

THE WEATHER
Unsettled and probably rain tonight and tomorrow. Fresh southerly winds.

'HOAX' WOMAN REVEALS PLOT IN TESTIMONY

Asserts She Was Paid to Give Perjured Evidence At Trial

AIMÉE COACHED HER

Says Mrs. McPherson Told Her Details About Carmel Cottage

BY DAN CAMPBELL

United News Staff Correspondent LOS ANGELES, Oct. 14.—(United News)—The "hoax woman" in the Aimee Semple McPherson case took the witness stand at the perjury hearing again Wednesday and laid bare the alleged plot by which the famous evangelist hoped to shield herself from a scandal involving an asserted amatory rendezvous with her radio operator, Kenneth G. Ormiston in a cottage by the sea at Carmel. In vivid colors, Mrs. Lorraine Wiseman painted a picture of the famous Bible teacher, preaching the doctrines of her Four Square gospel to thousands, and in desperation lest these thousands hear of her asserted fall, hired another to shoulder the burden of shame, the witness claimed.

Details Related She described in detail the manner in which the notorious "Miss X" story was plotted. She testified that the evangelist "coached" her in order that it might appear beyond question that she was the mysterious rogued woman and that her sister was the woman named by Ormiston as "Miss X" who lived in the bungalow during a period corresponding to the time the evangelist claims she was held by kidnapers.

Mrs. Wiseman recited details of her trip to District Attorney Aaa Keyes with the story that her sister was "Miss X" and then outlined the manner in which she claimed she was coached by Mrs. McPherson.

Perjury Urged "Mrs. McPherson asked me if I did not remember talking to Mr. Benedict in the backyard of the Carmel cottage about the soil, and the remark that had been made about the sand," the witness testified.

"Don't you remember you were standing about five feet away from Mr. Benedict?" was another question the evangelist put to her Mrs. Wiseman claimed.

Another question was: "Don't you remember when Mrs. Benedict asked you about the washboard and that she had said that she did not do much washing, but that she would get you one if you wanted it?"

Other Questions Mrs. Wiseman testified that she always answered "yes" to these questions and that another asserted bit of prompting was "don't you remember the funny place that Mr. Benedict kept the silver—in that little writing

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ASHLAND TIDINGS LETTER CONTEST

Following are the rules for the letter writing contest. It closes Oct. 23.

Any person over 15 years of age is eligible.

Letters are limited to 250 words.

Cash prizes totaling \$30 will be given the three winners.

Write a letter to some friend in another city telling what you think of Ashland.

Write on one side of the paper only and if possible use a typewriter.

Send a copy of your letter to the Contest Editor of The Tidings.

The letters will be judged by five disinterested judges and the winners announced a few days after the close of the contest.

That The People May Know

(DILLARD'S REPORT—Continued)

Your city council has in the past purchased 600 acre feet of water from the Talent Irrigation District and I understand now proposes to purchase 200 acre feet additional. This amount will take up the pro-rata deficiency in a year such as this, 1926, and assure the delivery of full 600 acre feet to your city limits.

This amount should then help to take care of the orchard and small tract irrigation, which can be served in good shape, in addition to supplying the prior irrigation rights in Ashland Creek.

The District water costs you \$115 per acre foot, while the development in Ashland canyon will cost you approximately \$85 per acre foot.

YOU MAY BE SURE THAT THE CHEAPEST WATER YOU CAN POSSIBLY OBTAIN IS THAT PURCHASED FROM THE TALENT IRRIGATION DISTRICT WHICH YOU CAN BENEFICIALLY USE.

Table No. 1 shows graphically the yearly receipts, the number of water users and the average yearly receipts per customer of your water department since 1911. This is the same table as given in Mr. Malone's report.

The table shows that the receipts for this year will be close to \$31,000 and the number of users, 1518. It also shows that the average increase in number of water users since 1911 is 16, and since 1920 the average number has been 30. If we assume the average water service provides for 4 persons then the growth of your city would have been an average of 120 people per year. Mr. Malone in his report gives the census population at 5936, which is an annual average growth of 6.5 percent or 275 new people. In working out a tentative bond schedule and financial program we have assumed that Ashland will have a conservative normal growth of 30 new water services per year, or an increase in population of 120 people.

Table No. 3 shows that it is within your reach to bring in the South Fork Spring providing the cost will not exceed \$700,000. Provision is made for retiring the present outstanding indebtedness of \$27,000 during the first three years, after which retirement of bonds begins. To do this will require an average increase in rates of 90 percent. You will note that \$357,000 will accumulate in the depreciation and reserve fund, much of which, however, will be expended for betterments and additions to the distribution system, and if any such program, some surplus must be provided to care for the years when the growth may be less than the average here assumed.

An expenditure of this amount would provide a daily per capita of 400 gallons for a population of 15,000 people, and at the assumed rate of growth you would have a population of 10,000 people in 1956 when the bonds would all be retired. However, if the growth of Ashland should be 5 percent annually, then a population of 10,000 would be reached in 1937 and 15,000 in 1946, at which time the city would well be able to refinance and secure an additional supply.

Table No. 4 provides for an initial expenditure of \$527,000, of which \$351,000 is to provide storage of 600 acre feet in the Ashland Canyon which will provide a daily per capita supply of 400 gallons for a population of 10,000 people. The same assumption of growth and increase in rates are here used as in table No. 3.

The assumed rate of growth shows the population would be 8500 in 1946, when the bonds would all be retired. The table also shows that \$420,000 could then be expended to provide an additional 700 acre feet which amount would be sufficient for a population of 15,000 people, with the same per capita use, these bonds being all retired in 1956 at which time under the assumed rate of growth the population would be 10,000 people.

The same amount of water supply is provided for from each of the two sources, South Fork Spring and Ashland Canyon development; that is a daily per capita use of 400 gallons for a population of 15,000. You will note that in each case the bond retirement is spread over a period of 30 years. The principle and interest payments in table No. 3 amount to \$1,413,950, and in table No. 4 to \$1,415,350. The total amount available for depreciation, reserve and betterments is \$357,310 in table No. 3 and \$352,510 in table No. 4. It will thus be seen that the two sources are practically on a par financially.

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NOTE—The tables referred to above are on file at the city recorder's office for public inspection.

REPUBLICANS SHOULD VOTE FOR STEINER

J. Adam Bede of Minnesota Speaks Before Portland Meeting

REGULARITY IS URGED

G. O. F. Told It Should Support Entire State Ticket on Nov. 2

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 14.—(United News)—J. Adam Bede, former congressman from Minnesota, has come to Oregon, he told a gathering of republicans at noon Wednesday, not to make a sermon but to perform a pleasant duty of asking the republicans of the state to vote the republican ticket.

Bede was the principal speaker at the luncheon, having been brought to Oregon by the state headquarters to deliver a series of political addresses on behalf of the republican ticket. In his address he fully lived up to his reputation as a wit and fun maker, keeping his audience laughing at his sallies most of the time, though he threw more serious epigrams into his talk between the laughs.

Can't Be Done "If we are to get progress we must get hate out of our hearts," he insisted in one place, and in another he stated "you folks in Oregon are trying to elect two republican senators in this campaign and you can't do it."

Accused Widow is Declining to Eat

TILLAMOOK, Ore., Oct. 14.—(LP)—Mrs. Eva N. McGee, widow of Dr. W. G. McGee, whose death she is charged with causing, has refused to eat since being placed under guard. Attendants say her refusal to eat is not a hunger strike but is due to her nervousness. In the meantime, friends and relatives continue in their frantic efforts to raise \$20,000 bail.

PORTLAND OFFICERS ARE INVESTIGATING WEIRD DEATH—PACT

Man Kills Self and Sweet-heart With Same Rifle Bullet

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 14.—(LP)—Police are investigating a strange double tragedy which occurred late last night in which Florence C. Kerr, 38, and Harry W. Knauss, 40, were killed by the same bullet from an old army rifle.

The bullet was fired by Knauss by means of a rope and wire pulley. The pair were clasped in each other's arms. The gun was fastened to the rear of an auto truck. Knauss pulled a rope and the bullet penetrated both bodies.

It was either a suicide pact or murder and suicide, with police inclining to the latter theory. Knauss had wooed the girl for two years.

MILLIONAIRE REAL ESTATE MAN DROWNS

Widely Known Florida Promoters Falls Overboard Liner

TAMPA, Fla., Oct. 14.—(United News)—D. P. Davis, developer of Davis Islands at Tampa and Davis Shores at St. Augustine, who was believed to have amassed a fortune of \$40,000,000 from the Florida land boom, was drowned by falling overboard from the White Star liner Majestic, according to a radio-gram received here by Arthur Y. Milam, vice-president of the Davis properties.

Grants Pass to Play Junior Hi

Junior High school of Ashland will meet the Grants Pass Junior high school football team on the local high school grounds at 10:30 Saturday morning. This will be the first game under the new junior high league of Southern Oregon. The boys have been training hard for this game and hope to defeat the Josephine boys. An admission of 15 cents for students and 25 cents for adults will be charged.

THIS COUNTY WILL RECEIVE OVER MILLION

Refund From O. and C. Land Grant is Fixed by Assessor

SCHOOLS TO BENEFIT

Butte Falls Will Get \$34,000; Total Sum Will be \$1,152,543.22

MEDFORD, Oct. 14.—(United News)—If the figures just completed by County Assessor J. B. Coleman are accepted by the government Jackson county will receive \$1,152,543.22 from the O. and C. land grant tax relief measure. This is for the 10 year period from 1916 to 1926, as provided in the bill and the county will share in the \$500,000 a year provided in the measure beginning with 1926.

The school district receiving the largest amount from this fund is Butte Falls, which will receive \$34,356.

Wimer is next with \$33,687.38. Jacksonville is the only city in the county having O. and C. lands within its limits and will receive \$81.39.

CITIZENS URGED TO ATTEND LUNCHEONS

O. F. Carson Extends Invitation to All Ashland Residents

All Ashland residents, whether members of the chamber of commerce or not, are welcome to the weekly forum luncheons each Tuesday, declared President O. F. Carson today in discussing plans for the organization for the winter months.

"It has been brought to my attention that there are some of our citizens who are under the impression that the forum luncheons at the Lithia Springs hotel are for members only," he said. "These forums are for the citizens of Ashland and everyone is welcome."

"There, from time to time, you will have the privilege of meeting and hearing men of note in

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MAN WHO LOST HIS LIFE IN FARM BANK MURDERS

Partner in Defunct Institution Killed by Academy Teacher

BOONVILLE, Mo., Oct. 14.—(United News)—Death stalked in the wake of the crash of a farm mortgage company here when C. C. Cockrell, his savings swept away in the failure of the company, shot and killed Emil B. Turner, 34, one of the partners in the defunct Nixon Farm Mortgage company.

Charles W. Nixon, the other partner, and Turner's father-in-law, is being sought by officers on a charge of embezzlement following his indictment by a grand jury last month.

Cockrell, who is about 55 years old, formerly was an instructor in Kemper Military school here. He arrived in Boonville from his home in San Diego, Cal., today and walked uptown to Turner's office. After a brief argument he drew a revolver and shot Turner 3 times according to Miss Mary Harvey, Turner's stenographer.

Cockrell then told Miss Harvey to call the sheriff. He was taken to jail where he admitted the shooting, according to officers.

RESERVE OFFICERS ARE DEAD IN CRASH

Two Fliers Drop Into Long Island Sound Late Wednesday

PORT JEFFERSON, L. I., Oct. 14.—(United News)—Two reserve air corps officers were killed last night when a de Havilland army airplane fell into Long Island sound. One man was dead when boats reached the floating wreckage and the other died within fifteen minutes.

The man were Henry R. Peera, Taunton, Mass., unmarried and William H. Preston, Jr., Belmont, Mass., who is survived by his wife Esther B. Preston.

Mexican Mayor Shot to Death

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 14.—(United News)—A dispatch to the newspaper Graphic says the mayor of Tecuala, in the state of Nayarit, was assassinated Tuesday night by political enemies.

The police are believed to have the names of the assailants, says the dispatch.

Redding Reports Small Earth Jar

REDDING, Cal., Oct. 14.—(United News)—An earthquake of slight intensity was felt in this section of northern California Wednesday. It lasted two minutes, shortly before noon, but no damage was reported.

Chicago Police Refuse Overture Rock of Marne Is Visitor Here

CHICAGO, Oct. 14.—(United News)—"There is not going to be any peace in gangland," Chief of Police Morgan A. Collins of Chicago said, when he learned that Al Capone, king of the rum runners, had been making armistice overtures to the bootleg gangs of the north side.

Japanese Guard Is Slain Today

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 14.—(LP)—K. Yuasa, a Japanese guard whose duty has been to see that Japanese did not patronize merchants, was shot through the head three times and instantly killed this morning. Police believe he was killed by a Chinese gunman.

SENATORS ARE DEFENDERS OF PRIMARY LAWS

Borah and Hiram Johnson Say Only Violators Would Repeal It

CONVENTIONS SCORED

Declare That Organized Effort is Being Made Against System

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—(United News)—Defense of the direct primary was voiced here today by Senator Borah of Idaho, and Senator Hiram Johnson of California in replying to Vice President Dawes, who urged return to the old convention system when he addressed the American Legion at Philadelphia.

Both senators said a well organized campaign is being conducted for repeal of primary laws in a number of states, as stated by the United News last night.

Those Against It "It is remarkable that every individual who spends money il-

legitimately in the primaries, every one who profits thereby and every individual belonging to the faction which seeks to spend money illegitimately are in full cry against the direct primary," Johnson said.

"The very men difficult of mentality in endeavoring to purchase an electorate—and who hasn't succeeded—use their own venality as an argument against the electorate declaring its own nominees."

"The purchase of nominations is much less likely to occur when the people nominate instead of a convention."

Borah is Blunt Borah was equally blunt. The idea of repealing direct primaries seems to be to make corruption in public office safe, said Borah.

"Under the old convention system any amount of money could be spent secretly. Now it is done out in the open."

"It is inconceivable to men that the second ranking administrative officer of the government can openly advocate a return to the system which eclipsed the Illinois and Pennsylvania scandals in its brazen rottenness."

"If the primary is abolished as advocated in Philadelphia by Vice President Dawes, Varism and Smithism will be raised to the nth degree in every state of the union."

Corruption Would Rule "Revelations of corruption in the Vare and Smith primaries is no reason why the primary system should be scrapped, but it is a beacon of alarm which should be heeded by all voters. If the voters do not take enough pride in the conduct of government to cast ballots, the primary is hopeless, the convention system is hopeless and a corrupt government is what the people deserve."

"Let every man and woman of mature age cast his or her ballot in both primary and the election and Vice President Dawes' antidote for ballot box corruption will be instantly discarded by America."

General U. G. MacAlexander, who went to France as one of the high officers of the 162nd infantry and who won international fame for his defense of The Marne, was a visitor in Ashland last night and this morning on an auto trip down the coast. He was accompanied by his wife.

Shortly after arriving overboard MacAlexander, who was then a colonel, was assigned to the general staff and placed in complete charge of all operations along The Marne.

His remarkable defense of that entire sector won him the sash-riquet of "The Rock of the Marne" and brought him some of the highest medals within the gift of the allied nations. He now resides near Newport.

Nothing Blue But the Sky

