SECRECY RELATED IN FALL'S LEASES

Trial of Harry Sinclair Continues Rapidly; Shady Deal Recounted

WASHINGTON, Apr. 12—(AP) Accelerating its previous rapid pace, the government took testimony from ten witnesses and read the previous testimony from three others today, as it turned into the homes of its case against Harry F. Sinclair, on the charge that he conspired with Albert B. Fall, to lease teapot dome.

Owen J. Roberts, special counsel, then announced that tomorrow might see the wind up of the prosecution with ligelihood that the defense would begin by Monday. While the central theme today dealt with the alleged secrecy which shrouded teapot dome negotiations, testimony tomorrow is expected to take up Fall's famous Russian trip as Sinclair's agent.

Amos L. Beatty, president of the Texas company in 1922; John C. Shaffer, publisher of the Chicago Post; Former Governor R. B. Brooks of Wyoming; Birch Helms, in 1922 vice-president of the Texas-Pacific coal and oil company; and Leslie A. Miller, Cheyenne, Wyoming, oil operator all testified to efforts they made to obtain information from Secretary Fall or his office regarding the policy of leasing teapot dome. In each instance they said that adequate information had been withheld and that their offers to submit propositions were not encouraged.

Each of them testified on cross examinations, however, that the facilities of their various organizations would not have been sufficient to undertake a lease which would have embodied such comprehensive provisions as that which was signed by Sinclair.

George K. Thomas, of Denver, secretary of the Pioneer Oil and Refining company, testified concerning a contract negotiated between his company and the Mammoth Oil company—Sinclair's teapot dome development concern—for the purchase of quit claim deeds affecting the oil reserve Asquirement of these by Sinclair had been cited as a condition imposed by Fall to the granting of the teapot dome lease. This contract called for payment of $200,000 in cash and $850,000 in oil for the deeds; and testimony revealed that $341,751 of this total had been paid by Sinclair prior to last fall.

Loyal Demonstrations of King of Italy Held

ROME, Apr. 12.—(AP)—The American Minister, Henry P. Fletcher, has sent the following message to King Victor Emmanuel at Milan:

"I desire to offer to your majesty my sincere and heartfelt congratulations upon your majesty's escape."

Imposing demonstrations of loyalty broke out all over Rome this afternoon and great crowds gathered in front of the Quirinal and cheered the king and the royal family.

Will somebody write an anthem or do something to do justice to the unknown voter?—Los Angeles Times.

General Markets

PORTLAND GRAIN

PORTLAND, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—Wheat bids: BBB hard white, April, May $1.54; hard white, blue stem, baart, federation, soft white, western white, all $1.46½; hard winter, April, May, $1.36½; northern spring, all $1.38; western red all $1.36½.

Oats, No. 2, 36 pound, W. F., ditto gray, April, May, $45.50.

Barley, No. 2, 45 pound B. W., all $41.50.

Corn, No. 2, E. Y. shipment all $41.50, ditto No. 3, April, $40.

Millrun, standard, April, May $30.50.

HAY

PORTLAND, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—Hay buying prices: Eastern Oregon timothy $20.50@21; ditto valley $18@18.50; alfalfa $18@18.50; oat hay $14.50@15; straw $9.50 per ton. Selling prices $2 a ton more.

DAIRY

PORTLAND, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—Dairy Exchange, net prices:

Butter, extras 39c; standards 38c; prime firsts 38c; firsts 37c.

Eggs, extras 24c; firsts 22c; medium extras 22½c; medium firsts 20c.

PRODUCE

PORTLAND, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—Butterfat steady; 40c station, 41c track, 43@44c fob Portland.

Poultry steady; heavy hens 24@25c; light 15@20c; springs 20@21c; broilers 35c; pekin white ducks 30c; colored nominal; turkeys alive 25@27c.

Onions steady; local $1.75@2.25 per cwt; potatoes 75c@$1.25 sack.

LIVESTOCK

PORTLAND, Ore., April 12.—(AP)—Cattle steady; no receipts.

Hogs steady; receipts 184.

Sheep steady; no receipts.

CHICAGO GRAIN

CHICAGO, April 12.—(AP)—In a seldom equalled rush of buying wheat went skyward today as much as 5¾c a bushel. Abnormal backward condition of the 1928 domestic winter wheat crop officially reported from Washington was chiefly responsible stamped in the market and for hoisting prices to above top most levels heretofore reached this season.

Closing quotations on wheat were buoyant at virtually the day's highest figures, 4¾ to 5-8c net advance with corn 1 5-8 to 2 1-8c up and oats showing 3-8@½ to 7-8c gain.

Salem Markets

GRAIN—	
No. 1, wheat, white	$1.28
Red wheat, sacked	$1.22
Oats, per bu. milling	$ .70
PORK, MUTTON AND BEEF—	
Top hogs	8.00
Sows	.06@.07
Top steers	.11@.12
Cows	.05@.07
Spring lambs	.15
Dressed veal	.18
Dressed hogs	.11
POULTRY—	
Light hens	.15
Heavy hens	.20@.21
Springs	.18
Broilers	.18@.20
EGGS, BUTTER, BUTTERFAT—	
Standards	.17
Butterfat	.41
Print butter	.42@.43
VEGETABLES—	
Beets, sacked	.03
New cabbage	.04
Potatoes	$2.25, $2.00, $1.50
Celery, bunches	$1.35@1.75
Sweet potatoes	.06@.07
New potatoes	.15
Rejuvenated potatoes	.10
Local onions	$3.50@$4.00

TWO MONTH RECORD AT SCHOOL PERFECT

Nobody Absent At Crooked Finger In Period Ending March 16, Report

But one Marion county school, district No. 97B at Crooked Finger, had perfect attendance for the two months ending February 17 and March 16, according to attendance reports filed at the office of the county school superintendent. To those schools having an attendance of 95 per cent or better during either of the months the awards of honor have just been mailed from the superintendent's office.

Three schools scored 100 per cent for March attendance, and one, McAlpin, had its full quota of students every school day in February. March perfect attendance was at district No. 97A Crooked Finger, Mission Bottom and Taylor.

Seventeen schools had a 98 per cent attendance during February and 16 had that average during March.

Schools who were one point removed from having a perfect record during February numbered six, while but three scored 99 per cent in March.

Altogether, 158 awards of honor were sent for the two months, 62 of the 129 county districts receiving one for each month, 22 for February and 9 for March.

The schools receiving awards for attendance:

Both months: Middle Grove, Rosedale, Rickey, Aumsville, Hubbard, Hall, Brush Creek, Gates Aurora, Battle Creek, Illihee, Willard, Brooks, Evans Valley, Belle Passi, Mission Bottom, Fairview Central Howell, Independence, McKee, Roberts, Pratum, North Howell, McAlpin, Butteville, Bethany, Hazel Green, Liberty, Scotts Mills, Mehama, Gervais, Stayton, Shaw, Four Corners, Centerview, Keizer, Pleasant View, Mountain View, Davis, Sunnyside, Crooked Finger, both schools, Oak Ridge, Woodburn, Taylor, Hulit, Valley View, Fruitland, Brier Nob, Elkhorn, Crawford, Bethel, Porter, Cloverdale, Bridge Creek, Talbot, Raybell, Riverview and Monitor.

For February: Donald, Arbor Grove, Fern Ridge, Manning, Jefferson, Pringle, Looney Butte, White, Union Hill, Whiskey Bill, Johnston, Harmony, McLaughlin, Turner, Parkersville, Triumph, Geelan, Abiqua, Auburn, Mahony, North Santiam, Mill City and Waconda.

For March: Fairfield, Grassy Pond, Pleasant View, St. Louis, Eldriedge, Prospect, Oakdale, Mt. Angel, Hayesville, Maplewood Riverside and Noble.

LINEN MILL SOON READY TO OPERATE

The Pacific Coast Plant To Start In June, Operate Fully In September

J. Sidney Starling, vice president and general manager of the linen mill being built at Vancouver, Wash., visited Salem a few days ago. He is well known here, among flax and linel mill people. He is an inventor of a number of machines that make short cuts in the handling of flax and its products. He has for a long time been operating linen mills, in the New York.

The Vancouver plant is being built by the Pacific Coast Linen Mills, Inc., with branch offices in Portland, Oregon, and Buffalo, New York.

Mr. Starling reports the machinery of the plant at Vancouver as 80 per cent in place. The complete processes will be carried on there, retting and scutching the flax, and making twines and linens; but not shoe thread or fish net twine. There will be 50 looms to start with.

About the middle of June, retting and scutching will be commenced. By the middle of September, all the machinery will likely be in motion; the plant in full operation.

Mr. Starling believes the plant will pay from the start. The buildings are sufficiently large to allow of extensive expansions in the machinery equipment.

Bombing Attack Made On Italian King Victor

MILAN, Apr. 12.—(AP)—Terrorists placed a powerful bomb in the base of one of the electric light lamp posts lining the Piazza Giulio Cesare, and it exploded with terrific force this morning killing at least 15 persons and injuring 40 or more about the time King Victor Emmanuel was due to pass the spot. Thousands had gathered to salute the king on his way to the fairgrounds to inaugurate an exposition.

The explosion tore the lamp post to pieces and sent huge chunks of iron in all direction.

The king, who had arrived in Milan half an hour before, was somewhat delayed in proceeding to the fairgrounds. The enthusiastic populace crowded the streets and the squares. It was due to the slowness of the royal procession that the king escaped being in the very midst of the disaster. The first automobiles containing the sovereign, the members of his suite and accompanying municipal authorities were still moving slowly along the Corse Vercelli, before anything was known of the calamity, and then ambulances and litters were seen at the Sempione gate. Word of the explosion escaped the king until he entered the fairgrounds, a few minutes after 10 o'clock.

The base of the lamp post where the bomb had been placed had a circumference of about 7 or 8 feet. Therefore the explosive power of the bomb was increased many fold. When it burst fragments of metal were scattered over a radius of an eighth of a mile. A huge hole was ripped in the pavement for a distance of a hundred or more feet, and great crevices were opened in the square.

A woman looking out of a window of a house nearby was struck by a flying metal splinter and killed instantly. A little girl, who was known to have been clinging to the lamp post near the top, in order to get a better view of the procession, was blown to pieces. All that could be found of her was a little white hand.

The courage and coolness of the soldiers of the Fifth Alpine regiment lining the route is highly praised by eye witnesses. Blinded by smoke and dust, and some of them wounded, their first thought was to see the little children, hundreds of them who had been squirming about seeking points of vantage and rush them out of danger. One of the Alpini was killed outright and at least six of them were badly wounded and removed to a hospital. One of the latter, whose name was on the list as Pietro Ratti, is believed to have since died. It is reported that he was related to the pope.

ROME, Apr. 12.—(AP)—Premier Mussolini personally supervised measures for discovery of those responsible for today's bomb explosion at Milan as soon as he received word of the outrage.

Acting with the promptness which has characterized him in emergencies, he gave instructions himself for the capture of the perpetrators of the bombing and to prevent their escape from Italy. He announced also the despatch of various inspectors general of police from Rome to Milan.

The premier sent warmest congratulations to King Victor Emmanuel on his escape from the bombing.

WILKINS YET SILENT

NOTHING HEARD FROM FLYER CROSSING ARCTIC

SEATTLE, April 12.—(AP)—Reports of amateur radio operators that they had heard George H. Wilkins' radio and that he was apparently making test flights from Point Barrow were scouted in advices received here from Alaska tonight.

The entire radio net of the signal corporations in Alaska, it was pointed out, had been instructed to listen continuously for Wilkins' messages and his contemplated flight with Lieut. Carl B. Eielson over the top of the world. They have heard no word from the aviator-explorer for a week when he reported that he had been delayed by cloudy weather. Nor have they heard his plane in the air.

Guy Granson, Seattle radio amateur, said tonight that he had heard the fliers call late this afternoon. Wilkins was trying to talk to Pard, San Francisco but he was fading badly, and a New York station came in on top of the explorer's wave length so that it was impossible to read what he was trying to say.

BEARDED BEAUTIES COMING THURSDAY

The Bearded Beauties baseball team will arrive in Salem Thursday, April 19, at which time they will meet the Salem Senators on the local field, beginning at 5:15 o'clock. The Bearded Beauties are considered to be one of the strongest independent teams in the country and are doped to give the senators a good rub for their money. The whiskered nine played the local team here last season at which time they were defeated by a 4 to 5 score.

Many of these players could join the major leagues, believe authorities on baseball. They are speedy, shifty, and very accurate, with the ball and bat, being one of the most unique ball clubs in the country. They make a tour of the Pacific coast each year.

WINS ON FOUL

OAKLAND, Cal., Apr. 11.—(AP)—Jimmy Duffy, 146¾, veteral Oakland boxer, won on a foul tonight in the ninth round of a ten round match with young Jack Thompson, 144, of Los Angeles.

ELEVENTH HOUR STAY GIVEN WILLOS, KELLEY

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"It was said at the meeting by one of the justices that the supreme court of the state of Oregon had never passed upon the merits of Willos and Kelley case on account of the record made.

"Kindly call up the chief justice."

Chief Justice Rand later confirmed the correctness of the telegram. He said, however, that the members of the court would make the recommendation for commutation of sentences as individuals, and that it would not be forthcoming as a court recommendation.

Judge L. H. McMahan of the Marion county circuit court also sent a telegram to Governor Patterson urging commutation of the sentences.

It was understood here last night that Governor Patterson issued the respite in order that he may confer with members of the supreme court regarding the Kelley and Willos cases. The governor will return from Marshfield tomorrow.

Judge Percy Kelly, following a hearing in the circuit court Thursday, denied an application of Mrs. L. V. Goode of Portland that a commission of three physicians be appointed to examine into Willos' mental condition.

Judge Kelly ruled that Willos' sanity had been established by the jury which tried the case and by a sanity commission appointed by the court subsequent to the trial. This sanity commission reported that Willos and Kelley were both legally and medically sane.

It also was brought out that Governor Patterson recently ordered Willos examined by another sanity commission and that the report of this commission was adverse to the contention of defense counsel.

"The cour tfeels," said Judge Kelly, "that the issue has been decided against the defendant after a fair and impartial investigation. There is nothing for the court to do but deny the application."

Willos' brother arrived here Thursday from the east and passed two hours at the prison. Kelley's father also called at the penitentiary.

WOMAN BOUND BY TWO THUGS, ROBBED OF $20

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Later they threatened to kill her if she did not "come through" with the money which they demanded. She ordered them to do as they pleased about the shooting, declaring she had no money in her home.

Had Kept Large Sums

Miss Arnold, who is wealthy, has always been known to keep a large sum of money in her home, but just recently she had deposited it all in the bank, keeping only a few dollars on hand. Police believe that the robbers knowing about her previous habit, had planned to make a big haul.

After completely ransacking the house, emptying every drawer and trunk in it, and finding only the $20 they left through the same door by which they entered.

Hearing the woman scream, Mae Tarpley, G. W. Johnson, Jr., and C. A. Johnson, who were in that vicinity, entered the house and found the elderly lady laying on the floor, still securely tied, this being about an hour later. They immediately notified the police department, and Sergeant Cutler and Inspector Olson answered the call. The men who had found her left her tied until police officers arrived. After making a thorough investigation, the officers released her.

She declared that she had in no way been harmed by the robbers, but that her lips had been cut by the towel, and the cord had cut into her flesh about her wrists. She was very nervous.

FIND FOUR GIRLS ON NAVAL BATTLESHIPS

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sels were ordered to St. Petersburg, Fla.

Naval officers of long experience could today recall but one other stowaway case in the navy. A girl completed the journey on board the battleship Arizona from New York to Panama in 1923. Twelve enlisted men received prison sentences as a result.

Secretary Wilbur said today that the courts of inquiry have been ordered held at the ports where the vessels put the girls ashore.

WEATHER GETS CLEAR ON AMERICAN COAST

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(AP).—Midnight, Atlantic time, 10:30 p. m., Eastern Standard Time, brought no word of the German trans-Atlantic flyers from the lighthouses, wireless stations and telegraph stations along the coast tonight. A report, heavily discounted, was received from Shoal Harbor in Trinity bay that two persons there heard a plane at 8:30 o'clock E. S. T., but saw nothing owing to thick weather.

At 9:30 o'clock local time, the weather had cleared and flying conditions had become excellent. The night was clear and the visibility good.

BERLIN, April 12.—(AP).—All the thoughts of the German nation are with the crew of the Bremen, now over the ocean. There is some anxiety about the weather, which the meteorological service at Tempelhofer field says is not wholly favorable.

The American ambassador, Jacob Gould Schurman, has issued a message saying:

"With all my heart I hope the efforts of the brave and adventurous men on the Bremen may be seconded by favoring elements and good fortune and that they may arrive happily in America, where my fellow countrymen are already preparing a worthy and cordial welcome."

SENATE GIVES ITS APPROVAL ON BILL

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convention presidential campaigns, the chief point of interest for political observers was how the presidential candidates line up on the issue. The republican candidates split three and two, Curtis of Kansas, Watson of Indiana, and Norris of Nebraska voting for the bill and Borah of Idaho, and Goff of West Virginia voting against it. That was the way they lined up a year ago.

Senator Fess of Ohio, who is to sound the keynote at the Kansas City convention and who has been prominent in the movement to draft Coolidge, voted against the bill. None of the democratic presidential candidates was present, but it was announced that Senator Walsh of Montana, would have voted against it, and Senator George of Georgia, for it. Senator Reed of Missouri, who opposed the bill last sesion was absent on a speaking tour and there was no announcement as to how he would have voted.

AIRPLANE HITS RAIN AND WIND ON FLIGHT

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the bodies of the seven members of their crews, five men and two women, have never been found.

Speed 90 Miles An Hour

The Bremen flew across Ireland at 90 miles an hour, its most effective cruising speed, and was seen to head westward toward its distant goal. The day passed without word of any ship having sighted the plane but this caused no anxiety as it was remembered that the planes which made successful flights in the other direction last summer were seen but rarely after they left land behind them.

The weather was reported excellent over the first part of the ocean journey but the Bremen was expected to find the elements more unfavorable on this side. St. Johns, N. F., reported last night that although the weather there had been perfect all day, an easterly gale with rain was forecast by the weather bureau.

May Land Newfoundland

There was a feeling in some quarters that the Bremen crew although starting for New York very likely might land in Newfoundland, content with having achieved the western passage. St. Johns reported however, that even should the pilots wish to land they would have a most difficult time doing so at night. No landing lights are installed on the field at Harbor Grace and the field itself is broken by frost.

A close watch was to be kept at St. Johns for the plane but there was little belief that it would be sighted as it passed along toward New York.

Elaborate plans were made in New York to receive the airmen, Baron Ehrfren Gunther von Huenefeld, the sponsor and passenger-handyman, and Captain Hermann Koehl and Colonel James Fitzmaurice, the pilots. Since the plane was not expected until noon or later today the landing lights at Mitchell field were not burned during the night.

Airport Policed

The flying field was to be policed today by large details of soldiers and police and delegations from New York flyers' organizations and German and Irish soldiers made plans for a royal welcome. Mayor Walker appointed Grover Whalen, head of the mayor's committee for the reception of distinguished guests, to receive the flyers in the name of New York City.

Naval officers in Washington estimated that by flying at 100 miles an hour of its own speed and taking advantage of a 15 mile tail wind across the ocean and a 30 mile following wind from Newfoundland to New York the Bremen would reach New York at 2:40 a. m. today, but this was generally believed to be many hours before the plane could reasonably be expected to reach its landing field.

The naval officers, plotting the great circle course, reported that the distance from Dublin to St. Johns, N. F., was 2,048 miles and that from St. Johns to New York, 1,138, of an approximate total of 3,200 miles from Baldonnel to Mitchel field.

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