

The Weather
Prediction Showers
Maximum yesterday 40
Minimum today 37 1/2
Precipitation 13

Weather Year Ago
Maximum 34
Minimum 22
Precipitation .01

ANNOUNCE FILM COME-BACK OF FATTY CALL MILITIA TO QUELL LOUISIANA FUSS

ARBUCKLE TO RETURN TO SCREEN

Fatty Redemmed, to Be Given Chance for Come-Back—Starts Work After New Years—Approved By Hays—Has Learned His Lesson.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 20.—Motion pictures showing Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle will not be permitted to be shown in Indianapolis, according to the statement issued this afternoon by Mayor Lew Shank.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—Roscoe C. (Fatty) Arbuckle may return to motion picture work forthwith. Will H. Hays, chairman of the motion pictures industries said today Arbuckle might have his chance to "come back."

Joseph Schneck, producer, said: "Roscoe will go to work for me. I am glad to help him his chance."

Jesse E. Lasky, vice-president of Famous Players-Lasky corporation said:



Roscoe Arbuckle

"We are sure Arbuckle will prove worthy of the trust. No thought has been given to the matter of releasing the pictures already made and we have no plans in this connection."

Roscoe Arbuckle said: "I want to say that I am very grateful to all those who are helping me and I will prove myself worthy of their faith in me."

A statement of the case given out from the headquarters of Mr. Hays said: "Roscoe E. Arbuckle is to have another chance to go to work and make good if he can. After the first of the year he will be given this new opportunity."

"He has gone straight since he was barred from the films last April and he has pledged his word that he will keep on going straight. His conduct has satisfied Will H. Hays, adviser to the motion picture industry; Joseph M. Schneck, who will employ him; and the Paramount company, represented by Jesse L. Lasky, which concern formerly distributed the comedies in which the fat fun-maker appeared."

"Announcement that there will be no objection to Arbuckle's return to work was made today by Mr. Hays"

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O. HENRY'S DAUGHTER GIVES YULETIDE CHEER TO NEW YORK CHARACTERS HE DESCRIBED

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The spirit of O. Henry (William Sydney Porter) visited the scenes depicted in so many of his short stories last night to wish the "has beens" and "down and outers" a merry Christmas. At the request of O. Henry's daughter, Mrs. Margaret Cesare, \$50, received recently by her for a magazine story about her father, was distributed to the derelicts and strays assembled in downtown parks and lodging houses.

George Vander Wyde, an old friend of O. Henry's, passed out the money from Mrs. Cesare. He went first to

High Nabobs Called On to Quit Booze While Denouncing It

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—"All the high officials of the federal and state governments were called upon today by Representative Upshaw, democrat of Georgia, in a speech in the house to sacredly declare "that they will not themselves build up a bootlegger's barbarous business by drinking illicit liquor, at the same time they are denying the privilege to the poor devils among the masses."

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 20.—Resignations of four instructors at North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering here have been requested as a result of charges that they made "home brew" in their rooms, Dr. W. C. Riddick, president, announced today.

U. S. LOAN TO PAY GERMANY'S DEBT HELD UNLIKELY

Morgan Chief Favors 'Enough to Get Over the Hill'—Tensions Must Realize Obligations and Deflate—Sees Wide Sympathy for France.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—An address by Thomas W. Lamont, of J. P. Morgan and company, before the council of foreign relations last night in which he discussed prospects of a loan to Germany was regarded today as one of the most significant statements yet made on the question.

The American people have no intention of making a loan to Germany, he said, because she is not in any position at the present time "to inspire our people with confidence to buy its bonds."

Mr. Lamont stated conditions under which he believed a German loan might be floated in this country at some future time, not a large loan, but enough to enable Germany to "get over the hill."

These conditions were, he said, the settlement of the reparations problem and the fixing of a definite sum so that Germany would be aware of her obligation. "Following the fixation of this sum," he continued, "Germany must set out on a period of deflation. There may possibly come with that a scheme of the allies for the supervision of such deflation, including the administration of Germany's customs."

"Even if a loan is advanced," he said, "I doubt if Germany will be lent a sum sufficient to discharge her reparations debt."

Mr. Lamont denied that the state department had sent the German ambassador to confer with Mr. Morgan here recently. He further expressed his opinion that the people of this country have the utmost sympathy for France and that they would be glad to lend money to her "on a large scale."

HERRIN CANNIBAL HORRORS RETOLD BY 3 SURVIVORS

Witnesses Testify and Identify Defendants As Participants In Atrocities—White Flag Ignored—Brutality Beyond Belief Cited.

MARION, Ill., Dec. 20.—(By the Associated Press.)—With the scars of bullet and knife wounds on their bodies, three survivors of the Herrin mine slayings testified today at the trial of five men for murder of 20 non-union men last June. They were Joseph O'Rourke, Williams Cairns and Robert Officer.

MARION, Ill., Dec. 20.—(By the Associated Press.)—Robert Officer, University of Pennsylvania graduate and survivor of the Herrin riots in which 20 non-union men were killed, today faced another period on the witness stand, subject to additional cross examination by attorneys defending five men on trial for murder in connection with the slayings.

Officer, employed as a bookkeeper at the strip mine where the principal riot occurred, was on the stand most of yesterday, describing the mob's attack on the mine. He told of the surrender of the mine defenders and the subsequent death of 14 of the 48 men when they were lined up before a barbed wire fence and fired upon.

Three other survivors were in court and the state has announced they will testify upon completion of the cross examination of Officer, they are Joseph O'Rourke, William Cairns and Bernard Jones, all of whom were guards at the mine.

The trial will be recessed over the holidays from December 23 to January 2, the court announced yesterday.

Cairns testified that after the defenders of the mine surrendered under a white flag, the prisoners were marched out of the pit with their arms above their heads.

"After the march started some men took me back to the mine to point out where we had kept the arms. They let me look in my locker for some keepsakes I prized highly and then we rejoined the mob without finding guns."

The witness then pointed out Otis Clark as one of the men he had seen with C. K. McDowell, superintendent of the mine, and declared Clark had a gun in his hand.

"Then we marched on and I heard someone shout, 'Hugh Willis is coming,'" the witness testified. Willis is an official of the miners' union.

"We marched on until we came to a barbed wire fence with four or five strands and someone shouted, 'All men with guns line up to the right, and someone else shouted, now you fellows run, and the firing started."

"I tried to climb through the fence, but fell with a load of buckshot in my body. A rifle bullet grazed my scalp. "While I was lying there I saw a blood covered wounded man leaning against a tree. A big man with a gun came up and said to the wounded man, 'You great big can't we kill you?' and he fired into his body."

The witness then pointed to Peter Hiller, one of the defendants, as the man who fired the shot.

"Then I saw another man fire a shot into the body of John Shoemaker, assistant superintendent of the mine as he lay wounded on the ground," the witness continued.

"Three men with guns came up to Shoemaker and one said: 'Here's that machine gunner,' and putting a gun to his head, blew it off."

Before Grand Jury War Frauds Probe



D. BAKER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Newton D. Baker, secretary of war in President Wilson's war time cabinet, appeared today before the special grand jury which is investigating war frauds.

The purpose for which Mr. Baker went before the grand jury was not revealed but it is known that recently the investigation has centered about alleged irregularities in the building of army cantonments. Several civil suits to recover millions of dollars from contracts already have been filed and department of justice officials have announced that criminal action also would be sought.

Several other former officials of the government have been before the jury which yesterday questioned Bernard M. Baruch, who was chairman of the war industries board.

STILL DEBATING ON BEST WAY FARMER CAN GET CREDIT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The senate banking committee decided today it would be inadvisable to curtail its hearings on various rural credit bills. Some members had hoped the taking of testimony would be completed today. No announcement was made, however, as to how long the hearings would continue or as to when the committee would begin the drafting of a composite bill.

In the session today Farm Loan Commissioner Lobdell said the farm loan bank objected to having loans entrusted to them. He suggested that federal reserve system probably would be better able to handle that form of credit.

Passage of the Borah bill to amend the farm loans act by diverting the dividends of joint stock land banks above six per cent into the federal treasury was urged by R. C. Millikin, statistician of the rural credit committee of the Purebred Livestock association.

Joint stock land banks should not be permitted, he said, to issue tax exempt securities, and advertisements of bond houses were filed by him to sustain his contention that such banks are paying twelve per cent dividends and are offering their stock at a premium of from \$20 to \$40 a share because of their tax exemption privileges.

JURY DISAGREES IN GEO. HARLOW CASE

MADERA, Cal., Dec. 20.—By stipulation of counsel Judge Murray at two o'clock this afternoon decided to discharge the jury in the murder trial of George H. Harlow after 22 hours of deliberation had failed to reach a verdict. District Attorney Bailey will bring the defendant to trial again, it was reported.

Harlow slew his wife, a former resident of Rogue River, following a quarrel.

Auto Crash Fatal. PORT ARTHUR, Texas, Dec. 20.—Three men and one woman were instantly killed here today when a street car struck an automobile carrying workers to the Texas company plant. A fifth occupant of the automobile was slightly injured.

DELUGE OF BILLS TO BLOCK VOTE ON SHIP SUBSIDY

Progressive Bloc Favors Direct Election of Presidents—No Action Till After Holidays On Suspending Tax Exemption On Securities.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Futile efforts were made again in the senate today by supporters of the administration shipping bill to bring to a vote the question of whether that measure should remain before the senate or be displaced by the Norris agriculture financing measure.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—While forces supporting the administration shipping bill and Norris agriculture financing measure continued today their struggle for dominance in the senate, the administration shipping program was subjected to another indirect attack in the form of bills presented by Senators McKellar of Tennessee and King of Utah, democrats.

Senator McKellar struck at the vitals of the shipping bill with an amendment proposing elimination of the entire government aid section.

Abolition of the shipping board and the transfer of its functions to the department of commerce was proposed in the bill introduced by progressive bloc for a constitutional amendment for direct election of presidents.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—House republican leaders decided today to postpone further consideration of the Green resolution for the amendment to the constitution prohibiting issuance of tax exempt securities, urged by President Harding and Secretary Mellon of the treasury.

After a conference of leaders it was announced that further consideration of the measure "would go over until after the holidays because of the absence of a large number of house members."

Representative Garner, Texas, ranking democrat of the ways and means committee, who led the fight against the resolution, declared that "it was tied."

Mr. Garner and those with him in the fight were in the chamber prepared to go on with it when notified that the measure had been put aside. Republican leaders, it was said, were disconcerted by the opposition in their own ranks and opponents had asserted that as the proposal needed a two-thirds vote, it could not be put through.

MAN FOUND ON JACKSON BRIDGE SELF-WOUNDED?

Pete Sopoff, aged about 25 according to the local police was found on the Jackson street bridge about 2:30 this afternoon in a weakened condition from a gunshot wound in his head. He is believed by the police to have shot himself although this is not conclusively known.

D. E. Phipps who lives near the bridge heard the man's cry for help and called Chief Timothy who arrived in about three minutes and found the man leaning on the rail of the bridge at the east end. He was very weak and could say nothing except, "Get my partner at the Nash Hotel room 35, I'm all in."

At the hotel it was found that J. Turlan and Pete Magliff had registered with the injured man. Ten minutes before the shooting the man purchased a large jar of apple butter and two bars of candy from J. W. Jacobs at the Dingus store. Nothing was found of either of the purchases when the police arrived.

Female Impersonator Shot While Robbing Bank With Pals

DYER, Ind., Dec. 20.—(By the Associated Press.)—Three bandits this afternoon held up the First National bank of Dyer and escaped with \$5,000. One bandit, who was dressed as a woman, was shot by John Kellman, a grocer, and apparently mortally wounded. His companions threw him into their automobile and fled west on the Lincoln highway.

SUSPECT TELLS TALE OF TAYLOR MURDER PLOT

Toledo Police Hold John Marazino for Sanity and Probe—Talks of Hounding By Dope Ring—Used Woman's Outfit for Disguise.

TOLEDO, Ohio, Dec. 20.—Police today are holding John Marazino, 23, for examination both as to his sanity and his story that he knows who murdered William Desmond Taylor, motion picture director in Hollywood, Cal., a year ago.

Marazino was arrested yesterday after he had entered a dwelling house and asked to be hidden, declaring that he was marked for assassination and was driven out of California by members of a "dope ring" who knew that he knew who killed Taylor.

"Several members of a dope ring are responsible for Taylor's death," the prisoner told police. "Their agents have followed me all the way from California into Ohio and I am marked for death," he asserted.

A suitcase the prisoner carried was filled with women's apparel which Marazino said had been used to disguise himself to escape his pursuers.

Police are in communication with California authorities in their investigation of Marazino's story.

ESPEE GETS HAUL FROM TREASURY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—A final settlement of claims growing out of government operation of the Southern Pacific railway system has been completed, it was announced today by Director General Davis and the railroad administration. The corporation and its subsidiaries received from the government a total of \$9,250,000 covering all outstanding accounts including those arising from the guarantee against losses in earnings during the six months after federal control terminated.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 20.—A new sterilization bill to replace the law which was declared unconstitutional by the circuit court here a few months ago has been prepared and will be introduced in the legislature at its next session.

TROOPS SENT, KLAN FANNED PARISH FEUD

Mer Rouge, La., Turmoil Following Masked Action Last August, Blamed On Old Factional Fight—Business and Social Jealousies Help—Leading Men Involved.

MONROE, La., Dec. 20.—The celebrated Mer Rouge kidnaping case which, for four months has ineffectually taxed all of the legal machinery of the state of Louisiana in its effort to solve, and moved forward another chapter yesterday when National Guard troops were ordered to move to Bastrop, La., near Mer Rouge, originated, according to well-informed observers, as a result of a feud between rival factions of Morehouse parish.

Although the Ku Klux Klan organizations of Louisiana, Arkansas and Mississippi have been more or less charged with being involved in the mysterious disappearance of Major Watt Daniels and Thomas Fletcher Richards, citizens of Mer Rouge, following the kidnaping of these and three other Mer Rouge citizens on August 24, the conservative citizens believe the mysterious case goes much deeper than alleged Ku Klux Klan animosity. It is believed to be more or less racial and rivals in many respects, the celebrated feuds of the Cumberland mountains of Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia.

The feud fight was said to have been brewing for a quarter of a century, involving some of the leading families of Mer Rouge and other parts of Morehouse parish. A climax was reached on August 24 when J. L. Daniels, 79, former prominent Mer Rouge merchant; Watt Daniels, his son; Thomas F. Richards; Watt Davenport, scion of a leading Louisiana family, and W. C. Andrews, a planter, were kidnaped by 40 or 50 masked men on their way from Bastrop to their respective homes in Mer Rouge.

Neither Daniels nor Andrews were able to identify a single person in the crowd nor could they give any information in regard to "Daniels' son, Watt, and Richards. Daniels declared he recognized Arkansas and Mississippi automobile license tags.

Following the failure of Morehouse parish and district court officials to solve the mystery, Governor Parker announced his determination to use all the power of the state in the case. After a big highway celebration and festival at Bastrop on August 24 the five victims of hooded riders started home in two automobiles. When they were midway between Bastrop and Mer Rouge, the hooded men galloped up on horseback or appeared on the highways in automobiles and seized them.

Watt Davenport was released within an hour after he was taken and the rumor became current that the masked men were "mistaken as to his identity."

Searchers for 24 hours tried to find the men who were kidnaped and the day following the affair the elder Daniels and Andrews found their way back to their homes at Mer Rouge in a serious condition. They declared they had been severely beaten. For several weeks Daniels was in a precarious condition because of his injuries, which in his case were augmented by old age.

For the last three months detectives and other investigators have been searching for the missing bodies of Richards and Watt Daniels. (Continued on page eight)

FIRST FREAK BILL FOR NEXT LEGISLATURE TO PONDER OVER, LAUNCHED BY THEORISTS