

3 WOMEN INJURED IN TAXI COLLISION ON FIFTH AVENUE

Machine Hits Police Tower and
Then Smashes Into An-
other Car.

VICTIM LOSES AN EYE.

Chauffeur Disappears After
Accident—Is Being Sought
by Officers.

A taxicab, southbound in Fifth Avenue, struck the police signal tower at 50th Street at 2:10 A. M. to-day, and was rebounded with great force into a northbound taxicab, both being wrecked.

Policeman Martin J. Mitchell of the East 51st Street Station found three injured women in the wreckage. In the southbound taxi was Miss Dorothy Johnston, twenty-eight years old, who described herself as a bookkeeper, on her way from a party to her home, No. 3 East 12th Street.

She has a laceration of the scalp and other minor injuries. Her escort left without giving his name, and the chauffeur disappeared during the excitement.

The windshield and a glass door were demolished on the northbound taxicab. A woman describing herself as Mrs. Florence Courtney, twenty-four, wife of a broker, had a gash cut from forehead to chin by the broken glass, and the sight of the left eye is destroyed. Her companion described herself as Miss Florence Harcourt, twenty-five, a stenographer, both living at the King James Hotel, No. 125 West 45th Street. They said they were on their way to the Ashton Hotel, 93d Street and Madison Avenue, to get some baggage belonging to Mrs. Courtney, who refused to give reporters her husband's name.

The three women were taken to Flower Hospital, where surgeons found that Mrs. Courtney's left eye-balls was cut almost in half.

The driver of the northbound taxicab, Joseph King of No. 543 West 17th Street, escaped injury. The police say the southbound taxicab, which struck the signal tower, belonged to Jacob Harshbarger, No. 127 Manhattan Avenue, and they expect to learn from him to-day the name of the missing chauffeur.

At the King James Hotel this morning it was said that no one is registered there under the name of Harcourt or Courtney, and that nothing is known of the two injured women.

FERRYBOAT HITS PIER; SCORE HURT

Steering Gear of Lackawanna Out
of Order and Craft Bumps
Hoboken Dock.

Four passengers were hurt and a score of others badly shaken up early to-day when the Lackawanna ferryboat, Lackawanna, crashed into her ferry slip in Hoboken. Part of the landing gangway and the bow of the ferryboat were smashed in, but otherwise the craft was not disabled.

The injured, who were treated at the ferry emergency hospital by Dr. William J. Arlitz, are recovering, and were able to continue to their destination.

The reverse gear of the ferryboat failed to work as the boat reached the dock.

ALL-DAY SERVICE IN TUBES.

Trains to Run Through to Newark
Until 7 at Night.

Service to Newark in the Hudson Tubes resumed for a few hours yesterday afternoon for the first time since the beginning of the outlay railroad strike, was started again at 7 A. M. to-day. For the present it was announced that trains would not run later than 7 P. M.

Squads of policemen were at all Hudson tube exits in Jersey City this afternoon to collect their fare protest slips from passengers as they return from New York. The slips were distributed by policemen this morning. Corporation Counsel John Dudley issued a statement to-day saying the tubes company more than cleared its expenses on the out of fare and if the return on its real estate were counted it could pay interest on its bonded indebtedness.

The Newark railroad workers who lost their jobs in the outlay strike have arranged a parade for to-night, followed by a meeting at the South Side High School.

Judge Curran Praises Industrial
Court Law.

PITTSBURG, Kan., April 28.—"The Industrial Court Law is the most forward looking piece of legislation that has been enacted in the history of the State, in my personal opinion," Judge A. J. Curran said at the hearing of the application of the State for a temporary injunction against 250 miners' union officials to prevent the calling of a coal strike in Kansas.

\$463,000,000 FOR NAVY.

Senate Will Pass Huge Appropriation
Measure To-Day.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—Senate leaders hoped to pass the \$463,000,000 navy bill to-day. Few amendments remained to be considered.

In addition, the base on San Francisco bay, the Pacific coast gets a submarine base at Los Angeles and another at Port Angeles, Wash. Pearl Harbor, Hawaii also was given additional appropriations.

Irish Laborers Parade to Show Sympathy For Sinn Fein Leaders on Hunger Strike

PARADE IN SYMPATHY WITH PRISONERS
ON HUNGER STRIKE



The day before the release of the Sinn Fein leaders from the Mountjoy prison in Dublin, large numbers of Irish laborers paraded in sympathy for the prisoners, who were on hunger strike and in danger of dying. The large photograph shows the laborers, who had decreed a holiday of their own, parading through the streets of Dublin.

The smaller photograph shows Mrs. Maude Gonne McBride, the famous Irish woman leader, a widow of Capt. McBride, who was shot in the Easter revolution of 1916.

BRITISH RELEASE HUNGER STRIKERS

Six Sent to Hospital From Worm-
wood Scrubs Prison in Ireland
—Clashes With Troops.

LONDON, April 28.—Following extensive demonstrations by Irish sympathizers outside Wormwood Scrubs Jail, six prisoners who had collapsed from their week's hunger strike were released last night and taken to hospitals.

Irish sympathizers made a new demonstration in front of the jail last night during a rain storm. Stones were thrown, and for a time the situation looked ugly, but Sinn Fein leaders were able to restrain their followers.

Glasgow dispatches said the police broke up an Irish demonstration there last night, charging the crowd with a hunger strike when the Governor refused their demand for release.

A delegation from Irish societies called on the Lord Mayor of Liverpool, threatening a general strike in the port and industries, unless the Wormwood Scrubs prisoners—numbering more than 175—were released within 48 hours. Similar action was reported contemplated in other ports.

PLOT TO INTIMIDATE BOARD CHARGED

Engineers' Head Sees Effort to
Force Rejection of Wage
Advance.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—An apparent conspiracy exists to intimidate the Railroad Labor Board into denying wage increases for railroad workers, W. S. Carter, President of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, declared to-day at hearings before the board.

"From the beginning," said Carter, "the press has been full of the idea that to raise the pay of railroad men will necessitate an immediate further increase in the cost of living. There has been so much of this that it amounts to a conspiracy, if it is not actually a plot, to force the board to reject the wage advance."

INVESTIGATE LOBBY OF DRY LEAGUE

Anderson's Assistants Charged With
Failure to Report Expenditures
to Secretary of State.

ALBANY, April 28.—An investigation of the Anti-Saloon League has been started by District Attorney Timothy E. Roland of Albany County. Evidence has been furnished him by Assemblyman Louis A. Cuvillier of New York, who charges that Robert Davey and Adella Porter, registered lobbyists for the League, failed to file any statement of their expenses with the Secretary of State as required by law.

It is said if conviction was had on the charges, fines aggregating \$70,000 could be imposed.

FOR \$100,000 PARSONAGE.

Plans Filed for Rector's Dwelling by
St. Thomas's Church.

Plans have been filed with the Manhattan Bureau of Buildings for the erection of a five-story dwelling for the Rev. Ernest M. Stires, Rector of St. Thomas's Church, at No. 3 West 53d Street. It will have a frontage of twenty-five feet and a depth of eighty feet. The vestryman, church wardens and the rector are owners of record.

Plans also were filed for making over the three-story dwelling house at No. 227 Eldridge Street into a nursery for the Day Nursery of the Independent Progressive Ladies of Odessa. It will cost about \$5,000.

United States Destroyer Simpson Launched With Win.

PHILADELPHIA, April 28.—The destroyer Simpson was launched to-day at the Cramp shipyard. It was christened with champagne by Miss Caroline Simpson, Elizabeth N. J., daughter of Rear Admiral Edward Simpson for whom the craft was named.

GAS CO. VALUATION \$46,000,000 TOO HIGH, CITY ASSERTS

O'Brien Answers Report Hold-
ing 80-Cent Law Is Con-
fiscatory.

Corporation counsel John P. O'Brien filed with Federal Judge Julius M. Mayer to-day objections to the report of Special Master Abraham S. Gilbert who held that the eighty-cent gas law is confiscatory.

O'Brien, on behalf of the City of New York, Wilbur W. Chambers, representing the Attorney General, and Col. William Hayward, as special counsel for the Public Service Commission, join in disavowing with the report of the Special Master.

The objectors contend that the Consolidated Gas Co. has been overvalued by Mr. Gilbert to the extent of \$46,000,000. They declare the valuation should not be more than \$28,000,000 and advance these grounds:

The \$3,000,000 prospective cost of a new gas-making unit at Astoria should not be included because the tunnel is a separate enterprise.

The \$7,000,000 franchise value should be excluded as the courts have held that franchises should not be included in rate litigation.

The \$17,000,000 book value of the Astoria plant should be excluded for the reason that it is a separate institution and sells gas to the Consolidated.

The \$2,000,000 prospective cost of a new gas-making unit at Astoria should also be excluded.

The \$5,000,000 claimed as valuation of the 42d Street and 14th Street plants should be excluded as both have outlived their usefulness.

The Corporation Counsel holds that Gilbert erred in making no allowance for depreciation of the plant. He says \$4,900,000 should be eliminated for that reason.

The working capital allowed Gilbert, O'Brien says, is excessive, by \$2,500,000, for the reason that the company has been using \$400,000 of the consumers' money, which has been impounded.

As to Gilbert's report that the company has complied with the law dealing with standard candle power and pressure, Mr. O'Brien points out that from 1916 to 1919 there were filed against the company 4,994 charges of violation.

The Gas Company, O'Brien contends, shows a return of over 32.54 per cent, which he says is over 6 per cent.

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STRATON'S CHURCH GETS \$45,000 LOAN

Mortgages Property to Pay Notes
Held by Trust Com-
pany.

Calvary Baptist Church, of which the Rev. Dr. John Roach Stratton is pastor, to-day obtained permission from Supreme Court Justice John V. McAvoy to mortgage its property at Nos. 325, 327 and 329 West 32d Street for \$45,000.

The church, through its attorney, T. Raymond St. John, declared: "Your petitioner is indebted to the Farmers' Loan & Trust Co. for money borrowed from time to time with which to pay current expenses. This money is evidenced by notes at the present time aggregating \$45,000. The Farmers' Loan & Trust Co. has made a demand on the church that said notes be liquidated at the earliest possible date; but your petitioner will be unable to raise sufficient funds for such purpose without mortgaging the above mentioned real property."

Besides the property to be mortgaged, the church owns its building on West 37th Street, near Sixth Avenue, which is valued at \$350,000, property at Nos. 112, 114 and 116 Bleeker Street and cash in the bank amounting to \$1,700.44.

INTER-CHURCH FUND WORKERS JUBILANT

Third Day Yields \$422,387, Can-
vassers Are Told at Big
Luncheon.

There was great rejoicing to-day at the luncheon convention of the Inter-Church World Movement at the Hotel McAlpin over the result of the third day of its campaign to raise \$550,000. It was announced to the 400 canvassers there that the third day had yielded \$422,387, bringing the total subscriptions for three days to \$2,015,979, something less than a seventh of the amount they have set out to collect, \$29,000,000 being the New York quota.

The Baptist delegation caused great cheering, by announcing that John D. Rockefeller Jr. had contributed \$2,000,000.

The detailed amounts of the sum collected to-day were: By the Executive Committee of the Inter-Church World Movement, \$125,000; Baptist delegation, \$238,300; Presbyterian, \$13,400; Reformed Church of America, \$20,000; and the Canvassers' General Committee of Greater New York, \$25,687.

The following pledges have been received: From Pennsylvania, \$5,467,022; New Jersey, \$1,011,000; Connecticut, \$117,269; Ohio, \$225,000; Delaware, \$12,674; Illinois, \$1,235,770; and Utah, \$13,800.

HE ARRESTS OWN SON AS BURGLAR

New Orleans Detective Surprised
When He Identifies
Prisoner.

NEW ORLEANS, April 28.—Zerach Hyer, a private detective, lying in wait for suspected robbers late last night arrested an intruder, and when the lights were turned on discovered it was his own son. The father paid no heed to his son's pleas for mercy and the 30-year-old son was taken to jail.

Four times in the past few weeks the place was entered and robbed. About \$50 in cash had been taken from the safe and \$25 worth of gold pencils and fountain pens were stolen.

Young Hyer at first denied his guilt, but later made a complete confession, the police say, and admitted he had entered the place on five occasions.

COLLAR AND SHIRT BOYCOTT URGED

La Guardia, Wearing Olive Drab
and Black Tie, Asks All Soldiers
to Do the Same.

Aldermanic President La Guardia, who was a Major in the aviation service during the war, to-day appealed to the 4,000,000 former soldiers in this country to beat the collar and shirt trusts by going on a ninety-day strike, and to pledge themselves to wear their olive drab service shirts and black string ties and to wash their shirts as they did while they were fighting.

"Are the 4,000,000 real blooded Americans who were ready to lay down their lives for a just cause going to let a bunch of profiteers defeat them without a battle?" asked Mr. La Guardia. "I don't think so."

La Guardia is wearing the olive drab shirt and the black tie he wore in the service. He is going to wear them as long as collars are 30 cents apiece, as long as cotton shirts which used to cost a few dollars now are worth more than the pre-war silk shirts.

"Not only I go back to my service shirt, but I have forsaken buying and clothes and am wearing my old suit and will continue to wear it as long as it holds together."

Italian Liner Held by Smallpox.

Permission to dock the steamer Bel-
videre of the Italian Line, from Naples
and Genoa, at Pier 6, Bush Terminal,
was refused at Quarantine to-day.

A case of smallpox had been discovered in the steerage, where there were 1,230 persons. Those who were exposed were to be taken to Hoffman Island for observation. The 15 first and 147 second cabin passengers were to be vaccinated.

The ship is detained at Quarantine for fumigation.

Two L. S. Ships Are Launched.

PHILADELPHIA, April 28.—The air-
craft tender Wright and the cargo car-
rier Loraine Crook took the water to-
day in a double launching at Hog Island.

Mrs. H. M. Comfort, Washington, was sponsor for the Wright, named for the late Wilbur Wright.

The ship is to be used for the navy's airship squadron.

Higher Fares in Rochester.

ROCHESTER, April 28.—The city's
long fight against a higher trolley fare
virtually ended last night when Mayor
Edwards signed a resolution to let the
Common Council bring that the city
shall have the benefit of the provision of
the Municipal Code, which provides for
a service-cost agreement with the
New York State Railway.

BROOKLYN JURY TO TAKE UP RENT STRIKE THREATS

Hilly to Be Subpoenaed in
Connection With Charges In
Which He Accuses Woman.

District Attorney Hartin of the Bronx, announced to-day that a subpoena would be issued for Arthur J. Hilly, Chairman of the Mayor's Committee on Rent Profiteering, to appear before the Grand Jury Friday to give information he may have in connection with a rent strike or the formation of Soviets in apartment houses in the Bronx.

"I am going to go the limit in this matter," said Mr. Hartin. "If Mr. Hilly has anything we want to know about it. This is a serious matter and no effort will be spared to get to the bottom of it."

Hilly had given the names of two well known Socialist agitators, one of them a woman. The man he said had once been defeated for office and the woman's name has been in the public prints in connection with her Socialist activities.

"I have read with some surprise," Mr. Hilly continued, "newspaper reports that the Bronx authorities know nothing of a threatened rent strike. Unquestionably there is going to be trouble there on May 1."

His information is that the agitators have lined up about 10,000 tenants in 1,000 different buildings. There may be more in the movement.

"Some of the tenants have been well organized. They plan to strike by not paying rent and refusing to move out. They are going to make life miserable for tenants who move or pay rent, and also for those who may move into any of the 1,000 buildings."

"It was to issue a formal warning to tenants who are giving up to these agitators on promises that their cases will be taken care of. There is no necessity for paying any one anything. We intend to aid the tenants, and also the landlords in settling their disputes."

Following a conference between Frank J. Seid, representing the Department of Justice, and Jeremiah Murphy, representing Deputy Commissioner William J. Lakey, with Arthur Hilly, Chairman of the Mayor's Committee on Rent Profiteering, this morning, it was announced that the Federal agents and police representatives would confer with the men said by Hilly to be fostering the Bronx rent strike.

On the night of the murder, Hilly testified he was awakened, and saw a man bending over King, raining blows on the sergeant's head.

"I shouted, 'Get out of that!' The man rubbed his hand over King's breast, stooped for something, and went out of the room."

Hilly then told of getting a stretcher and taking King to the hospital, where he died two days later.

"Who was the man you saw striking King?" he asked, when Hilly told him that he was striking King.

"He was Michael Barry," Hilly said. "I distinguished him by his tall, thin build."

\$2,500 FOR BLOW BY ELEVATOR BOY

Damages Assessed Against Realty
Company Whose Employee
Hit Passenger.

A punch dealt on the jaw of Richard Cronin of No. 605 West 116th Street by a heavy elevator operator resulted to-day in a verdict of \$2,500 in Cronin's favor by a jury in Justice John Fort's court of the Supreme Court. The verdict was against the Cabot Real Estate Company.

Richard J. Donovan, attorney for Mr. Cronin, said that his client had waited seven minutes for the elevator. "That is a devil of a way to keep a tenant waiting," he objected, when Gerald Hobbs, the elevator boy, finally put in appearance.

Whereupon, according to the story told the jury, Gerald stepped from his car and smote Mr. Cronin upon the head with his fist.

Mr. Cronin, who is a well-known actor, said that he had been unable to find other rooms for himself and his wife, a couple, seventy-five years old, and had offered to pay the landlord, Mrs. Annie Cronin, the sum of \$100 for a rooming apartment at No. 40 Reid Avenue, Brooklyn.

Chicago Bankers Refusing Further Loans to Builders.

CHICAGO, April 28.—Inflated values of real estate and building materials have compelled some Chicago banks to shut down on building loans.

"We started to shut down on our loans six weeks ago," said Edgar N. Greenbaum, head of the building loan department of Greenbaum & Sons.

"We must first digest what we already have. Another factor is the tightness of money and the fact that there are any number of good investments at 7 per cent, whereas a building loan is worth only 5 or 6 per cent."

To Build New Death House on Site of Old One.

Charles L. Battigan, Superintendent of Prisons, and Lewis Picher, State Architect, yesterday visited Sing Sing and decided to build the new death house on the site of the old one.

The building, which will cost between \$200,000 and \$300,000. It will be forty feet long and twenty feet wide and thirty-eight feet high.

Miss Alexander to Wed.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Alexander of No. 166 West 87th Street announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Alexander, to Dr. J. A. Hammon of Indianapolis.

A reception will be held at the Alexander home on Sunday, May 16. Dr. Hammon was one of the youngest members of the Municipal Corps. He served as First Lieutenant with the A. E. F. as a surgeon.

MURDERED GIRL AT WAREHOUSE SLAYER CONFESSES

Stranglers Said She Asked Him
to Kill Her Because She
Was "in the Way."

PONTIAC, Mich., April 28.—Aason Best, formerly of Flint, Mich., confessed to-day, according to Prosecutor Gillespie, that he killed Miss Vera Schneider, eighteen-year-old telephone operator, whose body was found early Sunday morning on the porch of an unoccupied dwelling.

Best was questioned throughout the night and broke down after being identified by a workman as having been seen washing his hands in the Clinton River near the scene of the crime a few minutes after its discovery.

"She asked me to kill her," Best was quoted as saying. He even declared, according to the Prosecutor, that he met Miss Schneider for the first time late Saturday night.

The confession gave no other reason for the murder than that Miss Schneider begged Best to end her life because she was tired of living and was "simply in the way of others." She even drew the handkerchiefs from his pockets and asked him to tie them together and place them about her neck. Best was quoted as saying:

The officers said Best told them that when he complied he at first refused to pull the handkerchiefs tight, but she begged him to do so, saying she was ready to die.

Later he retraced his steps to the place where the body already had been found by officers and when stopped by a policeman even took a searchlight, went to the porch and looked at the girl's body.

Best was released at that time, but was rearrested Monday.

SAYS HE SAW BARRY BEAT KING TO DEATH

Soldier Testifies Army Mechanic Ac-
cused of Murder, Fled
After Attacks.

The defense in the trial of George W. Barry, mechanic, U. S. Army, charged with the murder of Sergeant Frank H. King at Fort Totten, on the night of March 28, 1915, received a heavy set back to-day, when Private Norman Hall, Battery E, 44th Coast Artillery, testified in the United States District Court, Brooklyn, that he had seen Barry strike the sleeping sergeant on the head.

On the night of the murder, Hall testified he was awakened, and saw a man bending over King, raining blows on the sergeant's head.

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HEAVY-REID WEDDING TO-DAY

Ceremony at St. Bartholomew's Fol-
lowed by Reception at Hotel Plaza.

Miss Jeanette Reid, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Reid of No. 2 East 6th Street, and Augustine Healy, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Healy of Chicago, were married at 1 o'clock this afternoon in the chapel of St. Bartholomew's, Park Avenue and 14th Street, by the Rev. Louis Brown of Indianapolis.

A reception at the Hotel Plaza followed. Mr. A. Healy was his brother's best man, while Mrs. James H. Dunn of Washington and Mrs. Stuyvesant Peabody attended the bride.

The ushers were Columbus Vincent, Vincent Stafford Reid, Stuyvesant Peabody, James C. Dunn, Henry P. Isham Jr. of Chicago, and Samuel M. Meek of Richmond, Va.

Law to Curb Jersey Rent Gougers.

TRENTON, N. J., April 28.—Gov. Edwards yesterday signed a bill which it is believed will curb the profiteering landlord. It was introduced by Assemblyman Hansford of Hudson County and provides that a landlord must give a tenant three months' notice to move. It specifically is aimed to prevent evictions between October and April.

Milk Chocolate Dates—

Carefully selected, but mostly dates, covered with a blanket of our superlative milk chocolate. They're a candy you enjoy eating and more than satisfy the craving for a treat.

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