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JURY CHARGES KIDNAPING AND MURDER GUILT

Nathan Leopold and Richard Loeb, Millionaires Sons, are Indicted on Twenty-Six Counts

CRIMES ARE PUNISHABLE BY THE DEATH PENALTY

Defense Said to Have Fund of \$1,000,000 to Save Lives of Youths

CHICAGO, June 5.—True bills said to charge murder and kidnaping for ransom on 26 counts, each crime punishable by death, were voted against Nathan Leopold, Jr., and Richard Loeb, sons of two Chicago millionaires, late today by the grand jury which has spent three days investigating the slaying and kidnaping two weeks ago of Robert Franks, school boy son of another Chicago millionaire.

The grand jury heard 71 witnesses and the last evidence presented was the confession of one of the boys read from stenographic notes in which was recited the plan of two brilliant university students to kidnap and kill a school boy for the excitement which the crime would bring and the \$70,000 ransom they hoped to collect from Jacob Franks, father of the slain boy.

Robert E. Crowe, state's attorney issued no statement in connection with the grand jury's action except that "indictments have been decided upon," not indicating whether or not the true bills were voted. This fact was learned from other sources, however.

The true bills were made returnable tomorrow, it was reported, in view of pending writs of habeas corpus for the release of the confessed slayer, also returnable tomorrow.

Arguments on the writs will be heard, it is expected after the indictments are returned.

It was reported that efforts will be made to seek bonds for the boys, but the state is expected to resist such efforts.

The true bill for murder against each of the boys was reported to contain 10 counts and that for kidnaping for ransom was said to contain 16.

The only other important event of the day in connection with the case came with the filing of a suit for \$100,000 damages against Leopold and Loeb by attorneys for Mrs. Louise Nohley. According to her counsel, the woman said the youths attacked her when she went automobile riding with them. Assistant State's Attorney's said they knew of the charges but were little concerned in view of the much graver charges which the boys are expected to face.

Investigation of possible connection of the youths with the slaying of Freeman Louis Tracy, a university student, of the mutilation of Charles Ream, a taxi driver, last fall, was practically at a standstill, all efforts of the authorities being bent to the task of hurrying the last testimony to the grand jury.

During the day the youths were brought from the county jail to the criminal court building where two employes of a Chicago bank identified Loeb as the youth who opened an account there under the name of Ballard. The boys refused to come to the criminal court building until the state's attorney had secured an order for their appearance. As they entered a photographer exploded a flashlight and Loeb nearly collapsed.

Attorneys representing the boys went to the county jail later for a conference. It was reported that details of the defense for which a fund of \$1,000,000 is said to be available already were discussed.

THE WEATHER

OREGON—Generally cloudy Friday; moderate westerly winds.

LOCAL WEATHER

(Thursday)
Maximum temperature, 79.
Minimum temperature, 45.
River, —1.0, stationary.
Rainfall, none.
Atmosphere, part cloudy.
Wind, west.

THREE MEN SUSTAIN SERIOUS INJURIES IN TRUCK ACCIDENT

One man is lying near the point of death in the Salem hospital and two others are suffering from serious internal injuries as a result of an accident which occurred near Independence about 11 o'clock last night.

The injured men are: Henry Tuckman, E. Fimon and H. Levin, all of Portland. The condition of Tuckman is regarded as critical by hospital attendants. Efforts to reach his people in Portland have not as yet proved successful.

The accident occurred on a hill a short distance from Independence on the Dallas road. The three men were riding in a Ford truck and upon reaching the hill found that their breaks would not hold. The truck plunged down the hill out of control and piled up in the ditch at the foot of the grade. They were picked up by some people passing by and brought to Salem by Dr. Butler of Independence.

NO ACTION AT STRIKE PARLEY

Labor Representatives Challenge Authority of League Committee

A committee from the Salem Central Trades and Labor council and a committee from the Salem Business Men's league met in the office of C. H. Gram, state labor commissioner, last night to attempt to arrive at a settlement of the culinary union's difficulty with the White House restaurant. No action was taken, however, for the reason that the head of the labor council's committee challenged the authority of the Business Men's league representatives to act with approval of their organization. It is believed the Business Men's league will now empower the committee to act and that another meeting will be called. The labor committee claimed full authority to enter into an agreement.

VETERANS PROTEST HOSPITAL CHANGE

Mistaken Idea They Were to Be Placed With Insane Causes Objection

SEATTLE, June 5.—Despite a protest sent to President Coolidge in which patients of the Cushman hospital, near Tacoma, Wash., declared they would "resist with our lives" transfer to a \$1,300,000 hospital, which the government is building at Camp Lewis, Wash., for war veterans, the transfer will be carried out, L. C. Jessep, director of the United States Veterans' Welfare bureau in the Pacific northwest, stationed here, announced today.

Director Jessep declared the Cushman veterans had erred in believing they were to be placed with insane patients.

ALBANIA REPORTS NEW REVOLUTION

Twenty-Four Hour Ultimatum Is Addressed to Government By Insurgents

ROME, June 5.—The revolutionary situation in Albania is still serious and the commander of the southern nationalist forces has addressed a 24-hour ultimatum to the central government ordering his troops to continue to advance pending the government's reply according to a dispatch from Avlona to the Giornale d'Italia.

The districts occupied by the insurgents have been placed under a state of siege, while telegraphic communication between Avlona, Durazzo and Tirana has been severed. At Avlona, a new governing commission, including several former ministers and deputies has been formed.

All men between the ages of 20 and 46 have been conscripted. The capture of Berat was effected by revolutionaries after a bombardment of two days. Twenty of the attackers were killed.

HORACE ADDIS IS NAMED ON BOARD

Field Editor of Oregon Farmer Succeeds Dr. J. W. Morrow as Fair Official

Horace Addis, field editor of the Oregon Farmer, was yesterday appointed by Governor Pierce as a member of the state fair board to succeed Dr. J. W. Morrow of Portland, resigned. Addis is a Democrat and was a strong supporter of the governor during the gubernatorial campaign.

Dr. Morrow resigned from the board because of disapproval by him of the policy adopted by the board relative to the horse show feature. The board voted to feature amateurs more strongly in the show, to the elimination of some of the professionals, although keeping the show open to Oregon professionals. Also it took the show out of the hands of Jack Fleming, who has directed most of the horse shows on the coast in recent years. Neither of these actions pleased Morrow and led to his resignation.

STOCKHOLDERS OF KING'S ASSEMBLE

Committee Named to Receive Proxies for Meeting in Portland

About 70 local stockholders of the King's Food Products company met last night in the office of Guy Smith, attorney, and named a committee to receive the proxies of all the local stockholders who cannot be present at a stockholders' meeting that will be held in Portland on Tuesday, June 17. The sense of the meeting was that the company should be placed under new management and that if it is conditions are such that it can be revived.

The members of the committee, which is to ascertain what local stockholders will attend, and obtain the proxies of those who cannot, are J. C. Perry, F. H. Kankle and W. T. Stoiz.

The meeting began with a preliminary statement by Rev. H. D. Chambers as a representative of the stockholders.

It is said that the plans of the company in Salem and the The Dalles are first class in every respect, and with a readjusted management it is believed the concern can be made to operate on a paying basis.

Prohibition Party Faces Disbandment

COLUMBUS, Ohio, June 5.—(By The Associated Press.)—Facing a memorial for disbandment and several proposals that the practice of nominating national tickets cease, the prohibition national convention tonight was in an uncertain state.

The first day's session brought out a sharp divergence of opinion on these questions and the issue will be fought out on the floor tomorrow. Opponent of the abandonment faction went ahead with plans to carry through the usual program and talked candidates.

TORNADO HITS TOWNS, KILLING AND DAMAGING

Lightning and Heavy Rain Accompany Storm Which Sweeps Illinois

CHAMPLAIN, Ill., June 5.—According to telephone officials at Bement, a tornado hit the north-east section of that town late this afternoon doing considerable damage, although no one was reported seriously injured.

Earlier reports that an airplane had fallen near that place during the storm were denied by the telephone officials.

MONTICELLO, Ill., June 5.—One person was reported killed at Milmine, about 15 miles west of here this afternoon in a tornado which swept down upon the town about 3 o'clock amid intermittent flashes of lightning and a heavy downpour of rain mixed with hail.

GRANGE EMBORSES NORRIS MEASURE

Plan to Change Date of Presidential Inauguration Is Given Support

THE DALLES, June 5.—Urging the Norris constitutional amendment to change the dates of the presidential inauguration and the opening session of congress to January 1, the Oregon State Grange Wednesday passed several legislative resolutions two of which called for reforms by the state legislature.

Chief among the bills urged upon the state legislature by the Grangers, and which will be taken up at the next session by the legislative committee of the state organization, were as follows: "That draftage and irrigation warrants be accepted in payment of district tax assessments," and "not permit the use of money collected by the sheriff or tax collectors for maintenance of irrigation districts to be used by county officials to pay state taxes."

The registration committee reported late Wednesday in Oregon, boasting a membership of 11,000 farmers, were represented in The Dalles.

The president's annual report has been submitted to the Division of Labor committee and will be brought on the floor of the convention with recommendations today, it is believed.

George A. Palmer of Hood River, for the past year master of the Oregon State Grange and re-elected by subordinate lodges for an ensuing two-year term, was confirmed in that office by the delegates.

By the election rules of the grange, the principal state officers are chosen by subordinate granges which report to the election committee in convention, the latter reporting the successful candidate for confirmation.

Several others were confirmed as follows: M. C. Glover of Boring, overseer; Minnie E. Bond of Eugene, lecturer; Bertha J. Beck of Albany, secretary. All were re-elections. An executive committee composed of C. E. Spence of Gladstone, past master; C. H. Bailey of Roseburg, editor of the Grange Bulletin, and Frank M. Gill of The Dalles was also confirmed by the delegations.

Palmer has been master for the past year, having been chosen to that office to fill the vacancy of C. E. Spence, appointed state market master by Governor Pierce.

The convention was featured Wednesday night by the appearance of Louis J. Taber, national master of Columbus, Ohio, who spoke at an open meeting. National Master Taber is making a survey of state granges and is visiting conventions in the various western states.

Telegrams of greeting from Master A. S. Goss of the Washington state grange in convention at Vancouver, Wash., were read as well as greetings from Oregon state officers who were unable to attend this session.

JAPANESE TO RETURN

TOKIO, June 6.—(By the AP.) The difficult problem of returning Japanese residents of the United States, who are at present in Japan, to America before the exclusion act becomes effective on July 1, has called for government action. The government has arranged with shipping companies for three special ships to reach America before that date.

SHANK'S IRE ROUSED OVER FLOWER LOSS

Minister of Baptist Church Indignant Over Robbery of Snap Dragons

Rev. E. H. Shanks of the First Baptist church is mad—hopping mad. The immediate cause of this normally calm minister's wrath is that his flower bed was raided last night. He reports that some beautiful lavender snap dragons which graced his front yard were stripped of their blooms during the early part of the evening. The flowers had been admired by neighbors and other friends for several days.

Rev. Shanks thinks he has reason to make even a preacher sore and he is mad—hopping mad. "Do you blame him?"

DENTAL STUDENTS TAKE TESTS HERE

Half Hundred of Them Working on Convicts at State Penitentiary

Nearly 100 dental students are in the city taking their state examinations. The class is divided into two groups, about 50 being here for the remainder of the week and the other group beginning their work Monday. The examinations are conducted in the hospital at the state prison, with the work being done on convicts. Members of the state board of dental examiners who have charge are Dr. W. W. Walker of Grants Pass, president of the board; Dr. Carl E. Miller of Salem, Drs. F. W. Hollister, W. D. McMillan and E. T. Hedlund, all of Portland.

Approximately 50 students were in attendance at the opening of the examination yesterday. With one exception, all of the students are men. Those registered for the examination are:

George E. Lewis, 1258 Leslie, Salem; William E. Alexander, Vancouver; B. C. Lloyd G. Anderson, Fairview; John A. Burchford, Baker; Ivan C. Calloun, Metzger; Nelson D. Campbell, Victoria, B. C.; Lewis R. Dugherty and H. C. Fortmiller, Albany; C. E. Friard, Tacoma; Emery J. Fraser, Waterville, Wash.; Thomas W. Gaffney, Enumclaw, Wash.; Noel Levitt, Caldwell, Idaho; Acie D. McClain, Lebanon; Eris R. Nordin, Bellingham; Elmer G. Phillips, Montecito; George H. Pohl, Sisson, Cal. Clifford H. Sayre, Tacoma; Roy T. Stickle, Eugene; W. W. Whetstone, Spokane; Edward C. Sherman and George W. White, Centalla, and Harry N. Moran, of Vancouver, B. C.

Portlanders taking the examination are Peter G. Alexander, Mary G. Anderson, Joseph E. Arnold, P. L. Arthur, J. O. Badgley, William E. Benjamin, Robert E. Bennett, James E. Brumback, Estill L. Brunk, V. N. Christianson, Philip Cole, Con M. Duriand, Carl J. Franz, William J. Gibson, Clinton T. Greer, William H. Gyllenberg, Charles D. Hinshaw, Paul B. Hansen, Bernard Jankelson, Raymond E. Johnson, William H. Kibler, Charles H. Kisky, Jay B. Knapp, Lyle E. Knaster, Paul W. Kunkel, Samuel J. Leavitt, Walter H. Lursen, Sidney T. Magnusson, Arthur J. Mawser, Vernon E. Neeley, Alfred W. Nygaard, Morris P. Rogoway, Saul C. Robinson, Frederick L. Rosegrant, Carl A. Rossman, Claude A. Scott, Philip B. Seymour, Paul P. Smith, Harry Snider, Roy B. Snider, Edwin A. Smith, Charles L. Tofferson, C. G. Van Valzesh, R. C. Van Valzesh, James D. Walker, Clyde L. Walter, L. B. Warnicker, Clifford I. Wood, Chester A. Weber, Milton A. Weber, Milton M. Yahn, I. N. C. Williams, Albert Morene and Theodore A. Olson.

GODFREY CHOICE FOR POSTMASTER

Representative Hawley Recommends Man for Post at Independence

WASHINGTON, June 5.—(Special to The Statesman.)—Representative W. C. Hawley of Oregon has recommended that Gaylord G. Godfrey be appointed postmaster at Independence, Or. Godfrey has military preference. The only other eligible man is Homer B. Wood.

BATTLESHIPS ORDERED

WASHINGTON, June 5.—The bill authorizing construction of eight scout cruisers and conversion of several coal burning battleships to oil burners, was passed by the senate tonight. Action was taken in the time required for the clerk to read the bill.

FRAUD CHARGE LAID AGAINST OIL CONTRACT

Serious Irregularities in Connection With Doheny and Sinclair Deal Heard By Senate

WASHINGTON, June 5.—A report charging serious irregularities in connection with the Sinclair and Doheny oil leases was approved by the senate oil committee today as a sequel to its long and colorful investigation. The senate itself probably will be asked to vote its approval tomorrow.

Prepared by Senator Walsh, democrat, Montana, the committee prosecutor, the report held that the "leases were wasteful and had been negotiated secretly in disregard of the statutes and on the basis of a presidential order illegally issued; that all of those concerned in the payment of \$100,000 by E. L. Doheny to Albert B. Fall were "reprehensible," but that no proof had been found either of an "oil conspiracy" at the Chicago republican convention of 1920 or of speculation by public officials in Sinclair and Doheny oil stock.

Before the committee gave its approval it struck out the Montana senator's only recommendation for legislation and substituted a declaration that final judgment as to what new statutes are necessary should be reserved until the courts have construed the present laws in the oil lease litigation now pending.

Senator Walsh's draft of the report would have suggested that competitive bids be required hereafter for oil leases; that such leases be made only for protection against drainage; that approval by the comptroller-general would be necessary to make them effective and that hereafter no government oil could be "exchanged" for tankage.

All organization republicans on the committee were absent, although they had taken part in a discussion of its provisions at two previous sessions.

LEASES WASTEFUL AND ILLEGAL THINKS WALSH

No Proof Found of "Oil Conspiracy" or Speculation By Public Officials

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DEATH CLAIMS TWO VICTIMS OF AUTO WRECK

Ed Diviny and Vira Morris Die in Dayton Following Plunge Over Bank

WALLA WALLA, Wash., June 5.—Ed Diviny, 54, of Milton, Or., and Vira Morris, 10, of Dayton, died at a Dayton hospital today shortly after the car driven by the former left the Dayton-Pomeroy highway, and went over an embankment.

Mr. Diviny had volunteered to take Mrs. Elmon Morris mother of the girl and her three children, to Central ferry, where Elmon Morris is employed. Rescuers brought all five to the hospital where two of them soon died. Mrs. Morris is suffering from a broken shoulder.

FOREST FIRES STILL RAGING

Slight Relief in Northwest Brought by Cool Weather and Humidity

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DEFICIENCY BILL PASSED

WASHINGTON, June 5.—The pending deficiency bill, carrying approximately \$200,000,000, of which \$131,943,000 would be for meeting the first year's cost of the soldier's bonus, and last of the supply measures, was passed by the senate late tonight, clearing the calendar appreciably of legislation of first importance in preparation for adjournment Saturday evening. It now goes to conference with the house.

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THINK LOWDEN SATISFACTORY TO PRESIDENT

Leaders Declare That Coolidge Regards Illinois Man With Favor for Vice-President

CLEVELAND, June 5.—(By the AP.)—President Coolidge has passed the word that former Governor Lowden of Illinois would be acceptable to him as his running mate. There is every reason to believe that Mr. Lowden, who was the choice of old line party leaders for first place in 1920, will not resist a draft.

This word came to Cleveland today and crystallized the sentiment already running strong toward Lowden.

It was made plain that President Coolidge, in disclosing his approval of Lowden, had not departed from his hands-off policy and was still leaving it to the convention, so long as no attempt was being made to put on a running mate to represent the insurgent wing of the party. The president, it was carefully pointed out, was simply making it known that he would regard Lowden as very acceptable if the convention chose to pick him.

All this fitted in with a rapidly rising tide for the former Illinois governor which today had entirely drowned out the talk for Charles G. Dawes of Chicago, and puts Secretary Hoover out of the running, if he ever was in it for Mr. Hoover had publicly declared he did not want the place.

Delegates and committees arriving from the states of the northwest, where the La Follette strength is openly admitted as a factor to be reckoned with, added to the rapidly growing sentiment for Lowden. They declared that Lowden was the man who could do the trick most good in the agricultural states west of the Mississippi and who would draw strength from the rural vote, which, otherwise might be attracted elsewhere.

If the committeemen and delegates already on the ground were to pick out a vice presidential nominee now it undoubtedly would be Lowden.

As pre-convention details are steadily being cleared away, the machinery which will nominate the ticket next week is beginning to gather momentum.

Principal contests among delegates have been disposed of; organization selections for national committee officers are being made; last minute touches have been added to the arrangements for the sessions beginning Tuesday; delegates are beginning to arrive, and convention period have now reached the stage of the ticket scramble.

It was definitely made known today for the first time, with official sanction, that the name of Hiram Johnson will not be presented to the convention, and that no votes are expected to be cast for him from the floor, as will be done for Senator La Follette. State Senator George H. Bender, Johnson's manager in Ohio, announced that there would be no nomination of the California senator and that he stood by his previous release of his resignation.

Coolidge's manager, said he had been advised that the two Johnson delegates chosen in Illinois would cast their votes for Coolidge.

Among the organization proposals to be submitted to the convention for ratification with the endorsement of the national committee will be one to elevate women to full membership in the committee and equal participation in its affairs.

Governor Pierce Has New Baby Grandson

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