

JEWISH ISSUE RULED OUT OF SAPIO CLAIM

Ford Attorneys Force Court Ruling

VICTORY FOR TIME

Showdown On Important Point of Million Dollar Suit Favors Magnate

Courtroom, Detroit, March 21.—Henry Ford won at least a temporary victory on the Jewish issue in the Ford-Sapiro libel suit today.

After three hours of argument on the Jewish question, William J. Cameron, editor of the Independent, was recalled to the witness stand and objection to the question as to how the attacks on Sapiro in the Independent has been part of the original campaign in the Independent against the Jews, which had precipitated the argument, was sustained.

The court refrained from laying down any general policy, however, and apparently the issue remained open to be ruled upon as each bit of evidence is offered.

Courtroom, Detroit, March 21.—(P)—The so-called "Jewish issue," shunned so assiduously heretofore in the Aaron Sapiro million dollar libel suit case against Henry Ford, broke suddenly upon the case today.

An apparently innocent question asked William J. Cameron, editor of the Dearborn Independent, by William Henry Gallagher, attorney for Sapiro, brought two of Ford's lawyers to their feet protesting; the jury was excused and the session turned into a deep legal argument, full of citations of decisions of other courts and fine-drawn logic.

Want Wide Latitude
Sapiro's attorney argued that he must be permitted to show not only what the Independent charged against Sapiro, but also to tell of its charges against "a band of Jews" with which Sapiro allegedly was connected, in order to prove the extent of the alleged libel.

Ford's lawyers vehemently protested that what was said of Sapiro and nothing else was pertinent to the case. The court indicated it considered the argument would determine the extent to which Sapiro's relations with Jews and with "international Jewish bankers" would become a part of the evidence.

Letter Is Read
Just before this argument started, a letter was introduced containing the instructions under which Cameron testified Harry H. Dunn of Berkeley, Calif., wrote the alleged libelous articles.

The letter told Dunn that the "Jew boys" were "getting on the farmers and that the movement had been started by Bernard Harnish in Kansas City soon after President Wilson left the White House."

Dunn was asked to investigate the situation on the Pacific coast. The Dearborn Independent began its campaign against the "international Jew" and denounced Aaron Sapiro as an agent of a "band of Jews" exploiting American farmers, without consulting Ford, William J. Cameron, editor of the Independent, testified today.

He said that he had never discussed the matter with Ford when the Independent began its campaign. Cameron was resuming his testimony in the Ford-Sapiro million dollar libel suit, on trial here.

During the course of arguments by attorneys, William Henry Gallagher, representing Sapiro, revealed that he proposed to go into the matter of how wealthy Ford may be, as a factor in determining the amount of damages to which Sapiro might be entitled. He also declared he would prove malice on the part of Ford.

GIRL-WIFE KILLED

Mill City, Ore., Mar. 21.—(P)—A man and wife playfully snapping supposedly unloaded revolvers during a sham duel resulted in the death of Mrs. C. E. Martin, 18, here Sunday. The girl-wife was instantly killed, shot through the heart.

A coroner's jury held that the shooting was accidental and Martin was not arrested.

Spring Time Officially Arrives at 6:59 A. M.

Vernal Equinox Comes In Early Morning

Temperature Sunday Rises to 60 Degrees as Last Day of Calendar Winter Arrives

Fifty-six minutes after the sun crawled into Central Oregon skies this morning from behind the western spur of the Blue mountains, the winter of 1926-27 passed into calendar history and spring was ushered into the plateau country. Spring got officially under way in Central Oregon this morning at 6:59, according to astronomical calculations.

Just further to emphasize its seasonal independence, Central Oregon weather did not wait for the sun "to cross the line into Aries," as it is erroneously stated in many almanacs. Spring, in all its vernal glory, made a reconnaissance survey of the mid-state country Sunday and its warm breath pushed the mercury in government instruments in Bend up to 66 degrees. This was the highest temperature recorded here in over four months.

The pre-spring weather jubilee Sunday was marked by many spring-like activities. Sage rats were out in abundance, making a survey of cultivated fields for future forages. Rabbits, their white winter-adapted fur contrasting strangely with green bushes, lazily hopped over the vernal scenery. Also, ground-hogs were out again. In fact, a groundhog was seen abroad several days ago by L. D. Wiest of end, he reports.

Although today is, primarily, the beginning of spring in the Northern hemisphere, it is also the beginning of the Persian new year. Also, Mexico today celebrates the birth anniversary of Benito Juarez, liberator. This is also the festival of St. Benedict, referred to by some as the "first labor agitator." He insisted that all his followers must earn a livelihood at manual labor.

March 21 is known to astronomers as the vernal equinox, days and nights being of virtually equal length for several days. Twilight officially began this morning at 4:28. Twilight will end this evening at 7:47. The sun today is in the constellation Pisces.

Several thousand years ago, the constellation Aries and the sign Aries coincided, but the precession of equinoxes has resulted in a change.

Washington, Mar. 21.—Spring officially arrived at 9:59 a. m. today, eastern standard time, according to the naval observatory. The vernal equinox—the sun's crossing of the equator on its

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MEXICAN BANDITS ROB, BURN TRAIN

American Passengers Escape Harm

Mexico City, Mar. 21.—(P)—A train from Laredo, carrying six Americans and scores of Mexicans, was held up and partly burned near Oreguon, state of Guanajuato, Saturday night. It was learned when the train arrived here early today, 18 hours late.

Emilio Garcia, conductor, was shot to death when he got out of the train to beg the assailants not to shoot because of women and children on board.

"The train was moving slowly toward Oreguon when we heard a volley of shots," one American passenger, who would not permit his name to be used, told the United Press. "We stopped and 200 men shouting 'Viva Cristo Rey' (Long live Christ, the King), surrounded the train. The train's soldier escort of 10 disappeared without firing a shot.

"The band went through the train asking each passenger, 'who lives?' and all answered 'Cristo Rey.' Then the men announced no one would be robbed. Several reported losing money and jewelry, however.

"We were ordered out of the train, and three coaches were burned. Train officials said the bandits took 100,000 pesos from the express car.

When the cars were burning furiously, the 200 men quietly left."

Trainmen said the train ran over two boxes of dynamite placed on the track by the band but for some reason neither exploded.

BOYS HUNTING EAST OF BEND UNCOVER STILL

Dugout Holds 50 Gallon Liquor Machine

NO ARRESTS MADE

Boys Investigate Locked Cave and Find Moon- shiners' Equipment

Boys hunting jack rabbits found a 50-gallon still eight miles southeast of town Sunday morning. The plant was located in a dugout. Besides the still, 450 gallons of mash were found. "It was the neatest layout I've ever seen," Sheriff S. E. Roberts said today.

Send for Sheriff
The boys broke the lock on the dugout and looked in. The still was not in operation and no liquor was found there. Word was sent to Bend to Sheriff Roberts but it was late in the evening before the sheriff and his two deputies returned from another call.

They reached the dugout still about 10 o'clock last night. No one was found at the scene. The mash and plant were fired and the still brought to town. No traces of the operators were found.

Constable Called In
When Sheriff Roberts and deputies George Stokoe and L. A. W. Nixon returned to town from the other call, search warrants had been issued for the dugout plant. Roberts and his deputies left at once in place of a raiding party which had been ready to go before his arrival.

Constable Tom Carlson had deputized a number of men and was ready to leave when the sheriff arrived. The dugout plant was completely equipped, according to A. J. Moore, district attorney, who accompanied Sheriff Roberts and the two deputies. The two rooms were all sealed and heated by two coal-oil heaters.

It is located on a ranch adjoining that of Dr. R. D. Stowell.

LATZO SIGNS UP

New York, Mar. 21.—(P)—Pete Latzo, world welterweight champion, has signed to defend his title at the polo grounds May 24. Humbert Fugazy is the promoter.

Gasoline Dealers Battle For Business As Spring Motoring Season Opens

Paint Used as Chief Weapon In Warfare—Gas Prices Drop Two Cents Over Weekend as Traffic Grows

A "gas war" flared forth in Bend today, with the two cent drop in price, effective here Saturday afternoon of last week, apparently only a contributing cause. And as a result of this war, if the rivalry among competing companies can be called by such a harsh name, some dominant colors are giving way to tints more in keeping with the arrival of spring.

One of the big gasoline companies, it has been learned from reliable sources, has trained its battery on the business district of Bend and several of the leading stations have gone into a new fold. This victory for the competition is being observed at one of the stations by a new coat of paint, of subdued colors. There will be several changes in color schemes in the next week or so, if the information which is current around Bend today is reliable.

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Authorities Relying On D'Autremont's Mother

Hope For Confession By Her Aid

Boy's Father Counsels Silence Until Trial Starts; Inspectors Gather Some Clues

Sacramento, Mar. 21.—(P)—Authorities today postponed further questioning of Hugh D'Autremont, youthful Siskiyou train dynamiter suspect, until the arrival of his mother, Mrs. Belle D'Autremont, from Lakewood, N. M., tomorrow night.

While D'Autremont's father, through attorneys, was urging Hugh in a series of telegrams to "say nothing," postal inspectors believed the mother, who is separated from her husband, would influence her boy to "come clean."

Authorities claim Mrs. D'Autremont has already given them to understand that he would cry to dissuade her son from continuing a losing battle. They pointed out she is a devout Christian woman and would want her son to tell the truth, and through a complete "confession" escape the gallows.

Whether authorities will offer young D'Autremont a prison term instead of the noose, if he confesses, they would not indicate.

Inspectors assert D'Autremont, despite his cleverness in avoiding direct questioning about the train robbery and slayings, has dropped fragmentary bits of evidence, through which they may weave a coherent "confession."

Verne, 28, a brother of Hugh, was expected to accompany his mother from New Mexico.

TAX MEETING CALLED

Salem, Mar. 21.—(P)—The state tax commission has asked a committee of county assessors to meet here Tuesday for another conference on the new assessment law passed by the last legislature. Assessors expected to attend include G. L. Tallman, Corvallis; Hiram Welch, Portland; J. B. Beyers, Coquille; and J. B. Coleman, Medford.

The conference is understood to involve discussion of application of the new law relative to assessors demanding that manufacturers and business men furnished them certain information. Some manufacturers have objected to giving the assessors certain information.

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Almost Blameless Weepah Has New Fire Department, No Water

New Town Has Its First Auto Accident

Gambler Builds Largest Structure In Camp, Games Running as Walls Rise

Tonopah, Nev., March 21.—(P)—Weepah, scene of Nevada's greatest gold strike in years, opened a hotel and organized a fire department today. What two weeks ago was a desert resting spot with one or two frame shacks in evidence, is fast becoming a city.

The Weepah hotel, with a big sign heralding the fact, was thrown open to the public. Its 20 cots were almost immediately rented at \$4 per night.

The fire department was organized but there is no water system and no fire apparatus to use. A public subscription list was started to remedy this situation.

Three days ago Weepah was a village of flapping rags. Today half the tents that went to make up the camp had disappeared and frame structures had taken their places.

"Hard Rock Jack" O'Brien, with a crew of monte and faro dealers armed with hammers and saws, completed the camp's most elaborate structure yesterday in four hours. Before the last nail had been driven, the games were running full blast and eager players were crowding the tables.

A hot dog concessionaire paid O'Brien a sum running into four figures for the privilege of setting up a stand in a corner of the gambling hall, while another business man obtained the bar concession.

Sunday brought more visitors to Weepah than any previous day in the camp's history. The traffic situation became so serious that the service of half a dozen volunteer traffic officers was necessary to straighten out the tangle of automobiles.

Weepah's first automobile accident occurred Sunday, too, when three Tonopah boys over-turned in a cut-down Oliver just outside camp. One was seriously burned when the gasoline tank exploded, and "Seldom Seen Slim," a Nevada character, and one of the dance hall girls gave first aid treatment.

While actual mining operations have commenced at some of the holdings, Weepah's business activities are increasing hourly. Besides the gambling hall and dance resorts, the camp today boasts two grocery stores, a shoe shop, a dozen or more sandwich stands, a photograph gallery and a public stenographer. Besides these, the bootlegging gentry is doing a big business. One liquid goods salesman cleaned out his stock twice Sunday and had to rush back to Tonopah to replenish it.

Representatives of a San Francisco commercial aviation firm arrived today and completed arrangements for a landing field. Air service will be inaugurated within a week, they said.

BOXING BILL SIGNED

Denver, Mar. 21.—(P)—Governor Adams today affixed his signature to the boxing bill permitting 10 round boxing exhibitions in the state.

SINCLAIR APPEALS

Washington, Mar. 21.—(P)—Harry F. Sinclair, millionaire oil man convicted last week for contempt of the senate because he refused to answer oil investigating committee questions in 1924, filed today in the district supreme court a motion for a new trial.

NEW SAWMILL WILL RISE IN THE DALLES

Consolidation of 2 Firms Is Announced

The Dalles, Mar. 21.—(P)—An affiliation by the Black Butte Lumber Company, Inc., wholesalers of west coast lumber products, with the Wasco Pine Box and Lumber company of The Dalles, was announced by John G. Heinrich, president of the Great Southern railroad here today. Heinrich stated that construction of a two-band electric sawmill at The Dalles would begin immediately. Heinrich, through the Wasco Pine Box and Lumber companies, has contracted with the government to cut a large timbered area south of The Dalles, while the Black Butte company recently acquired 200,000,000 feet of timber west and south of The Dalles. A box factory will be operated in connection with the sawmill. The Black Butte company also has timber holdings at Heppner. The Dalles mill will be built just east of the city.

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Earl Carroll Is Denied Appeals; Will Serve Time

Washington, March 21.—(P)—Earl Carroll must serve his sentence of a year and a day in Atlanta prison for perjury, the United States supreme court decided today.

Petition of the noted New York show producer for a review of the conviction resulting from a grand jury investigation of Carroll's famous bathtub party on his theater stage was denied.

Chief Justice Taft announced the Carroll decision without comment, in the course of nearly two score similar orders denying appeals for review.

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LEAGUE CALLED IN AS WAR THREATENS

Jugo-Slavia Is Willing to Submit In Crisis

Paris, Mar. 21.—(P)—Jugo-Slavia is willing to submit the Albanian crisis to the League of Nations, dispatches from Belgrade reported today.

Dispatch of an international expeditionary force under league auspices, to Albania to maintain peace in that country, would be approved by Jugo-Slavia, it was understood. Foreign Minister Perich of Jugo-Slavia assured British Minister Kenhard and Italian Minister Bodrero at Belgrade that Jugo-Slavia would keep the Balkan peace at any price and denied an Albanian revolutionary plot had been organized in Jugo-Slavia territory.

Reports of probable league action arose from the visit of German Ambassador Von oesch to the French foreign office, where he conferred with Secretary-General Berthelot on Foreign Minister Briand's viewpoint towards league action.

It was believed that if Briand approved, Foreign Minister Stresemann of Germany might call a special session of the council of the league to consider the situation.

Official Paris considered the situation grave and it was understood Briand, who was in the country for the week-end, planned to intercede in both Belgrade and Rome in an attempt to prevent a rupture.

The situation was complicated by the somewhat strained relations between France and Italy, growing out of incidents along the border in the past year. France was known to be sympathetic with Jugo-Slavia in her desire to limit Italian influence in the Balkans.

Car Plunges 175 Feet From River Highway

Pendleton, Ore., Mar. 21.—(P)—Excessive speed while rounding a curve on the Columbia river highway is thought to have been the cause of the deaths of three persons, killed near here Sunday when the touring car in which they were riding plunged 175 feet down a cliff.

The dead: William L. Holt, 26, Baker. Benjamin Griggs, 21, Portland. Barbara Watkins, 18, Pendleton. The three were thrown clear of the machine as it tumbled down the almost vertical slope and were instantly killed when their heads struck jagged rocks.

A fourth member of the party, Miss Helen Whitted, Pendleton, escaped death by clinging to a ledge. Her screams brought passersby to her rescue.

Furniture Trust Trial Results In Hung Jury

Chicago, Mar. 21.—(P)—Trial of 79 furniture manufacturing corporations and 57 individuals, officers of the corporations, on charges that they violated the Sherman anti trust law by fixing furniture prices was declared a mistrial here today after jurors had debated the verdict for 95 hours.

Federal Judge George A. Carpenter dismissed the jurors who had listened to evidence for two months when it became evident they could not reach an agreement.

SHANGHAI HELD BY CANTONESE; TERROR BEGINS

U. S. Marines Land to Guard Citizens

INDUSTRY STOPPED

Striking Mobs Join Victorious Troops Rioting In Native Quarters

Shanghai, March 21.—(P)—Shanghai, the native portion of which was captured today by Cantonese troops, was the scene of widespread rioting this afternoon, with incendiary mobs of strikers joining nationalist soldiers in victorious glee.

Fire, turmoil and death followed the Canton troops into the native city while foreign soldiers and sailors, including United States marines, guarded a tense foreign settlement from invasion.

Kill British Soldier
Cantonese soldiers killed one British punjab soldier and wounded another on the north Szechuen road, outside the foreign settlement but on settlement property. Native police fired on mobs which burned one police station, captured five others and were repulsed when they attacked two more.

Four thousand Chinese gathered along Ward road in the Chinese section of the city late in the afternoon and the crowd was reported increasing. It was understood a parade of all striking workmen through the Chinese section was planned.

Marines Under Arms
Industry throughout Shanghai was paralyzed. A general strike was declared an hour after the southerners took over the city, and a state of emergency was proclaimed soon afterwards.

United States marines, heretofore kept aboard warships except for brief marches through Shanghai, were landed in force early in the afternoon and joined British, French, Japanese, Spanish and Italian troops in guarding the settlement, which was protected by barbed wire entanglements, pointed stockades and sandbag breastworks.

Volunteers were called out to help defend the settlement.

Capture Is Sudden
The capture of Shanghai came suddenly at 11 a. m. Even after the northern defense crumbled at Sunkiang Saturday it was not believed the southerners would capture this rich seaport within three days. But the heart was out of the Chang Chung Chang troops defending the city and, with only desultory resistance, they dropped back mile by mile all day Sunday before the advancing nationalists.

Through the warm moonlight night the sound of rifle fire kept the foreign settlement awake and tense.

Even this morning, with the guns sounding closer and closer, it was not believed the city would fall before tomorrow.

Northerners Flee
United States marines in full kits, carrying arms and wearing metal helmets, paraded the settlement shortly after 10 o'clock to give confidence to the foreign residents. Then the marines returned to their ship. But as the rifle fire grew

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