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THIEVES LOOT THEN SET FIRE TO TAILOR SHOP

Suits and Bolt Goods Stolen From Better Tailoring Establishment.

HIGHWAYS GUARDED

Special Deputies Appointed to Search All Cars Fail to Locate Men Responsible for Crime.

The tailor shop owned and operated by J. H. Bernier, located in the Marks building on North Jackson street, was robbed and then fired late last night. Nineteen bolts of suit goods, and four or five finished suits, two of them new ones ready for delivery comprised the loot which the thieves obtained.

The shop was entered through the rear door, where a panel was broken out. There were two doors intervening between the back store room and the front of the shop, and the thieves apparently took considerable time forcing their way in to the room where the cloth was kept.

An auger was used to bore holes in the doors, cutting around the locks so that the doors could be forced open.

The robbery apparently occurred early in the evening, while the streets were crowded, and the removal of the goods must have been carried on in plain sight, as the bolts were piled on a table in the room fronting on the main street. Insultations were that a light truck was backed up to the rear door of the establishment and the stolen articles loaded in that vehicle. Tracks were found leading out of the alley to Washington street, the tire impression showing that the car had then turned down to Rose street, and then south towards Cass.

A report that two cars, one a light truck, were seen speeding south shortly after 10 o'clock, is being investigated.

After looting the shop the thieves piled up boxes containing trunks, paper, kindling and other inflammable materials and set fire to the structure in two places. The fire apparently was started with the purpose of covering up the evidences of the robbery.

MEDFORD BEATS SALEM IN CLOSE FOOTBALL GAME

(Associated Press Local Wire.)
MEDFORD, Ore., Dec. 7.—In a closely contested football game here Saturday, Medford school, champions of Oregon, defeated the high school team of the Willamette school, 13, before 5,000 people.

HOPE OF MAN IS IN THE CHRIST, DR. BANKS TELLS ELKS

Impressive Memorial Address Given at Annual Program Held by Lodge Sunday.

"The oldest and most widely read and most talked about book in the world opens its history of mankind with this astonishing declaration 'And God said, let us make man in our image, after our likeness, and let them have dominion.'" Dr. Louis Albert Banks said Sunday afternoon, in his Memorial address before the Elks lodge at the annual program honoring the deceased members of the lodge.

"It must be admitted by the most critical cavalier concerning man's childhood to the divine that he has in one sense lived up to the purpose for which the Bible says he was made and is entering upon dominion over the forces of nature," Dr. Banks declared. "He conquers the soil and makes his grains feed him, his cottons clothe him, his forests house him, his coals warm him and his electric current gives him light."

"But it is in the inner life of the soul where we find man's true dignity. Our physical lives are very frail. A great many of the birds of the air are more tenacious of life and have a more secure tenure than we. Our glory is in the inner being, where we were made in the likeness of God, and which will go on living forever."

"After all the supreme evidences of man's childhood to God is in the person of Jesus Christ. One of the fundamental things that nature and life offer us in addition to the laws of light and heat and gravity is a life, a man that walked over the hills of Galilee. Jesus enrolled his heart as a flower enrolls its crimson secret. He took children in his arms and pointed to the angels who guarded them. He touched the rags of a beggar boy and made them silk. His tears fell upon the stained hand of an outcast girl and mercy, falling like heaven's dew, washed the little, red hand clean. He stood beside the prodigal and whispered 'made in the image of God.' He called the Unseen Force that makes for righteousness his father. And when the sweet mother, the old hero, or the little child closed their eyes in death Jesus smiled and said 'In my Father's house are many mansions.'"

"Brothers it is in Jesus where we must find the source of our charity. Justice, brotherly love and fidelity upon which our order is built, it is in Him that we find our true dignity and glory."

FARMER SHOULD NOT BE PARTNER OF GOVERNMENT

Agriculture's Prosperity Rests on Independence, Coolidge Declares.

VISIONS FINE FUTURE

Says Government Control of Prices Would Bring Over-Production and Then a Collapse.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Convinced that cooperative marketing with governmental encouragement is the best solution of the farmers' problem, President Coolidge intends to give the movement his active and energetic assistance. He opposed proposals that the government set any farm products, or fix prices directly or indirectly. Further he believes present tariff duties benefit the farmer and should not be revised.

Outlining his views on the agricultural situation and proposed remedies in an address today at the annual convention of the American farm bureau federation, the president said that despite its present embarrassments, agriculture as a whole should lead industry in future prosperity.

"I believe that the past history of the relative trend of prices between farm products and other commodities is of tremendous significance," he told his audience, made up of representative farmers. "The surplus lands of the country are exhausted. The industrial population is outstripping the farm population. Manufacturing is expanding. These must come to the farmers for their food and their raw materials. While we can produce more, the markets for food are increasing much faster than present farm productivity. The future of agriculture looks to be exceedingly secure."

Cooperation Value Seen.

Referring to the cooperative movement as the most important development of late years in the agricultural field and emphasizing the crop surplus problem as a vexing factor in the farm price situation, Mr. Coolidge expressed the opinion that with the economic information furnished by the department of agriculture with their warehouses and storage facilities, and a better credit structure, much can be done to take care of the ordinary surplus.

As to proposals for the organization of cooperation through which the government would directly or indirectly fix prices or engage in buying and selling farm products, the president made this observation: "This would be a dangerous undertaking, and as the emergency is not so acute, it seems at present to have lost much of its support. No matter how it is disguised, the moment the government engages in buying and selling by that act it fixes prices. Moreover, it would apparently destroy cooperative association and all other marketing machinery, for no one can compete with the government. Ultimately it would end the independence which the farmers of this country enjoy as a result of centuries of struggle and prevent the exercise of their own judgment and control in cultivating the land and marketing their product."

Farmers Must Be Independent.

"Government control cannot be divorced from political control. The overwhelming interest of the consumer, not the smaller interest of the producer would be sure to dominate in the end. Unless we fix corresponding prices for other commodities a high fixed price for agriculture would merely stimulate over production that would end in complete collapse."

Reversing Lower Court, Federal Judge Decides Fall-Doheny Oil Scandal Indictments Are Valid

(Associated Press Local Wire.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The Fall-Doheny bribery indictments, which were quashed several months ago in the lower courts here, were held to be valid today by the District of Columbia court of appeals.

A plea in abatement, filed by former Secretary Albert S. Fall, Edward L. Doheny, oil magnate and his son, Edward L. Doheny, Jr., which the lower court granted, was overruled by Chief Justice George E. Martin on motion of the government's special oil counsel, Atlas Pomerene and M. J. Roberts.

Two indictments were covered by the court's decision, one charging Fall with receiving a bribe of \$100,000 to influence his official action respecting certain oil leases and the other charging the Doheny's with giving the bribe.

The appellate court held the act of Congress taking the prosecution of the oil cases out of the hands of the Department of Justice meant only to deprive the attorney general of "charge and control" of the litigation and did not interfere with the right of the special counsel to make use of the assistance of district attorneys. The defense had argued the presence in the grand jury room of Oliver C. Pagan, a special assistant to the attorney general, violated the sanctity of the proceedings and nullified the indictments. This view was accepted in the lower courts.

MAN CALLS SELF KIP RHINELANDER. PAYS ALICE VISIT

Mulatto Is Given Shock, Impostor Goes to Jail — Wife Preparing Divorce Suit.

(Associated Press Local Wire.)
NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., Dec. 7.—Mrs. Alice Jones Rhinelander has overwrought nerves today from the shock she got last night when a stranger stalked into a neighbor's house and announced he was Leonard Kip Rhinelander come back to his bride.

The visitor bore a slight resemblance to young Rhinelander, and the neighbor, Mrs. Albert Muller, ran with word to the former Alice Jones that the husband who unsuccessfully tried to annul their marriage because of her negro blood, had come to see her.

Greatly excited, Mrs. Rhinelander rushed to the Muller home, but the stranger was not her husband. She turned him over to New Rochelle police, who put him in a padded cell.

FREIGHT RATES SHOULD CHANGE TO AID FARMER

Elastic Schedule to Meet Market Fluctuations Urged by Jardine.

ALSO LOW FARM TAX

Federal Help Needed Only For Cooperation Plan — Grazing Laws in Need of Revision.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—An overhauling of agricultural freight rates, revision of farm taxes, government encouragement to cooperative farm organizations, and proper utilization of the public domain for agricultural purposes were the outstanding recommendations made today by Secretary Jardine of the Agriculture Department in his annual report.

The Secretary said that while there has been a general improvement during the past year, farm conditions are not yet satisfactory.

Flexibility Rates Needed.

"In relation to pre-war conditions," said the report, "the price of farm products are not yet on a par with freight rates. The level of farm commodity prices in September was 144 percent of the pre-war average, whereas freight rates on agricultural commodities were 158 percent of the pre-war average. More over the prices of agricultural products fluctuate greatly from year to year whereas freight rates are stable and are not frequently changed."

It was added that farm freight rates should be based on a continuous set of general conditions, "unless freight rates can be made more flexible, being raised when prices are high and lowered when they decline within reasonable limits."

Farm Over-Taxed.

"Pointing to the greatly increased taxes per acre the farmer is required to pay now over the amount several years ago, the Secretary expressed a view that it would be impossible to restore the tax rates of 10 years ago, but declared that unless a more equitable distribution of the tax burden could be brought about, "the agricultural industry may expect recurring periods when taxes will consume an undue proportion of farm income."

"Farm taxes," the report said, "are chiefly general property taxes levied by the states and the local units on the basis of capital value and they bear little or no direct relation to current farm earnings."

"One of the most important factors which contribute to the excessive taxation of agriculture is the tendency of many states to improve the public schools and public roads largely at the expense of the local districts."

RED GRANGE MAKES HALF MILLION, THEN SIGNS FOR MOVIES

(Associated Press Local Wire.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Red Grange signed a motion picture contract today under which he received at once a flat guarantee of \$500,000 for his first screen performance.

Grange's movie agreement, involving what was said to be a record sum for the first film appearance of any individual, was the high spot of an astonishingly profitable 24 hours following his sensational performance with the Chicago Bears in a professional football game against the New York Giants at the Polo Grounds yesterday.

Grange, according to his manager, C. C. Pyle, received \$25,000 as his share of yesterday's gate receipts. Afterward he endorsed various articles of merchandise for a total return of \$40,000, bringing his total earnings since leaving Illinois and turning professional to close to \$500,000.

TAX BILL AGREED ON SHOWS SLASH OF 325 MILLIONS

Auto Trucks, Tires, Parts Freed From Levies, but Passenger Autos Are Left on Schedule.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The new revenue bill, proposed a slashing of \$325,736,000 in taxes during the next calendar year and providing relief for virtually every federal tax payer, was reported to the House today as the first legislative business presented to the new Congress.

A saving of \$193,175,000 in income tax payers on taxes payable next year is the principal relief proposed by the bill and leaders of both the House and Senate have set March 1 as the goal for enactment of the measure into law, so that the benefit may be taken advantage of in the payment of first installments of the income tax due March 15.

Referring to the repeal of most of excise and occupational taxes, including the so-called "nuisance" levies, Chairman Green said, "these taxes are not equitable in their application and prohibitive of our life's revenue." The tax on cigars which was reduced "twice so high as to depress the business and reduce the revenue to the government," the report declared.

Trucks, Tires, Parts Aided.

Repeal of the tax on automobile trucks was voted because it was a tax "solely on business," the report said, "and the levies on automobile tires and parts, also repealed, were declared taxes on misfortune."

CONGRESS IN SESSION FOR ANNUAL GRIND

Tax Reduction to Be First Measure Acted Upon in Lower House.

DEMOCRATS PRIMED

Administration Policies to Be Attacked, With Trio of Cabinet Heads as Special Targets.

(Associated Press Local Wire.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Nicholas Longworth, Republican, Ohio, today was elected speaker of the new House.

He received the necessary majority of all votes cast on the first ballot, despite the refusal of the Republican insurgents to support him.

The insurgents voted for Henry Allen Cooper of Wisconsin, who led the La Follette attack on President Coolidge and his policies at the Cleveland Republican convention last year. The Democratic candidate was Flins Garrett of Tennessee, the House Democratic floor leader.

Longworth received 229 of the 420 votes cast. The vote for Garrett was 173 and for Cooper 13. Five voted present.

Republican senate leaders were awaiting indication of Senator La Follette of Wisconsin of his own desire as to being assigned by the majority to the standing committee before taking action with respect to the treatment to be accorded him.

The question of the party regularity of Gerald P. Nye, senator designate from North Dakota, which has been brought up by the state Republican Central Committee of North Dakota, will necessarily not be raised in the senate until it has passed on his right to seat as the appointee of Governor Sorlie. Debate on this is expected to occupy the senate tomorrow after the reading of President Coolidge's message.

Insurgents Won't Coalesce.

Despite the clear cut majority of the Republicans in the House, the re-affirmed attitude of the insurgent group, which includes representatives from North Dakota, Minnesota, New York and Illinois as well as those from Wisconsin, undoubtedly will complicate matters somewhat for the majority party in putting a legislative program through the two houses.

Defendants in \$125,000 Suit for Deporting Japanese From Toledo Lose Opening Round in U. S. Court

(Associated Press Local Wire.)
PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 7.—Japanese plaintiffs in damage suits growing out of the deportation of Japanese bell workers from Toledo, Oregon, last July, won the first point in the litigation in federal court here today when Judge C. E. Wolverton overruled the motion of the defendants, residents of Toledo, that the plaintiffs put up cost bonds totalling \$125,000.

B. A. Green, attorney for the defendants, contended the bonds should be put up because the plaintiffs were aliens and not residents of Oregon.

D. Takekita, resident of Portland, offered an affidavit stating he had known four of the plaintiffs for four or eighteen years, and that they had been residents of Oregon during that time. The fifth plaintiff, T. Ogura, made his affidavit, stating he had lived in this state ten years.

OAKLAND BOY A TRUSTY AT STATE SCHOOL ESCAPES

Orin Waterman, an Oakland boy, who was arrested here a year ago charged with passing bad checks, has escaped from the state training school, according to word received here this morning, and is being sought on a charge of passing worthless checks at Salem.

Waterman was arrested here after he had passed forged checks for the purpose of an automobile and considerable jewelry. He was arrested and placed in the state school where the officers of that institution to permit him considerable liberty to Friday, according to word received this morning by Sheriff Starmer from Superintendent Gilbert. The boy was allowed to go over town with several others, the boys from school. He succeeded in passing several checks. It was stated, and has disappeared. Local officers were asked to help locate him.

Grazing Policy Obscured.

The Secretary criticized the policy of "permitting the public domain to be sporadically occupied by homesteaders in holdings of uniform size with little reference to the capacity of such holding to maintain a family except as determined by the inexperienced (Continued on page 2.)

HEINLINE AUTO IS WRECKED; DOUGLAS WAITE IN HOSPITAL

WOODBURN, Dec. 7.—Douglas Waite of Dixonville, Douglas County, is in a local hospital with a broken leg and a severe scalp wound received yesterday, when an automobile driven by Charles S. Heinline, Postmaster of Roseburg, plunged over a grade one mile north of this place. Mrs. M. A. Cary of Portland, the fourth passenger in the car, was only slightly hurt. Heinline said he attempted to pass a team in the fog and did not notice he was so near the edge of the grade. Mr. Heinline and his wife were not hurt.

Mr. and Mrs. Heinline and Mr. Waite left Sunday morning for Portland, were Mrs. Heinline, a member of the Oregon State Music Teachers' association was planning to attend a meeting of the executive committee. The Heinlines were also to have visited with friends from Washington, D. C.

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