

BITTERNESS STOPS ACTION ON OIL LEASE

Political Ill Feeling Slows Up Move Toward Annulment of Naval Leases — De- bates Prolonged

COOLIDGE WAS INFORMED IN ADVANCE OF CHARGES

Debate on Floor of Senate Brings Name of Former President to Front

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The move for annulment of the naval oil leases proceeded slowly today in a thickening atmosphere of political bitterness.

The senate again failed to act on the Walsh annulment resolution after an all-day debate in which the demand for the resignation of Secretary Denby was renewed and a similar attack was launched against Attorney General Daugherty.

During the day Senator Walsh, Democrat, Montana, enlarged the area of oil fields to be recovered by introducing a resolution to assert title to sections of naval oil lands in California now in possession of the Standard Oil company.

Will Not Resign

Taking note of the attacks on him Secretary Denby, after attending a two hour session of President Coolidge's cabinet, said he believed he had acted for the best in the oil transactions; that he would do the same thing again and that he would not resign even if the Robinson resolution demanding that he do so were adopted.

At the cabinet meeting, the president and his advisors discussed in every detail in the course of the administration and it was apparent tonight that two lawyers to be employed as special counsel in the annulment suits virtually had been selected. Announcement of their names probably will be deferred until congress acts.

Coolidge Was Warned

On the floor of the senate chamber Chairman Lenroot of the oil investigating committee revealed that Mr. Coolidge had been informed in advance of the sensational testimony given a week ago by Archie Roosevelt relating to charges of a \$68,000 payment to the foreman of Former Secretary Fall's ranch.

Senator Willis, republican, Ohio then announced that on the same day Mr. Fall and his foreman, Thomas Johnson had been placed under surveillance by agents of the department of justice who were instructed to prevent their departure from the country.

Advised that Mr. Fall was unable to appear before it today because of a threatened nervous collapse, the oil committee decided to examine his physicians tomorrow before deciding whether to accept an invitation to question him in his sick room.

Harding Defended

The senate's debate on political features of the oil disclosures after centering most of the day about Mr. Coolidge and members of his cabinet finally brought into the discussion the name of President Harding. Defending Mr. Harding for transferring title of the reserves to the interior department Mr. Willis declared that the president would not knowingly have violated any law and the statement was accepted on the democratic side.

Partisan charges and counter charges also figured in a brief house debate centering around a request by Secretary Daniels during the Wilson administration for congressional approval of the drilling of offset wells in the naval reserves.

While the senate proceeds with its debate tomorrow in the hope of reaching a vote before adjourn-

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THE WEATHER

OREGON: Occasional rain
Wednesday; fresh to strong
southwesterly winds.

LOCAL WEATHER
(Tuesday)
Maximum temperature, 56.
Minimum temperature, 48.
River, 3.2 feet.
Rainfall, .22 inch.
Atmosphere, cloudy.
Wind, southeast.

AT LAST! FACE OF COURT HOUSE CLOCK IS AGLOW AT NIGHT

With one-fourth of the clock in the court house tower illuminated last night dreams of years are about to be realized. The light was placed over the clock face on the east side of the tower and in a day or so the other three faces will also be illuminated.

Agitation for this illumination has been under way for years. First one organization or club would conceive the idea of putting the project over and then would abandon the idea. Committees have been appointed with instructions to fulfill promises and pledges but somehow before the wires were strung and the electric light globes installed something would happen and activity cease.

A few weeks, or perhaps it was months ago, the Kiwanis club undertook to install the illumination. A committee headed by Fred Erixon was appointed and the matter practically forgotten. Occasionally Mr. Erixon would be called upon at a luncheon to report. Invariably the reply was that "Progress was being made." Final steps were taken this week with the result that workmen were able to place one light last night.

RIDING ACADEMY HEARS OF PLANS

Enthusiasts Meet at Library —Classes to Be Conducted Each Day

Salem men and women interested in the new riding academy met last night at the library to make plans. The classes have already started and C. M. Wilson, who is in charge, has his headquarters at the stadium.

The classes will be held during the morning, afternoon and evening every day, including Sunday, according to Mr. Wilson. Curtis Cross presided at the meeting and called upon Mr. Wilson to answer questions regarding prices, time of classes and other details, as requested by those attending. Mrs. Z. J. Riggs also spoke. Mrs. Riggs has been one of those in charge of starting the class here.

Those attending the meeting last night included Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Cross, Mrs. A. J. Rahn, S. B. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Slade, Muriel McKinley, Myrtle Huntzel, Etta White, Grace Snook, Cralotte Crowley, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Moon, Mrs. T. A. Roberts, Marvell Edwards, Louella Patton, Molly Schwabauer, Doris Loveland, Fay Hendrickson, Lucille Jaskoski, Marie Briggs, Lillian Jaquet, Valeria Briggs and Mrs. Clifford Townsend.

SLEEPING SICKNESS CURE IS MADE PAWN

German Scientist Says Re- turn Colonies and Get Sure Remedy

BREMEN, Jan. 29.—Unconditional restoration of Germany's colonies is the act demanded by the German Colonial society for a new remedy for the prevention of sleeping sickness.

The society expresses the belief that Germany, in the remedy has a powerful political weapon in hand which places her in a position to force revocation of the colonial mandates executed under the Versailles treaty.

"Germany holds the key to Central Africa is the remedy," said Dr. Zache, well known as a colonial expert. He expressed the belief that the remedy for sleeping sickness and tsetse fever is destined to convert central Africa into a prosperous, fertile country, inhabited by an industrious people.

"No colonies, no remedy" is the deft hurled by Eduard Achilles, chairman of the Bremen section of the German Colonial society. He suspects that this stand may provoke the charge of inhumanity, but he reminds his critics of the allied "hunger blockade" and the French Premier Clemenceau's dictum that "there were 20,000,000 too many Germans in the world."

Mellon Tax Reduction Not Favored By Bureau

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Jan. 29.—The Washington State Farm bureau executive committee is in favor of the Haugen-McNary bill to form a wheat export commission, but is opposed to the Mellon tax reduction bill it was stated by W. C. Cordner, state president here today.

MONTANA TRIMS APPROPRIATIONS FOR BIENNIUM

Legislative Session Ends After Making Good Warrants Previously Issued

HELENA, Mont., Jan. 29.—With appropriations trimmed a net of \$9100 after payment of the expenses of the session, the Montana legislature adjourned its extraordinary assembly at 7:35 o'clock this evening. The legislature was called to re-enact appropriations held void by the state supreme court because of the error of the governor in attempting to reduce the amounts by use of the veto power on a percentage basis, was in session eight legislative days.

The great majority of the appropriations items were re-passed in the same amount as they were left by Governor Dixon after he had cut them to brass, as he declared, the total expenditures to an amount within the estimated revenues of the state for the succeeding biennium.

Both houses, in accordance with the governor's call, passed the bill declaring the \$1,600,000 worth of state warrants issued against illegal appropriations to be valid claims against the new appropriations.

\$12,000 TRANSFER ON FERRY STREET

Darr Barn Sold to Mrs. Walter Stolz — Building Houses Garage

The Darr barn, located on Ferry street between High and Church streets, was sold yesterday to Mrs. Walter Stolz. The deal was made by F. N. Derby acting for Mrs. Darr, who is in California. The price was \$12,000.

The barn has been occupied for some time by the Ramsyer brothers, who are maintaining a garage and repair shop. They will continue in the same location, and other shops will be located also on either side of their shop, according to Mr. Derby.

Nell Austin Reward Money To Be Divided Among Four

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 29.—Four persons will share a \$500 reward offered by Seattle school teachers for the recovery of Nell Austin, one of their members, who disappeared from her home November 25 and was found in Vancouver, B. C., November 28.

The division of the reward was decided by Superior Judge Austin E. Griffiths who was selected as arbiter by the claimants. He divided the money as follows: \$100 to Patrolman R. H. Barnett and \$250 to Sergeant W. E. Cary and Patrolman S. E. Jennings of the Seattle police and \$150 to B. R. Davidson, a citizen of Vancouver.

The Seattle teachers offered \$500 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for Miss Austin's disappearance but the amount has never been claimed.

THINGS ARE FADS ONLY UNTIL FOLKS GET USED TO THEM, IS ASSERTION OF BOSTON SAVANT

By MARGUERITE GLESON
Bobbed hair, fast automobiles, flying machines, new fangled studebakers in the public schools are only fads until folks get used to them in the opinion of Dr. A. E. Winship, veteran educator who is on his 56th trip to the Pacific coast. He talked to Salem teachers last night.

Dr. Winship, editor of the New England Journal of Education, is a small gray-haired man, whose name is one to be reckoned with among the educators of the nation and who is a speaker at conventions, group meetings of superintendents, principals, school boards, rural life conferences, national conventions everywhere impresses one at once with his memory of persons and events which is all the more remarkable since it applies to every state in the union apparently, and so far as one can judge is always correct.

Wielded Lash of Gold

Twenty-eight years ago next July Dr. Winship was in Salem during a Republican meeting. The gold standard had been adopted by the national convention but Oregon was inclined toward the silver standard. Some one heard

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ANTI SALOON LEAGUE LEADER FOUND GUILTY

William H. Anderson, Super- intendent of New York League Convicted By Jury of Forgery

DRY LEADER SUBJECT TO 2 TO 5-YEAR TERM

Jury Deliberates One Hour and Forty Minutes Before Reaching Verdict

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—William H. Anderson, state superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league of New York tonight was convicted by a supreme court jury on both counts of an indictment charging him with third degree forgery in connection with the "splitting" of commissions with a former league fund solicitor.

Justice Tompkins announced Anderson would be sentenced Friday, Feb. 8. Bail of \$5,000, in which he has been at liberty since the indictment, was continued. It was understood an appeal would be taken. The jury deliberated one hour and 40 minutes.

To Be Sentenced Friday

The "dry leader" may be sentenced to a prison term of from two and one-half to five years for conviction under the third degree forgery charge.

The verdict was not learned immediately by the expectant crowd, that leaned forward in strained silence to catch the jury foreman's words. His voice was so low that it was not heard until the court clerk had made them known by the nature of his questions.

"What is your verdict, gentlemen?" he asked.

The answer was not audible beyond the railing separating the bench, jury and attorneys from the audience, but Anderson, standing tense behind his counsel, evidently correctly interpreted the words that spelled defeat for his long fight. But the crowd's eyes were on the jury foreman and they did not see Anderson.

"Do you find the defendant guilty, as charged in the indictment?" the clerk drawled.

Again the answer was inaudible, but the complete room knew now, from the nature of the question, that the "dry" crusader had been declared guilty on both counts of the indictment.

No Demonstration

There was no demonstration, for the court before the jury had filled into the box with its verdict solemnly warned that any demonstration would meet with instant punishment for contempt.

The jury discharged, there was a departure from the usual procedure. Anderson was not required to answer the questions usually put to convicted men as to their age, occupation and various other items concerning themselves. The brief scene ended with the excited crowd surging through the rooms. Anderson was the last to leave. He walked rather dejected between two of his lawyers, and was last seen with them emerging from the shadow cast by the grim bridge of Sighs that spans the street separating the court building from the Tombs.

It could not be learned tonight whether Anderson would be tried on the four indictments still pending against him, charging grand larceny and extortion. These indictments were based on the "split" commission episode and on Anderson's collection from the league payments on the \$24,700 which he claims to have advanced the organization for publicity purposes.

"Stubb" Smith Will Be Candidate for Constable

With the primaries getting closer each day, one by one the political aspirants are coming out of seclusion and making known their chief aims in life.

"Stubb" Smith is the latest seeker after political honors who has emerged from that mysterious realm whence comes candidates. Smith years for the position of constable, now held by Walter DeLong. This week he prepared a petition and was soliciting the endorsement of his friends. Smith has lived in the community for a number of years and has been engaged in the carpentry trade.

Constable De Long will be a candidate to succeed himself.

WANT REFUND BEFORE LIFE IS MADE SAFE

Movie Attendants Decline to Leave Unless Assured of Money Back

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—A performance was in progress at the Carouse theater, a vaudeville and motion picture house in the lower East Side tonight when smoke began to drift across the stage and into the audience. But instead of rushing for the exits, a majority of the 1200 persons in the auditorium at first refused to leave the building without assurance from the management that the price of admission would be refunded.

Finally as the theater manager argued with the crowd from the stage, the smoke became so thick that the crowd reluctantly abandoned the demand for a refund and fled through doors and fire escapes to the street. The fire damaged the property room and the first floor of the theater.

BRITISH HOCKEY TEAMS ARE FIRST

Canadians Smother Swedes Who Were Considered Strongest Team

CHAMONIX, Jan. 29.—(By the Associated Press)—The hockey teams of Great Britain and Canada triumphed over the representatives of France and Sweden in the Olympic games today. The Canadians added to their reputation for brilliant play by fairly smothering the Swedes, considered the strongest European team, winning 22 to 0.

The English defeated the Frenchmen 15 to 2.

The women's fancy skating contest went to Mme. H. Szabo-Plank of Austria with Miss Beatrix Loughran of New York second.

Mrs. Theresa Weld Blanchard of Boston took fourth honors and Miss C. Eustace Smith of Canada sixth. The official standing of the nations at the end of the fourth day was:

Finland 67 1-2 points; Norway 49 1-2; United States 19; Austria 10; Switzerland 10; France 7; Great Britain 4; Czechoslovakia 3; Sweden 1; Canada 1. This gives a total of 172 points, fifth and sixth places having been cancelled in the military skating competition.

Dines Will Not Appear In Court for 40 Days

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 29.—Courtland S. Dines, Denver oil operator who was shot here New Years day by Horace A. Greer, chauffeur for Mabel Normand, film actress, will not be in court tomorrow as scheduled, to testify for the second time in connection with the shooting.

According to an affidavit signed today by the physician attending Dines, his patient has not sufficiently recovered from the bullet wound in his left lung to leave the hospital. Dines, the affidavit stated, will not possibly be able to appear in court for at least 40 days and should not be called for a period of at least 60 days unless his testimony is absolutely essential.

There is still an active possibility that Dines' wound may be fatal, in the opinion of the physician.

Bishop Keator's Health Much Improved, Report

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 29.—Hospital authorities tonight reported a slight improvement in the condition of Rt. Rev. Frederick W. Keator, of Tacoma, Wash., who has been confined to the hospital here for nearly two weeks with heart disease.

Bishop Keator's condition had been reported as critical.

FINAL FLASHES

ATHENS, Jan. 29.—(By Associated Press)—The American government has announced resumption of diplomatic relations with Greece.

LA HAINA, Island of Maui, T. H., Jan. 29.—(By Associated Press)—Six persons are dead and 25 others are seriously ill as the result of an epidemic of spinal meningitis which was discovered here by health authorities only last Saturday.

SPECIAL COUNSEL IS NAMED TO PROSECUTE OIL LEASE CASES

President Coolidge Announces Appointment of Silas H. Strawn, Republican and Thomas W. Gregory, Democrat, Who Was Attorney General in Wilson Administration.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—President Coolidge tonight announced the selection of Silas H. Strawn of Chicago, Republican, and Thomas W. Gregory of Austin, Texas, attorney general in the Wilson administration, as special counsel to prosecute the government's case growing out of the naval oil inquiry.

Mr. Strawn is a former president of the Illinois bar association and of the Chicago bar association and is at present chairman of the chamber on legal education of the bar association. He conferred late today with the president who has known him for some time.

Mr. Gregory was attorney general of the United States from August, 1914, to March, 1919. It was said at the White House that he would leave Austin for Washington tomorrow night.

TUESDAY IN WASHINGTON

The United States extended diplomatic recognition to Greece.

The department of justice held the flexible provisions of the tariff laws to be sound.

The Norbeck-Burnetts farm bill was favorably reported by the senate agricultural committee.

President Coolidge declined to discuss the Robinson resolution requesting the resignation of Secretary Denby.

A senate vote on the Walsh resolution for cancellation of oil leases went over until tomorrow.

Secretary Denby announced he had no intention of resigning as a result of the oil reserve developments.

Senator Wheeler, Democrat, Montana, introduced a resolution calling on the president to obtain the resignation of Attorney General Daugherty.

Counsel for Albert B. Fall asked the senate oil committee to take Mr. Fall's testimony in his room where he is ill.

Carrying \$729,858,451 the post office and treasury appropriation bill was reported to the house.

An investigation of the fair service was reported in the house by Representative Nelson, Republican, Wisconsin.

Henry Ford informed the house committee he thought it unnecessary to appear in connection with his Muscle Shoals bid.

The house ways and means committee decided on a rate of 25 per cent for the reduction of tax on earned incomes.

The senate veterans' committee filed its preliminary report with scores of recommendations for bettering veterans' welfare work.

Comptroller Dawes announced that yesterday's branch bank decision of the supreme court would require no change in his rulings.

Miss Esther Everett Lape was again questioned by the senate propaganda committee in connection with the Bok award and disputed the committee's authority to go into certain features of her award procedure.

Invitations were sent by President Coolidge to more than 80 representatives of interests affected by the economic situation in the northwest to consider measures of relief at a conference here Monday.

Spoiled Corn Kills Flock Of 13 Stayton Chickens

STAYTON, Or., Jan. 29.—While preparing dinner a few days ago, Mrs. Adam Shepherd opened a can of corn which had spoiled. A friend who was visiting at the Shepherd home suggested that in order not to waste it, she add soda to sweeten and feed it to her chickens. Mrs. Shepherd followed the advice. Next morning she found 13 of her 17 chickens dead, and the rest drooping.

They are expected to confer together upon the arrival of Mr. Gregory the latter part of the week, and in the light of evidence which has been adduced through the senate investigation and in other ways determine what action shall be taken and in what form, especially as to bringing civil or criminal actions. The two will hold equal rank and to them will be left the selection of their legal staffs.

At the White House where announcement of the appointments was made orally it was indicated that Mr. Strawn and Mr. Gregory would serve under the resolution pending in congress and be paid from funds provided in a special resolution in case the resolutions are adopted.

In such a case, it was said, senate confirmation of the appointments would be asked.

On the other hand, if by any chance at present unforeseen the resolutions should fail of final adoption, the two counsel, it was said, would serve probably as special assistants to the attorney general operating under the department of justice and be paid from the funds appropriated for that department. In the latter event the White House view was said to be that the senate confirmation would, at least, be unnecessary.

In his law work Mr. Strawn has engaged in general practice he explained, although having few criminal cases. He never has been active in politics and is 57 years of age.

Gregory has had wide experience in anti-trust prosecutions, both in Texas and as a special assistant attorney general of the United States before becoming attorney general. He is 62 years of age.

MYERS AND WHITE MAKE BIG DEAL

Building Fronting on State and Liberty Purchased From Hugh Kyle

Purchase of an important piece of downtown property for a consideration of \$45,000 was announced yesterday by Frank Myers and Harley O. White, Salem merchants. As a result of the transfer the two men now own a half interest in the property formerly owned by Hugh W. Kyle of Long Beach, Cal., and Mrs. Mildred Kyle of Seaside. The share acquired was that owned by Mr. Kyle.

The property is in the shape of an "L" and includes the two-story brick block occupied by The Spa confectionery, of which Mr. Myers is proprietor, on State street, and a plumbing shop and shoe repair shop on Liberty. The property has a frontage of 24 feet on State, extending back 162 feet, with a 51-foot frontage on Liberty.

Title to the property was sought by Mr. Myers and Mr. White, but Mrs. Kyle refused to sell her half interest at this time. It is the hope of the new purchasers to eventually own the entire piece of property.

INVENTOR DIES

CARBONDALE, Ill., Jan. 29.—Horace H. Teeter, 78, inventor of the coffee percolator died at home here today. Before inventing the percolator, he had been a railroad conductor.