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NORRIS BOUND OVER
ON MURDER CHARGE

Kelso Man Who Demanded
Trial Released After
Posting of Bond

SPECTATORS SEARCHED

All People in Courtroom Searched
for Weapons; Norris De-
clared Seen Near Scene
of Murder

CASTLE ROCK, Wash., Sept. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—George Norris, Kelso city engineer, was bound over to the superior court for trial on charges of conspiring to murder Thomas Doversy, Kelso editor, June 19, following a hearing in justice court here tonight. He was released on \$40,000 bail.

CASTLE ROCK, Wash., Sept. 23.—Fire arms which A. Ruric Todd, former mayor of Kelso, told authorities he feared would cause bloodshed during the trial of George Norris, Kelso city engineer, on trial here on murder conspiracy charges, failed to materialize tonight when sheriff's deputies searched all prospective spectators. No weapons were found.

The trial proceeded in an orderly fashion tonight after Justice of the Peace W. H. McCoy emphasized all disturbers would be ejected.

Witnesses were examined by Hite Imus, prosecuting attorney, who last night turned over the examination to Todd.

Mrs. V. H. Copeland and E. C. Lewis of Kelso testified to seeing a man hurrying away from the place where Thomas Doversy, Kelso editor, was killed. M. J. Stevenson, also of Kelso, declared he had seen Norris in the vicinity the night of Doversy's death.

Evidence submitted during the hearing tonight by Mrs. Jude Park, proprietor of a Kelso auto park, was held by Hite Imus, prosecuting attorney to be sufficient to hold Norris.

Mrs. Price testified that she had seen Norris leap over a fence and run across her auto park, which is about eight blocks from the spot where Doversy was found, on the night of the killing.

Other witnesses testified that Norris had been seen in the vicinity the night of the shooting.

Thomas P. Fiske, Norris' attorney, vigorously opposed presentation of testimony by witnesses procured by A. Ruric Todd, seceded mayor of Kelso, and refused to submit evidence for the defense, declaring he preferred to fight out the case in superior court.

Hite promised to file an information charging Norris with murder conspiracy tomorrow morning. Norris' bail bond was subscribed by prominent Kelso citizens, including State Senator Frank C. Barnes.

Following the hearing, Todd was arrested and taken to Kelso on a fourth successive charge of malicious prosecution, growing out of charges of conspiracy and embezzlement of Kelso city funds, filed against eight Kelso citizens.

AVIATORS ARRIVE TODAY

SAN FRANCISCO PREPARES
WELCOME FOR FLIERS

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—Commander John Rodgers and his crew of the naval seaplane PN-3 No. 1 will sail through the Golden Gate tomorrow morning on the battleship Idaho and step again onto the shores of the continent from which they flew to be acclaimed by the city's people.

The arrival of the five rescued fliers of the ill-fated trip to Honolulu will be heralded by a squadron of airplanes that will hover over the Idaho as she steams into the harbor. The battleship is due about 9:30 o'clock.

Immediately upon their arrival the nation's heroes will participate in a triumphal procession from the embarcadero to the city hall where Mayor Rolph will officially welcome them and pin on the breast of each a gold medal. San Francisco's token of appreciation of the heroic efforts of the five navy fliers.

An elaborate program in their honor has been arranged by various citizens, organizations and clubs.

PRINCE LEAVES ARGENTINE

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—The Prince of Wales bade farewell to Buenos Aires today. Great crowds gathered at the Constitution station to get a last glimpse of the prince.

LEADER DISAPPROVES
OF FATAL FLIGHT, SAID

BETTER FROM DRUGGIBLE COM-
MANDER READ IN RECORD

Conditions at Time of Correspond-
ence Said to Have Changed
Later

LAKEHURST, N. J., Sept. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—Disapproving a recommendation of the now dead commanding officer, Lieutenant Commander Zachary Lansdowne, that the western flight of the alrship Shenandoah be deferred until the second week in September, the navy department ordered that the craft leave Lakehurst on September 2 to visit state fairs at Columbus, Des Moines, Minneapolis, Milwaukee and Detroit.

This was disclosed by confidential records of the department read today before the naval court of inquiry sitting here by Captain Geo. W. Steele, Jr., commander of the Lakehurst naval air station.

In this letter objecting to the earlier date for beginning the fatal flight, Commander Lansdowne made no mention of probable unfavorable weather conditions; predicting the recommendation solely on the ground of the limited preparations for receiving, refueling and re-gassing the Shenandoah at Scott field, Ill., and Detroit.

It was developed, however, by Captain Paul Foley, judge advocate, that the department letter failing to approve the recommendation was written only after it had definite information that the receiving mast at Detroit had been completed and tested. At the time Commander Lansdowne made his recommendation the mast was incomplete.

Questioned by the court Captain Steele said he had observed on the weather chart forecast just before the Shenandoah sailed no disturbance which in his judgment the alrship could not pass or avoid. There was no inquiry as to whether the storm in which the Shenandoah was wrecked with the loss of 14 of her crew was charted.

Under the long examination, Captain Steele said there had been frequent inspections of all the materials in the Shenandoah and that there had come to his knowledge no information as to her condition which might have led him to disapprove of her departure for the west.

Paying his tribute to the dead commander, Captain Steele said Mr. Lansdowne was "a very capable and careful handler of alrships" and expressed the belief that he had handled situations with the Shenandoah "in no way different from the very best seaplane practice."

As a preliminary to the examination of Captain Steele, the court developed for the record

PIRATES CAPTURE FLAG
PLAYERS CONGRATULATED
FOR CLEAN FIGHTING

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Sept. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—John A. Heydler, president of the National league, saw the Pirates win today's game from Philadelphia thereby clinching the 1925 pennant. Hastening from the press box after the game was over, the league head joined players and club officials in the clubhouse to add his congratulations to the team members.

"What pleases me particularly with what you have done," he said, "is the manner in which it was accomplished. You played clean, hard ball today, and the game was typical of how you have striven throughout the entire season. It always pleases to see a club reach its goal by clean fighting, on ability and not subterfuge."

"Your manager, McKechnie, is the type to inspire you to the end. And he certainly has done that."

Talking to newspaper men, Heydler reiterated his belief that the Pirates would win the world series, but at the same time he sounded a note of warning.

"There is always danger in such a series," he pointed out, "that a club will try to outdo itself, play over its head. If the Pirates will only continue the gait that brought them to the league championship, they should win the series."

TO ROUND-UP FUGITIVES

SEATTLE, Sept. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—A drive to round up 266 persons listed as fugitives on federal charges is to be started in this district soon, a report compiled here today by United States Attorney T. P. Reville revealed. Since 1921 the number of fugitives shows a rapid increase with prohibition violators predominating. Of the total 266, all but 85 fugitives are wanted for violation of the Volstead law.

SUBPOENAS FILED
FOR MURDER TRIAL

Twenty-One Persons to
Take Stand When Mur-
ray Appears October 5

MAJORITY ARE GUARDS

Prison Officials, Taxi Driver and
Kidnaped Monitor Men In-
cluded; Other Trials
to Follow

Twenty-one persons will be subpoenaed by the state to testify at the trial of Tom Murray, Ellisworth Kelley and James Willos, the three convicts who escaped from the state prison on August 12 and for whom the death penalty will be asked on two counts. The subpoenas have not yet been served but were filed with the county clerk Wednesday.

Those called will be Lloyd T. Rigdon, county coroner; George Weigel, Dr. W. Carlton Smith and Dr. G. E. Prime, J. S. Murray, chief clerk at the prison; Robert Crawford, superintendent of the flax plant; A. M. Dalrymple, warden; Peter J. White, guard; J. B. Nesmith, turnkey at the time of the break; but later relieved; John Davidson, guard who killed Oregon Jones during the break; Charles McKimley, W. E. Gardner and S. B. Sandifer, guards; Lute Savage, guard who was seriously wounded by the convicts; George Robinson, Alice W. Orborn, W. H. McGilroy, Zina J. Zinn, whose automobile the convicts commandeered, and Geo. Wilde, Otto Lucht and N. W. Miller, three monitor youths whom the convicts kidnaped and brought as hostages to the Newman home in New Era.

The trial will open on October 5, at 10 o'clock in the circuit court rooms here. Each of the three will be tried separately, with Murray's case appearing first on the calendar. The death penalty will be asked on two counts for each of the alleged killers, for the murder of John Sweeney and J. M. Holman, two guards who were killed during the break. The convicts will be represented in court by Will R. King, Portland attorney.

MITCHELL PLANS HUNT

TRIP TO AFRICA SUGGESTED
IF HE IS OUSTED

DALLAS, Texas, Sept. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—Big game in Africa will be Colonel William Mitchell's next target if he is ousted from the army air service, he said here today. Colonel Mitchell, chief critic of the American air service, stopped here on his overland journey from San Antonio to the national capital whence he has been summoned to testify in President Coolidge's air service investigation.

SEVEN SALEM MEN ARE
ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

43 OF 61 APPLICANTS PASS
STATE BAR EXAMS

Tests Given Last July Are Made
Public Wednesday by
Arthur S. Benson

Seven of the 43 successful applicants in the state bar examinations held last July are from Salem, according to a report made public Wednesday by Arthur S. Benson, clerk of the supreme court. There were 61 applicants this year, a majority of whom live in Portland. Those passing the examination and who will be admitted to the practice of law in the state are:

Salem—George R. Duncan, Benjamin F. Forbes, Jr., Allan W. Jones, Floyd D. Moore, Linden Martin, Otto Karl Paulus and James B. Young. Mr. Moore was formerly county clerk of Polk county.

Portland—Orville Milton Allison, N. G. Reutgen, Josiah Horton Beeman, Arthur C. Bull, Marlon Eugene Dickey, Ralph M. Farmer, Nelson A. Frost, Jr., Thomas G. Green, Jr., Albert M. Hodler, Samuel Joseph, Paul J. Kearney, Leo Levenson, John Alexander MacLeod, John H. McGowan, I. Robert Merrick, Carl J. Nyquist, Emanuel Henry Reichart, Wilson H. Scott, Rolfe W. Skulason, Alfred R. Southard, Mary Jane Spurlin, Harold Ross Stearns, Arthur Sellwood Vosburg, Millard D. White, Margaret White and John F. Winter.

Eugene—Jean Francois DuPaul and James K. King.
Hood River—William W. Mulr.
and Tenuis J. Wyers.
Medford—Clarence D. Phillips.
Redmond—George H. Brewster.
Burns—J. D. Cook.
Baker—Armond H. Fuchs.
Toledo—James Hale Ross.
Vale—Fred D. Walbrecht.

PECKINPAUGH SELECTED

"RAJAH" NAMED MOST VALU-
ABLE PLAYER FOR 1925

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—Roger Peckinpaugh, Washington shortstop chosen as the American league's most valuable player in 1925, expressed both surprise and regret when informed by the Associated Press of his selection. He was surprised at his own good fortune and his regret that Al Simmons, Philadelphia outfielder and runner in the award contest, had not won out.

"I'm sorry Al didn't get it," Peckinpaugh said. "He's been a great help to his team and has had a fine season. But he has a better chance to get it later than I would have, being a younger man."

LIQUOR CRAFT GROUNDS

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—A 75 foot power boat, believed to have been engaged in rum running, which went ashore near Halfmoon bay and was deserted by its crew, probably will be a total loss.

POLICE SEEKING DRIVER
OF WRECKED AUTO

MACHINE BELIEVED USED IN
MARION ROBBERY

Variety of Loot Found on River
Road; Youth Says Name
Duval Anderson

A stolen car, wrecked and in the ditch on the River road about two miles north of Salem early Tuesday morning, is believed to have been the car used by robbers who broke into the general store and Southern Pacific depot at Marion Monday night. A young man, the only occupant of the car, is being sought by officers. A number of articles corresponding to the loot taken from the store was found in the smashed car.

The wreck occurred at about 4:25 o'clock Tuesday morning, and awoke several families in that neighborhood. Walter Pearmine and Sam Ostrander were the first on the scene, and with three other men who arrived shortly afterward, lifted the machine from the ditch, who was pinned underneath, but was uninjured. The men at the time did not know that the car had been stolen earlier in the day from William Jefferson of Salem. In the machine was found a ham, a number of pocket knives, several pairs of ladies' silk hose, several boxes of flashlight batteries and a number of purses. When questioned, the driver, a youth of about 20 years, declared that he was operating a punch board at the Livelys hop yards and that the articles were part of his equipment.

The automobile, after being turned right side up, was found to be in running condition, and the driver proceeded north. He ran out of gasoline, however, within a mile of the place of the accident, and abandoned the car. He was later picked up by another car and asked to be let out at the Livelys hop yard.

Deputies from the sheriff's office and Salem police later investigated, but have found no trace of the lad. He is described as about 19 or 20 years of age, wore a cap and overalls and a air of high boots. He gave the name of Duval Anderson.

WILL FELL OAK TREES

PRISON ENCLOSURE TO BE
CLEARED OF TIMBER

The three huge oak trees standing within the iron fence enclosure at the penitentiary will be cut down, Warden A. M. Dalrymple announced yesterday. One of the trees stands directly behind the new prison tower at the entrance and obscures a clear view of the front of the building.

Brick work is being rushed on the new tower and by Monday the structure will be on a level with the iron points surrounding the fence. This will mark the floor of the portion of the tower occupied by the guard.

Steps leading to towers 1 and 7 from the inside of the enclosure have been removed.

AIR MAIL PROGRAM
REVIEWED BY BOARD

Postmaster General and
Secretary Hoover Ques-
tioned in Air Squabble

UNIFICATION IS OPPOSED

Hoover Favors Separate Bureau
of Civil Aeronautics to De-
velop Commercial Air
Service

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—The president's air board completed today the first phase of its inquiry into aviation by hearing from Postmaster General and Secretary Hoover and then it recessed until Monday.

Adding to the mass of information already supplied by the war and navy departments, the two cabinet members avoided the controversial issues involved and discussed only commercial aviation and development of the air mail service.

The recess was to enable the board members to attend to private affairs and also to re-examine the testimony already introduced. Upon reconvening the board will hear from air pilots, among them Colonel William Mitchell, former assistant chief of the army air service, and whose attacks on the government's military aviation policies largely were responsible for inception of the inquiry. He is expected to appear on Tuesday.

Commercial aviation was presented today as an industry of proved merit and the story of its progress, told jointly by Mr. New and Mr. Hoover, was in contrast to previous testimony disclosing differences of opinion among army and navy heads.

Mr. New prefaced his testimony with the statement that postal air mail had no connection with the military air dispute, but when questioned as to his views on unification of the air services, he joined Acting Secretary of War Davis and Secretary Wilbur in opposing the proposal.

Secretary Hoover was not questioned at all by the board and confined his statement to commercial air activities. He advocated creation of a bureau of civil aeronautics, however, and he believed that a self-supporting air service for commercial transportation is now a possibility within the United States for which the federal government should immediately provide. He urged also an expansion of the air mail service, which Mr. New previously had asserted has demonstrated that commercial aviation is "an entirely feasible thing."

Mr. Hoover recommended that a federal agency be created to give aviation approximately the same aid now given governmentally to navigation and urged that muni-

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MAN AGAIN QUESTIONED

HUSBAND OF SLAIN WOMAN IS
QUERIED ABOUT DEATH

VINTON, Iowa, Sept. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—Questioning of Clifford B. Cook, husband of Mrs. Myrtle Underwood Cook, W. C. T. U. president slain in her home here recently, was resumed by officers here last night, it was learned today.

The questioning of Cook was followed today by an examination of Mrs. Heister Stelling, 35, of Sioux City, who roomed and boarded at the same place patronized by Cook in that city when he was living there a month ago.

Mrs. Stelling said she was on friendly terms with Cook, but she denied emphatically that she knew anything about Mrs. Cook's death. Mrs. Cook was shot to death as she sat in a rear room of her home, preparing a paper she intended to read the following day before a county convention of the W. C. T. U.

Cook, in testifying before the coroner's jury recently, denied that he had been on friendly terms with any woman other than his wife.

Officials who questioned Mrs. Kleekner, wife of a Christian church minister who assisted at Mrs. Cook's funeral, which was conducted by the Ku Klux Klan, reported today that she had admitted writing a note ordering the departure from Vinton of her husband.

RAIL PETITION SIGNED

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Sept. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—Petitions asking the interstate commerce commission to approve the development program of the Southern Pacific company in this region had been signed today by 94 farmers and shippers of the Merrill district.

QUARTERLY MEETING IS
HELD BY METHODISTS

REAPPOINTMENTS OF TAYLOR
AND LEACH URGED

Membership Is Placed at 1075;
Trustees and Stewards Are
Named for Year

Reports submitted at the last quarterly conference of the First Methodist church held Wednesday night showed that \$11,825 have been paid on the local church during the past year, and that the church has given \$26,661 to the missionary fields. The membership of the church, according to report, is now 1075.

Resolutions were adopted at the conference asking for the reappointment of Rev. F. C. Taylor as pastor of First Church, and for the reappointment of Rev. D. M. Leach as superintendent of the Salem district.

The conference appointed Ray L. Smith tryer of appeals, A. A. Lee district steward, C. F. Wilson, recording steward, and H. H. Kloepping church treasurer. Miss Mary Findley was appointed director of religious education. Mrs. H. H. Vandevort was elected lay delegate to the Eugene conference.

Following are those elected to the board of trustees and to the board of stewards:

Trustees
Dr. B. Blatchford, U. G. Boyer, Dr. C. A. Dumas, Dr. M. C. Findley, Dr. B. L. Stevens, J. O. Goltz, H. H. Vandevort, A. A. Lee, W. T. Riggins.

Stewards
Carl Abrams, J. H. Baker, G. C. Bellinger, E. E. Bergman, P. L. Blackberry, C. F. Brethaupt, P. E. DeLong, P. E. Evans, J. D. Foley, R. C. Glover, A. H. Hanson, U. G. Holt, W. E. Kirk, H. H. Kloepping, F. A. Legge, Charles J. Little, H. C. Mancola, D. H. Mosher, R. K. Ohling, O. E. Price, L. T. Reynolds, N. S. Savage, H. W. Scott, A. A. Stewart, B. E. Sisson, H. F. Shaaks, H. W. Swafford, Dr. F. L. Utter, S. A. Wheelwright, B. H. (Dr.) White, F. L. Wilkinson, C. F. Wilson, W. C. Winslow, Mrs. E. T. Barnes, Mrs. J. W. Beckley, Mrs. B. E. Carrier, Miss Adella Chaplin, Mrs. Foster Odom, Miss Grace E. Smith.

LIQUOR BRIBES CHARGED

MONEY IS SAID PAID FOR
WITHDRAWAL OF WHISKY

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—The offering of bribes running into thousands of dollars for the release of whiskey from government warehouses was related in federal court here today during the trial of Charles Daniels and Charles Callaghan, formerly of the Great Western Products Corporation, and George Appell, attorney, on charges of passing an \$8,100 bribe to Prohibition Agent William J. Jordan for the withdrawal of whiskey from bond.

Jordan, who was detailed in 1920 to investigate illicit withdrawals testified that he was informed by Daniels that he would be paid at the rate of \$5 a gallon if he would sign a permit for the removal of 8,100 gallons of whiskey. The price was later reduced to \$2.50 per gallon and again to \$1, which price Jordan said, he accepted.

The 8,100 gallons of whiskey in question was consigned to the Great Western Products concern, but delivery was held up, Jordan testified, pending an investigation of previous withdrawals and it was at this time that Jordan was informed that permits were being paid as high as \$15 a gallon for withdrawal of whiskey, the witness declared.

FORUM SESSION RESUME

FIRST WINTER LUNCHEON TO
BE HELD OCTOBER 3

The first regular luncheon of the Chamber of Commerce during the coming winter season will be held October 3, it was announced Wednesday. The last luncheon of the chamber was held June 30.

Several excellent speakers have been secured to address the members at the luncheons during October and November, but as yet the speaker for the first luncheon has not been fully decided upon.

The chamber's dining room now has a seating capacity of 130, and it is suggested that members come early, as those who arrive first will be the first to receive seats. Due to the fact that the meeting is the first of this season, and the fact that one of the best speakers is to be secured for the occasion, a large number of members is expected to be on hand.

WINE ORDERED DESTROYED

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Sept. 23.—A precedent in enforcement of the national prohibition act is believed to have been set here today when a jury in federal court of Judge John R. Partridge ordered the destruction of approximately 15,000 gallons of wine stored in a bonded warehouse at Callisto.

FRENCH DELEGATION
ARRIVES IN CAPITOL

Caillaux Said Ready to Open
Funding Settlement With
United States

GREETINGS EXCHANGED

Delegation Makes Formal Calls on
Heads of State Departments;
Early Termination Is
Now Anticipated

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—Joseph H. Caillaux, the French minister of finance and his ten colleagues arrived in the capitol today, ready to open negotiations for a funding settlement of their nation's four billion dollar debt to the United States.

In the chill, damp atmosphere of an early autumn afternoon the Frenchmen stepped from their private car in which they traveled from New York and immediately set about preliminaries to the formal negotiations into which they will launch at 10 a. m. tomorrow at their first meeting with the American debt commission.

As the first move, M. Caillaux hurried to the embassy and then made formal calls to exchange greetings with Secretary Kellogg at the state department and Secretary Mellon at the treasury, the latter the chairman of the American commission and guide of the negotiations. The French chairman was accompanied by Emile Daeschner, the French ambassador who had gone to New York to meet his countrymen when they landed from the liner Paris.

Other members of the delegation were taken direct to the hotel which will be their headquarters. The visitors apparently expect the negotiations to be brief. They have made arrangements to sail for home October 3 and M. Caillaux declared he saw nothing now to cause a change in the calculations. All the delegates were confident of an early settlement that would be satisfactory to both countries.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—(By Associated Press.)—Here are some of the important facts and figures of the French debt to the United States as recorded in the files of the treasury:

The debt was created in 1917 and 1918, various loans being made for purchase of war supplies and for other purposes.

Notes, literally 100's bearing the signature of the then Ambassador Jusserand and Joseph Simon, French fiscal agent, were given in exchange to the treasury.

Principal of the loan is \$3,340,516,043.72.

Accrued interest as of last June 15, is \$870,940,304.55.

The total indebtedness is \$4,210,556,948.27.

The principal includes \$400,000,000 representing surplus war materials sold to France.

On that amount France has paid interest at the rate of five per cent or \$20,000,000 annually since 1920.

The law under which the loans were made fixed the interest at five per cent. In settlements made with other debtors that figure has been scaled down and a similar arrangement is likely for France.

EX-MAYOR LEAVES KELSO

A. RURIC TODD SENT TO JAIL
THREE TIMES IN DAY

KELSO, Wash., Sept. 23.—Kelso's political life was raged up today with the anti-Todd forces inaugurating a determined offensive in which arrest warrants were used with great success.

A. Ruric Todd, ex-mayor, went to jail three times on warrants charging malicious prosecution, was released on bail three times, and on his last release left Kelso for the neighboring city of Castle Rock.

Attorneys for George Norris, city engineer, whom Todd accuses of complicity in the murder of Thomas Doversy last June, failed to secure their writs of habeas corpus for their client and the hearing of the murder charges conducted by Todd's direction before William McCoy, Castle Rock justice of the peace, will be continued tonight.