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BREWER'S DEATH.

Supreme Court Justice Succumbs In Bath.

WAS SEIZED WITH APOPLEXY.

Wife Hears Sound of Falling Body. Death Cripples Court on Pending Oil and Tobacco Case Decisions.

Washington, March 29.—David Josiah Brewer, associate justice of the United States supreme court since 1880, dropped dead from apoplexy in the bathroom of his home here in his seventy-third year.

Mrs. Brewer heard his body fall and went to investigate the cause. A physician who was hastily called said death was almost instantaneous.

Close application to the work of the supreme court in the Standard Oil and tobacco cases undoubtedly hastened Justice Brewer's death.

It is probable that his death will have a far-reaching effect on important cases now pending before the supreme court.

He sat in both the tobacco and Standard Oil cases, both of which are on the eve of being decided.

Justice Brewer's passing makes the second vacancy by death on the supreme bench since the beginning of the Taft administration.

David J. Brewer had been a justice of the United States supreme court for more than twenty years.

Like his father, his grandfather and his great-grandfather and a number of his uncles, he was an alumnus of Yale having taken his degree in 1856.

After leaving college young Brewer studied law in the office of his uncle, David Dudley Field, in New York and was graduated from the Albany Law school in 1858.

In 1865 he was appointed a United States district judge and remained on that bench for four years.

He was the author of several books, among them "The Pew to the Pulpit," 1867; "The Twentieth Century From Another Viewpoint," 1899; "American Citizenship," 1902; "The United States a Christian Nation," 1905.

MRS. LONGWORTH RICHER.

She Receives \$10,000 a Year Under Will of Maternal Grandfather.

Boston, March 29.—Mrs. Alice Roosevelt-Longworth, wife of Congressman Nicholas Longworth and daughter of former President Roosevelt, receives a yearly income of \$10,000 under the will of her maternal grandfather, George C. Lee, the Boston banker, filed here.

Mrs. Longworth, who is the only grandchild, shares equally with Mr. Lee's children in the division of the estate, which is divided equally into six parts.

IVORY COAST BLOODSHED.

Kroos and Fantees Butcher and Eat Frenchmen in West Africa.

London, March 29.—The steamship Salaga, which has just arrived at Liverpool from west Africa, reports that there has been an uprising of the natives on the Ivory Coast.

The Kroos and Fantees attacked the French, killing thirty-four whites, of whom they ate several.



News Snapshots Of the Week. A train known as the "Billionaires' Special" left California for New York with six private cars carrying Andrew Carnegie, Mrs. Russell Sage, Edwin Gould and W. Seward Webb.

MEETING OF ROAD SUPERVISORS

FARMERS SHOULD HELP

A Reduction in the Cost of Hauling From 25 Cents to 12 Cents Would Mean an Annual Saving of Over \$250,000,000.

At the meeting of the supervisors of Wayne county at the court house on Monday afternoon at the court house, A. W. Long, of Scranton, delivered an interesting address on "Earth Roads."

Of the different kinds of roads, the earth road is the cheapest in first cost, and is by far the most common.

There are 2,151,570 miles of public roads in the United States. Of this, mileage statistics show that about 7 per cent. are improved.

Investigations have established the fact that the average cost of hauling per ton per mile is about 25 cents; on stone roads in ordinary conditions, 12 cents; on earth roads containing ruts and mud, 29 cents; on sandy roads when wet, 33 cents; and on sandy roads when dry, 64 cents.

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In all forms of road construction the most important consideration is that of drainage, since no road, whether earth or stone, can long remain good without it.

Water is the natural enemy of earth roads, for mixed with dirt it makes mud, and mud makes bad going; no road, however well made otherwise, can endure if water collects and remains on it.

If natural drainage does not exist, artificial methods must be used. The best natural drainage is usually found upon a loose gravel or a sandy soil, especially when the grade of the road is somewhat above the surrounding country.

The best and cheapest method of securing under-drainage is to lay a line of 5-inch farm tile or 6-inch terra cotta pipe 3 or 4 feet deep on one or both sides of the roadway.

A tile drain is a permanent improvement with no expense for maintenance, the benefit being immediate and certain; and therefore it is doubtful if money can be spent on earth roads to better advantage than in laying tile.

The drainage of the surface of a road is very important, and is provided for by making the surface crowning and keeping it smooth.

In building a new road it is very important that no stumps, branches of trees, or other matter subject to decay should be overlooked and left in the road bed, as at such points weak places are sure to be developed in the course of time.

Grade resistance is the force on a road to keep the load from rolling down the slope.

can not be kept free from water without giving it so great a pitch crosswise as to expose vehicles to the danger of overturning.

After your road is once graded and crowned one of the best ways to keep it in good condition is by frequent applications of the split log drag.

When the township roads are all put in good condition and are being well maintained, then let the townships buy stone crushers and road rollers.

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ONLY \$50,000 FOR AFFECTION.

Judgment Against Laura Biggar Reduced to That Sum From \$75,000.

New York, March 29.—Justice Crane in the supreme court handed down a decision reducing to \$50,000 the judgment of \$75,000 obtained by Mrs. Agnes Mary Hendrick in her suit against Laura Biggar, the actress, for alienating the affections of her husband, Dr. John C. Hendrick.

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WILL CONFESS ALL

Wolter Promises to Tell of Ruth Wheeler's Fate.

MOVED BY LETTER FROM GIRL.

Murdered Young Woman's Umbrella Found In Suspect's Home—Her Body Probably Burned In Open Fireplace.

New York, March 29.—Upon Katie Muller, the so-called wife of Albert W. Wolter, the supposed murderer of Ruth Wheeler, rather than upon Wolter himself it depends whether or not the prisoner will ever tell what took place when the little stenographer went to Wolter's rooms in East Seventy-fifth street looking for a position.

While Wolter was being grilled by Inspector Titus a note was brought to the Tombs prison from Katie Muller for Wolter. Inspector Titus handed the note to Wolter, who kissed the missive passionately, then read it through, with hysterical outbursts.

"Oh, my God!" he sobbed as he finished reading the letter, "she loves me still!"

"Then why not tell the truth and save her?" asked the inspector.

"I will write her," was the sobbing reply. "When I get an answer from her saying she forgives me I'll tell the truth."

And with that the police had to be content. Not another word would Wolter say except to add: "Come see me Wednesday, I shall have her answer by that time. Then I will confess all."

Then, turning to Inspector Titus, who had been very gentle with him throughout all the questioning, Wolter said: "What I tell I will tell to you alone."

Later developments strengthen the police in the belief that Wolter had something to do with the white slave trade.

This belief of the detectives is strengthened by the finding of postcards that Wolter addressed to a number of young women.

Still another link in the chain of circumstantial evidence against Wolter was added when the police found Ruth Wheeler's umbrella in Wolter's room.

This umbrella was identified by the murdered girl's mother and sister, who said that Ruth had the umbrella when she left home last Thursday.

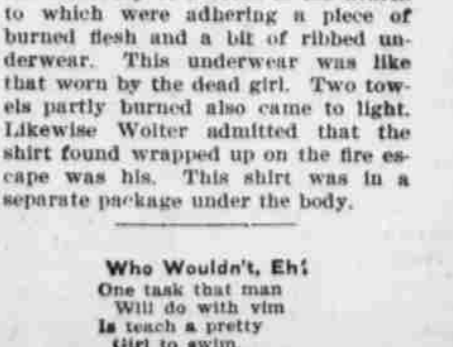
Katie Muller said that it was one of three that she found in the closet when, in accordance with Wolter's order, she moved their few belongings.

One umbrella was Wolter's, she said, one her own, and the other was unknown to her. But finding it in the closet, she took it along.

Another find that strengthens the police in their belief that the dead girl was burned in the open fireplace was the discovery of a brick in the hearth to which were adhering a piece of burned flesh and a bit of ribbed underwear.

This underwear was like that worn by the dead girl. Two towels partly burned also came to light. Likewise Wolter admitted that the shirt found wrapped up on the fire escape was his. This shirt was in a separate package under the body.

Who Wouldn't, Eh? One task that man Will do with vim Is teach a pretty Girl to swim.



ALBERT W. WOLTER.