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## FIRST JUROR SELECTED

### Estimate Board Approves Library Trustee's Request For Preliminary Contracts

Agreements for Architects  
on Jamaica Branch on  
Administrative Bldg. O.K.

CHARGE TO FULL COST  
Plans for Branch at Ridge-  
wood Are Also Accepted  
by Committee.

The committee of the whole of  
the board of estimate yesterday  
voted favorably on the request  
of the board of trustees of the Queens-  
boro public library for approval of  
terms of preliminary and final con-  
tracts for architects services for  
the construction of the Jamaica  
branch library and administration  
building. The amount will be charged  
to the appropriation of \$500,-  
000 authorized by the board of es-  
timate for the erection of the new  
library building on March 24, this  
year. The communication of the  
library trustees says that "this re-  
quest is made in view of the tech-  
nicalities which have arisen as to  
the availability of the appropriation  
set forth in the resolution of  
October 21, 1926."

The committee also accepted  
plans and specifications and form  
of contract for the erection of the  
Ridgewood branch library building,  
on Madison street between Kessel  
and Forest avenues.

A request from the board of es-  
timate for the acquisition of prop-  
erty on the southern side of Sta-  
pley avenue between Kessel and  
Forest streets for school purposes,  
was approved.

A communication was received  
from the South Side permanent  
school committee of the 4th Ward,  
Queens, urging early action on the  
approval of form of contract, plans  
and specifications for the construc-  
tion of Public School 37 in Queens-  
boro. It developed that the com-  
mittee of the whole had acted fa-  
vorably on this matter several  
weeks ago.

Among the requests of the board  
of education was one for an ap-  
propriation of \$500,000 corporate  
stock "to defray the cost of ac-  
quiring sites for school buildings  
either by purchase or condemna-  
tion." Mayor Walker said he didn't  
like this method of doing business  
with the school authorities. "They  
ask the board of estimate," he re-  
marked, "to give them a blank  
check for half a million dollars,  
without stating in detail what they  
are going to do with the money. It  
seems that all we are good for, in so  
far as the board of education is  
concerned, is to make appropriat-  
ions—and they do the rest. I think  
we ought to know where the school  
sites the board of education wants  
the city to acquire are located. Un-  
der the law as it now stands, the  
board of education has the exclu-  
sive right to select school sites. All  
we can do is to reject a proposed  
school site if the location does not  
seem to us suitable." On the  
Mayor's motion the item was shelved.

The Rockaways Chamber of  
Commerce once more called the at-  
tention of the city administration  
to the dangerous conditions existing  
on the Cross Bay boulevard be-  
cause of the deposit of sand during  
high wind storms, especially peril-  
ous to motorists. Charles Wille,  
representing the Chamber warned  
the committee that only a week  
ago these conditions had cost a  
man's life. In 1925 the board of  
estimate appropriated \$100,000 for  
the purpose of covering the sand  
never used. The request now before  
the committee of the whole is that  
this expenditure be reauthorized and  
the money used for the "purchase  
of sand fill with cellar dirt, which  
is considered preferable to cin-  
ders." The matter was laid over for one  
week.

FALL FROM LADDER  
KILLS HOUSE PAINTER  
ON JOB IN ELMHURST

### SENTENCED TO DIE



### SLAYER OF DOCTOR TO DIE IN JUNE

Caruso, Is Dumbly Acqui-  
escent as Court Gives Him  
Supreme Sentence.

Francesco Caruso, pale and weary  
of step but dumbly acquiescent to  
what he had been told would hap-  
pen to him, stood before County  
Judge McLaughlin in Brooklyn  
yesterday and was sentenced to die  
in the electric chair at Sing Sing  
during the week of June 6.

Yesterday Caruso listened, bewil-  
dered, as the clerk asked if he had  
anything to say before sentence was  
pronounced. An interpreter re-  
peated the question twice, and then  
Caruso nodded his understanding.

The man who had blamed Dr.  
Pendola for the death of his young  
son and had choked and slit his  
throat in a rage of grief raised his  
eyes and stared at Judge McLaughlin.  
He moistened his lips. His  
shoulders lifted and sagged again  
in an expressive shrug.

"No," he said.

Neither George A. Voss, attorney  
for Caruso, nor Assistant District  
Attorney Gallagher, who prosecut-  
ed him, was in Part I of the Kings  
county court when Caruso was  
brought before the bar. The brief  
proceedings had ended and Caruso  
had been led away when both ap-  
peared, explaining they had thought  
Judge McLaughlin was sitting in  
Part III.

Mr. Voss pointed out to Judge  
McLaughlin that he had intended  
to move for a new trial, and Judge  
McLaughlin ordered Caruso  
brought back to the dock while this  
was done. Judge McLaughlin  
denied the motion and Caruso was  
taken back to Raymond Street jail.

Although Caruso will be taken to  
the death house at Sing Sing to-  
day or tomorrow, it is not at all  
likely he will die there during the  
week of June 6 as directed. Mr.  
Voss has thirty days in which to  
file his appeal and the court of  
appeals is not expected to be able  
to decide the case before next fall.

FIGHT SLEEPING SICKNESS

### VEHICULAR TUBE TO L. I. IS DEMANDED

East River-38th Street Tun-  
nel Committee Lists Rea-  
sons for Improvement.

Preparatory to the presentation  
to the board of estimate next Mon-  
day of their plan for a vehicular  
tunnel under the East river to  
Brooklyn and Queens the East  
River-38th Street Tunnel commit-  
tee met yesterday in the conference  
room of Lord & Taylor and stated  
10 reasons why the proposition  
should be undertaken by the city.

The committee also changed its  
name, it previously having been  
known as the Long Island-Manhat-  
tan-Thirty-eighth Street Tunnel  
committee and yesterday's session  
was the third since formation of the  
committee. It is composed of offi-  
cers and representatives of many  
civic and mid-town business orga-  
nizations.

Samuel W. Reyburn, president of  
the group, declared that the tunnel  
was the most important traffic  
project facing the city. With mid-  
town business center facing par-  
alysis, the general effect of the tun-  
nel would be greater by relieving  
the conditions there than by any  
other measures that might be un-  
dertaken, he said.

Sub-Committees Named

Various sub-committees includ-  
ing finance, executive, borough,  
traffic, engineering and statistics  
and publicity will be named. Many  
prominent business men accepted  
invitations to join the body.

The committee deems the con-  
struction of the tunnel advisable  
because of its connections with the  
most congested centers of the three  
boroughs and the fact that it will  
develop easy access to the indus-  
trial, commercial and shipping cen-  
ters of the city. Also they believe  
it will relieve the strain on the  
Queensboro bridge by half, and  
leave it open for Manhattan bound  
traffic from points north of 50th  
street, which is but 30 per cent of  
the traffic now using the bridge.

Moreover, they state, this added  
capacity of the span will allow ad-  
ditional expansion in traffic from  
Long Island to points north of 59th  
street. The present delay and in-  
convenience by the loop movement  
of traffic north through Queens to  
the bridge and south through Man-  
hattan and its additional cross-town  
facilities will prevent the threat-  
ened paralyzation of movement.

Lastly, it will, by solving the im-  
mediate problem, prove a substantial  
aid in the general improvement of  
New York, and its construction is  
necessary in the interest of the  
whole city.

### MAN LEAPS OVERBOARD

Halifax, N. S., April 19.—John  
Trahey, en route to New York  
from St. John's, Newfoundland,  
aboard the Red Cross liner Syl-  
via, leaped into the sea soon after  
the vessel left St. John's, and was  
drowned. Captain James put the  
Sylvia about and ordered a boat  
away but was unable to save Tra-  
hey.

### R. R. WORKER MAY DIE OF WIRE BURNS

Engineer Steps on Feed  
Cable in Brooklyn Yards;  
Hurled 10 Feet.

Fred Collins, 42, of 8720 118th  
street, Richmond Hill, a steam lo-  
comotive engineer for the Long Is-  
land railroad, was severely burned  
today when he stepped on an ex-  
posed feed wire in the Bushwick  
cut at Bushwick avenue and Pilling  
street, Brooklyn.

As his shoe came into contact  
with the wire, Collins was hurled  
ten feet away. He landed on his  
head. At St. Mary's hospital, later,  
it was said he had been burned on  
the feet, body and face and had  
possibly received a fracture of the  
skull. His condition is serious.

### Seeking Advice of Counsel



CONFERENCES were frequent yesterday as choice of jurors. Edgar F. Hazleton, (right) tells Mrs. Snyder about a prospective peer while former District Attorney Dana Wallace listens.

### SMITH REPLY PRAISED BY DEMOCRATS

Governor's Stand on Mar-  
shall Note Approved by  
St. Albans Club Members.

Governor Smith's stand on tol-  
erance, made public during the last  
few days as the result of an open  
letter, published in the "Atlantic  
Monthly" by Charles C. Marshall,  
was endorsed last night by the en-  
tire membership of the St. Albans  
Democratic club, at a meeting at  
the clubhouse, 191st street and  
Central avenue, St. Albans.

Members of the organization de-  
livered brief talks on the subject  
and declared that they agreed  
with the governor in his declara-  
tion that the church and state  
stand apart, have stood and will  
stand.

Not only did Catholics speak on  
the subject, but men connected with  
Protestant churches.

It was generally felt that re-  
gardless of what religion the gov-  
ernor would profess, he would be  
no different in his views. "The  
governor's a big enough man to  
handle religion and state matters  
separately and not use one in the  
course of handling the other," was  
the declaration of one of the most  
active members of the organiza-  
tion.

To inform Smith of the stand  
of the organization the secretary  
was instructed to immediately com-  
municate with the executive, in-  
forming him that 500 St. Albans  
democrats back him up.

### QUEENS BLVD. BUS ROUTES UP TO CITY

An eleven-mile bus line on  
Queens boulevard, proposed today  
by the Fifth Avenue Coach com-  
pany to replace the trolley line now  
in course of relocation, is before  
the committee of the whole of the  
board of estimate.

The application for the franchise  
was presented by Maurice Con-  
nelly, borough president of Queens.

### Man, 80, Weds Bride of 68 in Long Island City

Francis Kayser, retired, 80, and  
Mrs. Johanna Pethlatsen, a widow,  
68, were married by Deputy City  
Clerk William Zimmerman in the  
Queens marriage license bureau,  
borough hall, Long Island City.

Kayser, who lives at 325 Stock-  
holm street, Ridgewood, Queens,  
has been married three times be-  
fore. Mrs. Pethlatsen was a widow.  
She lived at 1818 Center street,  
Ridgewood.

With the couple when they were  
married were Ogden Morrison and  
Charles Pethlatsen.

### PROGRESS OF BORO SHOWN TO SCRIBES

Chamber of Commerce  
Takes Newspapermen on  
Tour of Queens.

Newspapermen of Queens, Man-  
hattan and Brooklyn made a three-  
hour tour of Queensboro yesterday  
as the guests of the Queensboro  
Chamber of Commerce in order to  
inspect the improvements which  
have recently taken place.

Improvements involving the ex-  
penditure of hundreds of millions  
of dollars were viewed by the  
scribes as they traveled with police  
escort through western Queens  
from Long Island City to The Rock-  
aways, thence doubling back  
through Eastern and Central  
Queens to Malba on the North  
shore, and ending the trip at the  
Oakland Golf club, Bayside, where  
dinner was served.

R. P. Woodin, vice president in  
charge of the Jamaica branch of  
the Title Guarantee & Trust Co.,  
and a director of the chamber of  
commerce, and Ira L. Terry, of  
Flushing, also a director of the  
chamber, acted as "official guides."

The trip began at the Queensboro  
bridge plaza and proceeded through  
the Astoria and Steinway sections.  
Passing through Woodside to  
Northern boulevard, a development  
of several hundred homes begun by  
Charles and Benjamin Marvin was  
pointed out.

### TAMMANY TO EXPAND NATIONALLY

Part of Movement to Raise  
Smith Sentiment Through-  
out Country.

While prominent men and wom-  
en of widely different political be-  
liefs congratulated Governor Al-  
fred E. Smith today of his state-  
ment of faith, Tammany Hall  
started work on plans to expand  
into a national institution.

Some political observers inter-  
preted the Tammany move as an  
attempt to establish through the  
country political clubs which would  
support Smith for President in  
1928. The Governor is a member  
of the Board of Sachems of Tam-  
many Hall.

Announcement of the Tammany  
expansion plan was made last night  
at the annual election of officers  
of the organization. It came at an  
opportune time from the political  
standpoint for Republicans and  
Democrats alike conceded that the  
Governor's reply to Charles C. Mar-  
shall on the status of a Catholic  
in American public life had aided  
his prospective candidacy for the  
democratic presidential nomina-  
tion.

Several large bets on Smith's  
nomination and election to the  
Presidency were placed in Wall  
street after publication of his let-  
ter. W. L. Darnell & Co. announced  
some bets at 5 to 9 that the Gov-  
ernor would be nominated and one  
of \$1,000 to \$7,000 that he would  
be elected. Five to 1 was being  
placed against William G. McAdoo's  
nomination; 3 to 1 against Gov-  
ernor Ritchie of Maryland; 4 to 1  
against Senator Reed of Missouri;  
6 to 1 against Senator Carter Glass  
of Virginia; 7 to 1 against "Governor  
Donahay of Ohio; 10 to 1 against  
E. T. Meredith, of Iowa, former  
secretary of agriculture; and 12 to  
1 against Josephus Daniels of North  
Carolina, former secretary of the  
navy. No Republican quotations  
were listed.

### 2 MEN HELD ON CHARGE OF SEVERELY BEATING GLENDALDE SHOPKEEPER

Adolph Beisel, 34, of 543 Cald-  
well avenue, Bronx, and Alfred  
Koster, 21, of 253 East 149th street,  
Manhattan, both of whom are al-  
leged to have beaten William Per-  
sternhouse in his place of business  
at 258, Fosdick avenue, Glendale,  
on April 12, were held by Magis-  
trate Conway in Ridgewood court  
yesterday for examination Friday.

Beisel was released in \$1,000 bail,  
but Koster was held without bail.  
As a result of the beating given  
the Glendale man, it is said, he  
lost sight in his right eye and has  
traffic and evidences  
active through St. Al-

### Fifty-Eight Talesmen Are Questioned Before Foreman Is Selected

Wm. E. Young, Hotel Pub-  
licity Man, Heads Venire-  
men in Snyder-Gray Trial

SCUDDER TAKES HAND

Justice Impatient Over De-  
lay, Aids in Examination  
of Panel.

It required nearly six and a half  
hours to obtain the first juror—  
William E. Young, publicity man of  
Elmhurst—in the Snyder-Gray  
murder trial. He was the 58th tale-  
sman questioned.

At the rate necessary to select  
the first juror, it would require 50  
full court days and 703 talesmen  
would be necessary for filling the  
jurybox.

Young, who will act as foreman,  
is 38, married and has no children.  
Young said he was somewhat op-  
posed to capital punishment, but  
believed that as long as the law is  
on the statute books, providing  
death in the first degree, it should  
be enforced.

Similarly, he said he had heard  
the Snyder case much discussed,  
and might have an opinion but that  
he had no bias which would inter-  
fere with careful consideration of  
the evidence introduced at the trial.

Millard asked if any of the tales-  
men had any set opinion already  
formed which would require some  
evidence to remove. Three confess-  
ed to such bias.

The district attorney challenged  
for cause, but Justice Scudder was  
not satisfied. He came down from  
the bench and sat in a chair by the  
side of the jurors.

"Do you mean to say," he thun-  
dered to one talesman, "that you  
haven't sufficient gray matter or  
strength of mind to overcome your  
bias?"

"I don't know," mumbled the  
juror.

"What, have you no confidence  
in yourself?" asked the court.

"I guess not," said the unhappy  
victim.

"Then you are excused," said the  
court, and the juror hastily and  
gladly fled from the box.

After selection of Young as a  
juror, the state soon exercised a  
peremptory challenge, its second  
out of sixty permitted by the law.

Then Gray's counsel used a per-  
emptory challenge and with the ex-  
ception of Young, only one man was  
left in the box.

Charles Soll, of Far Rockaway,  
and Henry L. Homeyer, of White-  
stone, were those excused by chal-  
lenge.

Newcombe Says Jury May  
Be Obtained by End of  
This Week.

GRAY SHUNS WIDOW

Usual Crowd Is Absent  
From Streets About Scene  
of Trial.

Courthouse, Long Island City,  
April 19.—Apparently disgusted  
with the manner in which the  
trial of Mrs. Ruth Snyder and  
Henry Judd Gray for the murder  
of Albert Snyder, at editor of  
Queens Village, was proceeding,  
Supreme Court Justice Townsend  
Scudder, at the opening of the trial  
this morning, addressing the 12  
talesmen selected for the first  
group to be examined, said:

"It has always been the pride  
and boast of Queens county that  
with us there is no necessity for a  
special or blue ribbon jury list, be-  
cause from the rank and file of  
our citizenry an impartial jury can  
always be gotten to meet every  
demand of justice. See that this  
boast is justified and does not be-  
come a mere tradition. The court  
admonishes every talesman to heed  
well the meaning and obligation of  
their preliminary oath. Let the  
talesmen be sworn."

Turning to the attorneys for the  
defense, Justice Scudder said that  
he had decided to change the or-  
der of procedure from that of yester-  
day, when the attorneys for  
Mrs. Snyder examined the pros-  
pective jurors after District At-  
torney Richard S. Newcombe and  
the Gray attorneys last. Today  
counsel for Mrs. Snyder will have  
the last chance at the questioning  
of the talesmen, therefore giving  
her a slight advantage over Gray,  
in the selection of jurors.

District Attorney Newcombe  
said that he expected the jury box  
would be filled by next Monday at  
the latest. "I see no prospects  
of a deadlock," he continued.

Twelve talesmen were called to  
the jury box shortly after court  
opened. Among the dozen were  
old men, young men, fat men, thin  
men, men of varied station and  
trades. But from the first on-  
slaught of counsel it appeared un-  
likely that any of the group would  
be chosen.

The defendants sitting twelve  
feet apart, and almost self-con-  
sciously indifferent to each other,  
watched the law in its devious  
workings.

Mrs. Snyder, wearing the same  
sombre attire as yesterday, was the  
first to enter the courtroom after  
Justice Townsend Scudder had  
come to the bench belatedly. Court  
did not convene until 10:30 a. m.

As though she were eager to  
reach her seat at the counsel ta-  
ble, Mrs. Snyder strode hastily past  
the jury box, almost stepping on  
the heels of the jail matron.

Her lips were tightly pressed to-  
gether and the rouge on her  
cheeks was in sharp contrast to  
her normal pallor.

Gray, clad in a dark business  
suit, sat facing the talesmen.  
District Attorney Newcombe  
briefly outlined the indictments  
and then asked any of the tales-  
men if they were opposed to capi-  
tal punishment.

Five men said they had conse-  
quential scruples against infliction  
of a death penalty. One middle-  
aged carpenter said that when he  
was 19 years old he had read of a  
case wherein a man was put to  
death, who it later developed, was  
innocent.

"Since then," he said, his thin  
voice wavering, "I've always been  
sure I wouldn't be a party to such  
a thing."

The animosity of Mrs. Snyder  
and Gray was emphasized this  
morning by the way they shared  
the defense counsel table. A piece  
of white tape was nailed across  
the table. On one side of the tape  
was pasted a large "S", and on the  
other a "G". Mrs. Snyder's attor-  
neys kept all their records on the  
"S" side and Gray's lawyers clus-  
tered around the "G" end.

The four talesmen excused be-  
cause of conscientious scruples  
against capital punishment, were  
Richard H. Ruek, retired, of Mas-  
peth; Lester Boneheld, salesman  
of Jamaica; Charles Sahl, sales-  
man, of Far Rockaway, and John  
B. Bollenback, of Richmond Hill.

Today's classified columns prob-  
ably contain something to interest  
you. Why not read them?

vacation fun?  
roller skating!

Irving Nefsky, 25, of 109-43  
127th street, Richmond Hill, a  
painter, died at St. John's hospital  
from the effects of a fractured  
skull, received while painting at  
37-31 74th street, Elmhurst. Nef-  
sky accidentally fell from a ladder  
and was attended by Dr. Mulligan.

See real sales income increas-

The official  
weather fore-  
cast for Long  
Island is as  
follows:  
Showers to-  
day; tomor-  
row partly

Before selecting an apartment  
See the New