

CORRUPTION CHARGE MADE BY CARAWAY

Teapot Dome Lease Is Subject of Speech by Arkansas Senator—Attacks Attorney Gen. Daugherty

NAVAL RESERVE FUEL GIVEN AWAY BY FALL

Former Secretary of Interior Charged With Having De-frauded Government

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Corruption in connection with the lease of the Teapot Dome naval oil reserve to the Sinclair interests was charged today in the senate against Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior, by Senator Caraway, Democrat, Arkansas.

Moreover, Mr. Caraway assailed Secretary Denby and Assistant Secretary Roosevelt in connection with their approval of the lease and attacked Attorney General Daugherty. He declared that as long as Mr. Daugherty remained at "the helm of the department of justice they may sell the White House and be absolutely immune from any prosecution in the federal courts."

Reviewing the lease and dwelling on the several statements made by Mr. Fall and Edward B. McLean, Washington newspaper publisher, as to the source of the funds used by Mr. Fall in enlarging and improving his New Mexico ranch, Senator Caraway summed up his address with this declaration:

"We are faced with this humiliating situation: for the first time in the history of America, so far as I know—and I hope it will be the last time—a cabinet officer betrayed the high trust imposed in him and for a corrupt consideration sold the very means by which our national defense is to be protected."

Senator Caraway declared that after President Harding without authority had transferred the naval oil reserves from control of the navy department to the interior department, Mr. Fall, "without notice to the country negotiated some kind of a deal with two oil people, and parted with the last gallon of America's naval reserve fuel."

"The investigating committee," said Senator Caraway, referring to the senate public lands committee which was directed to inquire into the lease, "finally commenced to inquire with reference to the suddenly very vastly increased apparent prosperity of Mr. Fall, and he came before the committee and made a statement. Other evidence was offered and then he declined to go before the committee but claimed the privilege of writing a letter."

"In this letter, since it has been positively proven that Mr. Fall left here about the time he let his friend Sinclair have the Teapot Dome, he said he left Washington with \$100,000 and carried it down to Texas and deposited it. It seems he used the same kind of a conveyer for cash that 'Gas Dick' Addicks did when he came down to Delaware to try to corrupt the state and come to the senate; he brought his money in a suit case. As I remember, when they were buying city councilmen in San Francisco, that was the means of carrying about their money."

"Anyway, Mr. Fall made a statement, rather resentfully, with reference to where he obtained the money. He said he was preparing to buy a ranch down in New Mexico and that the banking facilities were limited and therefore he just took along the cash. He wound up with a burst of indignation by saying:

"The gentleman from whom I obtained it—referring to the \$100,000—and who furnished me

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THE WEATHER OREGON: Cloudy Thursday with rain in the northwest portion; moderate southerly winds. LOCAL WEATHER (Wednesday) Maximum temperature, 49. Minimum temperature, 35. River, 4. falling. Rainfall, none. Atmosphere, partly cloudy. Wind, southwest.

TODAY IS BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF BENJAMIN FRANKLIN; ALSO THE OPENING OF THRIFT WEEK



Today is the birthday of Benjamin Franklin. And because Benjamin Franklin was the father of Thrift on the American continent, today also is the first day of National Thrift week.

If Franklin were alive today he would be 218 years old. And some way the famous printer, philosopher, biographer, and the man who caught a bit of Jupiter's lightning on a kite and so discovered the secret of electricity, seems very much alive, for throughout all the years since his death the American people have loved to write and tell the quaint stories of his thrift—and not alone his thrift, but his greatness of heart as well.

Thrift week all over the nation has been outlined in a definite program. Today is Thrift or Bank day, when everyone is expected to fix upon some definite scheme of saving for the year ahead. Friday, Jan. 18, is Budget day, when folks are encouraged to prepare a budget of estimated income and expenditures, just as municipalities and big corporations do. Saturday,

SALEM HIGH IS VICTOR IN GAME

Chemawa Indians Beaten By Score of 32 to 26—Second Team Loses

Salem high school won the basketball game with Chemawa last night by a score of 32 to 26. Until the last quarter first team and then the other was in the lead but the high school fourth took the lead in the fourth quarter.

A preliminary game was played between the second teams of the two schools and Chemawa won by a score of 26 to 18. This also was a close game up until the final period when the Indians pushed ahead. Mason was referee.

A game will be played in Salem Friday between Silverton and the local players with a preliminary game between a Salem YMCA team and a Silverton club team.

Newberg will play on the local floor Saturday against Salem high school and the preliminary game will be between Washington junior high school and alumni players from Washington junior.

SHENANDOAH CREW MEMBERS LISTED

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 16.—The names of 21 men aboard the dirigible Shenandoah were announced by the Philadelphia navy yard tonight as follows: Lieutenant Commander Maurice G. Pierce; Lieutenant Commander J. L. Deam; Lieutenant E. H. Kin-kaid; Lieutenant R. G. Mays; radio gunner, J. L. Robertson; Captain Anton Helmen, a Mr. Burgess of the bureau of aeronautics; Charles H. Broom, Lester K. Coleman, Frank K. Moorman, John C. Brennan, Wilfred J. Roy, William H. Stratley, Pasquale Bettio, Franklin S. Masters, Erwin F. Reed, Clarence D. Estridge, all enlisted men of the navy; Sergeants Brown, Horshoritz and Mackiewicz and Corporal Douglas of the army.

WORK STOPPED BY TALKFEST IN CONGRESS

Desire to Confer Prevents Show Down on House Rules Question

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Desire of house members to talk prevented another showdown today on the rules question, but an agreement was reached to have a vote tomorrow on the main point of contention—how many names should be required on petitions for the discharge of committees.

Republican organization leaders favor a minimum of 150 names while the Republican insurgents and Democrats have been advocating a 100-name minimum. The debate today for the most part was of a political nature, Democrats attacking the Republicans with occasional aid from an insurgent while the regular Republicans spent most of their time criticizing the views of the insurgents and Democrats.

MAYOR PROCLAIMS THRIFT WEEK HERE

Ben Franklin's Anniversary Is Recommended for Observation Here

Mayor Giesy has issued the following Thrift week proclamation: "In commemoration of the life of Benjamin Franklin, that great American exponent of thrift, the week of January 17 to 23 has been designated throughout the nation as National Thrift week."

"The habit of thrift is an essential basis for individual progress as well as for national progress. Every citizen owes it to himself and to his community not only to be industrious but thrifty, as well. He should adopt a plan of systematic saving so that a maximum benefit may be enjoyed from the fruits of his labor."

"The observance of National Thrift week is sponsored by the Young Men's Christian association, the purpose of which is to encourage and stimulate every one to adopt habits of thrift in their own personal and business affairs. Let us one and all enthusiastically join in the observance of National Thrift week to the end that it may be made a success in every respect."

WILSON APPROVES BOURBON CHOICE

Former Chief Meets With Democratic Delegates at His S Street Home

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Whatever be the differences among democrats to the party's standard bearers next summer and fall, there were no evident sore spots left over the award to New York City of the 1924 convention when the Democratic national committee adjourned today. Members tonight were speeding home to gird the democrat hosts for the coming clash with their political foes and declaring for a vigorous and intensive campaign.

Upon the adjournment of the national committee when members visited former president Wilson and Mrs. Wilson at their S street home, Mr. Wilson added his approval to the choice of New York. "I am very glad the convention was given to New York," Mr. Wilson told Chairman Hull of the national committee adding an expression of pleasure over the results of the committee's work here.

No move developed today in the committee to change the two thirds voting rule of the convention's choice of nominees. Neither was any change made in the convention roll of 1,094 delegates and alternates, but the committee formally "recommended" that one half of all the delegates at large should be women.

Under the new plan, four of the eight delegates at large from each state would be women, but all of such delegates would have only half a vote each. This would result in maintenance of the present convention voting strength of 1,094 but with some increases in the number of delegates and alternates at large where states act to adopt the half and half policy.

Another resolution adopted today would prohibit states from sending to the convention more delegates and alternates than provided by their present quota. This would prevent crowding the convention floor with swollen delegations with their members having a half, fourth or even an eighth of a vote.

UTAH MURDERER LOSES APPEAL TO GOVERNOR

Omer R. Woods of Salt Lake City Must Face Firing Squad Friday Morning

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 16.—Omer R. Woods, convicted wife slayer, must die Friday morning, it virtually was decided today when Governor Charles R. Mabey refused to grant a reprieve. Governor Mabey and other members of the board of pardons placed no credence in the affidavit signed by "Franklin Whiteside," stating that A. C. Vadney, witness against Woods, had confessed to the killing of Mrs. Woods. The pardon board decided that the affidavit was made at the instigation of Woods and that it was worthless.

Woods was convicted of having strangled his invalid wife and then attempting to set fire to the apartment house in which he was living. Woods has maintained that his wife was killed by robbers, one of whom he claimed to be Vadney. Woods has accepted his frequent denials for reprieve or commutation calmly, and stated today that he was "going to be brave."

PREMIER BALDWIN TO RESIGN TUESDAY

Three Weeks Recess Probable While Ramsay MacDonald Forms Cabinet

LONDON, Jan. 16.—A division on the labor party's non-confidence amendment will be taken in the house of commons at 11 o'clock Monday night, it virtually was decided today. This means that the Baldwin government will resign Tuesday. Parliament then will adjourn, probably for three weeks, to allow Ramsay MacDonald to form a cabinet and get his ministers versed in the routine of their positions before they face parliament again.

The debate in the commons today for the most part concerned foreign affairs, especially British relations with France and Germany in connection with reparations. When the debate was adjourned tonight the way was clear for John Robert Clifmes to move as the first business tomorrow labor's non-confidence amendment.

Tariff Commission Said To Have Much Dissention

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Notice of internal dissention in the tariff commission was taken into congress today. Representative Griffin, Democrat, New York, introduced a resolution calling for an investigation by the house ways and means committee of "a report" the wife of a member of the commission held an interest in a sugar corporation.

The action was taken as a result of a row during the opening hearings of the committee on the sugar tariff yesterday when Commissioner Glasse said his wife and members of his family were owners of a Louisiana sugar plantation and mill.

High School Frat Opposed in Eugene

Parents Protest Organizations to School Board in University City

EUGENE, Jan. 16.—Strong opposition to fraternities in the Eugene high school was voiced by a large number of parents at the regular meeting of the school board today. Reasons were given that the fraternities were too expensive for the students, that they take too much time away from studies and in general are not for the best interests of the student body. The board has taken no action on the protest.

Income Tax Experts are Coming to Valley Cities

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 16.—Special deputies from the office of Clyde Huntley, collector of internal revenue, will be in various parts of Marion and Polk counties between now and March 15 when the income tax returns must be filed.

These deputies will assist those who desire help in making out their tax returns. A deputy will be in Salem from February 21, to March 5. Other dates in Marion county are Silverton February 18 to 20; Stayton February 15 to 16; Woodburn February 21 to 23. Deputies will be in Polk county towns as follows: Dallas February 7 to 12; Independence February 13 to 14; Falls City, February 15 to 16.

Governors Wife Is Ill in Portland Hospital

PORTLAND, Jan. 16.—Mrs. Walter M. Pierce, wife of Oregon's governor, is undergoing treatment at a hospital here for a nervous illness but is improving, it became known today. Governor Pierce was here today in attendance upon Mrs. Pierce.

GIANT NAVY BALLOON BREAKS ITS MOORINGS IN FACE OF BIG GALE

World's Largest Airship Torn Loose During Storm is Swept Along Atlantic Coast During High Wind—Wireless Messages Bring Word of Safety of Dirigible Shenandoah.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The Shenandoah was brought to the ground at Lakehurst, N. J., at 3:20 a. m., the navy department was informed in a message received five minutes later.

LAKEHURST, N. J., Jan. 16.—(By Associated Press.)—The world's largest airship, the navy dirigible Shenandoah, which was torn loose from her mooring mast here early tonight and swept along the Atlantic coast by a gale that reached 72 miles an hour was gallantly fighting her way home shortly before midnight.

For more than an hour officials at the naval air station held out little hope that she ever would be brought back safely. Finally, however, wireless messages indicated that the ship was under control and would ride out the storm.

LAKEHURST, N. J., Jan. 17.—The navy dirigible Shenandoah, largest airship in the world, was hovering over her hangar at 2:30 o'clock this morning after having been torn from her mooring mast and driven by a 72-mile gale to New York City. After a desperate struggle with the elements, Captain Heinen, who was in command, maneuvered the craft against the wind and brought her home.

CUSS WORDS LOSE TO CHEAP CIGARS

Jurors Object to Swearing and Being Called Boobs By Mere Woman

PORTLAND, Jan. 16.—Homely "cuss words" used in profusion in a circuit court jury room were responsible for the excusing on her own request of Mrs. Louise Palmer Weber, club woman and prominent in domestic women's organizations from the January jury panel. Mrs. Weber was released from further service as a juror following a conference in chambers of Presiding Judge Tazewell today, attended by Mrs. Weber and the 11 other jurors who had sat with her in a damage trial held Monday. It was her request that she be excused.

"I make no denial that I swore," said Mrs. Weber after the conference. "I swore like a pirate, and here was justification for it. If the men of a jury are permitted to smoke the cheapest cigars they can buy until the air is blue and to spit all over the place, I think there was nothing very wrong in my swearing. I don't know any law against it, do you? I asked the judge if he did, and he said he didn't, but that some of the other jurors didn't like it."

"I admit I called the other jurors ignoramuses, and one man a fool, and another a boob, but if you'll look up the meaning of the word 'boob' in the dictionary you will find that I was right."

Mrs. Weber took an active part in promoting the law whereby women were made eligible for jury duty in Oregon.

FINAL FLASHES

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Discovery of a serum for scarlet fever was announced tonight by Dr. A. R. Dochez, associate professor of medicine at the college of physicians and surgeons, Columbia university.

LEWISTOWN, Idaho, Jan. 16.—John Wilkinson, Lewistown pioneer of 1878 and one of the organizers of the Vollmer-Clearwater grain company died suddenly today.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Two steamships off the Jersey coast and a large off Long Island were reported in distress tonight caught in the storm that was whipping the Atlantic coast.

GALVESTON, Texas, Jan. 16.—A tug is standing by the U. S. cruiser Tacoma aground and in distress on the Blanquilla reefs, 16 miles from Vera Cruz, but the heavy seas prevent it from drawing alongside, according to a message received at 8:30 o'clock by the naval radio station at Point Isabel and relayed to the station here.

WALLA WALLA, Jan. 16.—A man named Van Hoy employed at the station of the Pacific Power & Light company was electrocuted Wednesday afternoon about three o'clock when he came in contact with wires carrying 66,000 volts.

SHENANDOAH BREAK SHOCK TO OFFICIALS

Polar Exploration Flight Was Planned for Coming Year Following Pacific Coast Trip

PROJECT RESTED UPON EFFICIENCY OF TESTS

Lighter Than Air Craft Was Being Tried Out in 10-Day Moorings Experiment

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Word that the airship Shenandoah had gone adrift and was being blown northward from Lakehurst station before a strong gale came as a shock to navy officials tonight. They were inclined to be extremely hopeful that the ship and her crew would come through safely, however, as it is an axiom of the lighter-than-air service that an airship is more secure in air in a storm than she would be anywhere else but in her hangar.

Plans for the completion of preparations to use the Shenandoah in the polar exploration flight this summer were under discussion today at the regular weekly conference of bureau chiefs with the chief of naval operations. It was explained that the Shenandoah had been moored at her mast at Lakehurst since Saturday in the 10 day test of the mooring apparatus.

The ship was scheduled, according to the program reported to admiral Eberle, chief of operations to leave the mast moorings during the day for a test of the high power radio compass installation put in within the last few days in preparation for the flight to the Pacific coast and thence to Nome, Alaska, base selected for the polar expedition. At the conclusion of that test, the Shenandoah was to have returned to spend the night at her mooring mast.

Navy experts found it difficult to explain how the ship went adrift, the mooring attachment by which the huge gas bag is made fast nose-on to the steel ring and swivel attachment at the mast head being connected with the metal framework of the ship so that the strain is distributed over practically the complete structure of the vessel.

The whole naval exploration project rested to a large extent upon the efficiency of the mooring mast attachments and the test at Lakehurst was to have been in the nature of a final demonstration of the success of this method of mooring big airships in the open air.

Should the Shenandoah be definitely lost or seriously damaged, it appears that the polar flight plan might be postponed if not abandoned. The planning board had in mind possible accidents to the ship, however, in recommending that she be used for the experiment.

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Wednesday in Congress

Another offer for Muscle Shoals was received at the war department. The Democratic national committee visited Woodrow Wilson, completed unfinished business and adjourned.

Edward N. Hurley of Chicago was nominated by President Coolidge as a democratic member of the debt funding commission. Augustus Thomas, playwright, urged abolition of theater admission taxes before the house ways and means committee.

Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho, assailed France for failure to adjust its debt to the United States. The house immigration committee approved a provision of the Johnson bill which would bar orientals from the United States.

Former Secretary Fall was accused of having "betrayed" the high trust imposed in him in a speech by Senator Caraway, Democrat, Arkansas, dealing with the Teapot Dome naval oil reserve lease. President Coolidge, addressing delegates to the anti-saloon league convention said there was "no such thing as liberty without observance of the law."

Seattle Police to Wear White Belts at Night

SEATTLE, Jan. 16.—Orders were given out by the chief of police today for night traffic policemen to wear white belts around their waists and use a flashlight in each hand in order that motorists may observe the policemen more clearly at the street intersections.