

VERDICT OF JURY

Is That Leon Czolgosz Is Guilty of Murder in the First Degree.

JUSTICE QUICKLY DONE

In Less Than Eight Hours and a Half the Trial of the Assassin Is Completed.

Dramatic Scene in the Court Room at Buffalo While Waiting a Verdict.

Buffalo, Sept. 25.—Leon F. Czolgosz, alias Fred Nieman, was found guilty of murder in the first degree by a jury in Part III of the supreme court, in having, on the 6th day of September, shot President William McKinley, the wounds inflicted afterward resulting in the death of the president.

The wheels of justice moved swiftly. The trial of the assassin consumed eight hours and 26 minutes and covered a period of only two days. Practically all of this time was occupied by the prosecution in presenting a case so clear, so conclusive, that even had the prisoner entered the plea of insanity, it is doubtful if the jury would have returned a verdict different from the one rendered.

The announcement made yesterday afternoon by the attorneys for Czolgosz that the eminent alienists summoned by the Erie County Bar association and by the district attorney to examine Czolgosz and to determine his exact mental condition had declared him to be perfectly sane, destroyed the only stage of a defense that Judges Lewis and Titus could have put together.

Before adjournment Justice White announced that he would pronounce sentence upon the defendant on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The prisoner was taken at once through the tunnel, under Delaware avenue, back to the jail. To all appearances he was in no way affected by the result of the trial. The crowd gathered at city hall yesterday was the largest which has been seen since his arraignment. People were lined up on both sides of the big rotunda on the second floor, where court convened, and lined the stairs leading from the floor above.

At 2:44 yesterday afternoon District Attorney Penney abruptly announced that the case of the prosecution was ended. Judge Lewis arose slowly and, addressing the court, said that the sudden close of the case against Czolgosz was a surprise to him and his colleagues. They had no witness to call for the defense. He asked the court that he be allowed to address the jury at once. The court assented and the venerable jurist began an address that will long be remembered by those who heard it. Judge Titus said that Judge Lewis had so completely covered the ground that it seemed entirely unnecessary for him to reiterate it, and he would therefore rest.

At 3:10 District Attorney Penney began summing up. At the conclusion of his plea Justice White delivered his charge to the jury.

After the jury had retired to consider the evidence the scene in the courtroom became dramatic in the extreme. Decorum was somewhat forgotten and the spectators stood up and many walked about the room and engaged in conversation. The guards about the assassin, who still sat in his seat before the bench, were doubled. Chief of Detectives Cusack and two of his men taking positions just back of Czolgosz's chair. Others took seats to the left and right, and many "plain clothes" men were seen mingling among the crowd surging about the room, closely watching everyone whose face was not a familiar one to them. There was no disposition to crowd about the prisoner, although the object of everyone seemed to be to get in a position to have a full view of his face. Czolgosz had been seated in his chair all afternoon, his hands clasped on the arms of the chair and his head bent forward and a little to the left. The room was not warm, but he frequently took his handkerchief from his pocket and mopped the perspiration from his forehead and cheeks. At no time during the absence of the jury did he raise his eyes or lift his head or seem to know that he was the object of interest of several hundred men and women. Every time the door was opened all eyes were turned in that direction, the evident thought in every mind being that the jury would take only a few minutes to agree on a verdict. It was 4:35 when the clerk rapped for order and the jury filed into the room. The clerk read their names, each juror responding "Present" as his name was called. No time was wasted. The jurors did not sit down. Addressing them, Justice White said: "Gentlemen, have you agreed upon a verdict?"

"We have," responded Foreman Wendt.

"What is your verdict?"

"That the defendant is guilty of murder in the first degree."

There was a moment of silence, and then a murmur arose from the lips of the crowd. It ended there. There was no handclapping; no cheers. Justice White's voice could be clearly heard in every part of the room when he thanked the jurors for their work and allowed them to go. Court adjourned.

KRUGER CAN'T COME

The Transvaaler Will Not Journey to Washington.

The Hague, Sept. 25.—It is learned that the announcement made in the *Soleil* of Brussels that Mr. Kruger has decided to send a special mission to President Roosevelt is not correct. It appears that such a project had been in contemplation; but the idea is not likely to be carried out owing to the great expense incidental to it and to the difficulty of securing a suitable representative.

The expenses incurred since Mr. Kruger came to Europe have reduced the Transvaal funds to a small sum. In fact, some of the Boers here are even destitute, and all of them agree that Mr. Kruger has scarcely enough for himself. It is not believed that he could go to Washington, as since the death of Mrs. Kruger he has not been the vigorous man of quick decision which he was formerly. The course probably to be adopted will be that Montague White will be instructed to approach the United States government, and Mr. Kruger and the others will take no action pending the result of Mr. White's endeavor.

China's Second Apology.

Tokio, Sept. 25.—The apology of Emperor Kwang Su to Emperor Mutsuhito for the murder of Sugiyama Akira, chancellor of the Japanese legation in Peking at the beginning of the Boxer outrages is couched in terms of the deepest regret and reverence, testifying that the benevolent and humane attitude of Japan has happily preserved the general situation in the Orient intact, and asking the mikado to be graciously disposed to draw closer the bonds of friendship uniting the two empires. The mikado, in a gracious reply to the Chinese envoy, expresses a belief that the relations between the two countries would now be closer.

Anarchist Ignores Order.

Spring Valley, Ill., Sept. 25.—The editor and owner of the anarchist paper *L'Aurora*, John Cincibella, was notified yesterday to leave town and remove his printing plant immediately. The government has made no move toward excluding it from the mails. Large bunches of *L'Aurora* go to Paterson, N. J., and to Ishpeming, Mich., and the paper has a large circulation in Spring Valley, Ladd, Peru and LaSalle. Notwithstanding the notification presented him by the secretary of the citizens' mass meeting, Cincibella is now preparing the next issue of his paper for the press.

Most's Case Continued.

New York, Sept. 25.—The case against Johann Most, who was to have been arraigned in the court of special session yesterday for publishing an alleged seditious article in his paper, the *Freiheit*, has been adjourned indefinitely. This action was taken because of the fact that Most is in jail at Corning, N. Y., and is unable to appear. His attorney at Buffalo had notified called anarchist meeting last Sunday night.

He Evaded the Mob.

Rolla, Mo., Sept. 25.—Surrounded in a barn but a few blocks from the scene of his crime, Prof. J. S. Crosswell, who Monday night murdered his sweetheart, Miss Mollie Powell, a prominent young woman of this city, last night at 11:15 o'clock sent a bullet through his own heart to prevent being lynched by an angry posse.

Germany's Loss.

Berlin, Sept. 25.—The total losses of the German force during the campaign in China were as follows: Army—Killed in action, 16; died from wounds, 132; died from accidents, 49; died from disease, 184. Navy—Killed in action, 49; died from wounds, 128; died from accidents, 21; died from disease, 89. Total, 678.

No Evidence Against Goldman.

Chicago, Sept. 25.—Emma Goldman is again a free woman, the charge of conspiracy to assassinate the president against her being dismissed yesterday at the request of city prosecutor, who informed the court that the prosecuting attorney at Buffalo had notified him that there was no evidence against her.

Enlarging the Course.

Cleveland, O., Sept. 25.—The Cleveland public school council has voted to include the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments and the 23rd Psalm to the course of studies now taught.

TERSE TELEGRAMS

General Lugo's expedition in aid of the Colombian rebels is reported to have landed. James Page was given a life sentence at Fleningsburg, Ky., for the murder of Saunders Rawlings.

Fire of unknown origin at Paris, Ill., destroyed a large barn. Eighteen horses were burned to death.

Booker T. Washington has made a statement appealing to public sentiment for condemnation of lynchings.

The transport Buford, which ran aground at the mouth of the Rio Grande river, Minn., a few days ago, has been floated unharmed.

William Lysle, an aeronaut who fell from his balloon at Stonefort, Ill., a distance of 90 feet Saturday, died yesterday from the effects of his injuries.

J. S. Crosswell, an instructor at the School of Mines and Metallurgy at Rolla, Mo., shot and killed Miss Mollie Powell. The motive for the crime was jealousy. Crosswell has fled.

Two Armenians were killed and several others seriously injured while fighting a fire at Chicago that damaged the oil and varnish plant of Freund Brothers at 310 South Canal street, to the extent of \$800,000.

The monthly statement of the collections of internal revenue show that for the month of August, 1901, the total receipts from all sources were \$22,167,191, a decrease as compared with August, 1900, of \$3,428,525.

Ed Miller, arrested at St. Louis for petty larceny, tells the police that he was implicated with Czolgosz in the assassination of the president. His story contains contradictions and is not credited in secret service circles.

JERE WILSON DEAD

Sudden Interruption in the Progress of the Schley Court of Inquiry.

THE LEADING COUNSEL

Judge Jere Wilson, Formerly of Indiana Expires Without Warning Or Premonition.

Though He Had Been Indisposed the Eminent Lawyer Was Not Thought Serious.

Washington, Sept. 25.—Jeremiah Morrow Wilson, principal counsel for Rear Admiral Schley, and one of the leading lawyers of Washington, died suddenly in his apartments in the Shoreham hotel yesterday. Heart failure, superinduced by an attack of acute indigestion, coupled with Bright's disease, caused his death. Although somewhat indisposed Monday night and yesterday morning, the end came unexpectedly, as he was in conference with his associate counsel in the Schley case scarcely an hour before



JUDGE WILSON.

he died. He leaves a son, Charles S. Wilson, who has been associated with him in law, and a daughter, Mrs. Wm. Haywood, of this city.

Judge Wilson was a native of Ohio and was 73 years old. Early in life he removed to Indiana, where he served with distinction on the common pleas and circuit court benches. He represented an Indiana district in the 42nd and 43rd congresses, serving as chairman respectively of the house committee on the judiciary and the District of Columbia. After his retirement from congress he formed a partnership with an associate in congress, Judge Sheelabarger, and the firm soon took rank at the very front of the Washington bar. Among the well known cases in which Mr. Wilson was counsel were the Star Route trials, the Holt will case, the Breckinridge-Polard breach of promise case, the trial of Captain Howgate for embezzlement, the courtmartial proceedings against General Swain, the Oberlin M. Carter case, and the Venezuela, Alabama, French spoliation and La Abra Mexican claims cases. At the time of his death he was president of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone company, a director in the National Fidelity and Deposit company, and was largely interested in other corporations. He also has been attorney for the Union Pacific railroad and the Mormon church.

The Court Adjourned.

Washington, Sept. 25.—The Schley court of inquiry was brought to a sudden termination for the day by the announcement of the sudden death of Judge Wilson, senior counsel for Admiral Schley. Mr. Raynor said that as far as he could see the counsel for Admiral Schley would be ready to proceed in the morning, but he added that there would be a desire to attend the funeral when it occurred. Admiral Dewey and Captain Leidy agreed that this detail could be agreed on later. The announcement of Judge Wilson's death created consternation, not only among members of the court, but among the spectators, and some minutes elapsed before people generally would accept the report.

BASE BALL

Result of Current Games and Standing of the Clubs.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.			
Clubs.	Pitchers.	R.	H. E.
Chicago, Eason	0	7 1
Philadelphia, Orth	4	9 1
Pittsburg, Merritt	14	11 3
New York, McGee	9	9 1
St. Louis, Joyce	3	3 3
Boston, Nichols	4	10 1
Cincinnati, Phillips	2	5 2
Brooklyn, Kison	10	22 1
Played Won. Lost. Per.			
Pittsburg	129	84 45 .561
Brooklyn	128	74 54 .570
Philadelphia	126	73 53 .579
St. Louis	129	68 61 .527
Boston	129	67 62 .520
New York	127	49 78 .389
Chicago	132	59 73 .447
Cincinnati	124	47 77 .379
AMERICAN LEAGUE.			
Clubs.	Pitchers.	R.	H. E.
Boston, Winters	3	9 4
Chicago, Platt	3	7 3
Washington, Carrick	4	9 3
Detroit, Cronin	1	0 3
Philadelphia, White	5	11 1
Milwaukee, Garvin	4	13 3
Baltimore, Howell	11	14 2
Cleveland, Crystall	13	14 2
Played Won. Lost. Per.			
Chicago	134	83 51 .616
Boston	131	74 57 .565
Detroit	131	72 59 .551
Philadelphia	131	70 61 .533
Baltimore	129	65 64 .503
Washington	131	60 71 .458
Cleveland	132	55 77 .416
Milwaukee	131	49 82 .361

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