

## COURT ORDER FAILS TO LIBERATE WARD

Grand Jury Minutes Opened to Him, but Prosecutor Asks Stay

### NO SIGN OF SPEEDY TRIAL

New York, June 27.—District Attorney Weeks will appeal from the decision of Justice Morchauer, giving Walter S. Ward permission to examine the minutes of the Westchester May Grand Jury which indicted him on a charge of murder in the first degree.

Late yesterday afternoon Justice Morchauer signed the order directing Weeks and the official stenographer to supply the defense with the Grand Jury minutes "five days after the service of the order." It is predicted that before the time limit is up Weeks will appear before Justice Blackmer, of the Appellate Division, in Brooklyn, and ask a stay.

If this is granted, the case will not be argued before the higher tribunal until October, the month set for the trial of Ward. Meantime he will remain incarcerated in the Westchester Jail.

Thus it becomes apparent that if Weeks obtains the stay he will succeed in delaying the assault on the indictment until he has ended his exhaustive inquiry into the case.

In the order yesterday Justice Morchauer said: "The District Attorney having announced his intention of trying the case in the October term, it is hereby ordered that the District Attorney and the stenographer who took the testimony of the witness before the May Westchester Grand Jury of this court permit Walter S. Ward to take a copy of the full minutes of the proceedings of such Grand Jury on which the indictment against him was found five days after the service of this order."

When the order was filed, there was filed also an affidavit, sworn to by Weeks, in which he bitterly opposed letting the defense examine the minutes. Mr. Weeks reviewed the case from the killing of Clarence Peters to the finding of the indictment.

He said that the defendant and his counsel, though asserting the slaying was in self-defense, as the result of a blackmail conspiracy against Ward, flatly refused to reveal the nature of the alleged blackmail. Weeks said that he had spent much money and effort in trying to prove the defendant's story of the blackmail was true, but had failed to do so.

Weeks further said that inspection of the Grand Jury minutes by the defense would work great injury to the prosecution, because it would enable the defense to a certain extent to block the authorities.

### DISABLED VETERANS HERE WILL FIGHT BONUS BILL

Want Injured Cared for Before Healthy Add to Taxes

More than five hundred representatives are attending the second annual convention of the National Disabled Soldiers' League which opened this morning in Moose Hall, 1314 North Broad street.

John P. Nolan, of Boston, national president, arrived in Philadelphia and will preside at the sessions today, Wednesday and Thursday. The convention will close on Friday with a parade.

"While it is difficult to forecast what action this convention will take," said James F. McCann, of this city, national treasurer, "it is safe to assume the league will strongly oppose passage of the bonus bill on the ground that no compensation should be provided for the healthy and strong until the maimed and weakened are cared for by suitable appropriations."

This is perhaps the only veterans' organization that emphatically opposes the bonus as it now is written. Our platform demands first care of the injured and then consideration for those who are not handicapped in their work by infirmities suffered in the service of their flag.

The headquarters of the convention are in the Ritz-Carlton, but the convention sessions will be held in Moose Hall.

### EXECUTORS WIN SUIT

Sisters. One of Gwynedd Valley, Lose Fight Over Commissions

Miss Mary Bourne Strassburger, wife of Ralph Strassburger, of Gwynedd Valley, and her sister, Miss Marjorie Bourne, lost a legal battle against Arthur K. Bourne and George P. Vall, in the Suffolk County Court, New York, yesterday.

Mr. Bourne and Mr. Vall were executors of the estate of Frederick G. Bourne, father of the women, who allege the commissions collected by the executors were excessive. They cited the case of Dark Island, one of the Thousand Islands, bought by Miss Bourne from the executors for \$271,000. She said she had discovered its assessed value to be only \$44,000.

Surrogate Pelletreau, however, said he was "satisfied that the executors' commissions already taken are less than they are authorized to take by the agreement signed by all the heirs in November 3, 1919."

### WALSH STILL IN JAIL

Rumor Unconfirmed Murder Convict Will Be Paroled

Eugene Walsh, whose parole from the county prison at Honesburg was rumored yesterday, is still in custody. Prison authorities said this morning they have had no official indication that he will be released.

Walsh was one of six young men involved in the killing of Nicola Gotsch near Girard College in May, 1920. It was chiefly through assistance and evidence by Walsh that the District Attorney was able to convict the five others.

A business firm has testified a willingness to employ Walsh if he is set free.

John E. Murray, John Donahue, James McLaugh, Joseph Bum and Thomas McHale are serving terms of from seven to twenty years for the Osth murder.

Torresdale Golfers Robbed

After forcing a cellar window in the Torresdale Golf Club, at Grant street and Frankford avenue, yesterday, thieves took \$75 in cash and clothing and golf clubs worth \$100. Five members of the Silver Leaf Canoe Club, at Rhawn street and Pennypack Creek, lost their garments while in swimming. Their combined loss totaled \$265.

A \$6,000,000 STAKE

Can the treasure in the hold of the Lusitania be recovered? Captain Leavitt believes it can, and is planning to go down 100 feet in a diving suit to explore the wreck of that ill-fated vessel. His hopes and plans are described in an interesting article in the business section of the Evening Public Ledger. "Make It Happen," reads the headline.

## FRANCE'S QUEEN SUES THEATRICAL MANAGER

Claims Contract to Appear on Stage Has Been Broken



Mlle. Germaine Buchet

Paris, June 27.—(By A. P.)—Because he dashed her hopes of becoming a stage star, France's "most beautiful girl" is suing a theatrical manager for breach of contract.

Elected by popular vote France's Queen of Queens for 1922, and acclaimed the most adorable out of five

millions of adorable blondes and brunettes, Mlle. Germaine Buchet expected to fulfill her childhood dreams of appearing before the footlights. She turned down many offers of marriage, she alleges, to sign a contract for appearance in the opera "Helen Returns," but the role went to a rival beauty.

### COLLEGE MEN LEADERS, P. R. OFFICIAL ASSERTS

Addresses Convention of Society for Testing Materials

Atlantic City, June 27.—"The college man, who has the same amount of ability as the man who has not taken advantage of a higher education, will get along much further than the one who merely learns his trade," stated C. D. Young, general supervisor of stores, Pennsylvania Railroad system, Philadelphia, and president of the American Society for Testing Materials, whose twenty-fifth convention opened its first official session at Haddon Hall today.

"The young man of today will find that when he begins he is behind the fellow who has entered his field several years before, but he will also note that his strides of progress are so much faster that he soon makes up the disadvantage, and after that forges ahead."

"A college man is taught to think quickly. He has a different and wider viewpoint and because of that he is more valuable as a worker. Every boy should look toward a college education, as it will make him more fit for whatever he may undertake."

### SEES PEACE IN EAST

Friends' Missionary Has Praise for Li Yueng Hung

Asserting that China and Japan are rapidly assuming friendlier relations, and that there is a strong movement in the latter country for a radical disarmament program dependent upon suffrage for women, Henry T. Hodgkin, of London, honorary secretary of the Friends' Foreign Mission Association, said today that the most important work of Christianity in the Far East is to concentrate on the task of bringing these countries together.

Mr. Hodgkin is on his way home after a two-year tour of China and Japan and is the guest of Dr. Rufus M. Jones, of Haverford College.

Commenting upon the new president of China, Li Yueng Hung, Mr. Hodgkin said: "He is one of the strongest

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