

BOTTOMLEY BEGINS SERVING HIS TIME IN BRITISH PRISON

By Ralph H. Turner (United News Staff Correspondent) London, May 30.—Horatio Bottomley, member of parliament, former editor of John Bull and for years a storm center of British politics, is now in jail, sentenced to seven years on charges of misappropriating £150,000 pounds from the Victory Bond club for his own use.

Bottomley's trial and conviction has caused more interest than any legal case in years because of his picturesque career. There was general surprise at the severity of the sentence of seven years, since Bottomley was almost evenly divided as to whether "England's greatest lay lawyer" would be convicted. He was not expected to get more than a year or so at the most.

His sentence will insure his automatic expulsion from parliament if upheld on the appeal, which is expected. Notice of appeal was given immediately after the verdict was announced, but legal experts following the case think the appeal will be a mere formality.

Bottomley directed his own defense. And, despite two days of dramatic appeal on his own behalf, emphasizing his war work and his personal losses, the counsel for the crown and the trial judge as well directed the jury to stick to hard facts. The prosecuting counsel insisted that it was shown the defendant had used subscribers' money fraudulently. It was no answer to say that some of it had been repaid. Judge Salter insisted that the contrary of money was proved and the jury returned a verdict in half an hour.

In passing the sentence, Judge Salter declared Bottomley was rightfully convicted of a long series of heinous crimes and robbing poor people who had trusted their money to him. The crime, Judge Salter added, was aggravated by Bottomley's high position and the number of his victims and the callous effortlessness with which the crimes were committed. He saw no mitigating circumstances and curtly refused to grant bail pending an appeal.

Bottomley was pale, but composed when the sentence was pronounced. Just before he was led away to his cell he protested that he had not been given an opportunity to speak before sentence had been pronounced.

Taking no chances on a popular demonstration, such as might take place, Bottomley is one of the boldest and most dramatic characters in British politics, the warden of the court hustled him into a taxi and hurried him to Brixton prison. He was transported from the courtroom to the prison with such quiet speed that he was not recognized by the huge crowd waiting to see him. The crowd, it appeared, was shocked with the severity of the sentence and it silently pressed toward the empty departing prison van, forcing the police to clear the street for it.

Simultaneously, the speaker of the commons read a letter from Justice Salter informing the house of the conviction and sentence. The house received the message in silence, though some in the court and in the streets, everyone was apparently surprised and shocked to learn that he had received a seven-year sentence.

Bottomley is a strange combination of journalist, politician and promoter. At the time of his trial he owned several newspapers and led his own independent party of half a dozen members in the commons, mostly of the commons. During his career he promoted companies with a capital totaling more than £2,000,000, some of which were involved in charges of fraud and conspiracy.

His pleasant manner disappeared for a moment when he was sentenced, for he muttered vigorously toward the judge: "If I were permitted to, I would have said something about your summing up of the case, but he was cut short, as the warden placed their hands on his shoulders to lead him off to prison. Despite his conviction, Bottomley undoubtedly retains many supporters who think he was unlucky and harshly treated, and even some of his enemies are saying, "It is a pity when such a clever man, even if he is a crook."

Where Welsh Prince Met Fate in River Collision



Upper picture shows wrecked Britisher, with decks just above the wash, the river steamer Melville standing by with the coroner and relief party. Below is a view of the deck wreckage of the Welsh Prince's bow, with men working in debris seeking bodies of victims. Lowest picture shows Captain Laverge of the Iowan, after vessel arrived at Terminal No. 1 Monday afternoon.

ness-Prince line with headquarters at Seattle, is on the lower river today arranging for the salvaging of the steamer. Lee reported that a heavy loss would be sustained in the cargo.

MIRACLE IS THAT ANY ONE ESCAPED, SAYS SURVIVOR Astoria, Or., May 30.—Coroner E. B. Hughes, with the remains of five of the victims of the collision between the Iowan and the Welsh Prince, reached Astoria about 8:15 Monday evening aboard the steamer Melville, fourteen members of the crew of the Welsh Prince were also brought to this city. The captain and the boatwain remained aboard the wrecked vessel. The bodies of Joel Buckwalter and C. M. Jensen, the two remaining dead, are yet tangled in the wreck of the Prince's forecastle. The bodies, it is expected, will be recovered tomorrow with the aid of acetylene torches. Those who have seen the wreck testify to the terrific condition of the vessel's starboard side, near the bow, where the Iowan clove her way.

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Monday afternoon to unload 400 tons of cargo before going into drydock for repairs to her bow. Captain Laverge, while at first refusing to talk, finally consented to make a brief statement before submitting his official version to the Columbia-Pacific company, agent for the ship here.

"I had the ship's course laid for a range," said Captain Laverge, who talks with a decided French accent. "The channel is narrow at this point, but there is plenty of leeway for ships when ordinary care is taken. The night was clear. The Welsh Prince, coming down the river, was supposed to maintain her course while we steered our course. Instead of that, however, when she was perhaps three quarters of a mile away, she turned to the port and bore down upon us. We altered our own course as far to starboard as we could and did everything to give her leeway. But she continued to bear down upon us in spite of our signals.

"We rammed her with our bow and she split wide open. We got away under full steam and backed clear, but ran onto a bank. Slowly the Welsh Prince began to sink. Then fire broke out in her hold. We manned the pumps. She had no hydrants aboard. At least, if she did have any, they were so deeply buried under her heavy deckload that they couldn't be reached. We played two jets on the fire until it was apparently out. That was at 2 o'clock this morning. At 4 o'clock, hidden sparks fired the cargo again and smoke once more poured from the holds. We manned the pumps again until the fire was out. "Long before this the Welsh Prince had gone to the bottom of the river, with her decks practically awash. We had worked off the bank. When the second fire was out I offered the captain of the Welsh Prince whatever help I could give, but he said there was nothing more that could be done."

Ernest G. Heinrich, port captain, who reached the Iowan Monday morning and brought her on up the river, said that his investigation led him to consider the captain's statement as correct. The mates and the crew were close-lipped, as is the immemorable custom of sailors when an official investigation impends. "We were on the ship, but we don't know anything about it," they all reluctantly answered. The cargo of the Iowan was unharmed, according to Captain Laverge.

Mrs. Mary Ellen Hyskell, mother of Charles M. Hyskell and Frederick T. Hyskell, died at noon today at the former's home on Portland heights. Mrs. Hyskell was 86 years old, and until her fatal attack of illness two weeks ago, her faculties were undimmed, and even up to a few hours before her death her mind was alert. In addition to her two sons, one sister, Mrs. George P. Wilson of Los Angeles, survives her. Mrs. Hyskell was an ardent Christian Scientist and a member of the First church in this city. The arrangement for final services have not been made.

WELFARE BUREAU AND COUNTY BOARD WILL LOCK HORNS

Trouble long brewing between the public welfare bureau and two county commissioners, Rudeen and Hoyt, promises to come to a head Friday afternoon. At that time a special meeting of the welfare bureau board will be held in the courthouse. County commissioners will be asked to attend.

Any time, not to say vigorous, protest by the bureau directorate is anticipated against appointment by the county commission of Fred Topken, an supervisor of county relief fund disbursements as directed by the public welfare bureau. The appointment of someone to check relief fund administration was approved by the board of directors of the welfare bureau at its recent meeting. Although some of its members identified the move as merely a "scheme to add to another taxpayer at the courthouse."

But the appointment of Topken was opposed, the welfare bureau directorate writing to the county commission as follows: "The board of directors of the public welfare bureau stand ready and willing, at this time as they have in the past to have the operations of the public welfare bureau in the disbursement of county funds submitted to the scrutiny of the board of county commissioners or its impartial representative, or any taxpayer at any time."

"The board, however, expressed its unwillingness to accept as your representative in the capacity named, one Fred Topken, a man whose previous investigations and reports on the work of the public welfare bureau were deemed to be so superficial, inadequate and prejudicial as to utterly disqualify him for such service. The committee on invitation, will be glad to confer with you as to a suitable person for this task."

This letter was sent to the county commissioners by a committee consisting of M. L. Kline, Mrs. A. A. Knowlton and E. C. Sammons on May 20. "The order of the county commission is dated May 24 and reads: "Ordered that Fred Topken be and he is hereby employed as such representative at a salary that may be agreed upon by the board of county commissioners, until further order of the board, and that the said public welfare bureau be requested to consult with the said Fred Topken and secure his approval of any and all such expenditures prior to the making of the same."

Directors of the public welfare bureau call attention to the facts that under the present arrangement the county relief fund is administered without a cent charged against it for salaries or any other cost apart from material relief. That Topken, as an investigator hired by Commissioner Rudeen, rendered a report "so inaccurate and so branded with ignorance and prejudice" that the City club report subsequently made deplored the harm done to the needy by such statements, and that no one has yet been able to discover in Topken any qualification whatever as investigator or supervisor. It is further asserted that the county has a relief board, the county auditor to check all disbursements and the county treasurer to control the fund.

Rudeen's answer is that he wants the relief fund checked by his protest that he has evidence of loose disbursements in certain instances and that he considers the expense of another salary on the county payroll justified. Some of the welfare bureau directors were said this morning to be quite ready to turn the relief fund administration over to the clerk of the county commission; others said this would mean merely a resumption of the old regime when political influence governed, and when the clerk of the relief board gave relief without investigation and when the money of the taxpayers did more to perpetuate than help the needy back self respect and self support.

Three Arrested at Oak Grove Pavilion For Intoxication

Oregon City, May 30.—Richard Kelly, Linnton; E. J. Raybourn, No. 415 11th street, Portland, and W. B. McFarland, No. 1178 Belmont street, Portland, were arrested at the Oak Grove dance pavilion last night at a late hour, charged with being intoxicated.

The men were arrested by Deputy Sheriff Long, Hughes and Frost. They were found on the ground and told to leave. The men took a machine, started down the road without lights and ran into the brush. The deputies succeeded in extricating the car and took the men to jail here, where they are awaiting a trial before Judge E. J. Noble on Thursday.

All three men face the double charge of transporting liquor and being intoxicated at a public gathering. Kelly is facing another charge of driving a car while intoxicated. The Oak Grove pavilion this year is being operated under protest of a number of the people of that district, the license having been granted by the county commissioners over the protest of Judge Cross.

Mrs. Mary A. Finch Dies at Long Beach

Iiwaco, Wash., May 30.—Mrs. Mary A. Finch, wife of Charles H. Finch of No. 35 Prescott street, Portland, died suddenly last night at Long Beach, where she had just come with her husband to spend the summer. Mrs. Finch was 65 years of age and is survived by her husband and several children who live in Portland. The body is being prepared for shipment back to Portland today.

CANDIDATES FILE CAMPAIGN COSTS

Salem, May 30.—A total of \$412.32 was spent in an effort to land the Republican nomination for congressman from the third district for Sanfield MacDonald, according to an expense statement filed with Secretary of State Koster by A. E. Campbell, manager of the MacDonald campaign committee. MacDonald, himself, spent nothing, according to his statement. Other expense statements filed Monday show the following expenditures in the primary campaign: O. E. Setters, Republican for circuit judge, 20th district, \$354.32. Julius Cohn, treasurer Sidney Teiser committee, in behalf of Sidney Teiser, Republican, for representative, 15th district, \$29.76. J. G. Kelfaber, in behalf of Martin W. Hawkins, Republican for circuit judge, fourth district, \$24. Oren R. Richards, Republican, for circuit judge, fourth district, \$160. Robert G. Duncan in behalf of Newton McCoy and T. M. Kerrigan, recall candidates for public service commissioners, \$102. H. D. Wagoner, treasurer public service recall committee, in behalf of Newton McCoy and T. M. Kerrigan, \$145.98. Cyril G. Brownell, Republican for representative, 18th district, \$97.75.

ARGUE FOR CONTINUANCE Vancouver, Wash., May 30.—A motion was argued Monday in the case of Mrs. Frances Biesacker, who petitioned for a continuance of her trial on the ground of ill health, and Judge Simpson ordered her to appear Wednesday and submit to an examination by Dr. Herbert Lleser, Dr. A. W. Stevenson and Dr. R. W. Armstrong.

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(Continued From Page One) of pilot commissioners and until these bodies consider these reports and those obtained from witnesses, there probably will be no definite action except from the Clatsop county jury which will be called to consider the facts during the next two days. The Welsh Prince was resting upright this morning in about 15 feet of water and was swung almost squarely across the navigation fairway, but sufficient room remained for the passage of other ships.

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