

BOMB PLOTS FRUSTRATED

REFORM OF INCOME TAX ADVOCATED

Mellon Tells Bankers of Proposed Changes To Be Sought; Lower Sur-tax Rate Urged.

Jackson, Miss., May 5.—A "lowering of the maximum surtax rates and a radical reduction in rates or the elimination of the federal and state tax," in all probability will be recommended to the house ways and means committee by the treasury next fall, Secretary Mellon today declared in an address before members of the Mississippi Bankers association.

The secretary said that while it would not be appropriate for him to set forth a "definite program, until the treasury makes its recommendations to the committee in the light of income then available," he felt sure that the "margin or surplus" would be ample for these reforms.

Theory Held Proper
The levy of an income tax, at proper rates, is a fair and economically sound means of raising the immense revenues required for the operation of the government.

Revolver, Poker and Profanity Figure In Divorce Testimony

A pearl handed revolver, talk about a woman killing her father-in-law with a poker, threats to take life, profanity, physical encounters between man and wife, with the calling in of the police, these were some of the features in the divorce proceedings of Frank A. Freiber, Salem fireman, against Rosa Freiber, aired in Judge McMahon's court yesterday. The court took the matter under advisement.

Jardine Will Ride Bronco Satisfy Demand



Mandan, N. D., May 5.—(By Associated Press)—Accepting a "dare" of a boyhood chum, William "Bill" Jardine, secretary of agriculture has been entered in the broncho riding event at the third annual Mandan round-up to be held here July 2, 3 and 4.

CLEAVER KEPT IN STATE JOB

Governor Admits Former Prohibition Director Doing Special Work As State Agent.

Although the state of Oregon has a prohibition commissioner that was appointed by Governor Pierce to succeed George L. Cleaver, after Cleaver had been subjected to a searching investigation by the legislature, and although the new commissioner, William S. Lovins, has a force of operatives to enforce the prohibition law, it now develops that Cleaver is still drawing state money as a special prohibition agent for the governor.

KLAMATH FALLS MILL IS BURNED

Klamath Falls, Or., May 5.—The Mill of the Modoc Pine company was completely destroyed by fire early last night with a loss of approximately \$150,000. Fire started when sparks from a hot box ignited in sawdust, and the flames spread so rapidly that mill employees were unable to control it. The lumber yard and office buildings were saved.

CONFESSION OF CONVICT LOOKS REAL

Details Conform With Incidents of Murder Near Sacramento, Wire From Police Advises.

A voluntary confession made by C. R. Moor, a convict at the Oregon state penitentiary, that he killed Harry Brown, son of a police commissioner at Sacramento, in September, 1923, is apparently confirmed by a telegram received by Warden Dalrymple late yesterday from B. McShane, chief of police at Sacramento. The telegram stated that details in a letter sent by Warden Dalrymple to the Sacramento police checked with the killing of Brown at Sacramento.

The confession was made Friday after Moor had been visited by his wife and the two had quarreled over the woman's declared intention to go to Portland to seek work. She became hysterical, Moor became violent and asked to be taken before the warden. He was handcuffed and in the warden's office signed a written confession to the Brown murder.

Moor was sent up from Eugene last March for auto theft after he had been extradited from Denver. Eugene authorities yesterday placed little credence in the confession because of a statement Moor made to authorities there that he had killed a man in a hotel up in Portland. The telegram received from Sacramento, however, appears to confirm the confession made here Friday. Warden Dalrymple has notified Sacramento authorities that Moor will be turned over to them if they desire. The confession was signed by both Moor and his wife.

CHILD BEATER IN PRISON HERE

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STEPMOTHER OF LATE MRS. HARDING DEAD

Washington, May 5.—(A. P.)—Mrs. Caroline Beatty King, stepmother of the late Mrs. Florence Harding, died suddenly today on a train while en route from Daytona, Fla., to her home in Columbus, Ohio.

COOLIDGE IN FULL ACCORD WITH ENVOY

President's Hope For Benefits from Warning Voiced By Houghton Construed As Approval

Washington, May 5.—(A. P.)—While Ambassador Houghton spoke on his own responsibility in his address in London last night at the Pilgrims' dinner, President Coolidge is very hopeful that the ambassador's interpretation of the American attitude toward Europe will be helpful to European statesmen and peoples.

The president feels that the economic situation in Europe is improving. The return of England to a gold base, and the probable early similar action in Holland are construed as favorable signs pointing toward stabilization and recuperation on the other side of the Atlantic.

DYNAMITE DIET FATAL TO CATTLE

Medford, Or., May 5.—E. B. Day, a rancher in the Sams Valley district, found four of his best beef cattle dead on the range a few days ago and reported the matter to State Veterinarian W. H. Lytle of Salem, who came down and after an autopsy, declared the animals had been killed by eating dynamite. The wrappers of the dynamite with the maker's name plainly visible were found in the stomachs of the dead steers.

CHERRIANS TO BE TOLD OF PAGEANT

Cherrians will be told about the pageant "Rosaria," by S. C. Pier, prime minister of the Portland Rosarians, and four or five of his henchmen at the Cherrian dinner next Tuesday, May 12.

EASTERNEER TO HEAD PACIFIC UNIVERSITY

Portland, Or., May 5.—Dr. John Francis Dobbs, pastor of First Congregational church of Malden, Mass., was elected yesterday to the presidency of Pacific university by unanimous vote of the board of regents. He will assume his new office June 1.

RAIL ROUTE SOUTH FROM BEND FIXED

Plans For Construction of Road To Klamath Falls Announced In Application For Permit.

Portland, May 5.—The detailed route of the proposed extension of the Oregon trunk from Bend to Klamath Falls is set forth in an application prepared for filing with the interstate commerce commission today, says a special dispatch from Washington. Cost of constructing the extension is placed at \$48,000 a mile.

The plans provide for a single line sixty-five miles from Bend to Skookum, formerly known as Odell. At this point the line would branch off in two possible routes to Klamath Falls. The petition is quoted as follows: "A line from Bend, Ore., southwesterly, following generally up the Deschutes valley, a distance of approximately 65 miles to the height of land or summit between the Deschutes and Williamson river drainage; thence southerly and easterly approximately 40 miles to the summit between the Williamson river and the Sycan river; thence in a southerly direction approximately 24 miles to the Sprague river; thence in a southerly direction to Klamath Falls, Ore."

TWO CONVICTS ROB MAIL STAGE

Nevada City, Cal., May 5.—Two men believed to be Joe Tanko and Floyd Hall, escaped murderers from San Quentin prison today held up the United States mail stage between North Bloomfield and Graniteville. They drove the machine at high speed through the mountains, passed through Nevada City and Grass Valley and abandoned the car on the road.

HALF WAY SIGN TO GO UP AT ONCE

Sacramento, Cal., May 5.—Shortly after 11 o'clock the Sacramento, Cal., correspondent of Grass Valley telephoned that the stolen mail truck had been found abandoned on a side road three miles from Grass Valley.

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Committee From Council Selected For City Planning

A special city planning committee of the city council was appointed by Mayor Gleay last night at the regular session of the council, and was requested by the mayor to call a meeting in the near future looking to the development of a definite policy relative to zoning, the city control of building construction.

The members of the special committee are Aldermen W. H. Dancy, chairman, and Aldermen L. J. Simeral, Purvine, Paul M. Johnson and Carl Engstrom.

Self-Performed Wedding Ceremony Revealed In Court

Media, Penn., May 5.—A marriage ceremony performed by themselves fourteen years ago was revealed today in a divorce granted by Judge Johnson to Mrs. Josephine M. Lucas of Stonehurst, Pa., from Alphonse Lucas, a real estate operator of St. Petersburg, Fla.

HYLAN REFUSES TO BE SHELVED BY GRAFT RING

New York, May 5.—(By Associated Press)—Mayor John F. Hylan announced today that he positively would be a candidate to succeed himself at next fall's municipal election irrespective of whether or not he received the support and endorsement of Tammany Hall.

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EXPLOSIVES SHIPPED TO LODGE HEAD

Infernal Machine Found In Suitcase Addressed To Spokane Lodge; Fails To Explode.

Spokane, Wash., May 5.—An infernal machine sent by express to Elctia chapter, Eastern Star lodge, here from Los Angeles, Cal., was turned over to the police, who announced today that had it not failed to explode when opened, it would have been able to kill 50 persons. The express company's tag showed the sender as "H. E. Colbert, 327 North Dillon street, Los Angeles."

CITY PAVING JOBS PUZZLE

The city council is puzzled over the problem of paving three important streets in the city where unusual conditions must be contended with and where the assessment of costs may lead to complications. These are Fairground road, Myrtle avenue and Furry street.

GOVERNOR SAYS CHILD WELFARE WORK TWADDLE

Olympia, Wash., May 5.—Declaring that the children of today are "being made to pay the penalty for an over abundance of altruistic twaddle," Governor Roland H. Hartley has wired Mrs. Sophie Irene Loeb, president of the child welfare committee of America, with headquarters in New York city, that he would not name a delegate to the conference on child welfare, which will be held in New York May 15 to 20.

Nursing Service of Child Health Work Inaugurated Today

New Honora E. Thomson, director of nursing service for the Marion county child health demonstration, arrived in Salem yesterday and today took up her work as head of her department. She has begun at Stayton and will make examinations among children for two days, after which she and her staff will go to Aurora. A beginning will be made at Salem some time next week. The city and county will be divided into districts as soon as the service gets completely organized.