

STANFIELD'S BAIL FORFEITED

PROBE BOARD TO EXAMINE DAVIS FIRST

Acting Secretary of War Expected To Be First Witness Called By the President's Probers.

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Washington, Sept. 13.—(A. P.)—Acting Secretary of War Davis probably will be the first witness before the president's special air board.

The board in an informal meeting today decided to call first upon the war department for tests on aircraft subjects and inasmuch as it was Mr. Davis who first proposed the inquiry, it is thought that he will start the presentation of the department's position, when the board begins hearings Monday.

To Call Mitchell.

Although the request that officers of the department appear before the committee made no reference to Colonel William Mitchell, leading figure in the controversy, it was made clear by board members that he would be called if he was not included in the representatives appearing for the army.

The board today went over the scope of the work that lies ahead of it. It was decided that public hearings would begin Monday at 10:30 a. m., and that from this time on the inquiry would be expedited in an effort to comply with the president's desire that a report be made prior to the opening of congress.

Secretary Wilbur today presented the board a copy of a special navy board report on the relative value of battleships, submarines and aircraft.

Old Report Figures.

This report, which held that the battleship was still the backbone of the navy, was made public last winter.

Colonel Mitchell, testifying before this committee, criticized the navy report, declaring it had been drafted by persons unfamiliar with modern aviation developments.

Mr. Wilbur explained today that he delivered the report personally because certain portions of it were of a confidential nature.

The board also received several voluminous documents on the findings of the house aircraft committee.

Dwight W. Morrow, chairman of the board, left for New York after the meeting and is not expected back until Sunday. He was accompanied by two other members.

Washington, Sept. 13.—(A. P.)—The aircraft situation moved toward a complete lifting today as the president's special board of inquiry prepared for the opening of public hearings here next Monday.

Selection of a list of witnesses was the task assigned to several members of the board today and these, the board has announced, will include Colonel William Mitchell, central figure in the storm of controversy over army and navy aircraft policies.

While the former assistant army chief thus will have opportunity to present to the board his criticism of the nation's aircraft defense, it also has become increasingly apparent that war department officials are satisfied his specific charges against the air service administration will lead to court martial proceedings. It is virtually certain that such a court would be ordered to sit here, although routine procedure probably will require another week before such a decision is reached.

Dwight W. Morrow, chairman of the president's board, announced after his organization meeting yesterday that it planned to hear first reports of the army, the navy and the postoffice. From the testimony the board presumably will chart the subsequent course of the board inquiry with which the president has charged it, with witnesses to be asked for "criticisms and constructive suggestions."

Arrangements for the calling of witnesses and decision on matters of policy and procedure will occupy board members in the three days intervening before the hearings.

Defends Son



DIX W. NOEL

Dix W. Noel, wealthy father of the deceased Montclair youth who killed a six-year-old girl, will spend his all to save his son from the electric chair. The authorities believe young Noel will be sent to an asylum.

BOWER AND PUGH SPARE ANIMALS ON HUNTING TRIP

Sheriff O. D. Bower with Dave Pugh and his son, have returned from a humanitarian hunting trip in southern Oregon. Starting out after deer, they suddenly changed their minds when they arrived on the field of battle and decided not to kill any. So they turned themselves looking at scenery and shooting at trees. Pugh saw two deer, and each time he shot, but just as he pulled the trigger decided not to hit the animal.

Sheriff Bower went further than that, or rather, not so far. He spotted a beautiful buck at a good killing distance, took careful aim and fired. The gun failed to go off and the deer went away without further remarks. The sheriff discovered he had failed to release the safety catch on his gun.

"By failing to release the safety catch the hunter is certain he is going to shoot no other hunter," was the way Sheriff Bower explained the situation today. "It also saves the hunter the trouble of having to pack a heavy deer out of the mountains." From the standpoint of miles traveled and scenery viewed, the trip was a triumphant success.

RECALL FOREST LOOKOUTS

Bend, Or., Sept. 13.—All lookouts in the Deschutes national forest were brought in yesterday, making the end of the 1925 forest fire season. Rains during the last few weeks made possible the removal of the lookouts earlier than a number of years, according to forestry officials.

Fire loss in the Deschutes forest this season has been lowest ever recorded here.

American Swimmer Hints at Mystery In Channel Swim Failure

New York, Sept. 13.—(A. P.)—Gertrude Ederle, the American swimmer, said today on her arrival from Europe on the Mauretania that had not her trainer, Jabez Wolfe, ordered her taken from the water too soon she believes that she would have been able to have gone much farther in her attempt to swim the English channel. Miss Ederle was within six miles of the Dover coast when the attempt was abandoned. She said she was not certain whether she could have completed the distance.

"I could have gone on," she said, "but whether I would have finished no one could tell. I stopped because Helwig (the Egyptian swimmer) touched me and that was demoralizing."

"What made him do that?" she was asked.

"Ask Wolfe," she replied.

Miss Ederle said she would like to try to swim the channel again.

"There have been many things," said Miss Eppstein, "which should be investigated. In one of Miss Ederle's letters she stated that Wolfe came in one day and told Miss Ederle that sharks had been seen in the channel. This frightened the girl. Anyone who knows the channel, knows that sharks could not exist there."

When Miss Ederle was asked if she had become sick in the water or exhausted, she said no. She replied that she may have coughed.

From several passengers it was learned that Miss Ederle had attributed the loss of her chance to having become dizzy from a tight band about her head.

PROMOTION HELD DUE TO CONSPIRACY

Charges Filed Against Quartermaster General By Predecessor; Army Heads Silent.

Washington, Sept. 13.—(A. P.)—Formal charges have been filed at the war department against Major General William H. Hart, the quartermaster general by his predecessor, Major General Harry I. Rogers, retired.

The allegations revolve around the conduct of General Hart prior to and in connection with his appointment to succeed General Rogers.

War department officials declined today to go beyond admitting that the charges had been received from General Rogers. They did not indicate what steps had been taken to investigate.

Controversy Revived.

The case is a further development in the controversy which rages about quartermaster general's office in the last days of General Rogers' incumbency. He retired from active service in August, 1922, for disability.

General Rogers was chief quartermaster of the American expedition forces in France from July, 1917 to February, 1919. When he returned to duty in Washington he was appointed quartermaster general.

His charges against General Hart are before the inspector general, having reached the war department last Wednesday. Pending inquiry, officials will withhold comment.

Hart Was Colonel.

General Hart was selected by Secretary Weeks to succeed General Rogers as quartermaster general. He was then a colonel in charge of the quartermaster intermediate depot in New York and was general superintendent of the army transport service out of that port.

In announcing his appointment, Secretary Weeks said he had been selected "not only because of the efficiency displayed by him during and since the world war, but because of the uniform excellence of his entire service as an officer in the army and his familiarity with details and functions of the quartermaster corps."

The present quartermaster general served during the world war as quartermaster in charge of the base section at St. Navarre, France and on his return to the United States was zone superior officer at Boston, assistant superior officer at San Francisco, depot quartermaster at Norfolk and director of purchases and storage in the office of the quartermaster general in Washington.

TASTING BAD LIQUOR POISONS DRY AGENTS

Cleveland, Ohio, Sept. 13.—(A. P.)—Periods of blindness and loss of stomach disorders among their number federal prohibition agents here attribute to their sampling bottle liquor to obtain evidence.

Probe By Grand Jury of State Prison Demanded From District Attorney

The Capital Journal today laid before District Attorney John Carson a demand for an investigation of conditions existing now and prior to the Murray-Wilkes-Kelley escape from the state penitentiary by the Marion county grand jury.

The demand came as the result of Governor Pierce's failure to make public the report of his special committee that investigated the break, or to carry out the recommendations supposed to be contained in that report, which is known to recommend the removal of Warden A. M. Dalrymple.

Whether or not the matter would be laid before the grand jury and, if so, at what time, District Attorney Carson was unprepared to say definitely this afternoon. The press of business on his office due to the Murray, Wilkes and Kelley trials and other criminal prosecutions coming up in the October term of the circuit court opening October 5, will probably make it impossible to call the new grand jury into session until later in October, the district attorney intimated.

In view of the wide powers of the grand jury, and the practice of grand juries here to inquire into the conditions at some one of the state institutions at least once a year, the Capital Journal asked that the requested investigation be all-embracing in its scope and aimed at determining not only the cause contributing to the Murray-Wilkes-Kelley break, but also the truth or falsity of various charges of that have been hurled at the prison administration since the escape.

Included in the items to which the request asks that special attention be given by the grand jury are the following:

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SCOPES APPEAL IN EVOLUTION CASE IS FILED

Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 13.—(A. P.)—The Scopes evolution trial, which turned the eyes of the world to the tiny court room at Dayton in July, yesterday was transferred to a new scene when the appeal was formally filed in the state supreme court here. The appeal eluded the bill of exceptions, pleadings, evidence and proof.

The title of the case is John T. Scopes, plaintiff, in error, vs state of Tennessee, defendant, in error. The record is among the largest ever filed in the court.

The name of the late William Jennings Bryan, who participated in the Dayton trial, appears on the title page of the transcript, though the commoner died before the record was completed or presented to John T. Raulston, trial judge.

The case is marked number 2 on the Rhea county docket. Cases from this county stand first on the supreme court calendar and the Scopes case is therefore scheduled to be heard on the first day of court when it convenes in Knoxville on September 25.

But the case will not be argued on that day, John H. Neal, leading counsel for the plaintiff said last night.

"We shall file a motion when the case is called that it be passed to the heel of the docket, to be argued later," Dr. Neal said.

EGGS HURLED AT MULCAHY BY MOB CALL RIOT COPS

New York, Sept. 13.—(A. P.)—Having been welcomed to the United States by a mob of Irish republican sympathizers who hurled rotten eggs, tomatoes and sticks, General Richard Mulcahy, former commander of the Irish Free State army, and four companions are here on their way to the inter-parliamentary union at Washington.

The general and his party were attacked by surprise last night when they disembarked from the liner President Roosevelt at Hoboken, N. J. Punched in the face and kicked on the legs, Mulcahy was almost knocked from his feet before he left the gangplank.

A crowd of more than 100 persons, mostly women, scattered the friendly welcoming party with shouts of "black and tans." The dock police were powerless. Several eggs and tomatoes hit the general. One of his party was gashed above the eye with a stick, and others were severely punished.

Banners inscribed, "Mulcahy Murderer," "Mulcahy, Perjuror" and "Mulcahy, Traitor" were flaunted everywhere. One banner bore the inscription "George Washington and Edmund DeValera, Benedict Arnold and Mulcahy."

Another said: "If Emmett had not been executed in 1869, Mulcahy would have executed him in 1917."

A woman plucked a Union Jack from the general's coat lapel. A riot all finally brought police reserves. The visitors were rushed to a taxi cab and spirited across the river to New York. Three men and two women were arrested.

Chandler Egan Loses To Youngster In Golf Championship Meet

Del Monte, Cal., Sept. 13.—Chandler Egan, veteran golfer from Medford went down to defeat today at the hands of Harold Thompson, Glendale, Cal., youngster to the tune of two and one in the third round of the annual California amateur golf tournament here.

George Von Elm of Los Angeles eliminated Dr. Paul Hunter of Pasadena, four and two.

Egan's defeat leaves "Chuck" Hunter of Tacoma and Frank Delp of Portland to uphold the honors of the Pacific northwest.

CITY DUMP HEAP PROVIDES RARE SPORT FOR BOYS

What the rain, which fell this morning, will do to the city dump pile and its rat population is a live quarry with hundreds of boys out in the North Salem district.

In fact the rat pile has taken the place of movie, baseball, kite flying, playing pirate and all the old time sports for a small army of boys.

Boys armed with revolvers, 22 rifle, air guns or any weapons the family arsenal would produce, swarmed over the dump pile with flashlights. The dump pile would be beaten up and the rat shooting start.

It was great sport, and luckily, as far as known, resulted in no casualties save to the rats.

Standard Land Troops.

Fes, French Morocco, Sept. 13.—(A. P.)—The Spaniards are reported to have effected another landing in Ahucemas bay, occupying a strip three kilometers (1.86 miles) deep, flanking their original position on Moro Nuevo peninsula.

Flies 302 Miles an Hour.

Michfield, New York, Sept. 13.—(A. P.)—A new unofficial world's speed record was established today when Lieutenant Alfred J. Williams, navy aviator, flew at the rate of 302.5 miles an hour.

30 Acres of Prunes Yield 100 Bushels to Acre at Perrydale

The unfavorable conditions which have cut the Willamette valley prune crop down to a general average of about 20 per cent of a normal crop this year and sent the price soaring have lifted the pockets of at least one valley grower with gold.

Frank Zumwalt, whose 30-acre orchard near Perrydale in Polk county is reported to have yielded an average of 100 bushels of prunes to the acre, will receive about 10 cents a pound for the crop, which is already under option to a Portland packing firm. The Zumwalt crop is particularly in demand because it combines quality with a good assortment of sizes, and packers are finding it difficult to secure small size prunes with which to balance their shipment. The crop generally this year is averaging about 30 in size, with practically no assortment.

The Zumwalt crop is remarkable in that the average yield of other orchards in that district has been about 10 per cent of normal, and many crops in the Dallas district a few miles south were only 5 per cent of the 1924 figure.

Practically all of the prunes in the Polk county area have already been sold at prices ranging from 8 to 10 cents. The crop was so light that only a few of the dryers were operated, and practically all of the fruit is now under cover.

NORSE RUINS OF GREENLAND UNDER STUDY

McMillan Arctic Expedition Starts Exploration of Viking Settlements—Labrador Included.

Washington, Sept. 13.—(A. P.)—The long-planned scientific observations of the Norse ruins along the southern Greenland coast have been started by the MacMillan Arctic expedition, with the flagship Bowdoin cruising about in Godthaab Fjord.

Commander MacMillan in a radio message to the National Geographic Society today sent through an amateur station at Pittsfield, Mass., said the "enthusiastic cooperation which Danish officials and private individuals are giving us in our studies of the Viking ruins is cause for profound satisfaction."

Another message from the society's correspondent aboard the Peary said that ship was awaiting the return of the Bowdoin to Godthaab harbor when both vessels will proceed to explore the ruins in Labrador, which, if similar, "will establish an early connection between the old world and the new."

Natives in southern Greenland, the message added, are "awakened to a patriotic or group consciousness and prefer to be called Greenlanders, a term, which because of racial mixture, is more appropriate than the term 'eskimo' which should be restricted to the Smith Sound tribe."

FIRE DESTROYS BIG JAPANESE DIET BUILDINGS

Tokyo, Japan, Sept. 13.—(A. P.)—Fire at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon destroyed the Diet building, two story wooden structure which housed the legislative branches of the Japanese government. Several persons were injured. The loss is estimated at \$1,000,000.

Many valuable documents were lost when a government library in one of the buildings was burned. A big modern building is under construction to replace the buildings burned today, but as it will not be ready for occupancy for several years, it is understood a temporary structure will replace those destroyed.

A lighted cigarette of incendiary is thought responsible for the blaze.

The buildings burned the timber, flames leaping 100 feet in the air. The Japanese Times issued an extra edition, telling of the fire, while sparks poured on the roof of its plant. Every fireman in Tokyo was out fighting the blaze. Soldiers joined with gentlemen in surrounding the vicinity.

Occupants of nearby buildings moved their furnishings, expecting a conflagration. However, heavy smoke had been blowing for the past week died down just before the fire broke out and this prevented a spread of the blaze which might have wiped out Tokyo.

The diet was destroyed once before by fire. It was rebuilt 34 years ago.

WATSON NOT YET IDENTIFIED

On the testimony of Mrs. Robert Brock, now of Chabokanite but formerly cashier of the bank at Aurora, Or., will depend whether Clyde (Whitely) Watson, accused of the robbery of the Aurora bank will be bound over to the grand jury at a preliminary hearing here Saturday, September 26. This is admitted by the state.

Mrs. Brock was in the bank at the time the robbery occurred. She has not seen Watson since his arrest and will not be allowed to see him until the hearing at which she will be subpoenaed as a witness and given opportunity to identify Watson.

Among other witnesses will be Lewis Reese and Vernon Hoy of Astoria, said to be pals of Watson, who aided him in the robbery, had admitted the robbery to them.

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SENATOR NOT IN COURT TO FIGHT CASE

Stanfield's Bail Declared Forfeited When He Fails To Appear On Resisting Arrest Charge

Baker, Or., Sept. 13.—(A. P.)—United States Senator Robert N. Stanfield failed to appear in the Baker police court at the time set for trial at 10 o'clock today on a charge of resisting an officer filed against him following his arrest last Sunday evening in a local cafe.

Bail of \$50 was declared forfeited by City Judge J. R. Smurthwaite on motion of Frank C. McCulloch, city attorney.

The charge of resisting an officer was the only one filed, but McCulloch said other charges had been prepared and would have been presented if the defendant had appeared.

It was reported earlier in the week that Stanfield's attorneys would ask for a continuance of the case to October 1, but this was not done. The case is now ended, said court attaches. Less than a dozen persons were in the court room when the case was brought up.

A city policeman Sunday, about 6 p. m., arrested Stanfield, whom he charged with being drunk and disorderly in the cafe. City Attorney McCulloch, after an investigation, decided to press the case on the charge only of resisting an officer.

CATASTROPHE IS PREDICTED BY CONAN DOYLE

London, Sept. 13.—(A. P.)—Everyone is warned by the spirit world through the medium of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle that a great catastrophe hangs over the world.

Sir Arthur says he has been receiving messages from the spirit world for the last three years to this effect and that lately they have become pressing. He says suffering and destruction which will result are to be taken as a chastening for the evils of today.

The nature of the impending catastrophe is so vague that Sir Arthur is unable to specify it, but he says the chastening will last three years.

Sir Arthur announced England will escape from the catastrophe more lightly than almost any other nation. Why, he does not say.

CHINA FACING INTERNAL WAR

Peking, China, Sept. 13.—(A. P.)—Internal warfare threatens in China with the province of Shansi, to the west of Peking, as the bone of contention between rival leaders.

Reports from Homan say Yuo Hwei-chun, a supporter of the Christian general Fen Yu-hsiang, is massing troops for an invasion of Shansi, to bring it under Fen's control.

Marshal Chang Tso-Lin, Manchurian warlord, is credited with the declaration that if an unprovoked attack is made against Shansi he will take up arms in defense.

General Chang Kuang-chang of Shantung also is said to have declared in favor of Shansi.

HIGHWAYMEN SCARED BY YELLS OF VICTIMS

E. F. Blume underwent the experience of being held up by a pair of bandits at 22nd and Center streets soon after 9 o'clock last night, but he called for help and the highwaymen were frightened away before they had robbed him of any money. Blume was knocked down and received a cut over one eye.

Several persons saw the robbery, but because of darkness could give only a meagre description of them. Both were said to be tall. Blume said one had a gun, the other a flashlight, and that neither wore a mask.

The police kept a careful lookout for them last night, but no arrests were made.