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 Maximum yesterday 42
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OREGON CASE ENTERS ATT'Y GEN'L PROBE

Activity of W. J. Burns in Oregon and Fraud Case Important Factor in Daugherty Impeachment Proceedings—Gompers Admits Labor Is Behind Persecution.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, frankly told the house judiciary committee today that the executive committee of the federation had authorized the employment of counsel to assist Representative Koller, republican, Minnesota, in prosecuting impeachment proceedings against Attorney General Daugherty.

At the outset of his testimony, Mr. Gompers, called as a witness for the prosecution, told of his visit to Mr. Daugherty in July, 1921, at the latter's invitation at which the appointment of W. J. Burns as chief of the bureau of investigation of the department of justice was discussed.

The witness said he had shown Mr. Daugherty a copy of the report made in 1923 by Attorney General Wickersham to President Taft on Burns' alleged activities in the drawing of a jury in the Oregon land fraud cases in 1905 and that Mr. Daugherty had compared it with one brought to him by a departmental clerk.

"I told Mr. Daugherty," Mr. Gompers testified, "that it would be public scandal and bring discredit to the department and the United States if any such man was appointed to such a position as was proposed for Burns and that as a man and a citizen I protested against it."

Attorney General George Wickersham, attorney general under President Taft, who followed Mr. Gompers, denied that politics had entered into the pardoning of Willard N. Jones, convicted in the Oregon land fraud cases. Some members of the committee had suggested that the pardon was granted six or seven years after conviction in the lower court and at the time of the Taft-Roosevelt political fight.

The former attorney general said he "rejected" any suggestion that President Taft was moved by political considerations.

As to his own recommendation that Jones be pardoned, the witness said it was based solely on the official reports in the case alleging improper activities by Mr. Burns in connection with the drawing of the trial jury.

2 Men Convicted of Robbery in Jackson County Are Pardoned

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 13.—Four prisoners at the state penitentiary were conditionally pardoned yesterday by Acting Governor Ritner. They were R. J. Rowen, from Josephine county, for forgery; Clarence E. McDade, and D. H. McGlowin, Jackson county for robbery; C. E. Dooley, Union county, for larceny.

TURKS REFUSE TO GIVE HOME TO ARMENIANS

U. S. Plea for Rights for Minorities Denied by Ismet Pasha—Claim Slight to Her Honor—Russia Resents Attitude of Allies.

LAUSANNE, Dec. 13.—(By the Associated Press)—Turkey refused at today's session of the Near East conference to assign any special part of Turkey as a national home for the Armenians. Ismet Pasha declared this would mean a new attempt to dismember Turkey.

Ismet Pasha is irreconcilable on other points concerning the treatment of minorities in Turkey. Besides declaring Turkey would not set aside an inch of Turkish soil for an Armenian national home, he said she would not accept the regulation of rights of minorities by an international commission in Constantinople or elsewhere.

Lord Curzon warned Ismet that there would be no sympathy anywhere in the world for Turkey if the conference broke down on the question of the treatment of the minorities.

After a long and unsatisfactory discussion, the entire question of minorities was referred to a sub-committee.

Ismet said there was not a bit of territory in Turkey proper or in its provinces or in Asia which did not contain a Turkish majority and no territory which could be detached from the fatherland for the Armenians.

Ismet declared if the Greeks and Armenians were unhappy it was because they had put themselves in the position of aggressors and that this attitude had received support from other countries.

TO RETURN AS A GHOST SAYS TIGER

Clemenceau Given Great Send Off As He Sails From New York for Home—Will Never Return in Flesh—Kisses Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson On Both Cheeks.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—(By the Associated Press)—His speaking mission ended, Georges Clemenceau, war time premier of France, sailed for home on the steamship Paris today, declaring he would return again "but only as a ghost."

Just before the Paris cast off, the Tiger kissed Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson on both cheeks, laughingly enjoining her not to "dare to tell her husband." Mr. and Mrs. Gibson were Clemenceau's hosts during his stay here last month.

Others at the pier to see him off included Jules J. Jusserand, the French ambassador to America, and Mrs. Jusserand; Gaston Liebert, the French consul here; Colonel E. M. House, who arranged the Tiger's American speaking tour, and Bernard M. Baruch. The 81 year old statesman arrived in the United States on November 18 for his extraordinary speaking tour.

Clemenceau was cheered by crowds on the pier and on the ship as the Paris slid out from her pier with her band playing "The Star Spangled Banner."

Standing on the deck, he waved his old gray hat in response.

The Tiger's farewell message to America was given out in the form of two telegrams—one to Woodrow Wilson and one to Otto Kahn, banker, in answer to farewell messages which it was said were typical of thousands received at the last minute.

Message to Wilson
 The messages exchanged between former President Wilson and Clemenceau follow:
 "Georges Clemenceau: Allow me to bid you an affectionate farewell and to congratulate you on the admiration you have won for our people. All good fortune attend you."
 "WOODROW WILSON."

Clemenceau replied:
 "I cannot but be most grateful for the kind message you were good enough to send me. Your feelings are mine. All your efforts for the best, you did not spare in my country. Those are the principles of the French people and may be summed up in these words—Justice and peace to all. These are France's principles as well as those of America."
 "My best wishes for your health and welfare and my kindest regards to Mrs. Wilson."
 "CLEMENCEAU."
 In response to a long message of congratulation from Mr. Kahn, the Tiger wired:
 "I cannot but thank you and express all my gratitude for all you have done toward the great work of peace. That is the quest of France as well as of America. I know you have done your best for the cause, and allow me to congratulate you and your friends for all you will continue to do."

Georges Clemenceau, Motorist



An interesting character study of the "French Tiger," made on his trip to the steamer bound for the U. S. He started at an early hour in a storm. He insisted on making the trip by motor, and rode with the chauffeur. He reached the pier before the attending committee, which went by rail.

N. Y. MINISTERS SCORE KLAN AS PASSING GRAFT

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—The invisible empire was the object of a scathing anti-Ku Klux Klan sermon delivered in several churches as a result of an announcement by Assistant District Attorney Ferdinand Pecora that he will resume his probe into Klan activities here.

While pastors denounced the Klan from their pulpits, Pecora declared that he was not fully satisfied with his recent interview with Rev. Oscar Haywood, leading Ku Klux organizer in New York, and will recall the minister for a more complete explanation of his connection with the Klan.

At the Hotel McAlpin, where the Rev. Mr. Haywood stayed for several weeks after being requested to leave the Hotel Hermitage, it was said today he had checked out Saturday and left no forwarding address.

Pecora stated that he had in his possession the names and addresses of many leaders of the Klan in New York, and that he would request these men to appear to give an account of their activities and subpoena them if necessary.

Among the sermons delivered here Sunday exhorting the Klan were those given by the Rev. John Roach Stratton, pastor of Calvary Baptist church, which recently dropped the Rev. Haywood from its calendar as a general evangelist, and by the Rev. Ralph W. Stockman, pastor of the Madison avenue Methodist Episcopal church.

ASK \$3,000,000 U. S. RELIEF FOR CITY, ASTORIA

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—A resolution for immediate appropriation of \$3,000,000 to relieve fire sufferers of Astoria, Ore., was introduced today by Senator McNary, republican, Oregon. The resolution, which was referred to the appropriations committee would authorize the secretary of war to distribute food and other supplies to the needs and also to take temporary sanitary measures.

Senator Robert Stanfield replied today to a message sent out last night asking for \$3,000,000 from congress for rehabilitation of Astoria as follows:

"Am grieved by the distress of your citizens and will do everything possible to assist the members of the Oregon delegation in congress in procuring relief legislation."

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 13.—A telegram urging an immediate appropriation by congress as a means of relieving the suffering and distress among citizens of Astoria, Ore., as a result of the disastrous fire of a few days ago, which practically wiped out the city's business district, was forwarded today to President Harding by Governor Stephens.

The governor's appeal is based upon a telegram received by him from officials of Astoria, in which it was declared that immediate relief is necessary in behalf of the stricken community. It is estimated that at least \$3,000,000 will be needed for present wants and the governor's telegram reads as follows:
 "I am in receipt of a long wire from the mayor and the president of the Chamber of Commerce, chairman of the executive committee of Astoria, Oregon, in which they recite the grave conditions confronting Astoria and its citizens. They need help that the president and congress only can provide and with all the earnestness I possess and in behalf of all the people of California, whose wishes I undertake to voice, I urge an immediate appropriation by congress for the quick and adequate relief stricken city of Astoria."

Arrest Chief Yeoman of Seattle Coast G'd. For Having Whiskey

SEATTLE, Dec. 13.—Chief Yeoman C. W. Warnecker, employed as chief clerk in the Seattle offices of the United States coast guard, and G. Lauritzen and W. J. Seibert, members of the crew of the coast guard cutter Arcata, are being held by federal officers.

DEFENSE ALIBI PRESENTED IN HERRIN TRIAL

Attorney for Accused Miners Claims Men Were Not Present at Massacre—Persecution By Big Business Is Claim—Feeling Runs High.

MARION, Ill., Dec. 13.—(By Associated Press). Before a partially filled court room, trial of five men charged with murder in connection with the Herra mine killings began today. President Farrington of the Illinois miners sat at the defense table with the prisoners and attorneys. Oral Garrison, secretary to President John L. Lewis of the international miners' organization, took down the proceedings in full.

Attorney General Edward J. Budge sat at the table with the state.

MARION, Ill., Dec. 13.—(By Associated Press). Testimony to show five men charged with murder in connection with the Herra mine killings had no part in the rioting, but were elsewhere at the time of the killings, was promised by A. W. Kerr, chief counsel of the Illinois Mine Workers in his opening statement to the jury in the first of the mine riot trials here today. The five men are charged with the death of Howard Hoffman, one of the twenty non-union men killed in the outbreak.

Mr. Kerr declared the killing of the non-union men was the result of an invasion of Williamson county as "armed guards," and the "many acts of brutality culminating in the ruthless murder of three union coal miners."

Defense of Homes
 He asserted Williamson county "rose to the defense of its homes," adding that "by this act of self defense it served notice on the American gunmen and upon those who would employ the American gunmen that this was not a safe community in which to send hired murderers."

The miners fought also to protect their union, he said.
 Declaring the state had been "wickedly careless" in selecting the defendants, Mr. Kerr emphasized that "we will show you in this case that Ous Clark, Bert Grace, Joseph Carnaghi, Leva Mann and Peter Miller (the defendants) not only had nothing whatever to do with the killings of Howard Hoffman or any of his associates, but that they were in positions and places at a time when it would have been physically impossible for them to have had anything to do with it."
 "We will produce here a great number of men of repute in their community, who were standing along the line of march which led to the place of the outbreak."
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FRANCE MAY GO IT ALONE IN GERMANY

Poincare Supported By Cabinet, Asks for Free Hand in Dealing With Bosche—Seizure of Ruhr Not Definitely Decided Upon—Report England Friendly.

PARIS, Dec. 13.—(By the Associated Press)—The French cabinet this morning approved the attitude taken on the reparations question by Premier Poincare at the recent London conference of premiers, after hearing M. Poincare's report. It also expressed agreement with him regarding the declarations to be made in the chamber of deputies Friday, when it is expected the government will be called upon to reply to an interpellation.

Premier Poincare, it is forecast, will ask the chamber for a free hand in reparations negotiations with the allies and for free freedom regarding the seizure of such pledges as are permitted under the treaty of Versailles if a settlement is not reached by negotiation before the next installment of Germany's debt is due on January 15.

Balfour Note Disregarded.
 The premier told the cabinet that he had brought back from London the assurance that the differences between France and Great Britain in the execution of the treaty of Versailles would henceforth be discussed in an amicable spirit, unaccompanied by press campaigns against either country, and that a final disagreement would not menace the existence of the entente.

Considerable satisfaction was manifested by official circles over the fact that the Balfour note on inter-allied war debts had been disregarded in the negotiations, thus giving hope of the re-opening of the way for a joint settlement of the debts and reparations questions.

PARIS, Dec. 13.—(By the Associated Press)—Premier Poincare, at the resumption of the parliamentary debate on the French foreign policy, will announce that the government retains the right to use a free hand in seizing security for the German debt, but he will not specify what this security will be.

The premier made this clear to interviewers last night, saying he would speak either spontaneously or in reply to interpellations on the "fresh postponement of the occupation of the Ruhr," of which Leon Daudet and others have given notice.
 "I never said I thought of occupying the Ruhr or taking such security," the premier told his questioners. "I do not know exactly which we would choose. If we did, we should be very careful not to cry it from the rooftops."
 "This, however, is certain: Whatever action we decide on will not involve the sequestration of a single mine. What is less certain is that the threat without acts has passed. We have fully resolved to act, even alone, and even before January if the reparations commission pronounced in favor of a total moratorium for Germany."
 "In any case we cannot take any step before January 15. That is why it is wrong to speak of postponement. We proposed nothing and the fact that we are adjourning continuation of our discussions to the beginning of next month involves no loss of time."

"ALWAYS AT WORK ON TIME" IS EULOGY TO WANAMAKER BY FIRST OFFICE BOY

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 13.—Among the host of tributes to the memory of John E. Wanamaker merchant prince, religious leader and philanthropist, which continued to pour into this city today from all sections of the country, this one stands out as unique:
 "He was always at work on time."
 With these seven words, Mr. Wanamaker's first office boy, George W. Smith, summarized the secret of the renowned merchant's success. The one-time office boy who swept out, ran errands, delivered parcels and gradually learned to do more important routine work for his employer, now is superintendent of the store.

SHOTGUN FOILS SALEM ROBBERS

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 13.—A bullet from the gun of Charles Graves, night watchman in the A. B. Horner general merchandise store at Gates, east of Salem in the Cascade mountains, frustrated an attempted robbery at 1:50 o'clock this morning and resulted in the capture of S. S. Sims and his brother, Roy Sims, who are reported to have confessed to the crime.

OREGON PUPILS MARCH FROM BLAZING SCHOOL

NEWBERG, Ore., Dec. 13.—Fire which threatened the two story frame grade school building this morning, was extinguished by the fire department with slight damage. Six hundred pupils marched from the structure in less than one minute. The blaze was caused by an overheated air flue in the fourth grade room.

ASTORIA EXPERIENCES ANOTHER FIRE SCARE

ASTORIA, Ore., Dec. 13.—Action to curb profiteering has been started by the city council in an ordinance providing penalties for any person or firm charging more for goods or services than the price ruling previous to the disastrous fire of last Friday which wiped out the business district. This ordinance, introduced last night was referred to the ways and means committee.

DECLARE MORATORIUM IN ASTORIA FOR 3 MONTHS; DEATH LIST MAY REACH 3

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