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Cloudy tonight and Sunday.

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OFFICIALS NOT INVOLVED IN BALL SCANDAL

Confessions of Cozy Dolan and Jimmy O'Donnell Made Public Today.

VINDICATE MCGRAW

Players Do Not Implicate Giants Manager or Secretary in Deal for Throwing Game.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
CHICAGO, Jan. 10.—Official records of baseball commissioner K. M. Landis' investigation of the New York Giants bribery scandal of 1924 made public today, disclosed nothing involving any baseball official. The stenographic record of Landis' interrogation of the players named as alleged participants in the attempt to "throw a game," revealed that the commissioner found no evidence against anyone except Cozy Dolan, Giant coach and Jimmy O'Connell, Giant outfielder.

Dolan persistently declared he had no recollection of any suggestion to O'Connell, as alleged by the latter, to effect "Delino" Sands, Philadelphia shortstop—\$500 not to play too hard against the Giant club, which was in a game in the National league pennant race.

The record shows that the commissioner told O'Connell that his own confession was sufficient to put him out of baseball. Sands, Philadelphia shortstop—\$500 not to play too hard against the Giant club, which was in a game in the National league pennant race.

Manager McGraw and Secretary James Tierney of the Giants were only once casually mentioned by the involved players in their denial of O'Connell's story.

George Kelley, Giant first baseman, said he had been notified by Tierney to go and see Commissioner Landis.

Frank Frisch, captain of the Giants said he had an injured hand the day of the alleged bribe offer and he sat on the bench during the game beside Manager McGraw.

In the course of the examination of Dolan he was confronted by O'Connell who stated he, Dolan, had asked him to approach Sands. The record shows the following in part:

Judge Landis: "Have your relations with O'Connell been friendly?"
Mr. Dolan: "On the same ball club, I suppose so. We have always been friendly."

Judge Landis: "Do you think that you might have had a conversation about this subject and forget it in three days?"
Mr. Dolan: "I don't think so. I don't remember. There was no such stuff going around the club house."

Judge Landis: "I say do you think you could have had such a conversation as this and forget it in three days?"
Mr. Dolan: "No, I don't think so."

Judge Landis: "You don't think so, but you think it is possible that it might be possible?"
Mr. Dolan: "I would not say that at all."

Judge Landis: "Just what do you say to me now? You say four times that you have no memory of such a conversation, that you cannot recall any such conversation."
Mr. Dolan: "That is my answer. I cannot recall it. I don't remember it."

Judge Landis: "Mr. O'Connell, as I understand you to tell me in this conversation, you had with Sands you asked him who the fellows were for, by fellows meaning the Philadelphia players, and Sands replied to you they were not for anybody."
Mr. O'Connell: "That is right."
Judge Landis: "That they were just playing the season out, and you asked him then if he would not bear down against us in a pinch, meaning the New York team, that there was some money in it for him, \$500 and he said he would not do anything like that, he would go out there and do his best."
Mr. O'Connell: "That is right."
Judge Landis: "Is that the substance of the conversation you had with Sands?"
Mr. O'Connell: "Yes, sir."
Judge Landis: "And don't you remember my asking you how you happened to say this to Sands and did you state to me that you had your talk with Sands because Cozy Dolan asked you to?"
Mr. O'Connell: "Yes, sir."
Judge Landis: "Dolan said to you: 'Won't you talk to Sands and tell him that we will give him \$500 if he would not play hard against us in a pinch?'"
Mr. O'Connell: "Yes, sir."
Judge Landis: "And that you

MICHIGAN MAN IS CHOICE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—There were increasing indications today that Charles B. Warren of Michigan would be the choice of President Coolidge for Attorney General.

The question whether Mr. Warren would accept however, remained a possible barrier to the forwarding of his nomination to the senate to succeed Attorney General Stone named for a place on the Supreme Court.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The nomination of Charles Beecher Warren of Michigan to be Attorney General, was sent to the senate probably late today.

It is understood that Mr. Warren, a former ambassador to Mexico and to Japan and for years one of the leaders of the republican party, has indicated he will accept the cabinet place in succession to Attorney General Stone, recently appointed to the Supreme Court.

GOLD FISH BOWL STARTS A FIRE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 10.—A bowl of gold fish was listed by the fire department yesterday as having caused a fire in the home of Dr. Morris Zimmerman. Inquiries showed that the rays of the sun, focused through the glass bowl, heated a seat of a chair until it burst into flames.

INQUEST HELD ON SUICIDE VICTIM

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
BEND, Ore., Jan. 10.—William P. Downing, local restaurant owner who yesterday shot and killed himself bought the gun, with which he ended his life two or three hours later, yesterday morning, between nine and ten o'clock, was the testimony of R. N. Buchwalter, proprietor of a local sport store, yesterday in an inquest held here.

Mr. Buchwalter stated Mr. Downing entered his store and asked to see some revolvers. Mr. Downing remarked that he had no gun at his restaurant and that he needed one. A .32 caliber revolver was then purchased by Mr. Downing, and at his request Mr. Buchwalter placed six cartridges in the gun.

This gun, with three cartridges discharged, was found under Downing's left leg by Sheriff H. E. Roberts when he arrived on the scene. Mr. Roberts testified that he answered a phone call from the Miner Building which stated a man had killed himself there.

Downing was lying full length on the floor, his right arm extended on a chair or some higher object. Mr. Roberts said, his right leg extended and his left hand under him. The revolver was under the left knee.

Dr. R. W. Hendershott testified that he had examined the body where it lay, and that death had been caused by a bullet entering the right side of the head at a point just above the temple.

Powder burns found back of this wound were caused, in Dr. Hendershott's opinion, by the first two shots which missed the head. Dr. Hendershott did not believe the fatal shot had been fired from close to the temple had made the powder burns. These were about an inch or two long and posterior to the wound made by the bullet.

Mrs. Betsy Norton told practically the same story as she related yesterday. She stated that Mr. Downing had knocked on her door about ten minutes to twelve. She opened it and he walked in. He told her he had come to see if she would not return to his employ, that his business was going to the rack and he needed her help.

She stated that she was talking it out to eat. She stated that Downing remarked he was on his way to see Dr. Warren. The noon whistle blew and he remarked upon it and said he would just about catch the doctor. Mr. Norton testified that she was putting cold cream on her face preparing to go out, and in a few moments she heard two shots. She declared she gave only a hurried glance at Downing that he was still standing, and then rushed into the hall. She said another shot was fired after she entered the hall.

COUNTY WILL AID IN PAVING

Residents of Edenbower Will Be Given Help if Funds Are Available.

COURT HEARS PLEA

District Has Been Carrying Heavy Burden in Form of Special Taxes and Feels Need of Cooperation.

County aid for extending the pavement in Edenbower to the end of the grade completed last year, was promised this morning by the county court, providing the funds can be made available. The promise was made to a large delegation of interested citizens, which met with the court with a request for the continuation of the paving during the coming summer.

It was pointed out that the district for two years voted special taxes in the sum of ten mills to push this paving. The district was one of the first in the county to vote special taxes, and for many years, before the paving project was taken up, maintained an excellent road by 10 and 15 mill levies, and it has had no help from the county at any time.

Last year a 10-mill tax was voted with the expectation that the road would be paved, but instead of laying the surface, practically the entire sum was used in making a deep cut over what is commonly known as Vinegar Hill. There was a great deal of objection to the use of so much money for grading purposes, it being contended that such a deep cut was not necessary. As a result an effort to raise another 10 mill levy met defeat.

The still remains \$4,195 in the district fund to be expended, and the delegation asked the court to provide enough from the market road fund, or other money, to carry the pavement to the end of the grade, a distance of about one-half mile.

Unless the county gives special money it will be impossible to get this done in the future. It was claimed, however, the extension can be made, there is little doubt but that sufficient good feeling can be restored to keep the project moving. It was stated by many of

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CHAS. HUGHES RESIGNS AS SEC'Y OF STATE

Washington, Jan. 10.—Charles Evans Hughes has resigned as secretary of state and will be succeeded by Frank B. Kellogg of Minnesota, now ambassador to Great Britain.

The resignation of Mr. Hughes will be effective March 4, when he completes four years as head of the state department, Mr. Kellogg is expected to take office immediately afterward.

The prospective cabinet change was announced late today at the White House. Mr. Hughes it was said desired after 20 years of public life, interrupted only for a short period, to return to private life.

In his letter of resignation, Mr. Hughes expressed to President Coolidge his "deep appreciation of the confidence you have reposed and the privilege of serving under your leadership."

Mr. Coolidge replied with an expression of regret and of renewed confidence in his retiring secretary.

The news of Mr. Hughes' withdrawal from the cabinet just at this time surprised the capital. It had been understood for some months that he desired to recoup his personal fortunes by again engaging in the practice of law, but recently his friends had said he probably would remain for at least another year in the official family of President Coolidge.

PRISON PAPER HAS NO PRINTERS

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
SALEM, Or., Jan. 10.—"Lend a hand," the newspaper published for 20 years at the Oregon penitentiary, has had to suspend publication because no printers are incarcerated there.

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL SITES HOLD MEETING

Interest Growing Among Members in Reference to Proposed Location.

TWO REPORTS MADE

One Committee Makes Only Selection, Favoring Property in West Roseburg.

With almost the entire membership present the committee which has been wrestling with the selection of a site for the proposed new high school building for this school district met last evening to consider any new developments in the way of a location, as well as to discuss other sites than had been proposed.

Two new reports were made, one from the committee headed by Dr. A. C. Seely and the other from B. W. Strong's committee. The former made only one selection which consists of acreage in West Roseburg, known as a part of the Bellows tract. The other committee embodied a number of proposed sites, but Mr. Strong stated that his committee had not been sold to any of them and that it was still open for commitment on any other proposition that looked more favorable to the committee at large. Both reports are herewith published in full.

J. H. Booth, chairman of the committee who at a previous meeting recommended the Catholic church property as a suitable site, last evening withdrew his report, stating that the land in question could not be had.

Last evening's meeting was the most enthusiastic one so far held, and the site question was discussed from many angles, a number of the members putting forth their views as to the just requirements of the district and advising to a degree where the new building should be located.

No definite decision was reached, and probably will not be, for some weeks to come, as the committee as a whole seems disposed to use ample time in coming to a decision. New proposals are being investigated and the committee will not take snap judgment on any offer until it has been thoroughly investigated. Much of the discussion last evening hinged on whether a central site should be secured, or grounds bought with ample space for athletic purposes, but no definite conclusion has so far been reached in this respect.

A motion was made and carried that the four sub-committees appointed at a recent meeting get together at once and take up those buildings which are suitable for the property, the prior that it can be had for, and as much general information as it is possible for them to secure and report their findings at a meeting to be held next Friday evening.

Following is the complete report submitted last evening for the committee's consideration:
To the members of the City Committee:
Before submitting to you the one and only choice of our committee for a school site, we desire to call your attention to some features of the school program which we deem it wise to bear in mind.

This program has to do with a senior high school and a junior college course that will provide an early training and a usable education in the desired vocations so far as possible, especially in agriculture and normal work.

The development of this plan will not be served by a large building on a city block, nor would it provide space for agricultural work nor the necessary athletic field, and the bond measure as voted does not permit of the acquisition of more than one city block. The future needs of this plan require increase for its development. It must be remembered that we cannot accomplish all we desire at one fell swoop, it must grow and to grow it must

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ADVOCATES NEW AUTO TAX PLAN

Master of State Grange Proposes to Put Cars on Assessment Roll.

SMALL STATE FEE

Believes that Income Would Be More Than Doubled by a System of County Tax.

"If the license fee on motor vehicles is reduced by the coming legislature, the Oregon State Grange will work for an increase in the gasoline tax or a new law to make a flat state license, and put cars on the assessment rolls of the county," says George A. Palmier, master of the state grange, who was in Roseburg this morning. Mr. Palmier will go to Gillie tonight to install the officers of the grange there, and participate in the social meeting which is being planned.

"It is my personal belief that the California system is the best," Mr. Palmier states, "and if any change is made I would like to see that plan adopted."
"The state, in that case, would fix a low, flat fee for all cars, and the automobiles would be assessed by the counties as personal property."

"In order to prevent car owners from escaping taxation, it would be made necessary to procure the state license through the county clerk, who, in securing data for the state license, would include a report for the assessor, so that when a car was licensed it would be assessed in the same operation, and there would be no way of escaping payment."

"In this manner every car would pay a tax according to its worth. Under the present system a \$10,000 car and a machine which may not be worth more than \$100 will pay the same license if their weights are equal. By assessing each car at its value and taxing it accordingly a more equitable system will be put in force."

Mr. Palmier states that this plan will result in almost twice as much income as the present system.

J. C. Balch spent the day here attending to business affairs. Mr. Balch is from Eugene and left today for the north.

DUSKY MAID "JUST PLAYIN'" WITH SAM

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
OMAHA, Neb., Jan. 10.—"Shucks, Mr. Policeman, we was just playin' murd'ed Mary McClain, negro, platinively."
Mary was explaining why she had cut a five inch gash in her husband's neck last night.

"Sam and I play together quite a bit," she told officers. "He's always slapin' me and I slap him back; just funnin', see."
"But sometimes he gets pretty rough; hits me jes' as hard as he can. Like he did tonight. So I got sorta poked and I took out a jack knife. An when he come at me, I cut 'im. But not very much; it wasn't over five inches long; that cut."

Police are holding Mary to see how Sam gets along. He is in a hospital and it was said, he would recover.

FIRE DESTROYS A SMALL TOWN

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
PORT ANGELES, Wash., Jan. 10.—Fire early today practically destroyed the business district of Forks, a small town west of Port Angeles, according to word received here. Only one building was left standing. The damage was estimated at \$30,000.

BIG TIMBER DEEDS ARE RECORDED HERE

Two deeds covering timber sales amounting to more than \$850,000 were presented to County Clerk J. B. Riddle today to be recorded, in dealing one of the biggest timber deals of recent years. The deeds were from the North Star Lumber company and from J. O. Elrod and wife to the Umpqua Mills and Timber company, a large timber concern now operating a mill in the Smith River district. The timber is all located in township 20, range 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, west, this territory all bordering on Smith River and lying south and west of Gunter and Woolsey. The two deeds carried revenue stamps amounting to \$351.

SON OF KANSAS GOVERNOR IS CAUGHT IN TRAP AND TAKES BRIBE TO GET MAN A PARDON

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
TOPEKA, Kans., Jan. 10.—Kansas' political circles were egot today with the allegation that Richard G. Davis, son of Governor Jonathan M. Davis, accepted \$1,250 and delivered a pardon to Fred W. Pollman, former president of a Kansas bank and convicted forger.

The transaction took place in a hotel room here and was exposed by the Kansas City JOURNAL, whose representatives in conjunction with Pollman, had set a trap for the governor's son.

Governor Davis, whose term expires next Monday, admitted his son had been "inveigled into accepting money," and asserted the affair "was a frame up by political enemies to get me."

Governor Davis' explanation of the scene of the hotel room did not agree with the story related by the JOURNAL reporters present.

The JOURNAL's version was: "Young Davis, who was 28 years old, accepted \$1,000 from Pollman, while two JOURNAL representatives, a shorthand reporter and several other witnesses listened in adjoining rooms by the aid of a telephone device hidden behind a curtain in Pollman's room. Receiving the \$1,000 payment, the governor's son left the hotel and returned with the pardon and then received an additional \$250. He was then confronted by the JOURNAL reporters and the other witnesses. When threatened with arrest, the governor's son returned the \$250 received on delivery of the pardon and left the hotel, coming back later with the \$1,000."

The JOURNAL said, he refused to say where he had left the \$1,000 after departing from the hotel the first time, but added that young Davis asserted his father had no knowledge of the transaction. Governor Davis said his son told him of the affair last night, when he came home.

"Somehow they inveigled my son into accepting the money," he said; "but when he realized they had given it to him, took it back to them, at the same time he delivered the pardon, which I had already decided to grant."

The governor said, he had aided Pollman at his trial in 1921 and later had appealed to former Governor Henry Allen in Pollman's behalf.

The governor's son could not be reached last night, his father saying he had retired.
Pollman said he had been told by Glenn A. Davis, who was sentenced to life imprisonment for murder, that Governor Davis solicited the payment of money to his son for executive clemency. Pollman has been active since his release from prison in behalf of Glenn Davis and had obtained he said, several short term paroles for Glenn Davis.
Pollman stated that Glenn Davis talked to the governor in Topeka and charged the governor had told the murder convict, if Pollman went down to the Davis farm, "taking about \$1,250 along," and see the governor's son, Pollman, "would get what he wanted."
Glenn Davis was granted full parole by the governor December 20 last, Pollman stated.
Governor Davis in his talk with Glenn Davis said, according to Pollman's affidavit, that if Pollman paid his son as suggested, a pardon would be issued to Pollman and that perhaps Glenn Davis might also get a full pardon.
Glenn Davis, at Pollman's instructions, returned to Topeka and told the governor he had been unable to find Pollman, the affidavit said. It was about then, Pollman said, that Davis committed the murder convict's life term to 20 years and granted a full parole.
Governor Davis emphatically declared, "the story that I had ever solicited aid from Glenn Davis or anyone else is untrue—absolutely false."

GUN ELEVATION PLANS SAID TO BE DEAD ISSUE

Pres. Coolidge's Positive Stand Against Program Kills Proposition.

ACTION IS WITHHELD

Senate and House Naval Committees Decline to Take Any Action—Policy Reversed.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Proposals in congress for elevation of turret guns on American capital ships were regarded today as being practically dead, in view of President Coolidge's positive stand against such alterations.

Senate and house naval committees have been withholding action on gun elevation proposals for some time with indications that no attempt would be made to press them. If administrative opposition should be made known, the president's position based upon the opinion that elevation of the guns would reverse the policy effected by the Washington arms limitation conference and bring about a resumption of international competition in armaments, was made unmistakably clear yesterday at the White House.

The technical fight of the United States to elevate the guns and the question of costs the work would entail, are looked upon by the president as minor considerations in comparison with the question of reverting to armament competition, emphasizing the White House declaration against gun elevation the president responded to a senate resolution inquiring about protests from other nations against the proposal by transmitting a copy of the letter Secretary Hughes sent to the house naval committee on Thursday, setting forth that Great Britain had made known its opinion that such alterations would violate the arms limitation treaty, while Japan and the United States were in agreement that they were permissible.

ROAD MONEY IS BEING DISTRIBUTED

The county court today adopted an order declaring an appropriation of one-half mill to all of the road districts of the county. The appropriation is being made from the 1923 tax and will amount to \$24,000.

The law provides that 70 per cent of all money raised within a road district for road purposes shall be returned to the district in which it is raised, and that 50 per cent shall go into the general fund.

Whenever there becomes an accumulation of tax money in the road fund, sufficient to permit a distribution, the court orders an appropriation to each district on a basis of valuation. The 70 per cent of the one-half mill appropriation will give \$16,539 to be distributed among the 75 road districts of the county. Although no district will receive more than a comparatively small sum of money, the appropriation will permit the continuance of the maintenance work.

FARM EXCHANGE ELECTS OFFICERS

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Douglas County Farm Bureau, was held yesterday at the Moose Hall with a fine attendance. G. W. Burt, D. M. Busenbark, Wm. Kamp and E. P. Strong, were chosen as directors to serve during the year. Manager Banning's report showed a total business conducted of over one half million dollars, and the affairs of the organization in excellent condition. The stockholders decided that instead of declaring the usual dividend, for which money was available, decided that the funds would be turned back into the working capital.

UMPOUA VALLEY BANK MEETING HELD

The stockholders of the Umpqua Valley Bank held their annual meeting on Thursday evening of this week. B. W. Strong was elected president. D. R. Brooks, first vice president; Roland Aase, second vice president; Charles Roberts, Al Kent and Gus Edlund, directors. John Throne was re-elected cashier. The report showed a very normal and satisfactory year from the banking standpoint and a good dividend was declared.