

GRAND JURY TAKES OVER BRIBERY CASE

Criminal Charges Involving Congressman Being Investigated

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Grand jury investigation of criminal charges involving two members of congress was begun today as a house committee attempted to get its bearings and chart a course of procedure.

Unknown to members of the committee, Assistant Attorneys General Seymour, Wilebraut and Davis appeared before the jury to present evidence developed before the Chicago grand jury which investigated alleged Veterans' bureau frauds. With them was John W. H. Crim, special assistant, who was in charge of the government's case in Chicago.

Elias H. Mottimer who offered testimony before the senate Veterans' committee several months ago and before the Chicago grand jury was one of the witnesses. Late in the day adjournment was taken until tomorrow, when, it was indicated, Herman Geltzler of Newark, N. J., might appear.

Decision of Attorney General Daugherty to proceed with his department's investigation of the charges brought to light at Chicago was at variance with his announced intention of dropping the case. If the house saw fit to conduct an investigation of its own. Called on last week by the house to disclose the names of the two representatives referred to in the Chicago report, Mr. Daugherty declined. He offered to turn evidence over to the house, but declared that he would suspend the department's investigation if this were done, as it would be inadvisable to have two inquiries in progress at the same time.

The house on Wednesday adopted a resolution instructing the attorney general to press his investigation with all possible speed and announcing it would make no further effort to have the names of the two house members made public.

Reversing itself, the house adopted another resolution, presented by Representative Garrett, the democratic leader, for the appointment of a special committee to conduct an independent investigation.

Goldsmith wasn't thinking of the republican nomination when he spoke of the resignation that gently slips the way.

An old-timer's notion of dressing for dinner was to let his belt out two holes.

MR. AND MRS. DUCKSTEIN AND JOHN MAJOR, EMPLOYEES OF PUBLISHER MC LEAN, AT SENATE OIL INQUIRY



Mr. and Mrs. William O. Duckstein were photographed as they were leaving the Senate office building in Washington. They had been called to testify regarding the correspondence of Edward B. McLean, Washington newspaper publisher. Duckstein was mentioned in the telegrams which passed between the publisher at Palm Beach and employees in Washington. Mrs. Duckstein is the "Mary" mentioned in the wire messages. A one time she was the secretary of William J. Burns in the Department of Justice. John Major, shown at the right, is a confidential employee of the publisher. His telegrams to McLean are under investigation.

GERMAN REICHSTAG QUIETLY DISSOLVES

First Time in History of Republic Lawmakers Go Out of Existence

BERLIN, March 13.—(By the Associated Press).—For the fifth time in Germany's history, and the first time since the nation became a republic, the Reichstag was dissolved today, as calmly and quietly as it came into existence nearly four years ago.

Chancellor Marx's cabinet continued to function as do also the foreign relations committee, the Reichstag supervising committee and other necessary government commissions, until after the general elections. These must be held within 60 days when the new Reichstag will assemble and elect a new government.

EDITORIALS OF THE PEOPLE

Councilmen Endorse Mayor Giesey

Editor Statesman: We, who have served as co-workers with J. B. Giesey in the administration of the affairs of the city, desire at this time to express our sincere appreciation for the faithful and efficient services which Mr. Giesey has rendered during his present term as mayor of Salem.

Mayor Giesey has exhibited at all times the highest qualities of leadership and has proved himself worthy in every respect of the confidence which the people of Salem have reposed in him.

In Mayor Giesey we have a most able and conscientious leader and we heartily endorse his candidacy for mayor for the next ensuing term.

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NORBECK-BURTNESS BILL IS DEFEATED

McNary-Haugen Relief Measure Next to Be Considered in Senate

WASHINGTON, March 13.—The senate, despite President Coolidge's endorsement, refused today, 41 to 32, to authorize the proposed loan of \$50,000,000 to farmers of the spring wheat belt to finance their start in the poultry, swine and livestock industries.

In disposing of the proposal, carried in the Norbeck-Burtness bill as the first of several special agrarian relief measures, the senate divided along geographical rather than party lines. The result showed 23 democrats and 18 republicans opposing, and 20 republicans, 10 democrats and two farmer-labor members supporting the bill.

Leaders of the farm bloc insisted that the result of the fight for the Norbeck-Burtness bill did not indicate the senate's sentiment toward remaining relief bills.

Many opposing votes, they asserted, were based on the opinion, expressed by Senator Glass, democrat, Virginia, and others, that it was "an attempt to put the United States treasury in the mercantile business" and further on the objection that it was designed to assist a sharply delimited area.

The McNary-Haugen bill, scheduled to be the next considered, was expected by the farm bloc to escape criticisms raised against the loan bill. It proposes the

SONG SERVICE IS REVIVAL FEATURE

Story of Jeremiah and the Potter Told Effectively By Evangelist

The revival meeting at the Baptist church started off last night with a live song service under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Tebow. Several special numbers were contributed, and the old favorites were sung.

The evangelist, Dr. C. L. Trawin, used the story of Jeremiah and the potter as the basis for his sermon. "Jeremiah observed the potter at work," he said, "and the clay was put on the wheel to make a vessel and it was 'marr'd in the making,' so 'the potter made it again.'"

Dr. Trawin dwelt at length on the stubbornness of the ancient people whom God had chosen and the unwillingness to yield to God's hand in fashioning the life to his glory. A beautiful story was told of the development of the Wedgewood pottery. The patience of God in his effort to make men for his purposes, and shape their lives to His plan, was brought out with good effect.

In the afternoon Dr. Shanks gave an expository reading of the eighth chapter of Romans. This afternoon Dr. Trawin will give his final study in the work of the Holy Spirit, taking up the gift of tongues and healing. The evening meeting is to be "A Young People's Service," and the subject for the sermon will be, "A Young Man's Choice."

The meetings close on Sunday. Dr. Trawin will preach in the morning and at the evening meeting. The pastor, Dr. Shanks, will give the message at the 4 o'clock young people's meeting. Refreshments will be served and the young folk will remain for the evening meeting. Delegations are expected from all the surrounding towns for the afternoon and evening meetings.

Mrs. Susan E. Walton Passes Away in Portland

Mrs. Susan E. Walton, wife of George W. Walton, died in Portland Wednesday. She was 67 years old and besides her widower she is survived by four daughters, Mrs. R. D. Barton, Salem; Miss Lulu R. Walton, Merrill, Or.; Mrs. George W. Quick, Scribner, Ontario; Mrs. J. E. Sturgeon, Portland; four sons, H. H. Walton, Huntington, Va.; Paul H. Walton, Syracuse, New York; Dr. R. W. Walton, Cambridge, Mass.; and F. W. Walton of Los Angeles. Three sisters also survive her, Mrs. F. S. Barton, Salem; Miss Lena C. McClelland, Saranac Lake, N. Y.; and Mrs. G. D. Washburn, Florida.

The funeral will be held in Salem, the arrangements to be in the charge of Ilgdon's.

Convicts Not to Pull Flax, Pierce's Policy

Because of a policy adopted by Governor Pierce that convicts shall not pull flax this season, efforts are being made by the state and the flax growers to finance patented flax pullers. At a meeting of growers in the office of the governor yesterday methods of financing the purchase of the machines was considered. It will first be taken up with Salem bankers, and if no help is forthcoming from that quarter the governor will ascertain if the state can advance the money. The growers would stand good for the loans.

The craze for tax-free securities will at least keep posterity from being ruined by too much spending money.

WRECKAGE CAUSED BY NITRATE PLANT BLAST IN WHICH SCORE LOST LIVES, AND LEWIS NIXON, OWNER



This photograph was made soon after a terrific explosion virtually blew to atoms the plant of the Nixon Nitrate Works, which covered an acreage of three-quarters of a mile at Nixon, N. J. The shock was felt over northern New Jersey, in New York City and on Long Island. It was difficult to fix the number of casualties but eighteen were known to have been killed, two were missing after employees had been checked off, and sixty were injured. The plant was erected during the war by Lewis Nixon for the manufacture of explosives.

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