

IMPORTANT CASES IN SUPREME COURT

Betting on Horse Races After Nightfall; Fate of Youth- ful Murderer, Etc.

Legality of pari-mutuel betting on horse races after nightfall may be determined during the April term of the supreme court in a case which involves much that may be taken as informative to dog-track owners who wish to operate, says Lowell M. Puckett, International News Service writer, in a story from Springfield. The appeal, carried to the supreme court by Senator James Monroe of Collinsville, will determine the constitutionality of the statute which prohibits pari-mutuel betting on races after nightfall. It is believed that dog race enthusiasts will be governed to a great extent by the disposition of the case by the supreme court.

The fate of Russell McWilliams, youthful Rockford slayer of a mo-

torman, also remains to be decided by the court. McWilliams was sentenced to death for the killing of William "Cap" Sayles, but his execution was postponed to the supreme court. Another young killer, Varner Corry, who at 15 years of age shot down Patrolman Edward Smith who surprised him and other boys in a school swimming pool, will learn whether or not he is to serve 18 years in the penitentiary for the slaying. Corry, during his trial in Chicago, was called the "model son" because of his good personal record prior to the shooting.

Bank Liability Decision

An opinion which has been awaited some time by the banking fraternity and which, it is expected, will have considerable effect on future banking policies, is eligible for a decision this term. It is an appeal from Marion county involving the liability of former stockholders of the defunct Merchants State bank of Centralia.

Whether cities and villages have the power to pass ordinances regulating railroad crossings within

their limits is up for a decision. The case was appealed to the higher tribunal from the Effingham Circuit Court by the City of Altamont. The lower tribunal decreed that the city could not regulate whether or not a watchman should be stationed at the crossings.

Cook County Cases

Several cases of especial interest to Chicago and Cook county are slated for decisions, although what is known as the "Jarecki decision," involving the validity of the 1928 and 1929 tax assessments of Cook county, is slated for argument this term. Under the general procedure of the court this means that a decision will not be handed down before the June term.

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Thomas J. Lynch Winds Up Campaign; He Feels Certain of Victory

Thomas J. Lynch, Democratic candidate for representative in congress this week ended his campaign. His outright stand on the repeal of the eighteenth amendment and also



the stand taken on reduced governmental expenses has won him a great many supporters and friends. In speaking Mr. Lynch said, "I feel I have put on a good campaign and if I receive the support I am assured of, feel confident I will win the nomination." Mr. Lynch has the endorsement of a great number of clubs and organizations both in Lake county and Cook county. In a statement a few weeks ago Col. A. A. Sprague said, "I most heartily and enthusiastically endorse Thomas J. Lynch." Coming from a man of Mr. Sprague's caliber it was a most welcome endorsement.

Chic Riding Habits Are Shown at Field Stores

The chic habits which smartly dressed equestriennes will wear when they ride to hounds this Fall were exhibited to Lake Forest women Tuesday and Wednesday by Thomas Busvine, of London,—probably the most famous maker of distinctive riding habits in the world. Mr. Busvine, whose riding habits, tailored suits and accessories are carried exclusively in Chicago by Marshall Field & Co., including the Lake Forest shop, arrived in Chicago Tuesday for a special showing of the newest arrivals in correct riding habiliments. He will be in the Old English Sports shop, a recent addition to the sixth floor in Field's downtown store, the remainder of this week and for several days next week.

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