

# MINDFUL OF HEAT, COURT IS MERCIFUL

## Forty Cases Disposed of by Judge Osborne, But Few Persons Are Sent to Jail.

### FREEDOM FOR FRANCES HYLAND

Woman Guilty of Usury Had Been Serving Time in Caldwell Since May. Health Poor and in Put on Probation Provided She Does Not Again Go in Loan Business in This State—Tugboat Cook, of Killing Case, Also Freed

With a desire to make as many as possible the cases of persons in jail awaiting trial, whose lot was more to light these hot days, Judge Harry V. Osborne held an evening session of court last night and late yesterday afternoon and disposed of nearly forty matters. In only a few were jail or penitentiary sentences imposed, thus liberating a number of persons who might otherwise have spent several weeks in cells awaiting the disposition of their affairs.

One aged man, charged with manslaughter, was sent home to his friends; another, who had carried a revolver in search of an eloping daughter, was allowed to go when he found that the girl was happily married, and a woman who has been in the penitentiary for some time, charged with usury in a money lending business, was placed on probation.

For the first time in many months the court house was illuminated inside as well as outside last night and officers were on duty for the night court. The prisoners, black and white, strange to the unusual proceedings, looked with wide-opened eyes at the decorations which stood out prominently in the glare of the electric, as compared to the garish light of day.

In the late afternoon, as the sun was setting, Judge Osborne disposed of a number of cases. Among them was that of Thomas Drew, colored, twenty-nine years old, of 22 School street. He was arrested June 28, charged with practicing medicine without a license, with using witchcraft and with promising to cure infantile paralysis by breathing on the bodies of the afflicted.

#### Penitentiary for Drew.

Drew was tried and found guilty yesterday, and just about the going down of the sun, when the day spirits go off duty and the night ones come on, he was sentenced to a year and a half in the penitentiary. He was led away by James Malien, one of the constables of the court.

Remembering that Drew had boasted that he could open all handcuffs and padlocks, the constable took no chances. He snapped the steel bracelets on Drew's wrists to the last notch.

"There!" exclaimed the officer, as he led the prisoner to the van that was to take him to Caldwell. "If you get away from me I'll give you your freedom. Let's see you escape!"

Drew looked at the shining steel, then at the officer.

"Brother," Drew remarked, slowly, "that wouldn't be right. Justice and the law must take its course—I submit to the majesty of the law."

Drew was safely landed in the penitentiary.

Thomas Livingston, fifty years old, a hand on a tugboat that plies between this port and several others, was the man paroled on the manslaughter charge. In November his craft was tied up to a plank road wharf. In a spirit of fun some of the crew hid Livingston's false teeth, in which he took special pride. He demanded their return, there was a fight, in which John Gillen of 28 Bowery street was killed by a stab wound. There was some dispute as to who did the stabbing, but Livingston was arrested and has since been locked up in jail.

Investigation by the prosecutor's detectives failed to connect Livingston specifically with the crime, and Judge Osborne felt that it was a hardship to keep him locked up longer. Accordingly sentence was suspended. With his dunnage bag Livingston left the court house, with a happy smile on his face, doubtless longing for a smell of salt water.

#### Miss Hyland Out of Jail.

Miss Frances Hyland was the woman charged with usury. She acted as agent for a loan concern that was accused of charging exorbitant rates of interest and, being found guilty, has, since last May, been serving time in the penitentiary. Her health has failed of late and she is said to have suffered much. In view of this fact, Judge Osborne placed her on probation for two years, obligating her to pay twenty-five cents a week during that time, and this on condition that she did not again engage in the loan business in this state.

James H. Murray, forty-eight years old, of 46, Charles street, Bloomfield, was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses in that, not long ago, he obtained \$15 from Albert Johnson, a saloon keeper of 29 Orange street, Bloomfield, on a worthless check.

As an example to other youths who violate their parole, Walter H. Morris was sentenced to a year and a half in the penitentiary for the crime of larceny committed in December. He was then placed on probation and required to report regularly, but did not do so. Probation Officers Matthew J. Smith, Harry C. Burns and Charles Basile were given his case and after some trailing they found him about a week ago. He resisted arrest, but was locked up and will spend eighteen months in jail.

For stealing a bicycle July 1, William Evans, colored, of 72 Charlton street, was sentenced to a year in the penitentiary.

#### Embezzler to "Pen."

Alexander MacGregor was sent to Caldwell for a year and a half on a charge of embezzlement. MacGregor, who is forty-nine years old, lived at 23 Steuben street, East Orange. In February he embezzled some money from his employers, Marrow Brothers of Amper, and was arrested on the charge. His then friend, John Reeves of Main and Steuben streets, East Orange, who kept a grocery store, was a witness and gave him a piece in the store. But soon after that Mr. Reeves missed \$21. Suspicion pointed to MacGregor, who, on being accused, pleaded guilty to the charge on which he was sentenced.

It was Constantino Lowandowski of Philadelphia who escaped punishment on the charge of carrying concealed weapons and who, when arraigned, with his daughter, who appeared in his behalf, furnished a little bit of humor in an otherwise grim case.

A few days ago Lowandowski's daughter Stanislawka ran away from home. She left word that she had eloped. But her father did not believe her and set off in pursuit, taking a loaded revolver with him. He left his wife at home in their apartment at 4343 Armond street, Philadelphia.

It was on July 14 that Lowandowski reached here and his actions were so suspicious that he was locked up and an investigation begun. The result was that, late this afternoon, he was brought before Judge Osborne, who, meanwhile, had learned the whereabouts of the daughter and her husband.

"Well, what have you to say?" asked the court.

"Me? I bring the gun to—"

#### Eloper Embraces Father.

"You don't have to, father!" exclaimed the girl. "It's all right! We're married!" and in spite of the frantic efforts of the court officers she ran forward and threw her arms around her father's neck, at the same time shyly indicating the well, he wasn't exactly a blushing bridegroom. He was too tanned from wind and weather for that.

"Sentence suspended!" exclaimed the court, and the now happy party went back to Philadelphia. On the way out of the court room the girl introduced her father to a woman, the witness to her marriage and—well, if they had a wedding supper it is more than the judge and court reporters had.

In ability to refrain from taking automobiles that do not belong to him, brought a sentence to the Rahway Reformatory to Richard P. Smiley, who, July 1, was placed on probation for three years and obligated to pay twen-

ty-five cents a week during that time. He took a machine after a parole.

A number of minor offenders were placed on probation with instructions to pay small sums weekly and on some sentence was suspended.

And then, close on to 10 o'clock last night, after a long day's session, Judge Osborne adjourned court until next September.

There are now no cases in the jail awaiting action, except such as those on which no action is possible, either because of the gravity of the charge or because the prisoners wish to have their cases passed on by the grand jury.

There were some happy persons who went down the granite steps of the court house last night.

# CITY THEATER IN NEW MEMORIAL BUILDING CERTAIN

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American birth and probably more representative of the Chinese Republic were present than on any other occasion, not exclusively under their own people's management.

#### Ma Soe Speaks.

One of the Chinese addresses, that of Ma Soe, once chief secretary to the Foreign Office of the First Republican Government and later private secretary to President Sun Yat-sen, was an appeal to the merchants and capitalists of this country, through the Newark audience to "develop a trade that will be advantageous to both China and the United States."

Mr. Soe pointed out that since the establishment of the republic, China's millions of people are gradually changing their customs and adopting new ideas and modes of living so as to fall in line with the progress of the twentieth century.

"In this transformation," the speaker said, "they feel the need of foreign goods as they have never felt it before. They want everything, or rather, they need everything that goes to make up the necessities and comforts of life. They are clamouring for changes and improvements in their homes, villages and cities. The demand for foreign articles just now in China is tremendous. There is hardly a line of business in the United States that does not find a ready market now in China. Never has such a splendid opportunity been given to the merchants and manufacturers of this country. Will they let it slip by?"

#### Tells of China's Resources.

Besides being a market for American trade, China also offers a rare field for American capital. Her untouched natural resources are stupendous in quantity. Coal, iron and other minerals are found in abundance. She has coal and oil enough to supply the world and they are comparatively easy to get at. Coupled with these facts is the abundance of cheap labor which makes the development of the latest resources of China particularly lucrative.

The cost of production of coal, according to a British mining expert who has been working a mine in North China, is between \$1.25 and \$1.50 per ton at the pit's mouth. With the changing industrial and commercial conditions, the demand for coal and iron which are essential elements in modern civilization will be enormous.

"Although China is a vast country with a population of well nigh 400,000,000, she has but 4,000 miles of railways. Here again is another opportunity for the American capitalist and incidentally for all those lines of trade upon which the construction of railways depends.

#### Needs American Aid.

"I need hardly tell you that no foreigner is so well received in China as an American. There is the most friendly feeling existing between the two peoples."

Mr. Soe concluded with a direct appeal to the citizens of Newark. "China looks to you for sympathy," he said. "She needs your help in her industrial progress and requires your aid in the marketing of her products. She wants your financial assistance in the development of her natural resources."

The other Chinese address was by Yan P'hor Lee, who is the English editor of the Chinese paper, The Munhey Weekly, and who appeared under the



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