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TITANIC DISASTER DUE TO EXCESSIVE SPEED

Judgment of British Board Of Trade Court of Inquiry

Ismay and Duff-Gordon Exonerated—Recommend More Water-Tight Compartments; Lifeboats for All; Boat Drill and Better Look-out

(Canadian Press)

London, July 30—The judgment of the British Board of Trade court of inquiry into the disaster to the White Star liner Titanic, which sank in mid-ocean with 1,517 souls, after collision with an iceberg, on April 14, was pronounced today, by Lord Mersey, the presiding judge, before a large audience. The court finds that the collision of the Titanic with the iceberg was due to the excessive speed at which the ship was navigated; that a proper watch was not kept; that the ship's boats were properly lowered, but that arrangements for manning them were insufficient; that the Leyland liner, California, might have reached the Titanic if she had attempted to do so; that the track followed was reasonably safe with proper vigilance, and that there was no discrimination against third-class passengers in the saving of life.

The court of inquiry exonerates J. Bruce Ismay, chairman and managing director of the White Star line, and Sir Cosmo Duff-Gordon, one of the passengers from any charges of improper conduct. The judgment recommends more water-tight compartments in sea-going ships, the provision of lifeboats for all on board, and more efficient drill of the crew as well as a better lookout.

Lord Mersey's judgment is a formal legal document, giving the history of the voyage and of the disaster, while the findings and recommendations of the court extend to great length. Much of the judgment is highly technical for which Lord Mersey's scientific colleagues are responsible.

While the judgment was being delivered, no attempt at rhetoric was made. There was no argument and no direct reference to the inquiry by the committee of the United States senate, under the chairmanship of Senator William Alden Smith.

The most important findings of the court were that the Titanic was sufficiently and efficiently officered and manned and complied with all the regulations of the British merchant shipping act, regarding safety, but that the arrangements for manning and launching the lifeboats in an emergency were insufficient and that no drill had been held. The instructions for the voyage given prior to sailing, were in the opinion of the court, adequate, but "having regard to subsequent events, they would have been better if reference had been made to the course to be adopted in the event of the vessel reaching the region of ice."

The outward and homeward southern tracks were, according to judgment, reasonably safe for the time of year, at which the disaster happened ,provided great precautions were used in crossing the ice region.

Capt. E. S. Smith, of the Titanic, was not, said the court, fettered by orders to remain in the track, but naturally would keep near to the accepted route, in view of the fact that on the night of the accident the moon was not shining, there was no wind and very little swell on the sea, and especially in view of the high speed at which the Titanic was steaming, an extra lookout should, in the court's opinion, have been placed in the stem of the boat, and a sharp watch kept by the officers on both sides of the bridge.

The judgment did not consider binoculars necessary as a rule, searchlights, however, might be serviceable, but the evidence given before the court was insufficient to permit of a precise answer.

The speed of 22 knots was regarded by the court as excessive.

The seriousness of the disaster was realized by the officers within 15 or 20 minutes of the crash and proper discipline had been maintained according to the view of the court.

DARROW DENIES ALL CHARGES OF JURY BRIBING

Contradicts Evidence of Previous Witnesses Regarding The Plot

THAT $1,000 CHEQUE

Says He Paid Money to Franklin For "Office Expenses"—Gives History of His Life While on The Stand

(Canadian Press)

Los Angeles, Cal., July 30—Clarence S. Darrow, on trial for alleged jury bribery, took the witness stand in his own behalf yesterday. In the brief time he was on the stand Darrow contradicted testimony by George Behm and Bert Franklin, which had been considered damaging to his case. Mr. Darrow gave his age as 56 next April, and said he had been practicing law for 36 years. He gave a brief history of his various important employments and a brief account of his record as a representative of organized labor. Asked about his relations with Geo. Behm, uncle of Ortie McManigal, Darrow said that Behm and Mrs. McManigal had visited his home in Chicago, where Mrs. McManigal complained of the manner in which her husband had been treated by W. J. Burns, the detective.

"I had no conversation at any time in reference to getting McManigal to change his testimony," said Darrow emphatically, "and I never gave him any money for that purpose."

"Did you hear Franklin say," asked Darrow's counsel, "that the first time you ever spoke to him concerning the bribery of jurors, was on October 5, and that on the succeeding day, October 6, you gave him a cheque for $1,000 for such purpose?"

"Yes."

"Was that true?"

"I had no such conversation with Franklin," said Darrow, "nor did I give him any cheque on October 6 for any purpose. I did give him a cheque for $1,000 on October 4, and I think I gave him the next cheque about October 15. These cheques were for the expenses of his office."

The defense promised to produce at the resumption of the trial, tomorrow morning, the cheque for $1,000 given Franklin on October 4.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION COMMISSION IS READY

Will Report When House Meets on Technical Training Abroad

Ottawa, July 30—The Commission on Technical Education will meet here in September to finally pass upon the report of its extensive investigation to be submitted when the house meets.

A scheme embodying the best ideas of technical training abroad will be submitted to the government, and its application to Canada recommended.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. R. F. Stupart, director of meterological service.

9 A. M. WEATHER REPORT.

	Max.	Min.	Dir.	Vel.	
Toronto	78	56	N.	14	Cloudy
Montreal	72	60	N.E	4	Clear
Quebec	76	52	S.W.	4	Cloudy
Chatham	72	52	W.	4	Cloudy
Charl'town	76	54	N.E.	4	Cloudy
Sydney	72	58	S.E.	10	Cloudy
Sable Island	64	56	S.W.	20	Cloudy
Halifax	68	56		Calm	Cloudy
Yarmouth	64	56		Calm	Cloudy
St. John	58	54	N.E.	8	Fair
Boston	78	62	N.	6	Cloudy
New York	84	64	N.	14	Clear,
Bermuda	82	70	S.W.	20	Fair

Forenoon Bulletin from Toronto.

Forecasts:—Moderate variable winds; unsettled and cool with local showers today and Wednesday.

Synopsis:—A shallow depression is likely to cause continued unsettled weather in the Maritime Provinces. The weather is fine and warm throughout the west. To the Grand Banks, moderate southerly winds. To American ports, moderate variable winds.

Saint John Observatory.

The time ball on Customs building is hoisted half its elevation at 12.45, full elevation at 12.59, and drops at 1 p.m. Standard time of the 60th Meridian, equivalent to 5 hours Greenwich mean time.

Local Weather Report at Noon.

Highest temperature during last 24 hrs 65
Lowest temperature during last 24 hrs 53
Temperature at noon 65
Humidity at noon, ... 75
Barometer readings at noon, (sea level and 32 degrees Fah.) 29.63 inches.
Wind at noon:—Direction, S. E. Velocity 12 miles per hour. Cloudy.
Same date last year—Highest temperature 60, lowest temperature, 54. Cloudy and foggy.

D. L. HUTCHINSON, Director.

HORSE RACES ON MONCTON SPEEDWAY AUG. 20 AND 21

The Classes Will be 2.24, 2.17, 2.40 and 2.20 Trot and Pace And a Free-For-All

Moncton, July 30—At a meeting of the Moncton Driving Club last night it was decided to hold two days' racing in August, and the dates selected were Tuesday and Wednesday, 20th and 21st.

The classes will be as follows:

2.24 trot and pace.
2.17 trot and pace.
2.20 pace.
2.40 trot and pace, and a free-for-all.

The purses will be $300 each.

The entries will close August 20th.

This should be the banner meet of the season, as the dates selected are right in the heart of the racing season and all the speedy ones should be in the pink of condition.

The Moncton track has been put in good condition this season, and it is expected that the fastest horses in the provinces and Maine will be brought together for this midsummer meet.

STARVED TO DEATH WITH $2,000 HIDDEN IN HER STOCKING

New York, July 30—"I am dying of starvation. I have not eaten for three days," said an aged woman to a policeman, at the corner of Forty-second street and sixth avenue, just before daybreak today. While he was inquiring her name, she dropped unconscious to the curb, and before an ambulance could be summoned, she was dead. At the morgue, a roll of yellow backed bills $2,000 in all, was found in the woman's stocking, pinned to one of the bills was a slip of paper, which said: "I am Rosa Connolly, 74 years old, no home." Examination showed that death was due to starvation, and heart failure.

TWO KILLED AND SEVERAL WOUNDED IN LOVERS' DUEL

Rome, July 30—Giovanni della Pietra and Salvatore Nappi, of Lideri, rivals for the hand of the village belle, Catherina Gastaldi, arranged a duel to settle their claims. They met in the open country, each supported by his friends, and in a short time the battle becames general. Della Pietra and a brother of Nappi were killed and several others wounded.

Prohibit Socialist Meeting

St. Catharines, Ont., July 30—The Civic Park Committee has prohibited socialistic meetings in the local parks.

CONNAUGHTS ENJOYING RIVER TRIP

Varied Entertainment For Royal Party in Island Province—Leave For Pictou Tomorrow

Charlottetown, P. E. L., July 30— The Governor-General, the Duchess of Connaught and Princess Patricia left this morning on the S.S. Harland on a trip up the West River. They were accompanied by a large number of people, including members of the legislative assembly and their wives, the trip being given by the provincial government. On his return this afternoon, His Royal Highness will plant a tree at the government experimental farm. Last night the Duke was the guest of Sir Louis and Lady Davies, and watched the illuminations from the lawn on the water front of their residence. The programme for tonight includes a dinner at the Government house. Twenty-two persons in all will be present. The duke leaves tomorrow morning for Pictou.

CHICAGO'S REQUEST FOR MORE WATER IS AGAIN REFUSED

Ottawa, Ont., July 30—"The United States has decided against letting Chicago bring more water through its drainage canal.

"That was our recommendation in 1908, and it will be adhered to," said George Clinton, of Buffalo, a member of the old Inland Waterways Commission, which is meeting here today. The International Waterways Commission has been superseded by the International Joint Commission, but remains in existence until it finishes its work of delimiting the International boundary through the Great Lakes.

"We reported in 1908-9 against letting them have any more than the capacity of their canal, 10,000 cubic feet per second," Mr. Clinton continued. "They are now limited to this amount by the United States Government and they will not be allowed to take any more. All this recent agitation has brought no result, as Secretary Stimson, with whom the matter rests, is against further diversions."

MAN OF 72 KICKS 6 FEET 6 INCHES

Brockton, July 30—"Citizen" H. O. Thomas, just to prove that the young fellows are not entitled to all the glory, did a high kick at Fletcher Webster Post, G. A. R. headquarters on East Elm street this morning and touched the disk at 6 feet 6 inches.

"Citizen" Thomas was 72 years old June 29 and is remarkably agile for one who has passed the alloted span. Commander Howland of the post was a witness of the athletic feat and will back his comrade against any G. A. R. veteran in the country.

CHAMPION RETIRES

Jack Johnson Announces That He is All Through—Would Have To Wait Too Long For a Fight at His Own Terms

(Canadian Press)

Chicago, July 30—Jack Johnson, champion heavyweight pugilist of the world, announces that he has fought his last fight. "The promoters won't give me my price for fighting now, and if I wait a year I'll probably not be in condition to put up a fight worthy of a champion. So its good-bye to John Arthur Johnson, champion of the world," he said.

Asked if he intended to retire in favor of any fighter, as Jeffries did, in the case of Marvin Hart, Johnson said:

"No, let Jeanette, Langford and McVey fight it out. I think McVey will thrash any of them, but that is their troubles, not mine. No white fighter can give either of these men a good battle."

Johnson has saved his money. He said tonight that he was worth $200,000, the greater part of which is well invested. Practically all of this has been made since he fought Tommy Burns in Australiaa, December 26, 1908.

CLAIMS TITLE FOR JEANETTE

Chicago, July 30—Johnson's announcement produced a quick response from John McKettrick, manager for Joe Jeanette.

"I am not seeking to establish a precedent," he said, "but I sincerely believe I am justified in claiming the world's heavyweight title for Joe Jeanette."

JAPAN IN MOURNING FOR RULER

State Ceremonies in Connection With Change Continued—This Will be Taisei era

Tokio, Japan, July 30—The great state ceremonies in connection with the change in the rulership of the Japanese empire, caused by the death early yesterday morning of Mutsuhito and the accession to the throne of his son Yoshihito were continued today. The announcement was made at an early hour of the name under which the new era is to be known. The era changes with every reign and an official decree says the new designation is to be Taisei, in place of Meiji, as it was during the reign of Mutsuhito.

Calm reigns throughout the empire today, and the nation for the moment, appears completely overcome with sorrow. All the people have put on signs of mourning, and all festivities and public functions have been stopped.

ASTOR ESTATE IS TAXED FOR FIVE MILLIONS

Albany, July 30—Steps have been taken to secure an appraisal of the estate of Col. John Jacob Astor, who lost his life in the Titanic disaster, for the purpose of collecting the state transfer tax.

Thomas Rush, of the New York city office of the State Controller, has informed Comptroller Sohmer that counsel for Col. Astor's estate has begun proceedings to insure to the estate a discount of five per cent in the amount of the tax to be paid under the provisions of the Transfer Tax Act. This discount is allowed where payment is made within six months of the deceased's death.

It is estimated that the estate of Col. Astor will aggregate in value from $100,000,000 to $125,000,000 and that the state will receive in transfer taxes about $5,000,000.

POWERFUL DREDGE TO BE ADDED TO EQUIPMENT

Within the next few days the dredging equipment of this port will be added to by a new and powerful dredge. While there are already larger and up-to-date dredging plants working in and about the harbor, this latest is expected to equal, if not surpass, any seen about these parts.

The new dredge is for the G. S. Mayes' interests, and it is likely to arrive during the next few days.

SUGGESTION FOR MR. MONK.

Commissioner Schofield thinks that it is a coincidence that Hon. F. D. Monk, minister of public works, according to an Ottawa dispatch, should have advocated the immediate equipment of Canadian ports just at the time when the city is to ask him to extend the breakwater to the Island and do other harbor work. The commissioner thought he might clip the newspaper announcement and enclose it with St. John's request for the work in question.

MARRIED IN MANITOBA.

The marriage of Clive Dickason to Maude Annie, eldest daughter of the late Arthur Dickason, of St. John's Wood, London, Eng., took place in St. Paul's church, Dauphin, Manitoba, on July 25. Mr. Dickason is manager of the tea department of G. E. Barbour Co., Ltd. On their return from their wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Dickason will reside in St. John.

WILL SHAKE POLICE DEPT. TO FOUNDATION

Confessions Reveal Corruption System in all its Hideousness

Prisoners' Stories Give Details of Deliberate Plot for Murder of Rosenthal—Promised Protection, But Now in Fear for Their Lives

(Canadian Press)

New York, July 30—The indictment of Police Lieutenant Chas Becker for the murder of the gambler, Herman Rosenthal, soon after the confessions of "Bald Jack" Rose, "Bridgie" Webber, and Harry Vallon, revealed today to District Attorney Whitman, the "police system" in all its hideousness.

The public prosecutor following the trail of the three confessions, continued his search for evidence that would implicate those higher up than Becker and more indictments of police officials are expected by the district attorney.

The arrest of Becker lays bare a scandal in the police department that threatens to shake it to its foundation, for district attorney Whitman believes the story of police has only half been told.

"Bald Jack" Rose confessed that Becker came to him and fairly desperate over Rosenthal's intention of telling all he knew of his relations with the police lieutenant, said: "Rosenthal has lived too long, he has got to be put out of the way."

Rose told the public prosecutor and the grand jury how the murder band was hired at the instigation of Becker, and that after the killing Becker met Webber and himself and promised complete police protection.

The confessions show that the murderers of Rosenthal were:—

"Lefty Louie," or Louis Rosensweig, Harry Horowitz, or "Gib the blood," Frank Miller, or "Whitie Jack" Lewis and "Dago Frank" Cirofici.

Only Cirofici has been apprehended. These gun men, members of the various "Big Jack Selig" gang, plied themselves with liquor and then went out and shot Rosenthal for a price, said to be $5,000. Terror-stricken, Rose, Webber and Vallon spent the night in the public prosecutor's office, fearing that they would be murdered if they were taken to the Tombs prison.

District attorney Whitman believes that his case against Lieut. Becker, is without a flaw, that the confessions taken separately, dove-tailed and confirmed each other and that from the testimony of other witnesses the case against Becker cannot be broken down.

"Bald Jack" Rose, gambler, who says he was Becker's gambling collector, felt the ground slipping from under him day by day. Without money and friends he realized that he was being made to bear the weight of the crime alone. His counsel advised him to confess. Rose became completely terrified. To counsel, Jas. Sullivan, he said:

"If you see to it that my wife and children are protected, I'll come across and tell the truth about this. I'm afraid it will be the end of me, no cell on earth will be strong enough to keep the life in a man who gives up about this killing."

Intimations were made to Rose that an indictment might be expected against him, and then he confessed. Counsel for Webber and Vallon catching the drift of things also advised their clients to tell all the truth and become immunized.

Rose told district attorney Whitman that, for a long time, he had been Becker's gambling house collector. That Becker, as one of the gambling house squad, smelled out profitable places, and that each month collections were made. Becker did not get all the money, Rose says, but some of it was distributed to others. Rosenthal was a thorn in Becker's side. Becker had pressed Rosenthal to the wall, according to Rose, and Rosenthal threatened to make things hot. Six weeks before the killing, Rose says, Becker sent for him and said that Rosenthal must be made away with. Rose flinched at the words he said, and Becker, noting his state of mind, remarked, according to Rose:

"Now there is no use getting worried or nervous about this job, that dog has made too much trouble, what do you think I am in this department, I can do what I——please, I'll see to it that nobody gets into serious trouble. Now you go out and do whatever is necessary." Rose says he went out and saw big Jack Selig, to make a deal for his gunmen. Selig was under indictment for carrying concealed weapons, and the possibilities of a stay in Sing Sing prison did not appeal to him. Consequently, Rose said, when he promised to see that nothing happened when Selig came to trial, there was no trouble getting the gunmen.

It was at this point in the proceedings that Rose backed somewhat out of the murder activies. All the gunmen were informed to be ready to kill Rosenthal, who in the meantime had been shadowed day and night.

A few days before the killing Rose says that he met Webber and Becker and that while the three were talking it over, Becker said to Webber:

"This job has got to be done, and Rose says they won't do it for him. Now, "Bridgie," you can get it done, they all know you, you have got the money and I have the power, I'll protect everybody."

Becker, according to Rose's confession, shook his fist in their faces and exclaimed:—"If you won't do this, I'll put weapons on every one of you. I'll send you up for seven years, I'll show you what you'll get."

Rose and Webber say they believed that Lieut. Becker would send them away and had the power to do it. Then the murder plot unfolded itself quickly. Monday night came, and with it the word for the gun-men to get together. Rose told how he got the assassins together and how after the killing, he went over to the Hotel Metropole to see how the job had been done.

Rosenthal lay dead upon the sidewalk, with a tablecloth spread over his body. Rose says he went to a telephone booth and called up Lieut. Becker, but he was so unnerved by the shock he could only gasp: "My God, this is horrible."

Becker, Rose says in his confession, replied over the wire in a steady voice: "Oh, don't worry, I'll protect you. Wait a few minutes and I'll be right down, where will you be?"

An appointment was made to meet at Forty-Second street, within a short distance of the scene of the murder. There Rose says he met Webber and Becker, and Webber corroborated the Rose statement. They talked over what was the best thing to do under the circumstances, and parted after Becker had assured them that everything would be all right. The chase for the slayers became hot, and finally Rose says that Becker advised him over the telephone to surrender, but that everything would come out all right. Of the real murderers Rose says in his confession:

"Those poor devils did not know what they were doing. They were full of 'booze.' They had been told to kill and they went out and did what they were told."

Webber and Vallon in their confessions supplied many missing links in the confession of Rose. Speaking of Becker and his alleged connection with gambling, Rose said:

"Why, of course, I was Becker's collector, everybody knew it."

Webber himself says that his protection payments for his gambling house to Becker through Rose were $125 a month.

The three prisoners, Rose, Webber and Vallon, were still in a state of terror this morning, though guarded by a squad of detectives, who locked them in a room in the district attorney's office. Webber was hysterical, and frequently wept during the night.

INQUIRY INTO ISSUING OF ILLEGAL PASSES

Moncton, N. B., July 30—The inquiry into the alleged procuring and distribution of I. C. R. passes, which is being held by Commissioner G. Hazen Adair, of Sussex, was resumed in the city hall here this morning. Mr. Freeze, of Sussex, appeared for the department, and Hon. F. J. Sweeney for Tillman Legere, one of the witnesses.

Tilman Legere testified to buying an I. C. R. pass from E. W. Ferguson three or four years ago. He said Ferguson suggested it. He paid Ferguson between three and four dollars. He travelled on the pass from Moncton to Halifax and back. Ray Vye was present when he negotiated with Ferguson for the pass, and said that the pass was all right. Tilman Melanson was the next witness, and told of going to Campbellton two or three years ago as a member of the Curling Club. He stated that Dr. Murray told him he would arrange for his transportation. The witness said he paid no fare.

As witnesses are being brought from as far away as Winnipeg, the commissioner said the enquiry was adjourned until Thursday, August 8.

FATALLY INJURED BY FALL FROM BALLOON

Beaudette, Minn., July 30—Arthur Otelle, professional balloonist, was fatally injured here yesterday, when he fell a distance of 500 feet from his balloon. One leg was driven twelve inches into the ground. The bag was old and burst.

WILL INAUGURATE MANY REFORMS IN AMERICAN ARMY

Recommendations of Army Council--To Divide Army Into Three Divisions—Creation of Standing Reserve

Washington, July 30—The Army Council, called by Secretary Stimson to determine the needs of the army, completed its two weeks of sessions today. Secretary Stimson expressed himself as gratified with the work of the council, which reviewed the condition of the army, and formulated suggestions for bettering the service. The secretary said that, through executive and army orders, steps would be taken to inaugurate such of the reforms suggested as can be initiated without congressional action.

Following the recommendations of a majority of the officers of the council, the army will be divided into three complete divisions, and will be so assigned to posts throughout the country that each division may be readily mobilized as a complete fighting unit with the proper proportions of each branch of the service.

Several subjects, among them the length of term of service, the creation of a standing reserve, and other matters calling for legislation will be brought to the attention of congress and changes in the law recommended, probably next winter.

INCREASED PAY FOR MANY I.C.R. EMPLOYEES

Probable Result of Meeting of Board of Adjustment in Moncton

2,000 MEN AFFECTED

Higher Cost of Living the Cause—Based on Twelve Per Cent Increase — Authorities Sympathetic

(Canadian Press)

Halifax, N. S., July 30—Within the next ten days there will be forwarded to the authorities the result of the meeting a few days ago in Moncton of the joint board of adjustment of the I. C. R. and Prince Edward Island railways, to consider rules and rates of pay of those represented by the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employes.

Grand President A. R. Mosher and Grand Secretary McLean, who is also secretary of the board of adjustment, arrived home from Moncton on Saturday night. The other members of the board present at the meeting were the chairman, H. R. LeBlanc, of Moncton; F. W. McDonald, Pictou; M. McLeod, of Charlottetown; W. Allen of Halifax, W. F. McMillan of Campbellton, N. B., and T. Jenkins of Levis.

The deliberations began on Tuesday, continuing through the two following days, and the matter of revision of the schedule and the facts which call for it were fully discussed.

Increase in pay will be recommended to the authorities on the excellent ground of the increased cost of living, an increase very conservatively placed by the board at twelve per cent within the past year.

It is understood that the revision of the schedule by the board was upon this basis and the members or those of them with whom your representative has spoken are sanguine that the revised schedule will be adopted and it is known from certain influential sources that sympathy there is with the men.

In the absence yesterday of the grand president, the secretary, Mr. McLean, was asked what employes would be affected by the revision of the schedule.

"All railway, all clerical and freight employes, all parlor, dining and sleeping car employes, employes at the round house and mechanical shops," he replied.

"About how many persons will be affected by it?" asked the representative.

"In all, about 2,000," said Mr. McLean, "in the province of Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island."

"Our business at Moncton was that of revising the schedule and adopting amendments to be submitted to the authorities."

Asked in about what time he thought action would be taken in the matter, he stated that he supposed it would be about a month. It will take some time to get the schedule and amendments in proper shape for presentation to the powers that be.

That Mr. McLean anticipated a responsive attitude by the authorities was very obvious.

The scale of pay at present to those who will be affected by the revised schedule is from a minimum of sixteen cents an hour to common laborers to $85 a month to the parlor, sleeping and dining car employes.

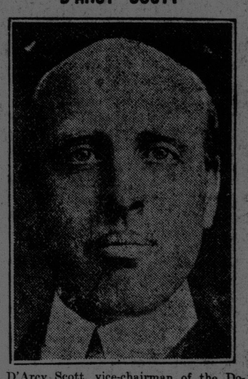
HER LONG LIFE WAS A SERIES OF TRAGEDIES

New York, July 30—Hancock county's "Trouble Woman," Mrs. Nancy Newman, aged 87, is dead at Hawesville, Ky. She is the last of thirteen brothers and sisters, whose stepfather, Capt. John Stott, was the first sheriff of the county.

Tragedies came often in Mrs. Newman's life. The youngest child was scalded to death in a tanning vat; the second was burned to death on the home hearth. Two weeks later a third, a Confederate soldier, was murdered in a riot in Mobile.

A fourth was killed two years ago when the house fell on him. The fifth met death in a runaway five years ago.

D'ARCY SCOTT



D'Arcy Scott, vice-chairman of the Dominion Railway Commission, who has made himself very popular in the west by his decision that the railways must reduce their freight rates by October 1st, or show the reason why not.