

MYSTERIOUS DEATH OF ELDERLY COUPLE IN BROOKLYN HOTEL

Fremont M. Jackson and Wife Believed to Have Died From Poison.

DOUBT SUICIDE THEORY

Friends Say They Were Happy and Were Considered Wealthy.

Fremont Madison Jackson, a retired carpet merchant, seventy-four years old, and his wife, Annie, sixty-nine, whom he married about a year ago, were found dead this morning in the bathroom of their three-room suite in the annex of the Hotel Margaret, at No. 114 Columbia Heights, Brooklyn. What caused their death, whether it was by poison taken intentionally or induced by chemical action of something they had eaten, can only be determined by autopsy. Medical Examiner Wuest said that he would perform this late this afternoon or this evening.

From all accounts, there was no reason for the suicide of either. They were ample of means and devoted to each other. Nowhere about the rooms they occupied was there anything to indicate that they contemplated or desired death. On the contrary, they had sent out invitations for a card party this coming Saturday afternoon and Mr. Jackson had an appointment with a dentist for Friday.

There was evidence in the bathroom, however, that one or both had been actively nauseated. The food thus voided will be subjected to analysis. It was the opinion of Dr. Wuest that Mrs. Jackson had been dead about twenty-four hours and her husband about four or five. But Dr. Ernest C. Vaughn, representing District Attorney Ruston, thought each had had been dead not less than ten hours.

Discovery of the bodies was made at 8:40 o'clock this morning by Mary King, a chambermaid. She found Mrs. Jackson lying, fully dressed, upon the floor of the bathroom. She summoned the manager, who found Mr. Jackson's body. He also was fully dressed.

Dr. Wuest said it seemed to him that both of the victims had died of some quick-acting poison. It was learned that Mr. Jackson was in the habit of cashing checks, apparently dividends, from the New York Telephone Company, the Wool Exchange and various cotton brokers. Also he cashed bond coupons from time to time.

A nephew of the dead man, Howard D. Brainard of No. 15 Midland Avenue, East Orange, N. J., was summoned and said his uncle had been in the carpet business in the Bowers. There he made a fortune and retired. His stock and bond investments, the nephew said, were comparatively small, his main interests being in real estate. Mrs. Jackson has a son, F. A. Warren of No. 227 Bruce Avenue, Lawrence, Mass.

The couple came to the Hotel Margaret last May, soon after their marriage. They always seemed to be very happy, Mr. Brainard said, devoting their evenings to cards or the movies and being together practically all the time.

Save for \$75 in Mr. Jackson's pocket, nothing of great value was found in the apartment. There were pass books of several banks showing deposits as high as \$5,000.

MAGISTRATE SENTENCES PEDDLER IN ITALIAN

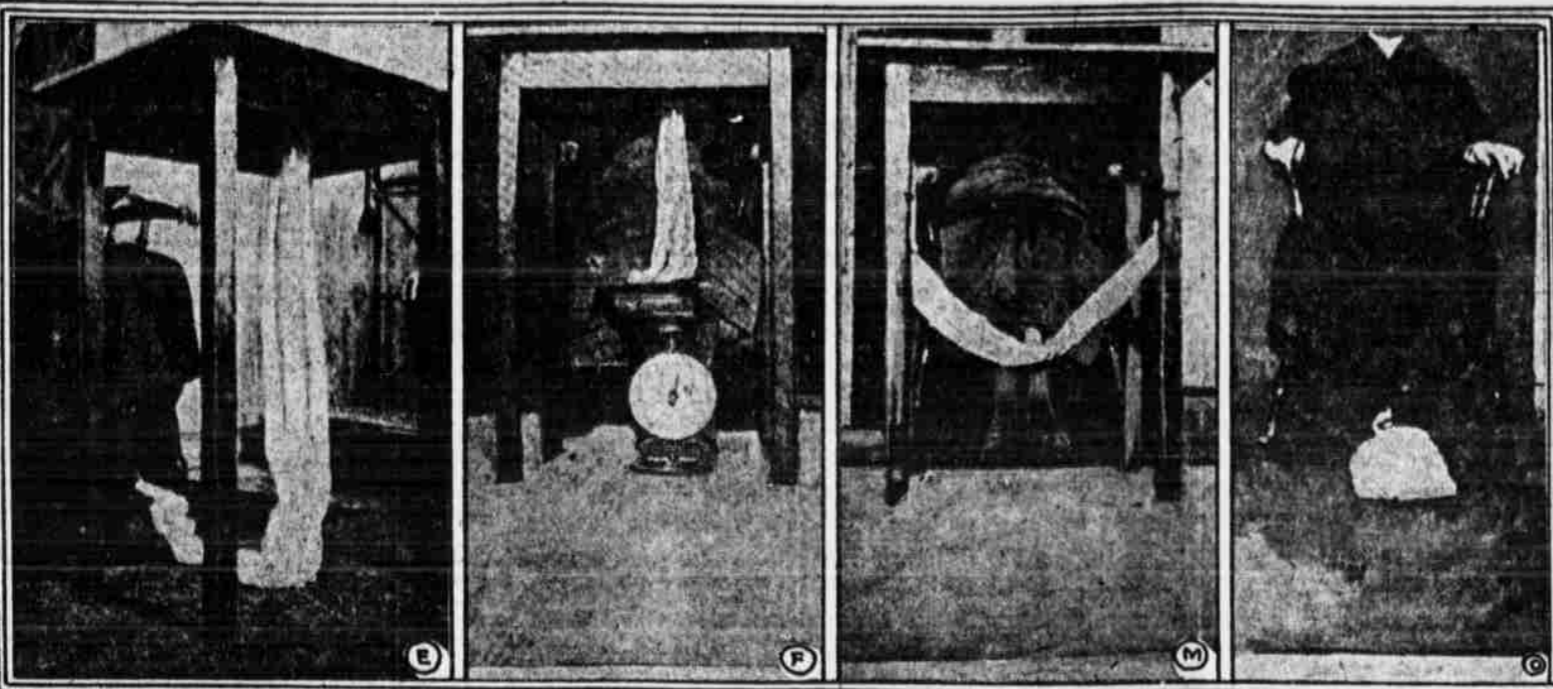
No Interpreter in Court, So Fellow Takes Case in Hand.

Magistrate George H. Folwell today in the Gates Avenue Court, Brooklyn, took charge of the case of Joseph Mendolia, No. 238 Bushwick Avenue, charged with peddling produce without a license, when it was found there was no interpreter in court and Mendolia was unable to speak English. The Magistrate read the formal complaint of the patrolman who made the arrest, translated it into Italian, listened to Mendolia's explanation and then fined him \$5.

WIRELESS PHONES WILL BROADCAST SPIRIT MESSAGES

Station to Be Established in Chicago, Convention Delegates Are Told.

Conan Doyle's "Ectoplasm" Caught by Camera; Light Thrown on Spirit Raps and Levitations



Labels for the photographs: A SIDE VIEW OF A COLUMN OF PLASMA UNDER TABLE AT WHICH MEDIUM SITS. A COLUMN ON TOP OF SPRING BALANCE, SMALL PIECE OF BLACK CLOTH ON THE BALANCE WEIGH ABOUT AN OUNCE. THE BALANCE READS A LITTLE OVER A POUND. A PAIR OF PLASMIC ARMS REACHING FROM THE MEDIUM TO THE LEGS OF THE TABLE. A HEAVY LUMP OF PLASMA ON THE FLOOR.

Dr. Crawford, Investigator of Psychic Phenomena, Wrote:

"The plasma is part of the medium's body exteriorized in space."

"At nearly all seances the noise accompanying the birth pangs of the plasma is distinctly audible."

"With thin silk stockings the friction of plasma on the threads as it disengages itself is unmistakable."

"There is strong evidence of decrease in volume of the fleshy parts of her (the medium's) body, especially from the waist down, while the plasma is extruded."

By Marguerite Mooers Marshall.

ECTOPLASM, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle told New York the other day, "is a thick, vapory, slightly luminous substance which exudes from some materializing mediums. A medium capable of giving off this substance is placed in a darkened cabinet and goes into a trance. Immediately there comes from her body this vaporous substance, which surrounds her like a fog. As the ectoplasm increases it becomes more dense. It coalesces, becomes sticky. It can be felt. It can be photographed."

"In some cases ectoplasm exudes from a medium in a rod-like formation which drops to the floor, runs along for several feet and then mounts in a thin white column which, operated on the cantilever system, develops a potency sufficient to lift a table."

To-day The Evening World prints photographs of ectoplasm in action. They are taken from a remarkable book just published by E. P. Dutton & Co., through whose courtesy the pictures with this article are reproduced. The book is called "The Psychic Structures at the Gollagher Circle" and the author is the late Dr. W. J. Crawford of Belfast, a trained investigator of psychic phenomena, to whose experiments and earlier books Sir Arthur Conan Doyle himself refers in his book on spiritualism, "The Vital Message."

The medium in Dr. Crawford's experiments, which extended over a long period of time and were furnished with every safeguard against fraud, was Miss Kathleen Goligher. The point he makes is that in all the typical seance phenomena—table levitation, rapping and others—contacts with matter in the room are made by "psychic structures" or "plasma." These structures, he declares, possess a variety of shapes and dimensions, and have various methods of action.

Dr. Crawford's extraordinary pictures show that the plasma may exude from the medium's legs, feet, chest or other parts of the body. Sometimes it takes the form of rods, sometimes of lumps. "Once the plasma is extruded from the body of the medium," writes Dr. Crawford, "the operators can mould it into the various shapes and forms required to produce the phenomena. I have showed that if a light table was to be levitated, the psychic structure employed was a cantilever firmly fixed to the medium's body at one end and gripping the understructure or legs of the table with the free or working end. If, however, the levitated body is a heavy one, the psychic structure is so modified that the reaction, instead of being thrown on the medium, is applied to the floor of the room.

"The head, or what corresponds to the working or gripping end of the structure, is denser or more opaque than the body."

Persons in the circle with the medium frequently feel these psychic structures rapping them, but under the ordinary conditions of the seance room they are quite invisible to the naked eye, according to Dr. Crawford. Not, however, to the camera eye as

DRIVES \$8,000 CAR, BUYS WIFE SILKS; FOR RELIGION 25c

Churchmen Told City Church's Collection Plates Yielded 1,700 Pennies One Sunday.

ATLANTIC CITY, April 26.—Rev. Dr. Luther E. Lovejoy of Chicago is an address to-day before the convention of the Federation of Churches criticized wealthy church members who make small contributions in the collection plates, but expressed the hope that these conditions will soon be a thing of the past.

"A man can still be the respected member of a fashionable city church, ride in an \$8,000 motor car, clothe his wife and daughter in silks and furs and pay 25 cents a Sunday for his religion," he declared. "The treasurer of a metropolitan congregation recently found 1,700 pennies in one Sunday's offering."

"The Christian people of America," he added, "are waking up to the fact that they treat their Creator with less consideration than they treat their waiter at the restaurant, or the Pullman porter who shines their shoes, and they are eager to make amends for past neglect."

HARRY S. SANDERSON THEATRE MAN, DIES

Veteran Was Manager of Tony Pastor's Theatre for 30 Years.

Harry Schley Sanderson, for thirty years manager of Tony Pastor's old Fourteenth Street Theatre, and afterward associated with the F. F. Proctor theatrical enterprises, died this morning at his home at No. 405 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, N. J. He was eighty years old and incidentally the oldest Past Exalted Ruler of the New York Elks. He was also a Mason, a member of the Mecca Temple and the Shrine in New York.

He was a cousin of Francis Scott Key, who wrote "The Star-Spangled Banner," and nephew of Margaret Pettigall, who made the flag that inspired Key to write the song. Mr. Sanderson had been in ill health for two years, his leaves a wife and three married daughters.

Harry Sanderson was known to more old time variety acts perhaps than any man in the United States or Canada. He became business manager for Tony Pastor just fifty years ago this month.

SHOTS HALT FLIGHT OF PEPPER THROWER

Sidney Brown, Wanted in New York, Caught in Jersey.

HAMMONTON, N. J., April 26.—Sidney Brown, for whom the New York police have been searching since April 1, was captured to-day on the Pine Ridge road near Hammonton, N. J. Brown was arrested in New York April 3 charged with being implicated in automobile thefts, and escaped by throwing pepper into the eyes of the policeman who had him in charge.

When Detectives Fields and Murphy of New York Police Trooper Frank Juliano and Patrolman Patrick of Hammonton went to the house where Brown had been boarding, Brown started to run away. Juliano fired. Brown continued to run and then all four fired. Brown fell and when the officers came up he surrendered. He will be taken back to New York.

OFFICIALS SEEK HOME FOR VAGRANT'S DOG

Owner, Forced to Leave Canine, Prefers Cell to Almshouse.

The Poundmaster of Jersey City will try to-day to coax William Standmill's mongrel dog into a good home, which he believes the animal will find when its story becomes known.

Standmill, with no home or friends, took up his abode last winter in an abandoned barn. His dog was his only companion, and they seemed happy, although food was scarce for both. Poundmaster Murray thought the dog needed attention and arraigned him in the Jersey City Police Court. Standmill was told the alms house was the best place for him. He thought the dog was his property and he would not leave it there.

"Can I take my dog?" he asked. Told that this was impossible, he asked to be treated as a vagrant, and was sentenced for sixty days to the penitentiary. The dog is still in the deserted barn waiting for his master to return.

WIFE SAYS HE CLAIMED \$3 A WEEK EXTRAVAGANT

Had Her Arrested When She Objected, She Charges.

When Mrs. Rose A. Glory, No. 59 Sheridan Avenue, Brooklyn, objected to her husband's allowance of \$3 a week for the table and her own expenses he had her arraigned before a Police Magistrate on a charge of extravagance, she told Vice Chancellor Foster at Newark to-day.

The Vice Chancellor allowed her \$7 a week as alimony pending trial.

Mrs. Glory said the Police Magistrate before whom she was arraigned ordered her husband to give her an allowance of \$6.

SEN. WALKER DENIES MOVIE APPOINTMENT

Strong Faction Among Exhibitors Work for His Candidacy, However.

Senator James J. Walker denied at the Hotel Astor to-day that he is a candidate for the presidency of the Motion Picture Theatre Owners' Association of America. It is still understood, however, that he probably will be a candidate when the convention meets in New York in May.

There is a strong faction that wants to put Walker in and out of Sidney Cohen, now the President. Some theatre owners believe the fight will cause a division of the organization.

HYLAN WITHHOLDS R. T. EVIDENCE BANTON ASKED FOR

Prosecutor Wanted Specific Instances Where Nuisances Occur in Subway.

Although Mayor Hylan was informed by District Attorney Banton on April 4 that the best way to proceed against the Interborough for creating a public nuisance in subway operation was by laying the evidence before a City Magistrate, Mr. Banton admitted to-day that up to the present time the evidence he asked for has not been delivered by the Mayor.

The records of the correspondence between the Mayor's office and that of the District Attorney show that the Mayor's office did not reply directly to Mr. Banton's communication, but waited until April 13. Then, instead of accepting the District Attorney's advice and offering to supply the evidence, with which Mr. Banton would have been ready and willing to proceed, the Mayor's office merely acknowledged receipt of the District Attorney's opinion.

Twenty-two days have passed and not a particle of evidence against the Interborough had reached Mr. Banton up to this morning, Mr. Banton admitted.

"Has the Mayor sent you any evidence on which you might proceed against the Interborough?" Mr. Banton was asked to-day.

"No, not yet," he replied.

Asked how he would proceed, Mr. Banton said the Mayor would have to give him some specific instance of where the Interborough broke rules of the Transit Commission and thereby created a public nuisance.

"In his charge of criminal negligence against the Interborough, which is contained in a letter to Mr. Banton, written March 23, Mayor Hylan said in effect that the overcrowding in the subways had reached the point of indecency and that the health of the community was menaced because of inadequacy of the service."

After receiving the report of Assistant District Attorney Myers of the Appeals Bureau Mr. Banton wrote to the Mayor on April 4, submitting the report and adding:

"As the offense charged is a misdemeanor, may I ask that you supply such information as the memorandum requires in order to submit the case to an appropriate Magistrate's Court upon an application for a warrant or warrants against the offender or offenders?"

The report of the Appeals Bureau said the matter was not one for the Grand Jury, as the Mayor had suggested in his letter to Mr. Banton, but for the police court. This report also says:

"If the Transit Commission has issued an order prescribing the service to be rendered by the Interborough Rapid Transit Company, that company is under the legal duty of obeying such order. If the order is not obeyed the corporation is liable to money penalties (one year imprisonment, \$500 fine, or both), and every officer and agent of the corporation who shall fail to obey, observe and comply with such order or provision is guilty of a misdemeanor."

The Board of Estimate will take action in a special session this afternoon on a resolution by Mayor Hylan dissolving the partnership between the city and the Interborough and the seizure of the subway operated by the latter unless all terms of the dual subway contracts are lived up to.

The first step in the city's proposed ouster action was taken at a meeting of the Estimate Board March 31. This followed the Transit Commission's drive against the Interborough because of inadequate service.

Under the law the city is required to give thirty days' notice to the Transit Commission of its intention to proceed against the Interborough. It is understood this notice has been given. Inspectors in the employ of the city have since the Interborough's scheduled start of the Interborough for the purpose of determining whether the service has improved since the Mayor's resolution. Although no official figures are obtainable, it is said there is no appreciable improvement.

It is understood that there will be a report submitted at this afternoon's meeting further indicting the Interborough and bolstering up the city's claim for dissolution.

GIRL MUSICIAN ENGAGED TO MARRY COLUMBIA MAN



MISS DAGMAR DE CORVAL RYBNER.

Miss Dagmar de Corval Rybner Soon to Become Mrs. J. Whitla Stinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Rybner, of No. 316 West 94th Street, announced to-day the engagement of their daughter, Miss Dagmar de Corval Rybner, to J. Whitla Stinson, an attorney of this city. No date has yet been set for the wedding.

Miss Rybner is a skilled musician, a pianiste and composer. Her father was for many years at the head of the Department of Music at Columbia University. Mr. Stinson is a graduate of Columbia, class of 1906. He is a member of the Metropolitan Club.

MRS. CARUSO SAILS, DENYING BETROTHAL

Tenor's Widow Goes to Italy to Settle His Estate.

On the French liner Paris, sailing for Plymouth and Havre to-day, were Mrs. Enrico Caruso, her daughter, Gloria, and Mrs. Charles Hopper, a friend and companion. The tenor's widow will spend six months in her villa at Florence and in August will go to Venice to settle her husband's estate. She denied with evident feeling rumors that she is engaged to Commander Arthur Wagstaff.

"How could anybody be cruel enough to circulate such a report?" she asked. "Both my husband and I knew Commander Wagstaff well. I have not seen him in four years."

Mrs. Marie D. Loutanby, widow of the restaurateur, Louis, goes to Constantinople to settle the estate of \$1,000,000 left to her and her brother by their mother, Caliphi Daddivich.

Mrs. Burke-Roche was another passenger who will spend six months on the Continent.

SUES AUGUST BELMONT FOR \$100,000 DAMAGES

Chauffeur Alleges Injuries When Basement Elevator Fell.

August Belmont, as owner of the Park Row Building, was the defendant in Supreme Court in a suit for \$100,000 damages, brought by Louis Coussin, a chauffeur. Mr. Coussin was badly injured on August 16, 1921, while loading glass cases on a sidewalk elevator in front of the building. It is alleged that an elevator chain broke, precipitating Coussin and the glass cases on to the ground. The chauffeur suffered fractures of both legs, a broken arm and jaw and other injuries. He still is receiving hospital treatment.

Coussin lives at No. 325 Hudson Avenue, Brooklyn, and was the sole support of a younger brother and sister at the time of the accident, in his twenty-seven years old and on the eligible list for appointment when hurt.

GAVE BABY NICKEL AND IS ARRESTED

A boy about two years old was standing at Essex and Livingston Streets last night and Joseph Muccia of No. 128 Mott Street, who has some little brothers and sisters in Italy, gave the youngster a nickel. He was arrested on a charge of "impairing the morals of a minor."

Muccia had to spend the night in jail, but he was discharged this morning by Magistrate Prothingham in the Essex Market Court. "It's outrageous to lock up a man for an act of kindness," said the Magistrate.

HALF HOLIDAY FOR CITY EMPLOYEES

Mayor Hylan to-day signed a resolution of the Board of Aldermen granting a half holiday to-morrow to city employees in honor of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Gen. Grant. Alderman Samuel R. Morris, 17th district, introduced the resolution.

JOHN KENLON'S SON, CHIP OF OLD BLOCK, PUTS OUT BLAZE

Hardly had Fire Chief John Kenlon called for Europe yesterday than his son, John Kenlon Jr., distinguished himself by putting out a fire on the roof of the marquee in front of Shanley's restaurant in West 43d Street, while a crowd of 200 onlookers gathered. Young Kenlon was driving his automobile south on Broadway when he noticed rubbish on the marquee on fire. Stopping, he rushed to the side of another car, unstrapped a fire extinguisher and dashed into the restaurant, jumped from a second-floor window and attacked the flames. In a few minutes the fire was out.

WOMAN, AGED 76, HAS \$18,000 YEAR, SAID TO BE INSANE

Nephew Secures Order to Examine Mrs. Duncan, Once Well Known Musician.

The alleged mental incompetency of Mrs. Gertrude I. Duncan, a former well known musician, who is now seventy-six years old and lives at No. 209 East Sidney Avenue, Mount Vernon, will be tested by a Sheriff's jury on an order to examine signed to-day, at White Plains, by Justice Mowbray. The order appoints Justice D. Toomson of Mount Vernon commissioner to examine.

Mrs. Duncan, whose husband died twenty-one years ago, has three trusts, aggregating \$300,000, held by the Brooklyn Trust Company, from which the annual income is about \$15,000, but it is alleged she is extremely parsimonious in matters of dress and food. It is said she takes her meals in "owl" wagons.

The action to have her examined is brought by her nephew, George Allen Ingraham, of Rutherford, N. J., cashier of the American Express Co. An affidavit of Cavoline E. Weston of Mount Vernon states that Mrs. Duncan has many eccentricities among them talking aloud in churches and expectorating in pews.

Milton W. Hall of Mount Vernon, a Vice President of the Mount Vernon Trust Company says in an affidavit that Mrs. Duncan is being dominated "by this man Turner."

The nephew alleges that Turner has obtained over \$30,000 from the estate by stock schemes.

AMATEURS JAM AIR, SPOILING RADIO TEST

OAKLAND, Cal., April 26.—Interference of amateur stations prevented clear receipt of a transcontinental radio telephone message from the Westinghouse station at Newark, N. J., to the Rock Ridge station here yesterday afternoon. Portions of it were clearly audible across the receiving room, however.

Plans for another test, in which Pacific Coast notables will send speeches to Newark, were made at once.

ACTOR HELD ON CHARGE BY ACTRESS

J. E. Carson, forty-four, a vaudeville actor of No. 507 West 4th Street, was held in \$2,000 bail to-day for the Grand Jury by Magistrate Levine, in the West Side Court, on a charge of grand larceny. Miss Grace Drenon, nineteen, a vaudeville actress, charged him with stealing a diamond ring valued at \$300 from her.