

TESTIMONY OF ALLEGED RAID OF COMMERCIAL MEN EXCLUDED

Court Deals Body Blow to Defense by Ruling Made Today on Admissibility of Evidence.

ARGUMENTS HEARD

Entire Morning Spent Arguing Testimony of Remarks Reputed to Have Been Made by Grimm.

MONTESANO, Mar. 3.—By Associated Press—Judge Wilson ruled at noon today that the defense had failed to show that Warren Grimm for whose death the 10 alleged I. W. W. are being tried was in any way a party to a conspiracy to raid the I. W. W. hall.

As a result of this finding the court refused to allow the introduction of any evidence concerning meetings of the Centralia commercial interests at which a raid of the hall in question was discussed.

This ruling is taken as one of the most serious that could have been dealt to the defense. It had been relied upon by Vandevceer to give color to the alleged defense of the hall. The court in ruling said that an overt act on the part of Grimm would have been necessary to have permitted the introduction of the testimony sought.

Arguments on the admissibility of testimony tending to show alleged remarks made by Warren Grimm several days before the parade at Centralia on armistice day occupied the entire morning session of the court. Vandevceer maintained throughout his contention that the defendants were legally justified in the defense of their hall and their property.

CEAN-UP DAY IS ANNOUNCED

Clark Price, chief of the Albany fire department announced today that tomorrow would be clean-up day in the downtown district. All inflammable rubbish piled in the alleys will be collected and carted away.

PRESIDENT TAKES OUTING IN AUTO

Nods Smiling Greeting to Senator Borah During His Ride

WASHINGTON, Mar. 3.—By Associated Press—President Wilson motored today in a closed car the first time since he was taken ill last October. Photographers were barred from taking his picture.

The president exchanged Greeting with Senator Borah and passed many groups of people who recognized him

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New Classified

NOTICE—Lot owners in Riverside Cemetery wishing to have their lots improved and cared for this spring, please see C. M. Hurd, the sexton, or B. Bartcher, Supt. at the Albany Furniture Exchange.

WANTED—Young man or woman to clerk in store and help keep the books. Inquire at Democrat office.

FOR SALE—Good automobile at Pacific Garage for \$100.00. Must sell before moving. See Mr. Geil.

FOR SALE—Good \$1500 6 per cent mortgage. Beam and Company, 133 Lyon Street.

FOR SALE—Dwelling and large lot, 66x110 with pavement paid for. Located at 805 E. 2nd Street. Price \$1500, \$500 cash or bonds, balance \$25 per month. Beam Land Co., 133 Lyon St.

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MARY PICKFORD GETS DIVORCE FROM OWEN MOORE AT MIDEN, NEV.

RENO, Mar. 3.—By Associated Press—Mary Pickford was granted a divorce from Owen Moore yesterday at Miden, near Carson for desertion. She wept freely while testifying. Moore was not present but represented by counsel.

ATTEMPT TO ROB JEFFERSON BANK IS FRUSTRATED

Maurauder is Driven Away by Young Men

An attempt to crack the safe of the Oregon state bank at Jefferson this morning at 3:30 o'clock was frustrated by Henry Smith, Theodore Fleskes and Ernest Harnisch, who were passing the bank while the intruder was at work and interrupted his efforts. The robber drove the three men off at the point of a gun and made a successful escape before J. T. Jones, former constable and W. L. Jones arrived on the scene.

Investigation of the premises showed that the burglar had filed the knob off the safe and was preparing to blast it open. Entry into the bank was made through the front door. The only articles taken were two guns, war relics from overseas, hanging on the walls of the bank. Tools for the entry to the bank were taken from a blacksmith shop nearby which had been forced open.

FIGHT BEGUN FOR KAISER'S ESTATE

Should Have Died Leading Troops is Charge

BERLIN, Mar. 3.—By Associated Press—Asserting that the Kaiser had failed to live up to the historic precedents of his race by dying at the head of his troops, Deputy Graf of the majority socialist party opened the fight today to deprive the former emperor of his property and fortune.

The socialist made a motion in the diet that the question of the sequestration of the ex-emperor's estates be referred to a vote in the national assembly. He indicated that the socialists would withdraw from government if Wilhelm was compensated for the loss of his property.

PALMER IS OUT FOR PRESIDENT

Name Goes on The Primary Ballot in Georgia

ATLANTA Ga. March 3.—Attorney General Palmer last night formally announced his candidacy for the democratic nomination for president in a telegram to Hiram L. Gardner, secretary of the Georgia state democratic committee. Attorney-General Palmer is the first democrat to place his candidacy for the democratic nomination before Georgia's voters.

The preferential primary will be held April 20 and to date the names of five others have been offered in petitions. They are Champ Clark, Governor Edwards of New Jersey, Herbert Hoover, Robert Lansing and W. G. McAdoo.

ACCUSED GIVEN THEIR FREEDOM

GRAND RAPIDS, March 3.—By Associated Press—Judge Sessions freed 15 more defendants in the Newberry election conspiracy case, leaving 85 now on trial. He announced that he would deny a motion of the defense for a directed verdict.

SWISS LEADERS APPROVE LEAGUE

BERNE, Mar. 3.—By Associated Press—Adherence of Switzerland to the league of nations has been approved by the Swiss National council.

NATIONAL FARM FEDERATION TO COVER ENTIRE NATION FORMED

Body Meets at Chicago Said to be Backed by Over 700,000 Farmers Throughout Country.

STATEMENTS ARE MADE

President Howard Outlines Purposes of Organization to Secure Better Legislation for Agriculturists.

CHICAGO, Mar. 3.—By Associated Press—The National Farm Bureau Federation, said to be backed by seven hundred thousand farmers, will represent the farming interests of the entire United States, according to J. R. Howard, temporary president at a meeting here today.

The conference was called here today for the purpose of federating the county and state farm bureaus already functioning in twenty-eight states. The plan of the organization is to secure better legislation for the purpose of simplifying the marketing and distribution of farm products.

The organization will take a referendum from their members which means from the opinion practically every farmer in the country on all public questions as well as on issues that concern the farming interests alone. It is planned to make the federation the most powerful factor of its kind in the country.

Howard, temporary president declared here today that heretofore the farmers had never been properly represented. He said that they had lacked a cohesive organization that would by its size and strength compel attention to demands of farmers.

PORTUGAL SAID TO HAVE SOVIET

MADRID, March 3.—By Associated Press—Reports from the Portuguese frontier declare that the workmen of Portugal have proclaimed a Soviet republic. No confirmation of reports has been secured.

WAR VETERAN IS VICTOR AT POLLS

Army Man Bests Labor Leader By a Huge Majority

SEATTLE, March 3.—By Associated Press—Complete unofficial returns show the election of Major Hugh M. Caldwell, war veteran, as mayor of Seattle over James Duncan, labor leader with a majority of 16,000, the largest ever given a candidate for that office in this city.

Duncan is secretary of the Central labor council and one of the leaders of the general strike here last year. He was nominated with Caldwell, at the primary election February 17 at which Mayor C. B. Fitzgerald, candidate for re-election was eliminated. Fitzgerald was Ole Hansen's choice for Mayor when he resigned last fall as chief executive of the city.

Campaign speakers have thrown charges of radicalism at Duncan pointing out that he has the indorsement of the Triple Alliance, alleged radical political organization.

Caldwell was corporation counsel here until he resigned, during the war, to enter the army. He served in the intelligence department at Washington. Caldwell, in his final fight, received the support of Mayor Fitzgerald.

BANK CALL MADE BY CONTROLLER

WASHINGTON, March 3.—By Associated Press—The controller of currency has issued a call for the condition of national banks on February 28.

TIRED BUYER DEAD; VICTIM OF OWN FRUGAL LIFE IS REPORT

OMAHA, Neb. Mar. 1.—This picture sent by telegraph, shows Andrew Seaman eccentric recluse estimated to be worth \$500,000 but opposed to spending money, died in Omaha at the age of 77. Blood poison in a hand, which he neglected to give medical attention on account of expense, caused his death.

The only living relative is Mrs. Harriet Wolfe of Los Angeles, a sister, said to be in poor circumstances. He was obsessed with the idea that everyone was intent on robbing him, and nine cents was most he would pay for a meal, supplemented with leavings off the plates of other diners. Slept in a shack, bed consisting of three planks laid across chairs. Over planks were spread two old comforters.



LEARNER TELEGRAPHED PICTURE SERVICE

INCREASED SALARIES TO PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS ARE VOTED BY BOARD AT THE MONTHLY MEETING

PROBLEM OF WAGE GIVEN FINAL DETERMINATION; FULL AMOUNT VOTED WILL BE APPLIED TO RAISES AND FOR COMPENSATION OF CONTEMPLATED NEW INSTRUCTORS.

Problem of the salaries for the teachers in the public schools of Albany was definitely settled last night at the regular monthly meeting of the school board when it was voted to allow the entire sum of \$11,500 voted at the last election to be applied for increased salaries and additional teachers during the coming school year between June 1920 and June 1921.

A committee consisting of C. W. Boettcher, superintendent of schools and D. D. Hackerman, clerk, was appointed to draw up the increased salary schedule and submit it to the board at the next meeting.

At the present time the salary schedule in the Senior High school calls for a minimum of \$100 a month and a maximum of \$115. In the Junior high school the minimum is \$90 and the maximum \$100. In the grade schools the lowest salary is \$85 and the highest \$95. \$5 a month was voted at the last election to be applied to each of these sums.

The school salary budget last year was \$37,000. For the coming year it will be \$48,500. It was determined last night that there would be no controversy next year over the salary question. The scale will be definitely determined and open to the teachers

to accept or reject with no option for change after decision is made. Board expressed their appreciation of the loyalty of the teachers who had been in the service for a long time and expressed themselves as favorable to giving those in the service the longest any preference that could be shown.

Report was made of the purchase of the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium equipment for the sum of \$500 and its removal to the Junior high school. Plans were also discussed for the securing temporary gymnastic quarters for the Senior high school as is required by the state law. It was brought out that at the present time the law on this matter is not being lived up to in the matter of athletic quarters at the Senior high school.

Plans of moving the East School to a more central location was also discussed as a means of taking care of some of the overflow of pupils in the public schools. Superintendent Boettcher stated that there were 125 more pupils this year than last and that there was not enough room to take care of them properly. A temporary building is being rented now from Albany college. Report was made that the East school could be moved for approximately \$2000.

AMERICANS ARE OUT OF SIBERIA

LONDON, Mar. 3.—By Associated Press—Soviet wireless from Moscow said today that American troops had virtually completed the evacuation of Siberia and that the last detachment had reached Vladivostok.

AVIATOR TO FLY TO CALIFORNIA

SEATTLE, Mar. 3.—By Associated Press—Major Albert D. Smith, army aviator, received permission today to start at daybreak tomorrow on a one-day flight from Camp Lewis to San Diego, California.

OCEAN SHIPPING RATES RESTORED

WASHINGTON, Mar. 3.—By Associated Press—Competition in ocean shipping rates was restored today by order of the shipping board withdrawing freight tariffs and leaving the rates in the hands of the vessel operators.

Suffrage Denied Second Time

CHARLESTON, Mar. 3.—By Associated Press—The West Virginia senate today rejected a resolution to reconsider their action of Monday when they defeated the woman suffrage amendment. No further efforts to obtain ratification are expected at this session.

STATEMENTS OF LEGION CHIEF SUBJECTED TO BITTER ATTACK

Edward Hale Leader of Veterans of Foreign War Tells House Committee D'Olier's Requests are Erroneous.

STORM OF PROTEST

Urges \$30 a Month Instead of \$50 and Advises Taxes Incomes in Excess of \$50,000 to Raise Funds.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 3.—By Associated Press—A row at the hearing of the ways and means committee on soldier relief was precipitated today when Edward Hale, representing the veterans of foreign wars told the committee that the statements made yesterday by Commander D'Olier of the American Legion were erroneous and should be contradicted.

Quieting the storm of protests that arose following Hale's charges, Chairman Forney said that unless order were maintained the hearings would have to be abolished.

Hale urged relief for the ex-service men at the rate of \$30 a month for each month of service instead of \$50 with an additional grant of \$100 to those who served overseas. He stated that the money should be raised by taxing the yearly incomes exceeding \$50,000.

Representatives of The American Legion today hotly attacked the statements of Hale and contended that the requests made by D'Olier contained the substance of the measures for relief sought by the ex-service men. They stated that the plans outlined by the commander of the Legion were those formulated at the national convention of The American Legion last fall in Minneapolis.

It is expected that the hearings will be continued for several days before a definite measure will be drawn up for approval. There are nearly a hundred tentative measures before the committee.

GRAND JURY IS DRAWN FOR MAY

Circuit Judge Kelly Selects Members to Meet in April

Linn county grand jury for the May term of the circuit court was drawn last evening by Judge Percy Kelly. The jury will be convened by the district attorney during the latter part of April.

Those selected drawn were: John Young, Harrisburg; William La Forge of Lebanon; L. H. Truelove, Tallman; Frank D. Cornett, Crabtree; J. N. Bellingier, Lebanon; Adolph Falk, Halsey; and Jonathan Burkhardt, Lebanon. Judge Kelly selected Burkhardt as foreman of the jury.

Jury brought in a verdict for A. L. Adams yesterday in the suit brought by him against J. S. Warwick for the recovery of \$102.85 on a promissory note alleged to have been as part of the purchase price of a team of horses.

County court convened today for the purpose of auditing the current claims and bills of Linn county.

HOG ISLAND IS READY FOR SALE

WASHINGTON, Mar. 3.—By Associated Press—Chairman Payne of the Shipping board announced today that the board was ready to receive tenders for the purchase of the Hog Island shipyards.

These yards which are the largest in the world will launch the last ship for the government in June. Hog Island will then have completed 122 ships for the government or an average of more than one ship a week since its establishment.