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FACE TRIAL TOGETHER ON CHARGE OF MURDER

WATERBURY, Conn., Feb. 14.—That Sophie Krichman and Joe Mitchell will have to stand trial together for the murder of Bronislaw Krichman, in Union City, on the night of September 17 last, was decided by Judge Williams in the superior criminal court here tonight. When Judge Williams handed down his decision that the two should be tried together, arguments were resumed by the defense asking for the release of Sophie on the ground that her life could not twice be placed in jeopardy for the same

crime. Judge Williams denied the motion and ordered that the trial of the two prisoners be taken up tomorrow morning.

William Triffo, of the Unique theatre staff, met with a very serious accident which resulted in the breaking of his leg while enjoying a skate with several of his friends in the Victoria rink last evening. Mr. Triffo was one of a party who were enjoying a sociable hour of skating at the conclusion of the sports. He was skating around the rink at a very fast clip when he came into collision with another skater. Dr. Geo. A. J. was summoned and found that Triffo's leg was broken. After rendering what assistance he could the doctor had the injured man sent to his home on Brindley street in a coach.

TO GO BEFORE SCHOOL BOARD

Explanation Re Fire Escapes

Rich End Schools Reported Overcrowded — Board to Have Exhibit at Fair.

The school board in regular monthly session last evening decided to have both the architect and contractor engaged on the construction of fire escapes appear before it to make some explanations concerning the escapes. Sup. Bridges reported to the board that the schools of North End were overcrowded and that the board would have to be taken to relieve the congestion. The visitors to the North End schools and the superintendent will look into the matter. The board also decided to have an exhibit at the Dominion Exhibition next fall. Information was received from the Chief Superintendent to the effect that in the future two hours' teaching will be credited only as half a day by the Educational Department. This ruling affects particularly the teachers in the domestic science department.

THOSE PRESENT.

There were present Chairman Emerson, Trustees Nason, Col. Bullock, Smith, Day, Mrs. Skinner, Mrs. Dever, Supt. Bridges, Secretary Leavitt, and Trust Officer McManis.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and remanded.

Edith D. Brown and Lottie E. Smith applied for positions on the teaching staff of the city. The applications were received and filed.

Miss Jessie A. Lawson was granted two months' leave of absence.

Principal Town of Centennial School applied for an increase in salary of \$100 per year. The application was referred to the Teachers' Committee.

A communication from the Wallace concerning Miss Richardson of the Colored School, St. Phillips Church, was received. It was referred to Supt. Bridges.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. were given the loan of two hundred and fifty chairs from the High School on the condition that a precedent was not set.

George O. Mowry, janitor of the Duffell School, and Henry McGill, janitor of St. Joseph's School, applied for an increase in salary. The applications were referred to the Buildings Committee.

LETTER FROM CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT.

A communication from the Chief Superintendent stating that henceforth two hours' teaching should be reckoned as only half a day was received and filed.

The revised estimates were offered to be placed on the minutes.

It was also decided to make the last bond for twenty-five years instead of forty years.

Trustee Day reported that he had sent certain estimates to the Douglas Avenue School building. His action was confirmed.

It was decided to obtain legislation for the purchasing of an ex-Secretary Manning.

Chairman Emerson and Trustee Bullock were appointed a committee to draw up a bill providing for the execution of the school assessment from \$100,000 to \$125,000.

There was some discussion concerning the fire escapes now being placed on the buildings. On motion of Trustee Colli it was decided to have the architect and the contractor appear before the board to explain delay in completion of the contract.

The action of Supt. Bridges in appointing Miss Lillian Smith assistant teacher in the Albert School was confirmed.

The superintendent reported that the schools of the North End were overcrowded. He wished that the visitors of those schools would visit them with him in order that a report might be made.

Mrs. Skinner brought up the matter of a school exhibit at the Dominion Exhibition.

On motion was decided to ask for space at the exhibition. Trustee Colli and Bullock, Mrs. Skinner, and Supt. Bridges were appointed a committee to arrange details.

Secretary Leavitt asked that certain changes be made in the arrangement of the office.

It was decided to make the changes and obtain additional office supplies.

Dr. Berryman yesterday examined Patrick Doyle, alias Michael Morrison, who was arrested for lying and luring in a box car on the West Side, and found him to be a person of unsound mind. He was handed over to Guard Wm. Brownell of the Asylum. The prisoner escaped from that institution about two weeks ago.

Between three and four o'clock yesterday afternoon a horse attached to a sleigh and driven by Thomas Burchill, was upset in Brussels street, in a collision with another vehicle. Burchill was thrown out and had his arm slightly injured.

Allowing some discount for the spy mania, which breaks out now and again in the various countries, there is no doubt that the secret service of every country contains many spies who are on the qui vive for military and naval information concerning the other powers and among these spies women are to be found doing much important work.

—Bills.

MANY WOMEN ARE GOVERNMENT SPIES

Obtaining the Smokeless Powder Formula

German Women Employed as Barmen on the French Frontier Proven to be Spies.

It may be remembered that a short time ago some valuable Admiralty plans disappeared from Chatham. Mr. McKenna, the First Lord of the Admiralty, admitted that they had been stolen, but mystery surrounded their disappearance. It is now suggested that a well-known international woman spy, who is ever ready to do her services to the highest bidder, be it the Russian, German or French government, was responsible for the disappearance of those plans. It is known that she was in this country for some weeks prior to the incident, and it is supposed that during that time she engineered the plot which resulted in the vanishing of the important papers.

Whatever truth there may be in the story, it is a very feasible one, for it is usually women who prove the most successful spies. "When it comes to trickery and cunning," said a well-known detective the other day, "there is no match for a clever woman. If she is pretty into the bargain I would back her to beat the cleverest men in Scotland Yard nine times out of ten." And judging from the success of women in secret service work it would seem that the tribute is in no way exaggerated.

It is only a short time ago that a beautiful and daintily-dressed teacher of languages, Frau Peter, about 25 years of age, was arrested at Kiel, in Germany, on suspicion of being a French spy. She was said to have entered into a love affair deliberately with non-commissioned officers of the German army, and the explosive department for the purpose of inducing him to divulge important German naval secrets.

Dietrich, flattered by the attentions of such a beautiful woman, could not resist her advances, and at the time of the arrest was said to have been preparing with her for the formula for the manufacture of smokeless powder (one of the most effective yet invented), and the situation of the port matters. No disguise for frequent changes of address.

In Russia, where the secret service is raised to the level of a fine art, the spy is recognized as an extremely valuable medium for obtaining information, not only about foreign matters, but also about the movements of the revolutionaries going on at home. One of the most notorious of these female spies, a German, was described as a female Asaf.

SIBERIA THE END

This person, posing as one of the Territorials, took part in their enterprise, and discovering all their plans, gave information to the police. For this service she obtained a handsome monthly salary. She began her nefarious trade at the age of 25, and her first big coup was when she betrayed the Responstone plot against the Czar in 1887. Scores of thousands of soldiers were sent into exile in Siberia on the plot being discovered.

She, herself, to disarm suspicion, was sent away also, but was allowed to escape and rejoin the revolutionists in order to obtain more information. One of her victims was a handsome girl named Franca Fraumith, who was sent to the gallows after an abortive attempt to kill the Czar of Moscow. The arch-traitress wormed herself into the confidence of Franca, and with the result that numbers of persons were banished to Siberia.

Quite recently the French government found a large number of German women employed on the eastern frontier as barmen to be expelled from the country. These women had been watched and found to be in the pay of German spies, to whom they gave the information that they acquired from listening to the conversation of drunken soldiers in the taverns.

A more serious affair was that at Rheims. Seven men and three women, alleged to be paid agents of the German War Office, were arrested. The three women were in the habit, it was said, of making the acquaintance of soldiers wheedling military secrets out of them, which information they passed on to the men. Compromising correspondence was found at their lodgings and seemed to reveal wholesale espionage on the women. As a matter of fact, the arrest of these men and women is said to have disclosed the discovery of a wide-spread organization of German spies throughout the country.

It will be with young and highly trained men, aged from 21 to 27, that the first great blow will be struck in case of war, and all attention has been concentrated upon making the first echelon of the army as perfect as human effort can compass. The record of the last year shows that from almost every point of view the German army continues to receive constant accessions of material and moral strength.

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DOWN IN THE MOUTH.

"When you are down in the mouth, think of Jonah!" he came out all right. It makes little difference how you get overboard or what kind of fish swallowed you. It may be lack of initiative, business bashfulness or what not. It's getting out that really counts. You must get out or become an unknown quantity. Get that snap, power and executive capacity such as was supplied to hundreds of others by the Currie Business University, and you will come out all right.

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PEARY'S TURN TO DELIVER.

Why shouldn't Commander Peary submit his records also to the University of Currie? What is fair for Cook is fair for Peary. To the minds of many people it seems only right that the records of his trip should be passed upon by the same body. The University of Currie would doubtless be pleased to see the records of a real discoverer. Peary, of course, has nothing to fear or to lose in so doing, and it might help to put to rest forever a contention that has already lasted too long.

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ARMY OF 4,000,000 IS READY NOW

And Germany's War Strength is Still Growing

More Than a Million Men Under Arms on a Peace Footing—Organizing Fleet of Airships.

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The peace strength of the German army has risen during the past year to 400,000 men of all ranks and 111,829 horses. The number of reservists called out for training during the year has risen to 40,294, exclusive of officers, or an increase of more than 110,000 over the figures for 1908. The German plan is to train each soldier twice for fourteen days while in the reserve and once for fourteen days while in the Landwehr.

The number of reservists recalled during the year for training has risen of late at the rate of 30,000 a year and will continue to rise until the plan is in full operation. Thus there are and hereafter will be more than a million men under arms at one or another complete year.

The year 1907 is the last for which complete statistics of recruiting have been published. The recruits examined numbered 116,844, among whom there were 532,062 of the age of 20 who were examined for the first time. In all 48,921 were incorporated in the active army and 16,874 in the navy.

About one-half of the army recruits were 20 and the remainder 21 or 22. There were only two one-hundredths of 1 per cent. of illiterates. Voluntary engagements numbered 53,900 for the army and 3,829 for the navy.

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SLAYS TWO THEN ENDS HIS LIFE
Negro Desperado Holds Cops at Bay—Finally Shoots Himself—Was Jealous.

TORONTO, Feb. 14.—After murdering his wife, who called herself Mattie Washington, and Victoria Davy and wounding Policeman Morris this afternoon, Bill Withers, a colored man, stood alone in an Elliot street house for hours against a small army of policemen and citizens which grew until its dimensions had reached thousands. Finally, when resistance was hopeless, the big negro fired a bullet into his own head and was found dead in the attic.

The first shooting occurred at about three o'clock. As far as can be learned Withers was jealous of Mattie Washington, who was twenty-eight years of age and daughter of Mrs. Davy. After the first shooting Policeman Morris went to the house and entered it. Withers was upstairs and warned the officer that if he came any further he would be shot. The officer, however, approached, when there was a flash of the revolver and Morris, who was near the foot of the stairs, received a bullet above the knee. It went down his leg, coming out at the heel. He dragged himself to a corner, where he boarded a car and went to Dr. Smead's surgery. The Washington woman was dead from several wounds when Morris entered the house.

All available members of the detective force were summoned. Inspector Miller, Sergeant Reardon, Sergeant Frigton, Detective Moffatt, Detective Guthrie and Policemen Jundy, Corbett and Hoag approached the barricade. Withers fired a revolver, and Yule and Hoag were hit in the door, but they were met with a fusillade of bullets but escaped injury. Yule and Hoag succeeded in getting the body of Mrs. Washington out.

Shortly after 4:30 Deputy Chief Starr arrived to take charge of the affair. He was accompanied by Inspector Detectives Duncan. All was quiet around the house when the deputy arrived, and much to the admiration of the crowd he entered the house, but he did not go upstairs. He decided the best thing to be done to ease the situation was to flood the man out, and

he sent an order for firemen to turn water on. No one could seem to understand why a previous request had been refused by the firemen. At 4:30, nearly two hours after the first shooting had taken place, it was planned to smoke the man out. He had not been heard from for twenty minutes and it was then found he had killed himself. The trouble was that Withers was separated from his wife, who had taken the name of her former husband. He was jealous of J. Miller, a boarder in the house, and had threatened to make trouble if he got Miller out of the way. There was nothing against the character of the house or of the two dead women. The body of Mrs. Davy was found at the top of the stairs shortly before 5 o'clock.

Stomach Troubles
OFTEN COME FROM WEAK, EXHAUSTED NERVES—GREAT RESULTS FROM USING
DR. CHASE'S NERVE FOOD

When the nerves become exhausted the first sign of trouble often comes from the stomach. The nerves which control the flow of digestive fluids fall and the result is loss of appetite, indigestion, nervous headaches and sleeplessness.

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