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CHARGES OF CORRUPTION ARE ANSWERED BEFORE JUDGE

Mighty Men of Baseball Face Commissioner Landis

CHARGES ARE DENIED

Chicago, Jan. 6.—The charges of corruption in baseball by Charles Riisberg, better known as the "Swede," were answered today by some of the mighty men of the diamond who faced him in the office of Commissioner K. M. Landis.

With the czar of baseball keeping the box score and a host of news writers relaying every play to an expectant world of fans, Riisberg, the former White Sox player who was banned forever from baseball for his part in throwing the world series of 1919, reiterated the charges he made last Saturday.

Ignoring the sneers and clenched fists more than a score of baseball idols, past and present, Riisberg again charged that Detroit threw two double headers to the White Sox in 1917. When he had done this, Eddie Collins, former manager of the White Sox, and now with the Athletics, took the stand to deny in language that wouldn't look nice in print every charge that Swede had uttered.

He was followed by Clarence Rowland, manager of the White Sox in 1917, who also issued emphatic denials. Rowland was followed by Tyrus Raymond Cobb, one of the greatest aces of all time.

The Georgia Peach, his lips white with anger, told Judge Landis that he had never participated in a crooked game in all his long career.

INSURANCE COMPANY REVIVES "DEAD MAN"

Insurance Policy Paid Some Time Ago Causes Investigation

Los Angeles, Jan. 6.—(UN)—Harry K. Sligh, late of Fitzgerald, Ga., has traded an indefinite address in the great beyond for a very material one in the Los Angeles county jail.

Supposedly dead since last September when \$7,500 insurance was paid to his "widow," Sligh was found very much alive in this city Tuesday and arrested as he left the general delivery window of the postoffice, where he called for his mail.

He is accused of setting fire to his Georgia home after removing his family and furniture and arranging to have witnesses see him enter the house. Bones resembling those of a human were found in the debris and buried by the family with proper ceremony.

The New York Life Insurance company paid the policy but quietly launched an investigation which led to this city. The "deceased" admitted his identity to the police and is being held for Georgia authorities on charges of arson and attempt to defraud.

DANCING IS LIMITED THREE MONTHS A YEAR

Geneva.—(United Press)—Dancing has so far come under the displeasure of the Catholic government of the Swiss canton of Ticino that a law has been passed preventing dancing except during the first three months of the year.

Every ball must receive police authorization and it is expressly forbidden that youths under sixteen years of age may dance at all. Between the ages of sixteen and twenty dancers must be accompanied by their parents.

Roseburg.—H. P. Conn invents box-making machine that will be manufactured here.

AMEE'S FATE WILL BE KNOWN MONDAY

Will Be Last Day Upon Which Charges Against Her Can Be Filed

Los Angeles, Jan. 6.—(UN)—The fate of the Almee Semple McPherson case will be known definitely next Monday.

Attorneys for Kenneth G. Ormiston announced here Wednesday that they would ask a continuance of the radio man's arraignment until that date, the last day on which the state may file complaints against the evangelist and her co-defendants.

It is freely predicted here that District Attorney Ana Keyes will ask that the Ormiston indictment be dismissed and will probably not file information against the evangelist, thus ending the case.

Mrs. McPherson announced a tentative and partial itinerary for her nation wide revival which will include services in New York City, Chicago, Washington, Denver, Kansas City, Providence, R. E., Baltimore, Philadelphia, Brooklyn, New Orleans, Miami and Tampa, Fla.

TUNNEY SIGNS UP WITH TEX RICKARD

Agrees to Fight Under His Promotion For One Year

St. Louis, Jan. 6.—Gene Tunney, heavyweight champion today signed a one-year agreement to fight under the promotion of Tex Rickard.

The contract calls for Tunney to fight any place in this country after July and does not specify any opponents.

Gang Arrives
St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 6.—(UN)—Tex Rickard and his gang have arrived to give the town its biggest thrill since Grover Cleveland Alexander backed off a pullman after the world series last fall.

Rickard brought everything imaginable along with him to make the signing of Gene Tunney to defend his heavyweight title a truly auspicious occasion. When the natives saw the delegation piling off Rickard's de luxe train any lingering doubts that Gene might not immortalize St. Louis by signing the papers were dispelled.

Tunney might be able to turn down the million dollars or so he has to be asked to accept for defending his title. But in opinion of those who saw Rickard, Billy Gibson, Dudley Field Malone, various unnamed aides, attaches and half the newspapermen in New York pile off the train no champion could be so cruel as to spoil the party.

FAMILY IS FINED FOR DEER KILLING

Boasting of Killing Forty Eight Deer Causes Arrest of Family

Portland, Jan. 6.—(UN)—Boasting that they had killed 48 deer since the close of the season proved to be the undoing of members of the Thomson family, resort owners on the Mackenzie river.

Word received here by Ed Averill, state game warden said the family had been rounded up and given fines totaling \$2,100. Those arrested were Carey Thompson and his four boys, Carey, Jr., Morrow, Dayton and York.

At first the Thomsons were going to fight the case, but changed their minds after hearing only a portion of the evidence against them. They were charged with killing bucks, fawns and does, of taking the horns and leaving the rest of the meat, forking the ham meat and selling it.

BUS OFFICIAL KILLED RIO DE JANEIRO

Rio de Janeiro, (UP)—Tauris Forah, general manager of a Rio de Janeiro bus line leaped out the window of a bus to investigate a sudden lurching of the machine, apparently due to an accident. He was killed when his skull was crushed by a passing street car.

EIGHT MEN TO BE EXECUTED IN CALIFORNIA IN FEW WEEKS

New Executive Refuses to Grant Clemency to Convicts

CONVICTED OF MURDER

Majority of Men to Pay Death Penalty Have Been Convicted of Murder
San Francisco, Jan. 6.—(UN)—Eight convicted slayers are to be executed in San Quentin penitentiary during the next few weeks.

Jack Slater, sentenced to be hanged Friday for the murder of Jim West, Needles constable, was moved into the death house Wednesday after C. C. Young, California's new governor, had refused to exercise executive clemency in his case.

Clarence "Buck" Kelly, youthful bandit who killed three persons during a hold up orgy here last fall, today was sentenced to be hanged at San Quentin on March 18.

Preceding Kelly to the gallows however, will be Sidney Adams, slayer of a Los Angeles woman. Adams' execution has been set for January 21.

S. C. Stone, 56 year old stepfather of Jock Hoxie, movie cowboy actor, has been sentenced to die in March. His appeal has been denied by the state supreme court.

The four other men awaiting execution are Philip A. Goodwin, actor-priest, convicted of a southern California murder, George Waters, Sacramento; Joseph Sandayal and Milton Valick, both of Placer county.

CANAL COMPANY MUST START ACTIVE WORK

Carey Act Land Near Redmond to be Irrigated

Salem, Jan. 6.—(UN)—The state desert land board today served notice on the North Canal company of which Oswald West of Portland is attorney, that it must either begin active construction work on the north canal unit of the Deschutes irrigation project within 60 days or show cause as to why its contract should not be cancelled.

The north canal unit covers 2,000 acres of Carey act land, near Redmond. On December 25, 1926, the North Canal company was given a contract for the development of this unit, covering the construction of a dam at Crane Prairie and the completion of the north canal and a distribution system. Except for the construction of a dam at Crane Prairie and the testing out of the reservoir site in 1923 and 1925, no work has been done under this contract, it was stated at a meeting of the desert land board.

PORTLAND MINISTER READY FOR HIS TRIAL

Leaves Los Angeles With Other Prisoners For This State

Los Angeles, Jan. 6.—(UN)—The Rev. Walter G. Jones, Baptist minister, alleged to have transported a member of his congregation from Portland, Oregon, to Fort Worth, Texas, for immoral purposes, left here Wednesday to face trial in the northern city. Rev. Jones waived extradition on charges of violating the Mann act, in connection with an alleged trip made to Fort Worth in company with Mrs. Pearl Lee. He left this city for Portland in company with a batch of prisoners for McNeil Island penitentiary.

RAILROAD HEAD IS OPTIMISTIC OVER THE COAST DEVELOPMENT

Many New Lines Added to Southern Pacific During Year

San Francisco, Jan. 6.—(UN)—Railroad development in Oregon and Arizona is regarded by President William Spruell of the Southern Pacific company as the railroad's greatest achievement in 1926.

"The close of 1926 reminds us that in the Pacific Northwest during the year the Cascade line of the Shasta route has been completed giving us a second main line from Eugene, Ore., on the Portland division to Igerna, Cal., on the Shasta division." Spruell said in his New Year's message to employees, made public today.

"It also reminds us that in the Pacific southwest a new second main line has been completed from Phoenix, Ariz., to Weldon."

"The first put Klamath Falls on the main line and the second put Phoenix on the main line, each of them an important city and each having before it a larger destiny by reason of the change our lines have thus created. Each of these lines has also brought extensive areas of industrial importance into direct relation with the nation in general through access in both directions by reason of being on main lines."

ENGLISH NAVY IS READY FOR ACTION

Eighth Destroyer Flotilla is Being Held in Reserve

London, Jan. 6.—(UN)—The eighth destroyer flotilla, consisting of a flotilla leader and two divisions of four destroyers each, is being held in reserve in the far east in readiness for service in the far east if it is needed.

An official spokesman said that the flotilla was in reserve in European waters, but that no definite date had been set for its departure.

It was stated authoritatively that the British intend to keep their readiness in the concession at Hankow despite continued anti-British outbreaks. Officials have been instructed to do their utmost to protect British interests, always keeping within limits of safety.

THE LATE PAPER

Due to some unavoidable difficulty with the big press the Tidings has been unusually late for the past two days. Every effort possible is being exerted to overcome this trouble, and it is thought that the usual press time will again prevail today.

SPORTSMEN TO HOLD MEETING IN MEDFORD

Jackson County Men Will Have Opportunity to Know of Legislation

A meeting has been arranged for the Jackson County Game Protective Association to meet with Roderick Macleay of Portland at the Medford Hotel, 7:30, Friday, January 7th.

Mr. Macleay has asked that this meeting be called that he might have the opportunity of talking to the sportsmen of the Rogue River valley on questions of vital interest.

There will no doubt be some game legislation presented to the coming legislature, also legislation that may affect the commercial fishing interests. It is well for the sportsmen of Jackson county to be informed in every possible way what this legislation might be, so that they may be in a position to protect our interests.

Therefore all the sportsmen in Jackson county are urged to attend this meeting at the Medford Hotel next Friday evening.

Executive Committee of the Jackson County Game Protective Association:

Bert Anderson, Chairman
Chris Gottlieb,
Harry Hoeler, Members.

WISCONSIN HAS THREE NEW WOMEN SHERIFFS

Madison, Wis., Jan. 6.—(United Press)—Three women, duly elected to office, succeeded their husbands as sheriff in Wisconsin counties this week.

Wisconsin statutes provide that a sheriff cannot serve two consecutive terms, but the law does not prevent his wife from campaigning for election to the office on the understanding that she will appoint him deputy sheriff.

Sheriffs wives who will wear the badge of authority in 1927 are Mrs. John C. Gruel, Jefferson county; Mrs. J. J. Waggoner, Washburn county, and Mrs. Mary Jacobson, Barron county. Two other sherrifs' wives were defeated at the election.

ARMY FLIER IS COMPELLED TO LAND BY FOG

Unable to Search for Missing Boy Because of Weather

PHONES TO PORTLAND

Missing Aviator is Discovered at a Farm House Near Mt. Hood

The Dalles, Jan. 6.—Lieutenant Oakley Kelley, and companion, Captain John Stanley, landed at Long creek last night and spent the night at a farm house, according to a telephone conversation with the army flier and the United Press this afternoon.

The fog was high around Mt. Hood yesterday making the attempt to look for Leslie Brownlee impossible. A landing was made on a level spot without injury to the occupants or damage to the plane, and the pair walked six miles to a ranch house where they spent the night. Kelley explained that the fog extended west as far as the eye could reach, which prevented them attempting a return flight to the army barracks at Vancouver, Washington. In expectation of finding clearer weather to the east they returned in that direction.

DEPARTMENT ASKED FOR SAVINGS DEPT.

Larger Associations Favor Creating Special Supervision

Salem, Jan. 6.—(UN)—Creation of a separate state department similar to the state department of banking to have supervision over savings and loan associations was proposed at a meeting of representatives of the savings and loan associations in the state here recently.

The proposal, it is understood, will be embodied in a bill to be presented to the legislature.

Supervision over savings and loan associations is now vested in the state corporation commissioner.

Representatives were divided as to the advisability of giving the associations greater latitude in making loans. This plan was said to be favored by the larger associations, but opposed by the smaller organizations.

SUPERINTENDENTS PAY IS FOUND TO BE LOW

County School Heads Will Ask Legislature for Increase

Salem, Jan. 6.—(UN)—A bill providing for an increased schedule of salaries paid to county superintendents of schools will be presented to the forthcoming legislature, according to action taken today by the state association of county school superintendents in session here.

The new salary schedule is sponsored by Fred Peterson, Klamath county, and provides for a minimum salary of \$2,000, with salaries in larger counties based on school enrollment. The present schedule shows that one superintendent in the state receives only \$400 a year, while in several counties the salary is \$1,500.

Twenty-nine of 36 county school superintendents in the state are now receiving salaries of less than \$2,000, it was pointed out.

Distribution of school funds on a teacher basis rather than on a school census basis also was favored.

Brenton Vedder, Clackamas county was elected president of the association at the closing session Tuesday. Other officers elected were: Josia Willis, Polk county, vice-president; and Edith Acheret, Douglas county, secretary.

INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS

There were three fatalities in Oregon due to industrial accidents during the week ending December 30, according to the state industrial accident commission. Of the 471 accidents reported during the week, 37 were subject to the provisions of the workmen's compensation law, 97 were from firms and corporations who have rejected that law, and two were from the public utility corporations not entitled to state protection.

INDIAN IS FOUND TO HAVE TOO MANY WIVES

Emerges From "Sweat House" and Jumps Into Icoy River

The Dalles, Jan. 6.—(UN)—A plurality of wives today landed Chief Tommy Thompson of the Cello Indians in the county jail here following his arrest in a "sweat house" on the banks of the Cello canal by the sheriff.

Thompson divorced number one by the simple expedient of ejecting her from the family domicile. It was charged by her. This did not matter so much, but when the chief took wife number two to live with him he forgot that the house belonged to his first spouse, it was claimed, and she complained to the police.

The Indian emerged in the nude from the "sweat house," a sod hut similar in shape to an Eskimo igloo and used as a cure for all ills, and plunged into the icy waters of the canal before dressing and accompanying the officers to jail.

NICARAGUA SITUATION BRINGS CHARGE FROM BORAH

Senator Declares That U. S. Engaged in Armed Intervention

KELLOGG TO APPEAR

Senate Demands That Secretary of State Kellogg Explain His Course
Washington, Jan. 6.—A charge that the United States was now engaged in armed intervention in Nicaragua was made today by Chairman Borah of the Senate foreign relations committee "If we have lifted the embargo to the conservatives, and kept it on the Liberals we are participating in an act of war," Senator Norris said in a Senate hearing upon the charges by Borah.

Disregard Senate
Washington, Jan. 6.—The administration pushed its activities in Nicaragua still further today in face of a demand from the senate foreign relations committee that Secretary of State Kellogg appear before it to explain his course.

Two steps taken, which, whatever their purpose, will have the effect of strengthening the Diaz regime which the United States has recognized.

First came the press dispatch from Managua, headquarters of the Diaz faction that sailors and marines had been sent there to protect the American legation. They were given authority, it was said, to establish a neutral zone there.

Diaz had recently appealed for aid to protect his headquarters from being captured by the Sacaca liberals. The state department at first refused to confirm this dispatch, but later admitted it. The step was taken, because of British and Italian diplomatic appeals for protection of foreigners.

MONEY IS PROVIDED FOR SUGAR BEETS

Congress to Make an Investigation in the Willamette Valley

Washington, Jan. 6.—(UN)—For the study of the sugar beet hopper in the Willamette valley, looking toward the establishing of sugar beet growing on a large scale in that section, the agricultural appropriation bill reported to the senate Monday by Senator McNary carries an appropriation of \$10,000. This will enable the department to send experts into the field to devise methods of control and to determine how extensive the problem may be.

The senate bill adds \$4,500 to the \$15,500 set aside in the house bill for expanding the weather warning service in the Pacific northwest, under which conditions of exceptional fire hazard are brought to public notice. Another appropriation for northwest carried in the senate measure covers investigation of methods of shipments of pears and apples to the eastern markets, giving special study to defects which develop and mar the fruit en route to market.

LOCAL MAN FINE

When he entered a plea of guilty before Justice of the Peace Roe at Jacksonville Tuesday on a driving while intoxicated charge preferred by State Traffic Officer C. P. Talent as the result of wrecking three cars because of erratic driving near Eagle Point last Friday night, Fred Edsall of Ashland received the minimum sentence of 60 days and a fine of \$100, in addition to having his drivers' license suspended for one year. Edsall also made arrangements to repair the damage caused to cars with which he collided amounting to over \$100.—Medford Mail Tribune.

