

COMMISSIONERS TO ACT

Order to be Passed Today Providing for Watchman at Brooklyn Lock-Up Hereafter.

JURY MEETS TOMORROW.

Interest in the Tyler Murder Case Overshadowed by That in What the Jury Will do About Lynching.

Although the grand jury will meet tomorrow and the lynching of King Johnson, who was taken from the Brooklyn lockup on Sunday night and shot to death by a mob, will be presented to the members for consideration and action, just what witnesses will go before the inquest to tell of the thing is not known here today.

State's Attorney N. H. Green this morning said that he had nothing at all to give out about the case or what was being done toward the action of the members of the mob that took Johnson out of the unguarded lock-up. He added that while he at present had no list of witnesses to send before the jury, he hopes to have a list by the time the jury is ready to take up the case.

Asked if he would request the County Commissioners to authorize the employment of detectives, Mr. Green's reply was that if he were going to send a detective to work on the case, he would surely not handicap the gathering of evidence by making a public announcement ahead of time. While Mr. Green declines to state whether he already has or will get detectives to work on the case, the impression prevails here that this will be done.

He and Sheriff T. C. Beasley held a long consultation with members of the Board of County Commissioners this morning. One result of this conference is that the Commissioners will during the day pass an order providing for the employment of a watchman in the Brooklyn lock-up at least on the nights when there are prisoners confined in the building.

Governor Crothers was asked this morning if the county had asked him to detail State detectives on the case. He replied that the State had no right to interfere, and had no detectives to tender. However, he intimated that he was satisfied with the work that is being done by the local authorities.

Judge Brashears had nothing to say further than that he had been in consultation with the Governor, who seems very much interested in the matter, and that he would lay stress upon the outbreak of mob law in his charge to the grand jury when that body comes before him tomorrow.

While the present situation would indicate that unless detectives are employed and some evidence picked up about Brooklyn, the whole case will hinge on his testimony, Chase, the colored witness of the murder of Schwab, and who occupied the cell next to that from which Johnson was taken to be lynched, still maintains that he heard nothing and knew nothing of what went on in the lock-up. Chase is now a prisoner in the Anne Arundel county jail here, and has been seen a number of times by State's Attorney Green since he was brought here on Monday for safe keeping. Sheriff Beasley this morning showed considerable feeling over the fact that it did not seem understood that the Brooklyn lockup and the county jail are different places, and that he has absolutely no jurisdiction over the latter, which is controlled by the County Commissioners through their appointee, Chief of Police Irwin, of Brooklyn.

The trip to Brooklyn yesterday of State's Attorney Green and Sheriff Beasley did not develop much that gives anything on which to work when the grand jury meets. If Mr. Green has anything on which to base indictments he is keeping it very close. The indications are that when the jury meets tomorrow it will immediately take up the case of Albert Tyler, and after examining witnesses, return an indictment charging Tyler with the murder of his wife, and son-in-law. With this matter, for which they were originally called together, disposed of, the members of the jury will be forced to take a recess until tangible evidence is gathered to present them unless a list of witnesses is gathered by the time the Tyler case is disposed of.