

500 ADDITIONAL TALESMAN NEEDED FOR COOPER TRIAL

Day Passed Without Another Juror Being Secured.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 22.—The third day of the Cooper-Sharpe murder trial passed not only without securing another juror but if the motion of the State be sustained, one of the six already chosen will be eliminated because he was intoxicated when he reported for service and was chosen. The State claims it secured knowledge of Juror Leigh's condition after it had accepted him and Judge Hart set tomorrow at 9 a. m. to pass upon the motion.

The summoning of five hundred additional talesman began this afternoon to appear Monday when the effort will be made to complete the jury which will try the alleged slayers of ex-Senator Carmack.

Judge Hart announced tonight that no sessions of the trial would be held on Saturdays. He believes that the case can be completed more rapidly by giving the attorneys one day in six in which to consult.

When the six selected jurors were brought into court this morning one of them, J. M. Whitworth, called Judge Hart and said: "Judge, I've been use to morning toddy for a good many years, and I missed powerfully this morning. Can't I get one, just one, every morning?"

"The constitution prohibits unusual or cruel punishments," remarked the court, judicially. "Mr. Officer, see that those gentlemen who want to have a toddy get their toddy hereafter."

It became known this morning that judge Allison of the Chancery court, who was killed by Whitworth's brother, a few years ago, was the father-in-law of Attorney General McCann, who is prosecuting this case. He stands very high in the community, however, and is regarded as one of the best men yet selected.

Mrs. John D. Sharpe was the only relative of any of the defendants in court this morning when the proceedings began. Later Col. Cooper's daughter and neices arrived and greeted their kinsmen on trial affectionately.

A little later the attorney asked time for conference and were granted forty minutes.

Judge Hart then suggested that the jurors retire to their room where they could be more comfortable.

"Can they play cards?" asked the deputy.

"Yes, and roll dice on the floor if they want to," said the court.

When the conference was ended the first surprise of the trial was sprung in form of affidavits filed by the State attacking the competency of one of the six jurors already chosen.

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BRYAN'S DAUGHTER ASKS FOR DIVORCE

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 22.—Ruth Bryan Leavitt, daughter of William Jennings Bryan, today filed suit for divorce from William H. Leavitt.

T. S. Allen, brother-in-law of Mr. Bryan, is the attorney for the plaintiff. Leavitt is now in Paris.

The reason given in the petition is alleged nonsupport. To minimize publicity, the attorney exercised a common privilege of taking back into his possession the documents in the case.

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COMMITTS SUICIDE IN A SAVANNAH CHURCH.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 22.—In a posture of prayer in St. Patrick's church here, and with a bullet hole through the temple, the dead body of Otto Schueitzer, of Philadelphia, was found today several hours after the fatal shot was fired.

Two notes were found, one bequeathing \$1 for "St Anthony's bread," and another expressing vaguely that he "had permitted himself to have any ill feeling." Schueitzer had been here but a day, reaching the city aboard a steamer from Philadelphia early this morning.

The shot that killed him was not heard by any one, traffic in the street in front of the church drowning the report. When found the pistol the man had used was lying beside his knees as he knelt in a pew.

BEANS FOR THE PRESIDENT.

"Boston Baked" and Big Hunting Knives for African Trip.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 21.—Boston baked beans will form part of President Roosevelt's outfit when he starts on his hunting trip to Africa this spring, and just to let the jungle folk know further about Boston he will slash and dismember his big game with Boston made knives, for four huge razor edged beauties, the very acme of the cutler's craft, have just been finished for the President by a Boston cutler. The knives were made after designs drawn by United States Civil Service Commissioner McIlhenny, of Louisiana.

There are two hunting knives, double edged a portion of their length and 9 1/2 inches in length of blade; a heavy 10-inch long brush knife for cutting through dense undergrowth and a skinning knife, with a blade 9 inches in length. Each knife has a silver hand guard to its heavy ebony handle.

Why the South Likes Taft.

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In the South President Roosevelt has a firm grip because the Southern people admire grit and manliness; in the same section Mr. Taft has won golden opinions because he touches the spirit of Southern chivalry. There is just as much of that spirit abroad as there ever was, and the South is well supplied with it. Mr. Taft has had little to say in his Southern speeches about the song and story of the Southland. He is not emotionalist, and the Southern people are not mere sentimentalists. Mr. Taft in most of his speeches in the South during his public activities has had a great deal to say about a national outlook for the Southern section. He has portrayed the resources of the South economically and politically. He has not talked like a "Yankee trader," but has discoursed about the outlook for the South as giving that section the widest opportunity to take a leading part in framing national policies. He has weakened the old sectional cords, not by berating sectional sentiment, but by respecting its occasion and deploring its continuance.

This attitude has appealed to the South as being the instinctive attitude of a gentleman. It has appealed to the South as being the finest spirit of chivalry. He has not indulged in flattery; he has not been unctuous; he has not deviated from the clear path of honesty and courtesy. His invitation to the South to resume its place at the council table of the nation was genuine. The South knows that Mr. Taft has been all around its territory as well as over it. It looks upon him as the prophet of the new dispensation. It sees that he is not a political trickster trying to break the solid South for political purposes. It realizes that his plea for the open mind and the open door in the South is a plea to rise to the magnificent enterprises that are coming to the southern section through the development of its resources, through the building of mills and factories—more than all else, through the avenues of world trade that will be opened to it with the operation of the Panama Canal.

Swerved by an issue from its path of national progress, the South is rapidly getting into the highway again. It is fortunate in having such a trustworthy pilot, and its confidence in him will be warranted by all the facts and acts of Mr. Taft's administration.

Brief News Items.

Americans are the greatest consumers of sugar on earth. In 1907 the figures were a little over eighty-two pounds of sugar to every man, woman and child in the country.

According to the estimate of the United States Census Bureau there are at least 600,000 living cases of tuberculosis in the United States, and that at least 200,000 persons die from the disease every year.

Four men were killed and ten others injured, one fatally, when several tons of dynamite in one of the buildings of the Forcite Powder Works at Lake Hopateong blew up last Wednesday.

Late last Wednesday evening at Washington John Trollinger, revengeful over his arrest for cruelty to his wife, armed himself with an axe and went to his mother-in-law and beat her until she died soon after.

One hundred and seven-three persons are known to have lost their lives last Friday as a result of the floods which are general throughout the Transvaal country and Northern Natal. Great damage has also resulted to property.

Six miners were killed and eight others were severely injured by an explosion of gas in the Stone cannon mine at Canelers, Cal., last Wednesday night. One miner entered a room with a lighted torch, the room was full of gas which caused the explosion.

The salary of 29 of the circuit court judges have been increased from \$7,000 to \$9,000 and that of 84 district judges from \$6,000 to \$8,000. This raise caused much discussion, and took nearly the entire time of the Senate last Thursday.

A bill granting the territories of Arizona and New Mexico separate statehood will be introduced in the house this week. The Republican members of the House Committee on Territories held two meetings last Wednesday for the purpose of reviewing the bill prepared by Representative Hamilton of Michigan.

Fifty-three workmen, who were working on a sub-marine tunnel a mile and a half from shore in Lake Michigan, on last Wednesday were blown to pieces by exploding powder burned to death by the resultant fire or drowned in the icy waters of the lake. The hospitals were filled with the injured, many of the bodies of the dead were unrecognized.

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