

SANITY WITNESS DENIED THE STAND

Testimony of Hotel Keeper in Thaw Case Ruled Out.

OTHER ARE TO APPEAR

Statement of Evelyn Nesbit Thaw That She Would Appear for Her Husband is True But She May Not be Called.

New York, March 9.—Attorneys for Harry Kendall Thaw, slayer of Stanford White, today made their first attempt to get testimony concerning his sanity into the record of his trial for conspiring to escape from Matteawan. The attempt was unsuccessful.

It was while William Gordon, a Beacon, N. Y., hotel keeper, was on the witness stand that Justice Page, before whom the trial of Thaw and five co-defendants is in progress in the criminal branch of the Supreme Court, sustained the prosecution's objection against the introduction of such testimony. It was understood, however, that the ruling applied solely to Gordon's testimony.

Gordon, after telling of the many visits Thaw made to his hotel while on his way to and from habeas corpus proceedings which he instituted, was asked by Thaw's counsel whether the defendant appeared to be fully rational at all times.

The prosecution objected, pointing out that the witness had admitted that it was quite a while prior to the day of the escape that he last had talked with Thaw. Moreover the prosecution contended, the sole issue to be decided was the guilt of the defendant and his alleged co-conspirators.

Why Testimony Stricken Out.

In upholding the objections Justice Page said that it was the idea of Thaw's counsel to show through the witness Gordon that Thaw was of sound mind at the time of his escape and he thought his testimony on that subject necessarily must be remote.

John B. Stancfeld, chief of Thaw's legal advisers, asserted after adjournment late today that he would make a further attempt tomorrow to get testimony concerning Thaw's sanity before the jury. The defense of Thaw hinges on the claim that he was sane at the time of his escape and was being detained illegally.

WORKERS IN ENGINEERING TRADE IN ENGLAND ARE PUBLIC SERVANTS

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victory in the region of Augustow in the North Poland section, a short distance from the East Prussian frontier, which threatens to break communication between the Germans near the lower Niemen and those before Osovo.

In Central Poland the battle which had promised to develop on the Pilgria river seems to have died down, owing, as Petrograd puts it to the Russians

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being too strong for the Germans who were forced to abandon their offensive and fall back under a Russian counter attack.

Things Little Changed

Things seemingly have changed little in the Carpathians, although the Russians, according to their reports apparently have improved their position on the Hungarian side of the Dukla Pass. Petrograd claims an Austrian defeat near Svidnik on the Ondawa river a considerable distance inside Hungarian territory. The Austrians, however, still are attacking the Russians south of Boilgrad on the Gallian side of the mountains, east of the Dukla pass.

The Vosges mountains, the Champagne district and the Arras region continue to be the scenes of hard fighting in the West but apparently neither side has gained any distinct advantage.

General Louis Botha's campaign against German South Africa, which has been almost lost sight of owing to the bigger events in Europe and Asia is progressing. One of Botha's armies, advancing in the South is reported to have occupied a German camp North of Utkamas, 40 miles north of the border, and to have captured a large number of tents, provisions, clothing and transport animals.

LEGISLATURE ENDS SESSION AT 10:30

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committees for the Senate tomorrow. Report as to Treasurer's Office.

There was filed in the Senate this morning by Senator Ward a report by the part of the special sub-committee from the joint finance committee to investigate the part of the report of the State Board of Internal Improvements that criticized the management of the office of the State Treasurer that was filed early in the session. The report set out that investigation showed that the affairs of the office of the State Treasurer were found to have been administered with fidelity and efficiency under the law and recommended that there should be provision made for the State to pay the surety bond of the Treasurer as provided in the present practice of requiring the Treasurer to procure his own personal bondsmen; and that there should be interest paid by banks on monthly balances to the credit of the State. The report set out at the same time that there have been passed bills that provide for these changes so that in future the bonds of the Treasurer will be taken care of by the State and the Treasurer will be empowered to exact from banks interest on balances. The report as filed was adopted by the Senate.

Final Day in Session.

The House resumed the session for the day at 10 o'clock where it left off after midnight when the session for the final day, according to the journal of the House, began.

The House reconsidered the vote by which the bill for convicts to build a road in McDowell county was tabled the night before and passed the bill at the earliest insistence of Representative Curran.

Representative Page had proposed the tabling of the bill. He said this morning that he would not persist in his opposition as it made little difference who had the convicts as long as their labor was to be distributed in this way that he had so strenuously opposed.

Representative Leonard, Republican, undertook to procure the reconsideration of the vote by which the bill carrying the appointments of the members of the county boards of education had passed final reading and been ordered enrolled for ratification. He wanted to change the name of the appointee on the Davidson board. Chairman Mintz, of the board, insisted that the bill had gone too far and it was too late in the session to jeopardize the entire bill by recalling it for amendment that

would require its going back to the Senate also for concurrence. The House voted against recall and allowed Mr. Leonard to file a protest to be entered on the journal. He complained that the representative from Davidson had not been consulted in the appointment of the Davidson member of the board.

The House tabled the bill to exempt printers, linotype operators and millers from jury duty. This was on motion of Representative Mintz, who stated that the bill was introduced by his colleague, Mr. Allen, of Wayne, and that he desired that the bill be tabled.

ROBBERY OF BANK AT ROCKY MOUNT PLANNED

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which had been sold or offered for sale at ridiculous prices.

The police have developed on confession the robbing of a local rural mail carrier on Monday. Many stamps, stamped envelopes, postal cards, rural post box pass keys and a wallet in which contained Rural Carrier H. L. Trevathan's mail wagon was robbed in front of the post office on Monday morning, while he was carrying two pouches of mail from the office to the wagon.

JOHN L. ROPER LUMBER MILLS ARE RESUMING OPERATIONS

One at Eelhaven Now Running; One at Newbern Starts Monday

(Special Star Correspondence)

Newbern, N. C., March 9.—After having been idle for several weeks, the John L. Roper Lumber Company's big saw mill and planing mill at Eelhaven, N. C., yesterday morning started up full blast and a hundred or more men who have been out of employment for some time resumed their work and a telephone message from that place stated that there is a general feeling of gratification there over this fact.

The New Bern plant, The Roper Company closed down for repairs on February 1st and was to have resumed operations last Monday but at that time the work was incomplete and was not practicable to begin operations then. A statement given out by the officials yesterday was to the effect that the local plant would begin operations next Monday morning for sure and that every man who was working in the mill when it closed down, would be given his position again.

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