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HIT JOHNSON WAY OF JUDGE'S CONFIRMATION

Wallace McCamant's Name Favorably Reported, But Blocked in Senate.

PARTY FEUD CAUSE

Daily Thrust at Prohi Law and Action on Rubber Monopoly Feature Day's Session.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The nomination of Wallace McCamant of Oregon as judge of the ninth circuit court was favorably reported today by the senate judiciary committee. Confirmations of the nomination has been opposed by Senator Johnson, Republican of California.

McCamant is serving in the position at the present time by virtue of a recess appointment. That a man who violates his promise to carry out the will of the voters is unfit to be a federal judge and that McCamant did this in falling to vote for Johnson for president after the statement McCamant made in the official pamphlet sent to all the Republican primary voters of Oregon in 1920 was the declaration of Senator Johnson, which was made to the committee in executive session.

"I gave the committee my view on the matter," said Senator Johnson after the meeting, and presented a statement of the facts. "I do not believe that a man who has pursued such a course should be given high judicial office. I consider him unfit, and gave the committee my reasons for that conclusion."

Dry Enforcement Rapped.

The house prohibition debate, which has raged steadily and warmly for several days, was resumed by that body today with Representative Phillips, Republican of Pennsylvania, leading an onslaught against present enforcement methods.

He declared that "lawless methods" and "underhand methods" were being used in gathering evidence in prohibition cases. This, he said, had resulted "in crimes more shocking to the public conscience than the evasion of law."

He assailed "recent" constitutional amendments "as a series of innovations which have undermined rather than strengthened our government," describing prohibition as an "experiment" that should have reasonable time to demonstrate its worth. He added, however, "that as a conservative," house member he condemned "our autocratic, high handed lawless methods used in enforcing the 18th amendment."

Not only does the prohibition law seek to make legally wrong that which is not morally wrong," he said, "but it has caused so much emphasis to be placed upon this one law that other and more important laws have been overshadowed and all but forgotten."

A new local option amendment to the constitution to take the place of the present prohibition amendment was proposed today by Senator Bruce, Democrat, Maryland. It would permit the voters of each county, parish, city or town to decide at a special election whether they wanted prohibition.

Prebe Rubber Prices.

Investigation of an alleged manipulation by the British colonial government of the price of crude rubber and other raw materials was ordered today by the house.

A resolution directing the House commerce committee to conduct the inquiry was adopted without a roll call after Representative Hull of Tennessee, former chairman of the Democratic national committee, had charged Great Britain with "acting in bad faith" in the matter.

"The British government is laughing out loud at us," Mr. Hull said. "It is openly proclaiming that it intends to collect four billion dollars from us in increased rubber prices to pay its war debt. 'Europe is laughing up its sleeve at the way we are being held up for rubber.'"

The resolution was introduced by Representative Tilson of Connecticut, the Republican leader, after a conference with Secretary Hoover.

Representative Tilson supported Mr. Hull's position declaring the British hoped to pay their war debt by increased prices before this country could develop a source of supply for the crude products.

Besides inquiring into the situation facing this country in the rubber problem, the committee also will inquire into the situation with respect to nitrates, potash, quinine, (Continued on page six.)

Cemetery Is Cache Place For Liquor

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
MEDFORD, Ore., Dec. 21.—Biden and Williams this afternoon entered pleas of guilty and were sentenced to six months and fined \$500, the maximum penalty for liquor possession. The youths will serve their time at Kelly Butte, Portland.

MEDFORD, Ore., Dec. 21.—Mansy Biden, 21, of this city and Vernon Williams, 20, of Gold Hill, are held for alleged possession of liquor. The youths were arrested by State Officer Terry Talent as they were leaving the local cemetery, where they had a moonshine cache, according to the authorities. A search of the graveyard failed to reveal any more than the gallon of moonshine in their automobile when arrested. A girl friend of the pair led the authorities to the spot where the boys dug up the liquor. In the justice court this morning both men entered pleas of not guilty and were bound over to the grand jury.

NEW UNDERTAKING CO. HAS OPTION ON GADDIS PROPERTY

Residence Mortuary to Be Constructed as Soon as Stock Sale Is Well Under Way.

Authority and license to sell stock have been received by the Douglas Undertaking and Crematorium company, and stock is to be offered for sale in the near future. The company is an incorporated concern, with S. K. Sykes, H. O. Stearns and Roscoe Green as incorporators. The capital stock is placed at \$50,000 and \$15,000 worth of stock is to be offered immediately and as soon as that amount is sold actual operation will start, according to the officers.

An option has been secured on the Gaddis property located at the intersection of Pine and Lane streets. A residence mortuary will be built following the practice now in vogue in the larger cities. The building will be of a residential style of architecture, with stock rooms in the basement, chapel and parlors on the first floor, and apartments for the undertaker on the second floor. Mr. Stearns, one of the incorporators, who has been in the undertaking business for the past sixteen years and now has parlors in Drain, Yoncalla and Oakland, will be in charge of the business, and he and his wife will occupy the apartment, according to present plans.

It is expected that approximately \$20,000 will be spent on construction, equipment and rolling stock.

GRESHAM CLOTHING STORE LOOTED BY BURGLARS IN AUTO

GRESHAM, Ore., Dec. 21.—Two burglars robbed the clothing store of Alysworth and Martin last night and made off with merchandise said to be worth about \$500. They were watched at work by a woman restaurant proprietor across the way, but she believed them to be customers being served by the proprietors of the store.

The men took 12 suits of clothes, four overcoats, four suit cases, shoes, socks and a little cash.

They gained entrance to the building through a jimmied window in the rear. They then opened the front doors and carried the stolen goods to their coupe, parked in front of the place.

EDITOR IS FREED OF CHARGES OF CONTEMPT

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
SANTA FE, N. M., Dec. 21.—The state supreme court today ordered dismissal of charges of contempt against Carl Magee, Albuquerque editor, instituted against him in the district court of San Miguel county.

The decision was issued on application for a writ of habeas corpus. Magee had been pardoned by the then Governor Hinkle, but the sheriff refused to recognize the pardon on the ground that the action was beyond executive power.

PURE BRED JERSEY SALE.

MEDFORD, Ore., Dec. 21.—Forty-two pure bred Jerseys were sold here Saturday, the Noah Black sale of registered stock, 29 of which were purchased by Jackson county buyers, and the remainder by Klamath, Josephine and Douglas county buyers. The average price obtained was \$100, the prices ranging from the highest, \$255, to the lowest, \$25 for a young calf.

Mrs. Emma Faulkner, of this city, leaves Tuesday for Eugene, where she will spend the Christmas holiday with her son, Clyde.

COLLEGE PREXY SWELLS CLAMOR OF THE THIRSTY

Prof. Nicholas M. Butler Says Prohibition Law Wrong as Slavery.

REVISION IS PREDICTED

Files of Federal Dry Squad Looted During Attack on Volstead Act in Congress.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The tide of public opinion has definitely turned against prohibition, in the belief of Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University.

Last week's senate debate, started by Senator Edge of New Jersey, was the beginning of what will be a successful movement to reform the "present intolerable situation," he thinks.

Voluntaneous correspondence on the subject, he said, in a letter that thousands of men and women who had been sincere prohibitionists have changed their views and are asking leadership in a movement to reform the present laws.

Dr. Butler's letter was written to Mrs. Victoria Seggerman of Atlantic Highlands, N. J., and contended that to "drive prohibition out of the country has become a moral issue."

"The violation of 'fundamental in the futile and law breaking attempt to force a foolish and untruthful law," he wrote, "is the most immoral undertaking on which any government ever embarked."

"No immoral and unreasonable public act can long stand," he said. "The same argument was made for slavery 75 years ago that is made for prohibition today. As slavery was driven out of the constitution and out of the country, so prohibition will be, and we shall develop a plan to abolish the saloon, to suppress the liquor traffic and to reduce drunkenness to a minimum which will be in accordance both with the traditions of Christianity and the principles of the American government."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Prohibition headquarters searched today for government records stolen from its files, while dry advocates planned means of more easily opening the doors of suspected private homes to prohibition agents.

The missing records concerned the much discussed Mayflower Hotel liquor case, in which an agent spent nearly \$1,000 in arresting two men, who were subsequently acquitted and which was the subject of a long address in the house Saturday by Representative Gallivan, Democrat, Massachusetts.

Prohibition Commissioner Haynes revealed that the papers had been stolen just prior to the trial of the two men. Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel for the anti-saloon league, also knew, he said last night, that the records had vanished but he declined to name one or two men to whom he said suspicion was directed.

In the course of a reply to Representative Gallivan, Mr. Wheeler wondered why the matter had not attracted the congressman's attention.

Scarcely had Mr. Wheeler added his contribution to the week and prohibition argument before his organization and other dry agencies were attacked from another quarter. Representative Berger, socialist, Wisconsin, in a statement charged the drys with "creating a series of evils greater than the one they intended to remove."

He rapped certain legislators also for permitting "fanatics and the anti-saloon league to create a situation in which drunkenness is more general than ever."

As a happy medium, Mr. Berger has introduced a bill to legalize four per cent beer and 12 per cent wine.

MANCHUS BEATEN BY PEOPLE'S ARMY

TOKYO, Dec. 21.—Vernacular newspaper correspondent from Mukden unanimously report that forces of General Huo Sung-Ling, commander of the national people's army, have occupied Simintu, 30 miles northwest of Mukden, after defeating Marshal Chang Tso-Lin, dictator of Manchuria.

President Coolidge Shows Embryo Citizens Pathway To Leadership Of World

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—President Coolidge, in a Christmas greeting today to the boys and girls of the nation, pointed to the value of unselfishness, obedience and self control.

"The greeting addressed 'to the Boy Scouts, the Lone Scouts and the Four-H clubs. 'As you are representatives of the organizations of boys and girls of America, who live in or are interested in the open with which I come into an official relation," he said, "I want to extend to all of you a Christmas greeting."

"It seems a very short time ago that I was a boy and in the midst of farm life myself helping to do the chores at the farm, working in the corn and potato fields, getting in the hay and in the spring time doing what most of you have never had an opportunity to see—making maple sugar."

"I did not have any chance to profit by joining a scout organization or a 4-H club. That chance ought to be a great help to the boys and girls of the present day. It brings them into association with each other in a way where they learn to think not only for themselves but of other people. It teaches and gives them self-control."

"A very wise man gave us this motto, 'Do the duty that lies nearest you.' It seems to me that this is the plan of all your organizations. We need never fear that we shall not be called on to do great things in the future if we do small things well at present. It is the boys and girls who work hard at home who are sure to make the best record when they go away from home. It is the boys and girls who stand well up towards the head of the class at school that will be called on to hold the important places in political and business life when they go out into the world."

"There is a time for a play as well as a time for work. But even in play it is possible to cultivate the art of well doing. Games are useful to train the eye, the hand and the muscles, and bring the body more completely under the control of the mind. When this is done, instead of being a waste of time play becomes a means of education."

"It is in all these ways that boys and girls are learning to be men and women, to be respectful to their parents, to be patriotic to their country and to be reverent to God. It is because of the great chance that American boys and girls have in all these directions that to them more than to the youth of any other country there should be a merry Christmas."

SNOW IN EASTERN OREGON; RAINS IN OTHER SECTIONS

Portland's 24-Hour Storm of 2.77 Inches Heaviest in 4 Years—Roosevelt Highway Blocked.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
THE DALLES, Ore., Dec. 21.—Beginning Sunday morning the first snow of the season, covering a depth of four and a half inches, fell in The Dalles and vicinity. Moderate weather prevails today with a maximum temperature of 40 degrees and a minimum of 31.

Due to the storm electric lights in the city were off from 9 o'clock last night until 3 this morning. Crews of the local light company were on duty all night endeavoring to discover the defects, which lay between The Dalles and Hood River, and Hood River and White Salmon.

Farmers the rejoicing over the snow, which is general in both Waco and Sherman counties as it blankets the wheat at a time when a hard freeze was feared.

Only minor accidents, due to the snow, have been reported by machines going over the Columbia river highway.

LA GRANDE, Ore., Dec. 21.—Seven inches of snow fell here last night practically assuring Union county of a white Christmas.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Dec. 21.—Fog covers this city today, with streets covered with ice following a wet snow which fell Sunday. A snow fall of about one foot is reported in mountain districts near here.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 21.—The heaviest rain storm in four years visited Portland and vicinity yesterday, the weather bureau recording a precipitation of 2.77 inches for the last 24 hours. Today the sky is overcast and more rain is predicted.

SEASIDE, Ore., Dec. 21.—Overflowing its banks south of here the Necanicum river yesterday covered the Roosevelt highway, making travel impossible. It will probably be several days before the highway is again opened for although the waters have receded logs are scattered about on the highway for a distance of a mile or more.

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 21.—But 12 of an inch of rainfall fell here yesterday, and mistletoe and Christmas tree seekers were practically untroubled by the weather throughout the day.

Though it is cloudy this morning, the rain is still holding back.

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 21.—Snow clad regions and near zero weather were in prospect today for Santa Claus and his reindeers in Colorado and Wyoming this Christmas.

The storm which descended last week broke anew yesterday, over spreading Wyoming with snow and bringing to Colorado a cold wave which reached its greatest intensity at Leadville, where the temperature was two below zero. Ten inches of snow was reported as Casper and central Wyoming.

WAR CERTAIN IF ENGLAND TAKES MOSUL REGION

Statesman Advises Country to Refuse the Mandate Voted by League.

LABORITES OPPOSED

Turkey Sure to Oppose Any Effort to Deprive Her of Sovereignty in Rich Oil Area.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
LONDON, Dec. 21.—Most of the administration of which is costing Great Britain \$20,000,000 yearly, still remains a burning question in England. Former under secretary for foreign affairs Cecil Harmsworth is of the opinion that it would be made necessary for Great Britain to take upon her shoulders for 25 years the Mosul mandate or the risk of passive or active antagonism between Great Britain and a formidable military power, when any moment might bring an incident with the menace of war.

Harmsworth was in the foreign office at the time the mandates for Mesopotamia and Palestine were created. He urges the British government to retreat from what he terms its dangerous "position." "In my considered judgment," he said, "the arrangements just concluded (the giving of the mandate to Great Britain by the council of the League of Nations) opens up the most dangerous prospect that has confronted this country since the great war."

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LONDON, Dec. 21.—The House of Commons today was debating the Mosul question on a government motion asking the House to approve the action of the British delegates at Geneva in accepting the League of Nations award of the mandate between Turkey and Great Britain. This motion takes the place of a proposed opposition motion condemning the action.

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LONDON, Dec. 21.—Great Britain is anxious for the kingdom of Iraq as a British mandatory state, to live in neighborly amity with Turkey. Premier Baldwin told the House of Commons this evening. In pursuance of this policy he is to confer with the Turkish ambassador in London to discuss the agreement regarding Mosul.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND HONORS LATE JUDGE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 21.—Receipt of a \$5,000 scholarship fund, the gift of Stone and Webster Corporation, to honor the late Judge Thomas Burke was announced today by officials of Whitman College. Judge Burke was chairman of Whitman overrears at the time of his death. The gift may be combined with other gifts should Whitman undertake to build a memorial to Judge Burke, according to a proviso by the donors.

NEGRO WILL FACE CHARGE OF MURDER

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 21.—Prosecuting Attorney Charles H. Leavy announced today his intention to file a charge of first degree murder against Harris Lee Johnson, 29, negro held for shooting John Jones, 32, another negro, in a pool hall Saturday evening. Jones died yesterday. No motive has been learned for the shooting.

CREW ABANDONS STEAMER.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
LONDON, Dec. 21.—Messengers to Lloyd's report that the Italian steamer Maria, (3,519 tons) which sailed from Philadelphia December 8 for Mediterranean ports was abandoned by her crew Sunday west of the Azores.

Jews Told By Rabbi Wise "Jesus Was"

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Accepting Jesus of Nazareth, "not as a myth but as a man," Rabbi Stephen S. Wise of the Free Synagogue, believes that the doctrines of the Nazarene are basically those taught by the Jewish elders.

"If Christianity is impractical and unattainable as the Jews feel it is, Dr. Wise told a congregation in Carnegie Hall yesterday, it is because Christians have failed to live up to its teachings. The doctrines preached by Christ, he continued, form a code of ethics unparalleled in the history of morality."

"Jesus was," said Rabbi Wise. "I accept this despite the notion I had been led to believe earlier in my life—a notion that Jesus was a myth and never existed. I tell you and I will repeat these words to every Jew in the world if need be: 'Jesus was' and we must accept this fact at once."

TWO CARS STOLEN IN COUNTY OVER THE WEEK END

Harrison Manning of Oakland and B. W. Taylor of Roseburg Lose Machines.

Two cars were stolen and two recovered yesterday, according to the report from the sheriff's office this morning. A Star sedan belonging to Harrison Manning, of Oakland, was stolen at that place yesterday, and a car belonging to B. W. Taylor of this city was taken from in front of the Presbyterian church last night. Mr. Taylor's car was found a few hours later on Mosher street. The light bulbs and a few accessories had been taken from the machine.

Mr. Taylor together with Sheriff Starbuck and Deputy Sheriff Shambrook, drove to Grants Pass, thinking that the car might be on the highway and that the thieves might be overtaken. Upon their return home they found that the car had been located.

The Nash car which was stolen from R. S. Hartnell last Friday, was recovered yesterday near Grants Pass. The machine had been driven into an abandoned road and left there. Apparently the thieves had expected to return to it as they left it carefully locked and in good condition, probably expecting to wait until the hunt had died down and then drive it on. The machine was not damaged.

LIQUOR RAID IN SPOKANE RESULTS IN MANY ARRESTS

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 21.—Unaided by police or sheriff's deputies, more than 30 federal prohibition enforcement officers from various parts of the state conducted a series of surprise raids of suspected liquor establishments here at noon today, and arrested scores of alleged prohibition violators.

The officers, armed with federal search warrants, were under the personal direction of J. S. McClure, federal prohibition administrator for this state, and were prompted, the officer said, by reported "wide open" conditions here as regards prohibition enforcement.

They were aimed at soft drink establishments, hotels and other business houses, mainly on Main and Trent Avenues, the former bar room district of the city. Dozens of arrests were made on various liquor charges.

KLAMATH INDIANS DENIED TITLES TO UNALLOTTED LAND

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 21.—Because the President of the United States had not proclaimed certain lands in the Klamath Indian reservation open to allotment, Judge Bean today refused the plea of Tootie Crawford, Klamath Indian woman, to compel the federal authorities to grant her claim to reservation lands on which she has filed. Judge Bean held that no matter what action has been taken by other government officials, the law clearly states that "the authority to designate the lands to be allotted is vested in the President."

The court stated that it had not been shown that the land in question had been so designated. The decision in this case affects five others filed in the local federal court by Klamath Indians.

Country Disatisfied.

The witness then was questioned by Major Henry Leonard, the judge advocate of the naval tribunal, about his charges that the Shenandoah was not properly prepared and equipped for the western trip that ended with her destruction in a thunderstorm over Ohio. These charges were contained in the colonel's San Antonio statement which led to his trial by court martial. The colonel conceded that he was not a qualified rigid airship pilot, or a constructor of such craft. He added that he had had a "good" (Continued on page 4.)

MITCHELL BACK AS WITNESS IN AIRCRAFT QUIZ

Called to Account for His References to Wreck of Shenandoah.

WEIGHT MOOT POINT

Suspended Flier Asks for New York Police Berth, but Non-Residence Disqualifies.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Major Henry Leonard, judge advocate of the Shenandoah naval court, rested the case today before the court "without summation, without argument, without comment."

Major Leonard came into the case only recently after Captain Paul Foley had been relieved at his own request as judge advocate when his motives had been questioned in interviewing Mrs. Zachary Landowne, widow of the Shenandoah's commander, previous to her appearance before the court as a witness. Captain Foley was subsequently exonerated by the court.

Investigator Neutral. After asserting that there are those "who will decry the results of your labors," Major Leonard told the court that he had "labored to lay before you all the facts as they have come to my knowledge." The government, he asserted, "has no one aspect of this case which it seeks to establish; no state of facts as contra-distinguishing from any other state of facts which it desires to set up; no phase of the testimony upon which it especially relies or places emphasis on a person or persons whom it desires to inculpate or exculpate."

"Small glory to him, if any there be," he said, "who for selfish or ulterior purpose shall traduce those (the Shenandoah dead) or subtract from the honor accruing to those who survive."

"In the language of religion," he said, "this is truly a case where the facts are various and complicated. A great airship of the navy set out from her base in New Jersey on a mission to the west. In a few short hours she lay on the ground a tangled mass of wreckage, with 14 of her crew, including her flight commander, slain in death and the 25 saved for careers of further usefulness in their chosen profession by that daring skill and devotion to duty which have ever characterized men of the navy in the hour of peril."

"Your lot has fallen the onerous task of determining the cause of this tragic event and of assigning blame and apportioning the blame, if any, which shall attach to persons in the naval service by reason of the unhappy occurrence. To that end you have heard at the bar of this court, sixty-five minutes and have received in evidence 111 documents."

He added that he "knows of neither credible witness or relevant documentary evidence which may further aid in setting before you all that may be known," of the Shenandoah disaster.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Headlines of the advice of his counsel, Colonel William Mitchell appeared as a witness today before the naval court inquiring into the Shenandoah disaster.

Before taking the stand, Colonel Mitchell offered a written statement, which Rear Admiral P. Jones, president of the court, declined to accept until after the air officer had been sworn.

"Then," the Colonel said, "I will offer the statement to the court." He did so, the admiral accepting but not reading the document, in which Colonel Mitchell called attention to his recent sentence of five years suspension from the army because of his attacks on government aviation policies, but pointed out that the sentence "is not in effect until approved," by the president. "Until such approval is given, he said, his statutory rights should not be abridged."

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