

Mrs. Schenk Gets Whiff Of The Air Of Freedom Again

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WITNESSES IN SCHENK TRIAL.

Prominent witnesses who testified in the trial of Mrs. Laura Farnsworth Schenk which was finished Thursday in Wheeling, W. Va. It will be remembered that Mrs. Schenk was charged with attempting to poison her millionaire husband, John O. Schenk and that the jury disagreed and a new trial will be had in the case. The sketch is that of Eleanor Kline, who, as a detective nurse, swore that she had been offered \$1,000 to poison Schenk. Below is shown Dan Phillips, who testified to spending much time with the defendant and accepting presents from her, and Allen Evans, one of the nurses who testified against Mrs. Schenk on joy rides. The testimony of Miss Kline was the most damaging to Mrs. Schenk.

Three Farms Bought By Mr. Geo. Stephens Yesterday Afternoon

Wakefield Farm, Shakespeare Harris Land, And the J. D. Foard Farm East of City Purchased.

Trade Represents \$40,000 or More--Options Given Four Weeks Ago Closed Yesterday Afternoon.

And the end is not yet. The week began with the purchase, by Mr. E. D. Latta, of several blocks of South Tryon street property, which purchase electrified the real estate world of Charlotte, and closed last night with a deal representing an investment of many thousands more.

After having options on three tracts of land east of the city for four weeks, Mr. George Stephens yesterday afternoon closed the trades, thereby taking over the Shakespeare Harris farm of 200 or 300 acres, the J. D. Foard place of 9 acres and Dr. V. H. Wakefield's truck farm of 20 acres.

For the Wakefield farm the sum of \$11,000 was paid. The Foard place brought \$10,000. The Harris place was reported to have brought in the neighborhood of \$3000 an acre.

The latter figure could not be verified last night. The three properties are contiguous. They are on, or near, the Belt road leading from Dilworth to Providence township, and lying beyond Myers' Park.

On the Wakefield farm are several buildings and trucking appliances which were not included in the sale. These Dr. Wakefield will have moved to his home place.

The Harris place is mostly woodland. It is further east than any of the places. The Foard property is under cultivation. It joins Dr. Wakefield's place on one side.

On the Foard place is a six-room house. Mr. Stephens' purpose, as understood, in buying so much land on the east, is to develop for residential purposes.

The property is located one of the best highways of the county, and will with the extension of the Charlotte in every direction, cat lines be one of the most delightful suburban sections.

Ohio Capitalist In The City Three Days Looking For a Site

Councilman And Financier of East Liverpool Anxious to Secure Location For Wholesale Pottery Plant in or Near The Queen City.

With a Copy of The News in His Pocket The Visitor Critically Viewed Charlotte--Is Enthusiastic Anent City's Possibilities.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 28.--Mrs. Britannia Wellington Kennon, great granddaughter of Martha Washington, 96 years old, died here this morning at her home, "Tudor Place."

Mrs. Kennon was one of the grand old women of Washington society and the oldest living student of Georgetown Convent. When Lafayette visited this country in 1824 he stopped with her grandfather, Robert Peter, the first mayor of Georgetown. Mrs. Kennon was only nine years old at the time and always claimed that she could remember the gallant Frenchman dandling her on his knee.

In her girlhood Mrs. Kennon was regarded as very beautiful and she was one of the most notable of the famous capital belles. January 6th, 1843, she married Commodore Beverly Kennon, a personal friend of President Tyler who was afterward killed by the exploiter of the big gun "Peacemaker" while it was being tested on board the warship Princeton. The funeral services were held in the white house.

Want To Break The Deadlock. New York, Jan. 28.--An I. N. S. reporter was told today by two republicans, who declined to be quoted, that a movement is on foot to break the senatorial deadlock at Albany through a combination of democratic insurgents and republicans, the object being to elect "any decent democrat" that might be agreed upon by the insurgents.

The glittering gem appeared in the vault at Mr. McClean's residence. Washington, Jan. 28.--For \$300,000 spot cash, Edward B. McClean, of Washington, today became the full owner of the famous Hope diamond of romance and tragedy.

The glittering gem weighed 44 1/2 carats, was delivered over to Mr. McClean tonight by Mr. Pierre Cartier, the New York and Paris jeweler and is now locked up in the vault at Mr. McClean's residence.

Tried to Hide Disgrace. Dallas, Texas, Jan. 28.--To conceal from his family the fact that he was tried here for vagrancy, Arthur Herndon, who committed suicide in a local jail, had arranged to be buried under an assumed name and his identity was not discovered until just before his funeral today. He leaves relatives in Terre Haute and Jacksonville, Ind.

Church Celebration. Charleston, S. C., Jan. 28.--St. Michael's Episcopal church will tomorrow celebrate the hundredth and fiftieth anniversary of its opening to divine service, the first service having been held on February 1, 1761.

Three interesting services will mark the occasion, Bishop Querry and other prominent churchmen taking part. The mayor and aldermen will attend in a body. During the siege of Charleston the tall steeple was a favorite target for federal gunners, four shells striking the masonry. The earthquake of 1886 seriously damaged the edifice.

Special to The Sunday News. Durham, N. C., Jan. 28.--A fatal fight between C. H. Dove and Joe Roycroft, near Beuchan last night, led to the arrest this morning of Dove and his binding to court without bail this afternoon on charge of murder. Near-beer can claim the credit. In a little shanty eight by ten the men quarrelled over a rivalry last night and Dove shoved Roycroft to the floor. As he came up both men drew knives, but Dove was too quick. They shook hands and drank to peace. Dove, paying for Roycroft's bottle of beer, as Dove turned to walk out, Roycroft struck him with a beer bottle and severely injured him. Dove called for a doctor and remarked that Roycroft was walking across the fields. He was, but he was staggering to his death.

The dead man presented a horrible picture of dying desperation. He had seized his severed jugular vein and apparently tried to stop the flow of blood. One witness testified that he cried murder and accused Dove. The disappearance of William Lewis today lends to the suspicion that Lewis actually stabbed Roycroft at the wound was on the right side and Lewis is reputed to be left handed.

The near-beer establishment had been licensed, but one week. It doubtless caused the fight of two long time friends. There is considerable interest in Granville because both were men of means. Roycroft having a large family besides.

AMENDMENT TO THE TENNESSEE CONSTITUTION. Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 28.--The amendment to the constitution pending in the legislature provides for the election of all state officers on the same day; makes the state comptroller and treasurer elected by the people; makes the secretary of state elected by the people; makes the attorney general of the state elected by the people and makes the governor's term four instead of two years, he to be ineligible to succeed himself.

How about your ad? Call up 115 and ask for the ad man. (See Want Ad Page 8.)

MR. CARPENTER DIED OF VERY NEW DISEASE. NEAR BEER LED TO FEARFUL TRAGEDY.

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