

Plan of Judge Quizzing Jury Works in Means-Felder Case

New York World. For the first time, in two major cases, the system recently adopted by Federal Judges whereby the Court interrogates prospective jurors instead of the questioning being done by counsel, was put into effect here yesterday. In one trial, that of Gaston B. Means and Thomas B. Felder, for alleged conspiracy to bribe Government officials, the new method was employed by Judge Lindley without a word of objection to its employment from either prosecution or defense, and a jury was chosen in four hours. In the opinion of counsel in the Means-Felder case, the innovation served to speed up the selection of a jury. A slight hitch came as the result of a request by Mr. Walsh that was equally startling to those in the crowded courtroom. "If I may do so without being offensive," the attorney said, "I would like the Court to ask the talesmen whether any of them are now, or ever have been, members of the organization known as the Ku Klux Klan." At first Judge Lindley demurred, stating that the question seemed covered by his query already put to the talesmen as to whether any of them had "religious, racial, political or social prejudices" that might interfere with his judgment. "I must insist that this specific question be asked as I have put it, or else take an exception," continued Mr. Walsh. "There is a very particular and significant piece of documentary evidence that will be introduced here that has a direct reference to that organization."

In and About the City

BOND IS CANCELLED AND MEANS ARRESTED Is Taken in Custody as the Conspiracy Trial Opens. New York, Jan. 13.—Because of his experience "in getting a man named Morse out of a certain matter" for which "he didn't get anything," Gaston B. Means, of Concord, N. C., former department of justice agent, at first refused to interest himself in a deal to quash indictments in connection with the Altoona Glass Casket Co. small fraud case, it was testified today, by Samuel Rosenblatt, one of the defendants in the casket case. Trial of Means and Thomas B. Felder, jointly charged with conspiracy to obstruct justice in taking \$65,000 on representations that they could induce Harry M. Daugherty, at that time United States attorney general, William J. Burns, then director of the bureau of investigation, of the department of justice, and other high officials to stop action in the casket case, opened in United States district court here today. Elmer W. Jarnecke, indicted with Means and Felder, recently pleaded guilty and will be the chief witness for the prosecution. Means was introduced to company officials in Washington where they said they found him sitting in Burns' chair with his feet on Burns' desk, it was testified. After his first hesitation, it was said, he told them that he would "stand for anything" that Jarnecke had said he would do. "Felder was described to the casket men as an "out," or person used to give regularity to the transaction as an appearance of regularity. Rosenblatt testified that after paying the money demanded to "fix" the case and having been told that "all their troubles were over," they learned that the indictments had been found after all. "When protest was made to Felder, Rosenblatt said, they were told that it was "an honor to be indicted these days" and that they "didn't have a thing to worry about." Felder offered to furnish bail for his clients as high as \$75,000 if necessary, Rosenblatt said. Earlier in the day Judge Lindley announced that the bonding company which had furnished bail for Means had cancelled its bond. He ordered Means placed in custody of a marshal and kept in custody at his hotel when not in court.

RADIO BROADCASTING NEWS

(By the Associated Press.) (By Courtesy of Radio Digest) Program for January 15th. WBB Atlanta Journal (428) 8-0 entertainment; 10:45 organ. WEEI Boston (308) 6 Sinfonians; 7 musical; 8 band; 9:30 Sinfonians. WGR Buffalo (319) 6 music. WMAQ Chicago News (447.5) 6 organ; 6:30 orchestra; 8 talk; 8:15 Scout talk; 8:30 announced; 9 lecture; 9:15 music. WIS Chicago (345) 6:30 organ; 9:50 specialties; 7 specialties; 7:20 Sadler feature. WGN Chicago Tribune (370) 6 organ; 6:30 concert; 8 classical; 10 jazz. KYW Chicago (530) 7 concert; 8 reading; 8:20 musical; 9:15 talk; 10 a. WYF Cincinnati (423) 9 concert; 9 special, orchestra, Radio Reading; 10 trio, melody boys. WJAX Cleveland (300) 7 concert. WPAA Dallas News (476) 8:30 singers; 11 orchestra. WOC Davenport (408) 9 orchestra; 11 orchestra; 12:15 special. WWJ Detroit News (519) 7:30 News orchestra, soprano; 9 dance; 10 News orchestra. WRAP Fort Worth Star-Telegram (472.9) 7:30-8:30 classical; 11:30-10:45 popular songs. KNX Hollywood (837) 8 music; 9 orchestra; 10 features; 12 orchestra. WOS Jefferson City (440) 8 operatic numbers, address. WDAF Kansas City Star (411) 6-7 school of the air; 11:30 Night Hawks. WHAS Louisville Times (400) 7:30-9 concert. KEH Los Angeles Times (495) 8 concert; 8:30 children; 9:45 talk; 10 feature; 12 orchestra. WCCO Minneapolis-St. Paul (417) 6:30 concert; 7:30 feed talk; 7:45 health talk; 8 program; 10 orchestra. WMC Memphis Commercial-Appeal (509.9) 8 bedtime; 8:30 concert. CKAC Montreal (437) 7:30 program from CNRM. WEAF New York (402) 7 lecture; 7:30 talk; 8 harmony four; 10 orchestra. WHN New York (360) 6:10 employment; 10 orchestra; 11 dance; 11:30 Wigwam club. WJY New York (405) 7:15 photography; 7:30 see club. KGO Oakland (312) 6 orchestra; 10 drama; 12 dance, soloists. WOAW Omaha (526) 6 story; 6:45 program; 9 popular; 10:30 Wowl frolic. WAAW Omaha (278) 7:30 bridge talk; 8 educational; 10:30 bridge talk; 8 concert; 9:05 orchestra. WCAE Pittsburgh (462) 6:30 Uncle Kaybee; 6:45 special; 7:30 concert. KDKA Pittsburgh (826) 7 program; 7:30 concert; 10 concert. WKAQ Porto Rico (360) 6:30 concert. WBBF Providence (286) 7 talk. WOAI San Antonio (385) 9:30 orchestra. WGY Schenectady (380) 6:45 new books; 7 piano, soprano; 10:30 organ. WBS Springfield (337) 6:15 income tax; 6:30 music talk; 7 saxophone; 7:15 program; 8:15 violinist; 8:30 tenor; 8:45 trio. WCBD Zion (345) 8 string quartet, soprano, piano, reader.

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WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THIS? Safety Coach Drivers Told to Stay on the Road, Regardless of Violations of the Law. The Greensboro News has the following which will be of more or less interest here and everywhere: Safety Coach line drivers are under orders to stay on the road, to give way to nothing. They are told to make their schedule, regardless of the violation of speed laws. However, it is understood that if they are caught the drivers, and not the bus line, pay the fine. They are informed that the bus line carries insurance which protects it so far as maiming or killing people in automobiles or other vehicles into which they may crash and that schedules must be maintained. J. E. Johnson, better known as Firpo, who drives a truck between Greensboro and Sanford, which each morning carries the Daily News to Sanford, is responsible for these statements. Saturday he learned that the Safety Coach line needed a driver. He applied for the job. His instructions, among other things, included those enumerated. Mr. Johnson says he has a conscience and that he has decided to continue driving a truck. Mr. Johnson was informed that there was a vacancy because a driver had failed to carry out the instructions. He had left the road in an effort to avoid a collision and was fired, Mr. Johnson says he learned after he applied for the position.

TUBERCULOSIS NURSE TO BEGIN WORK FEBRUARY 1 Miss Margaret D. Ford Employed by the County Tuberculosis Association. The Cabarrus County Tuberculosis Association is pleased to announce that they have secured a nurse to care for patients suffering with tuberculosis in this county, and to put on an active fight against the disease by means of organized prevention. She is Miss Margaret D. Ford, and expects to begin her duties February 1st. Miss Ford is a graduate of Tuomey Hospital, Saniters, S. C., a post-graduate of Bellevue Hospital, New York City, and was supervisor of medical and tuberculosis wards, Harlem Branch of this same hospital. She did the same work in the Grand Hospital, Columbus, Ohio. She was surgical supervisor of Sea View Hospital for Tuberculosis, Staten Island, N. Y., and has also done school work in Brooklyn, N. Y. The committee appointed to employ a nurse for the Tuberculosis Association and the Red Cross feel they have secured one with experience along the right lines and hope great good will result from her efforts. We again ask the co-operation of our people, and will appreciate having reported to us patients who should be visited.

Kannapolis Boys Are Still Working Hard Kannapolis, Jan. 13.—Although defeated in the majority of games played this season, Coach Gill's youngsters representing the Kannapolis basketball team put the finishing touches on their final workout tonight in preparation for the game with the fast Welcome quintet in Lexington on Tuesday night. Each year the two teams clash on a neutral court. Last year they met in Churchland on January 11, with Kannapolis slightly outpointing them 24 to 21.

This year the Welcome lads have already defeated the Black and Maroon cagers in Welcome. With 12 victories out of 13 starts to their credit they are confident of winning. With Coach Gill drilling the locals through an intensive hour and endeavoring to chip off the rough places on his team it is probable that a somewhat different aggregation will face the Welcome boys than Kannapolis put up against them previously. On Friday the locals will do battle with Pat Crawford's undefeated cagers in Gastonia.

Many an unhappy youth has found that because he wanted to kiss a girl he was obliged to keep her for life.

TEXTILE WAGES.

American Wool and Cotton Reported. The cost of production of textile products must be lowered. On the face of it, it appears that at least a 10 per cent cut in wages is necessary, and the easiest way. Already in many mills a 10 per cent decrease is in effect. Fall River is going to make a similar reduction, and probably New Bedford. Soon this reduction will become general. Is this the best plan? We are familiar with one very successful cotton mill of nearly 100,000 spindles and about 3,000 looms, where less than six hundred operatives are employed. A few years ago, there were five hundred operatives. This mill is in the best of physical condition, and although it is an old corporation, practically all of its machinery is new—or, brand-new within a few years. All of the looms are automatic. All of the spinning is long frame. Within the last year, there has been a constant doubling up of equipment per operative. After the doubling-up plan was consummated, the operatives found more work had their wages increased. For every dollar saved, the management gave the operatives 20 cents increase in wages. As the number of looms per weaver was increased from twelve to twenty-four—that is not the exact proportion, but will serve as an example—a saving in wages of 100 per cent was made—and of this 100 per cent the weaver got 20 per cent. The result was that the best weavers stayed, and the best operatives in all departments—production remained constant, seconds were not increased and the mills saved several hundred thousands of dollars per annum in wages. Leading mills throughout New England have gone through, or are going through, the same doubling-up process. Any mill that does not do this is bound to fall behind. Some of them will fall utterly. A year or two ago it was an uncommon mill that operated more than sixteen looms per weaver. Now there are many mills operating 30, 40, 50 and some averaging more than 60 looms per week, with a similar doubling-up in all departments. The operative can do it. Everywhere in textile mills the production per person has been very much too low. The operatives themselves can increase their wages, rather than submitting to a decrease, if they are in the frame of mind to do it. But the mill management should be the leader in matters of this kind, and it is up to the management to point out to the operatives that they can have more money rather than less, by doing a full day's work. Queen Cross-Word Fan. London, Jan. 13.—The prevailing cross-word puzzle craze has extended to Sandringham, where it is stated that Queen Mary has taken up the pastime of solving the problems published by the newspapers. The lesser members of the royal family are also addicted to the word-hunting game. Word problems are not new to Queen Mary. In her younger days she spent much time solving acrostics and composing others for her attendants. USE PENNY COLUMN—IT PAYS

Hunt's Washington Letter

BY HARRY B. HUNT NEA Service Writer WASHINGTON—A new Coolidge cognomen has appeared. Now it's "Clever Cat." This name is bestowed in recognition of Coolidge's canny move in sending to the Senate the nomination of Earlham F. Stone as associate justice of the Supreme Court, to succeed Justice McKenna, on the same afternoon that McKenna's resignation was announced. Not that Stone's appointment was any stroke of genius. Stone may or may not have been the best possible appointee. So far as the cleverness of the president's quick action was concerned the identity of the nominee doesn't count. The big thing is that there was no delay; that no sooner had McKenna's resignation been accepted than his successor was named. If, on the surface the action seemed a bit hasty there was, nevertheless, good reason for it. Had the appointment been held back even until the next day there would have been a dozen candidates in the field, each with a sizable block of "influence" behind him. Rival interests would have gotten busy for and against the various men proposed. Pressure, direct and indirect, would have been applied. Instead of having a free hand in the selection of the man he wanted for the highest judicial bench, Coolidge would have found his judgment biased and his decision bogged by the recommendations and importunities of the aspiring brigade. HAVING once left an opening for outside influence to affect the appointment, the longer he waited the greater would be his woe. For the greater the field of aspirants and the wider the circle of backers the more general would be the disappointment when the appointment was made. The friends gained from the group endorsing the selection would be far more than offset by

the enemies made among the groups whose candidates had lost out. By naming Stone out-of-hand, such a situation was blocked before it started. The naming of a successor to Stone, as attorney general, does not present a correspondingly difficult problem. For whereas an associate judgeship on the Supreme Court is a high public office of direct interest to every citizen, a place on the president's cabinet is a matter rather personal with the president himself, and is not so subject to influence by outside pressure. COOLIDGE'S action in the Stone appointment was reminiscent of the promptness with which Roosevelt was wont to make his selections for high office. Unless there were grave reasons for delay, or absolute doubt as to the fitness of the man he had in mind for a given post, T. R. always went in his nominations in short order. And he frankly admitted his chief reason for so doing was to escape the aftermath of enmities and wrecked hopes that follow a delayed appointment. A mediocre appointment, promptly made, he held to be a better appointment, politically, than a prime appointment made after the waters had been muddied by a political tug-of-war. SENATOR FRANK BRANDEGEE, "hard-boiled" old-guard senator, bachelor and recluse, who committed suicide in his home here three months ago, is revealed as having been the owner of a most bizarre collection of art curios. At an auction, where Brandegee's personal possessions were put on sale, there were more than 100 paintings, some worth thousands, many worth little or nothing. There were miniatures, jewel chests, quaint jade and ivory carvings, lacquer ware, old brasses. And a fine etching by Anders Zorn—a beautiful woman, dressed in the style of 1900, about the year Brandegee entered the Senate!

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