime, \$5.30 @ 5.50. HOGS active; prime heavies, \$6.70 @ 6.80; mediums, \$6.95 @ 7; heavy Yorkers, light Yorkers and pigs, \$7; roughs, \$5.50 @ 6.25. SHEEP slow; prime wethers, \$5.50 @ 6; common, \$3 @ 4; lambs, \$6 @ 7.25; veal calves, \$7.50 @ 8.

NINE SHOT BY LUNATIC

Entered Brother's House During Funeral and Opened Fire. Baltimore, March 24.—Brooklyn, Anne Arundel county, just across the Patapsco river from this city, is horrified over the deeds and death of Walter Potee, an insane man, 28 years old, who, entering his brother's house just as friends and relatives were gathering to attend the funeral of the brother's little child, opened fire with a revolver, set fire to the house, and himself died from gunshot wounds, but whether self-inflicted or not is unknown.

Potee entered the room and began firing so entirely unexpectedly that several persons were wounded before they could escape. The mother and sister-in-law of the maniac were caught in the kitchen and held prisoners there for some time. Potee then locked himself in the house and fired upon every one who approached. Nine people were injured more or less seriously by his shots from revolvers and a repeating shotgun. The crazy man found time between shots to sprinkle oil about the house and set fire to it. While it was burning fiercely Chief of Police Irwin, Henry Roberts and August E. Remmers broke in the front door and managed to save from incineration the body of the child whose funeral had been about to take place. Firemen summoned from the city finally extinguished the flames, but not before the building had been almost gutted. On the second floor was found the body of the maniac, badly burned above the waist and with a gaping wound over the heart.

SEVEN KILLED BY TRAIN

Entire Family Meets Death at Sunbury, Pa., Grade Crossing. Sunbury, Pa., March 26.—An express train on the Philadelphia & Reading railway crashed into a wagon containing Washington Neidig, aged 63 years, his sons Clarence, aged 41, and Cyrus, aged 36; Mrs. Cyrus Neidig, aged 30 and her three young children, and all were killed instantly with the exception of one of the children, who died at a hospital. The accident occurred at Hass Crossing, a short distance from this place. All the victims were residents of Ralpho township, of which Washington Neidig was supervisor. The victims were in a large covered wagon, making it very difficult for them to see the track. When the train struck the wagon the vehicle was in the center of the track, and the express was running at such a high rate of speed that the wagon was carried fully 200 yards. Several of the victims were rolled along under the engine for more than a hundred yards and were horribly mangled.

SHOT ON HER WEDDING DAY

At Thought of Parting Father Fatally Wounds Daughter and Kills Himself. Everett, Mass., March 27.—Less than three hours before the time set for her wedding Pansy E. Townsend was shot and mortally wounded by her father, Joseph P. Townsend, in their home in this city. Townsend then ended his life with a bullet.

Miss Townsend was to have been married to Francis E. Perry, of Fort Myers, Fla. The only clue to the cause of the tragedy was a note written by Townsend. It read: "I have taken my daughter's life and my own. I do this rather than see her the wife of Francis Perry."

So far as is known Townsend had nothing against Perry and the supposition is that Townsend's mind was unbalanced by reason of his love for his daughter and his brooding over the prospect of separation from her. Miss Townsend was 25 years of age.

NEW TAX BILL FOR JERSEY

Senate Passed Measure Creating County Boards of Taxation. Trenton, N. J., March 27.—The senate, with but one negative vote, passed Senator Avis' bill for the creation of county boards of taxation. Senator Minturn, who voted in the negative spoke against the bill, saying there was no popular demand for it, that it was destructive to home rule, and that it was in the interest of the railroads. Mr. Avis said the bill was a necessary one and that its purpose was to bring about equality of taxes in the different counties. The bill provides for county boards of taxation of three members to be appointed by the governor, and not more than two to be of one political party. These boards are given practically the same power now held by the state board of equalization of taxes.

RECEIVER FOR PAPER MILLS

Catawissa Concern Goes to Wall As Result of Bank Failure. Wilkes-Barre, Pa., March 27.—Judge Archbald, in the United States court at Scranton, appointed James B. Watson, cashier of the People's Bank of Danville, receiver of the mills of the Pennsylvania Paper Mills company, at Catawissa, Pa. The appointment of a receiver was necessary because the bank failed.

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The Catawissa plant is one of the largest paper mills in the state and has cost \$350,000. The receiver will complete improvements now under way and operate the plant for the benefit of the creditors. William D. Beckley, arrested on charge of conspiracy in connection with the Freedland bank failure, is secretary-treasurer of the Pennsylvania Paper Mills company.

Counterfeiter Gets Two Years. Tampa, Fla., March 24.—Judge Bordman sentenced George H. Stephens, formerly a professor in Lafayette College at Easton, Pa., to a term of two years in the penitentiary for counterfeiting. The term will date from the incarceration of Stephens eight months ago. Stephens wept when led away by the officers.

Died Trying to Save Grandmother. Waverly, Ohio, March 27.—Mrs. Matilda Stultz, aged 89, and her grandson, Ivy Jones, aged 19, were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their dwelling, near here. The young man made a desperate effort to rescue his grandmother, whose body was consumed, and was himself so severely burned that he died later.

Italian Bandits Kill Man. Bradford, Pa., March 27.—Four Italians entered an Italian boarding house near Coryville, this county, and demanded money. The demand was refused, and the bandits began to shoot and killed one of the boarders, Giuseppe Petersi, 20 years old, who was shot in the head. A posse is on the track of the men.

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