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TRIBUTE PAID WASHINGTON BY COOLIDGE

Radio Talk Contains Appeal to American People to Make Enduring Work of First President

ALL MUST SACRIFICE SAYS NATION'S CHIEF

Address Given in White House Study at Request of Rotarians

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—President Coolidge, in a radio address delivered tonight from the White House, combined with a tribute to Washington an appeal to the American people to accept the responsibilities and continue the sacrifices necessary to make enduring the institutions which Washington founded.

Mr. Coolidge described the part played by Washington in the founding of the American government and declared he accomplished the results "by accepting great responsibilities and making great sacrifices."

"If we are to maintain the institutions which he founded, if we are to improve what he created, we must be like-minded with him; we must continue to accept responsibilities, we must continue to make sacrifices," the president said. "Under all the laws of God and man there is no other way."

Talks in Study

The address was delivered by the president in his study in the White House and was made by invitation of the international Rotary clubs, members of which recently asked that the president deliver an address today in anniversary of the founding of rotarianism.

"Each year the birthday of George Washington gains wider acceptance as being of more national significance," Mr. Coolidge said. "In far-off lands people are observing this day by taking thought of the qualities that gave Washington his foremost place among the truly great. They are drawn to this man by his calm and clear judgment, by his abundant courage and by his unselfish devotion. Beyond that which was ever accorded to any other mortal, he holds rank as a soldier, statesman and a patriot. Others may have excelled him in some of these qualities, but no one ever excelled him in this three-fold greatness."

"Yet, Washington, the man, means to stand above them all. We can best estimate him by not identifying him with some high place, but by thinking of him as one of ourselves. When all detailed description fails, it is enough to say he was a great man. He had a supreme endowment of character."

Life Was Preparation

"No one can think of America without thinking of Washington when we look back over the course of history before his day, it seems as though it had all been a preparation for him and his time. When we consider events since then we can see a steady growth and development of the ideals which he represented as the institutions which he founded, worldwide in extent. The principles which he fought to establish have become axioms of civilization. It might also be said that the progress which peoples have made is measured by the degree with which they have accepted the great policies which he represented."

"It is not possible to compress a great life into a single sentence. We look upon Washington as the exponent of the rights of men. We think of some as having established the independence of America. We associate his name with liberty and freedom. We say that he was a great influence in the adoption of the constitution of the United States. All these are centered around the principle of self-

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MAN ADMITS MURDER OF SEATTLE WOMAN; REVENGE WAS SOUGHT

Divorced Husband of Granddaughter Says He Killed Mrs. Mumme and Set Fire to House Because of Way They Treated Baby—Tells Sheriff Killing Was Planned for Long Time

EVERETT, Wash., Feb. 22.—The mystery of the death of Mrs. Laura Mumme, 75, by shotgun wound or fire; the previous wounding of her husband, Joshua Mumme, 75, a veteran of the Klondike gold rush, and the burning of their home at Seattle Heights near here early Wednesday was explained late today when Carl Ryberg, divorced husband of a granddaughter of Mrs. Mumme, is alleged by Sheriff James McCulloch here to have made a confession.

The narrative divulged both verbally and in writing, was to the effect that brooding over wrongs that he believed the Mummies had done him, bred in Ryberg's mind a plan to kill them. He faltered, according to his signed statement, before executing this plan.

SALEM POETS ARE TO RECEIVE HONOR

Chamber of Commerce Invites Four as Special Guests Monday Noon

Politicians will be forced to take a back seat at the chamber of commerce luncheon Monday when the meeting will be turned over to four Salem poets, each of whom will be allowed five minutes to read her favorite poem. All of those who will appear Monday are real, honest to goodness poets and have had their contributions published in national publications.

Gertrude Robinson Ross, whose poetry has been accepted by The Nation, Shadowland and Good Housekeeping; Clara Virginia Barton, who has contributed to Radio and Omandagan, published at Rochester, N. Y.; Audred Bunch, Willamette university student and society editor for the Oregon Statesman, whose poems have been published in Vanity Fair and Lyric West and Odell Savage Orling, whose play, "Jon" was published by the Baker Dramatic company, of Boston will be the guests of honor.

At the speakers' table, which is reserved for women, will also be the three prize winners in the chamber of commerce windshield design contest. Mrs. Gertrude J. M. Page will preside at the luncheon as chairman of the day.

VERMONT SENATOR CONTINUES GAIN

Strengthens Grip on Life and Able to Take Nourishment Physicians Report

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Senator Frank L. Green of Vermont, shot down a week ago by a stray bullet fired in a battle between prohibition officers and suspected bootleggers, apparently strengthened his grip on life today.

Physicians believed his condition was better today than at any time since he was taken to the hospital although they said that no definite prognosis could be made at this time. The senator is now taking nourishment.

Three Dead in Southwest Because of Man's Anger

LAS CRUCES, N. M., Feb. 22.—Jealousy because his sweetheart had accepted attentions from another young man and anger because her mother did not desire him to come to her home, are believed to have been the motives which inspired Steve Walter, 21, to shoot and kill Miss Blanche Kell, 17, and her mother, Mrs. John Kell, 40, and commit suicide at the Kell home, one mile south of this city today.

The bodies of the three were found at 12:30 o'clock by a neighbor.

SEEK BANDITS

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 22.—Police were conducting a wide search tonight for three armed automobile bandits.

TAX REVISION IS CONTINUED BY COALITION

Another Amendment Wedged on Revenue Bill By House Democrat - Republican - Insurgent Group

TAX RETURNS SUBJECT TO OFFICIAL INSPECTION

Both Changes Draw Fire From Republicans—One Given Small Majority

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The house democratic-republican insurgent coalition wedged another amendment into the revenue bill today, making tax returns subject to inspection by certain congressional committees.

This amendment and another adopted by a one-vote margin opening corporation tax returns to inspection of state officials regardless of whether the state imposes an income tax as the law now requires, developed the major controversial issues of the day. Both amendments drew fire from the republicans. Representative Mills New York, charged that "this piecemeal destruction of the revenue bill is not only leading to complete distortion of the measure but to destruction of the income tax law itself."

He asserted that the measure was being made an instrument of politics adding that "instead of bringing relief to the tax payers it is going to harass them."

Relief Claimed

Representative Wingo, democrat, Arkansas, in reply denied that amendments thus far adopted had done more than bring relief to a greater number of taxpayers, and declared he would rather be charged with political motives than personal interest in framing a revenue bill.

The republican stand served to defeat an amendment offered by Representative Moore, democrat, Virginia, which would have opened personal as well as corporation returns to state officials. It was lost 122 to 74.

Additional charges in the measures were tentatively agreed upon at a meeting of some members of both parties of the ways and means committee. These would increase the estate or inheritance tax and impose a gift tax. What rates will be proposed was not determined although the schedule advanced recently by Representative Ramseyer, republican, Iowa, to make the maximum rate on the estate tax 40 per cent applying to the amount by which the net estate of a decedent exceeds \$10,000,000 was favored by a number of those who conferred.

Representative Longworth, the republican leader, who yesterday advanced a new compromise on the income rate schedules as a substitute for the democratic rates already voted into the bill declared tonight he expected eight or nine of the 17 republicans who supported the democratic plan to vote for the substitute if an opportunity is afforded when the bill is up for a final vote. The republican (Continued on page 3)

ADAMS TAKES ISSUE WITH CONGRESSMEN

Claims Daugherty Not Being Given Fair Chance By Republicans

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Chairman Adams of the republican national committee tonight publicly took issue with those of his party leaders in the senate who are demanding the immediate resignation of Attorney General Daugherty.

"This is not the time," he said, in a formal statement, "to yield to the threats of those who are conducting this campaign of political terrorism or to the demands of those who are frightened by such methods."

The republican party organization, he declared, will insist that no verdict of guilty shall be pronounced until indisputable evidence of guilt has been produced. "The integrity of a former republican cabinet official has been called into serious question because he accepted money while in office from certain oil interests."

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WAR PRISONERS GIVEN HEARING BY OFFICIALS

24 at Leavenworth Called By Special Clemency Board of Army

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Feb. 22.—(By the Associated Press).—Twenty-four military prisoners were heard at the federal penitentiary here today by Major James Stanfield and Major F. K. Ross, members of the special clemency board appointed by the war department. Prisoners appeared before the board one by one, told why they sought clemency and detailed their plans for civilian life.

The names of the prisoners who appeared were withheld and the hearing itself was behind closed doors. The officers said their orders were to clear the case of each man in private without the presence of a stenographer. The majors made brief notes in longhand. Many of the prisoners submitted written statements. Court martial and prison records were available to the board members.

Asked whether they would make a blanket recommendation for clemency, the army officers merely pointed to their orders, which ask for "a general and detailed" report of the cases. Their reports, they said, would be prepared upon their return to Washington.

2 CHICAGO DEATHS ARE UNEXPLAINED

Man's Body Found in Snow Bank—Woman Slain at His Home

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—Breaking open the door at the home of John Duffy, found dead today in a roadside snowbank, near Argo, Ill., police tonight discovered the body of a slain woman lying on the floor, a bullet through her forehead.

Duffy's body, with \$150 in the pockets of his clothes and a diamond ring on one finger, was discovered early today by a bus driver who notified police. Powder stains about the three bullet holes in the left side of the head indicated he had been shot at a short range.

Running down Duffy's home address police today watched the apartment through the greater part of the day, though no one entered or left and a grocery order delivered yesterday lay untouched at the back door. Tonight the door was forced and the woman's body, as yet unidentified, was found.

CHILDREN PLAYING OPEN RAIL SWITCH

Train Containing 25 Insane Passengers Derailed—Panic Averted

HUNTINGTON, N. Y., Feb. 22.—Children playing at a railroad siding near here today opened a switch through which an east-bound Long Island railroad passenger train ploughed into three cars of a stalled freight train, according to information reaching road officials tonight.

Twenty persons were injured, none seriously, it was believed. Coolness of attendants averted a panic among 25 insane men and women in one of the passenger coaches who were being transferred to the King's Park hospital from other institutions.

SALEM BASKETEER OUT OF RUNNING

EUGENE, Ore., Feb. 22.—The University of Oregon will enter the basketball game again the University of Idaho tomorrow night without Shafer, the stellar guard.

Shafer underwent an operation for appendicitis today. This cuts down the webfoot chances at a conference title considerably. It is certain now that Chapman will play in tomorrow night's game despite a bad knee which has bothered him throughout the season and was thought for a time would keep him out for the entire season.

SLEMP CALLED AS WITNESS IN OIL INDUSTRY

President's Secretary to Be Asked to Testify Regarding Talks With McLean and Fall

SUMMONS TO APPEAR IS NOT UNEXPECTED

No Formal Subpoena for Appearance Is Issued—Will Testify Monday

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—C. Bascom Slem, secretary to President Coolidge, will be called as a witness in the oil inquiry, probably next Monday.

This was made known today by Senator Walsh, democrat, Montana, who has taken the lead in pressing the investigation, after he had returned unexpectedly to Washington from a vacation at Pinehurst, N. C.

Mr. Slem visited Palm Beach last December at the time former Secretary Fall and Edward B. McLean, publisher of the Washington Post, were there and he probably will be asked if he talked with them about the oil scandal.

Call Not Expected

Other members of the committee who concurred in the decision to call the president's secretary, said he might be questioned also as to whether he had talked with government officials or others mentioned in the oil cases since the beginning of the sensational disclosures which followed the testimony of Archie Roosevelt on January 22.

Apparently the news that he would be called came as no surprise to Mr. Slem. It was understood that he had been advised several days ago that some members of the committee were of the opinion that he should be questioned.

Upon learning of Senator Walsh's statement, Mr. Slem communicated with friends at the capitol and was told that no formal subpoena for his appearance had been issued. None may be, as in the usual course high government officials simply are invited to appear before the committee.

The decision to call Mr. Slem was only one development which came out of hurried conferences which Senator Walsh held with committee and his colleague, Senator Wheeler, democrat, Montana, immediately upon reaching his office.

General procedure at the renewal of the public hearings next Monday was discussed by Mr. Walsh and Chairman Lenroot and later it was stated that Mileton Ailes, president of Riggs National bank of Washington, probably would be the first witness Monday.

Senator Walsh declined to disclose the subject matter upon which he will be questioned, but it is known that the committee desires to have information from the records of the bank which might throw some light upon rumors related to those current in connection with supposed oil stock transactions by public officials.

After the examination of Mr. Ailes and Mr. Slem, the committee probably will call in its expert accountants before proceeding with other witnesses. These accountants have completed their audit of the books of W. B. Hibbs & Co., a Washington stock brokerage firm, and also of the books of the former Washington branch of Ungerleider & Co., a Cleveland stock brokerage firm.

Senator Walsh also said officials of the Federal American National bank and the Commercial National bank, both of Washington, would be summoned in connection with the testimony given by Mr. McLean at Palm Beach that he had given Fall checks aggregating \$100,000 drawn on those banks, and which subsequently were returned to him unused.

"We shall pursue the inquiry with respect to these checks," Senator Walsh said, "because the general belief is that this transaction never did take place."

Mr. McLean is now in Washington under subpoena but the time he will be called before the committee has not yet been determined. Senator Walsh said he had conferred last Sunday with Wilton J. Lambert, counsel for Mr. McLean. It may be that some further conference will be held before Mr. McLean is asked to appear.

RUSSELL CATLIN DIES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS DEATH UNEXPECTED

Prominent Salem Business Man Passes After Two Days' Illness—Active in Civic Affairs—President of Salem Hospital Board—Was Associated in Hop Business Until Recently

Russell Catlin, prominent Salem man, died last night at his home, on Chemeketa street, following an illness of only two days.

Mr. Catlin had lived in Salem for 27 years, coming here from New York state where he was born 63 years ago last January. Besides his widow, he is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Frank H. Spears of Salem and a son, David Catlin of Honolulu. Two grand children in Salem also survive, and two sisters in the middle west. Miss Helen Robe of Salem is a niece and Charles Fake, a cousin.

Mr. Catlin was until five or six years ago in the hop business in Salem and since that time has occupied himself looking after his ranches in and near Salem. He was the owner of the Gray building, sometimes known as the Catlin building which is occupied by the Hartman Bros. Jewelry store.

Taking an active part in civic affairs Mr. Catlin has served for some time as president of the Salem Hospital board. He was a member of the Salem Rotary and also of the local Elks lodge. As a member of the Episcopal church he served as vestryman of St. Paul's.

Plans for the funeral have not been made, and Rigdon's Mortuary is in charge of the arrangements.

SEATTLE WOMAN'S BODY NOT FOUND

Searchers Fail to Gain Clue to Whereabouts of Mrs. Mumme

SEATTLE, Feb. 22.—Bone fragments taken from the ruins of the Joshua Mumme home at Seattle Heights, near here, by Coroner C. H. Pickett on Wednesday were declared by five Seattle physicians to be particles from two different bodies. A portion of the bones were little more than ash while others still had burned flesh adhering to them, according to the physicians. The fire whitened bones the physicians said gave them the appearance of skeleton fragments long buried and bleached by time, while the others were readily recognized as being but recently burned.

"The fire started at 6:30 a. m., and when I arrived at 9 o'clock the ashes were cool enough to walk upon," stated Coroner Pickett. Yet, the bones I recovered hardly filled more than one and one-half quart jars.

"In my opinion the body was either dismembered and burned piece by piece; or the head, arms and legs must have been buried or hidden in the nearby duck pond and the torso burned in the kitchen stove. I am more inclined to the latter theory for the iron of the stove was partially melted, indicating a fire reaching 2600 degrees, Fahrenheit. The most amazing part of the discovery of the bones is that no trace of Mrs. Mumme's skull or any other skull has been recovered. The skull is the hardest portion of the human body to destroy, it taking from three to five hours to eradicate in cremation."

A chemical analysis of the bones will be made tomorrow.

M'ADOO SUPPORTERS WITHDRAW NAMES

Committeemen in Washington Notify Manager They are Quitting

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 22.—George F. Christensen, democratic national committeeman for Washington, today in a letter to the Tacoma Ledger announced his resignation as manager of McAdoo's presidential campaign in this state while William B. Coffey, of Tacoma, also declared that he had terminated his duties as president of the local McAdoo-for-President club.

Both men asserted that their resignations were in no way caused by McAdoo's former employment as attorney for the Doehny oil interests, each ascribing reasons which leave the presidential candidate and his supporters unembarrassed by their action although the resignations were variously interpreted by factional leaders of both parties here.

ATTORNEY GENERAL CAUSING TROUBLE

Congressmen and Republican Organization Disagree About Daugherty

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Marked differences developed between republican senators and the republican national organization over the question of Attorney General Daugherty's retirement from the cabinet today, with the attorney general himself continuing to deny those who would have him resign.

Chairman Adams of the republican national committee informally expressed the view that demands of administration leaders in the senate that President Coolidge rid himself of the attorney general without a hearing were "absurd," and he is known to have communicated that view to the president. Later in a formal statement he gave notice that the republican party organization would insist that Mr. Daugherty be proven guilty of wrong doing before any sentence be pronounced.

The republican national chairman, taking his stand after consultation with some of his advisers at party headquarters, ranged himself and the party organization directly in opposition to the prevailing republican sentiment in the senate which, as conveyed in President Coolidge Wednesday by Senators Lodge of Massachusetts, the republican leader, and Pepper of Pennsylvania, is that Mr. Daugherty should retire.

FRIDAY IN WASHINGTON

The agricultural appropriation bill was reported to the house carrying 56,758,513.

The revenue bill was amended in the house to make tax returns available to special congressional committees.

Attorney General Daugherty appeared unexpectedly in the senate and remained half an hour in the midst of his foes.

C. Bascom Slem, secretary to President Coolidge, will be called before the senate oil committee, probably Monday, it was stated.

Senator Walsh, democrat, Montana, cut short his southern visit to return to Washington to resume his work on the inquiry.

Chairman Adams of the republican national committee declared the demand for Attorney General Daugherty's retirement without investigation appeared "absurd."

CONFERENCE ENDS

GRANTS PASS, Or., Feb. 22.—The economic conference held at Grants Pass came to an end here tonight with a banquet.

THE WEATHER

OREGON: Rain Saturday; moderate southeasterly winds.

LOCAL WEATHER (Friday)

Maximum temperature, 55. Minimum temperature, 25. River, 3.5. Rainfall, .1 inch. Atmosphere, partly cloudy. Wind, west.