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WITNESS IS ADVISED TO LEAVE TOWN

Wm. Brown, State Witness, in Night Riding Case Informs Sheriff He Was Ordered to Get Out—Fedl. Agent Investigates—J. F. Hale Arrested By McMahon.

Mrs. Mary E. Lozier, juror, was excused on the state's first preceptory challenge at 3 o'clock this afternoon and State Senator Dunn was called to take her place. The state is allowed 3 preceptory challenges and the defense 6.

It was reported to the sheriff's office last night by William Brown, orchard laborer and a witness in the night riding cases now underway, that he had received notification to leave town last night, "by a man who came to him," and the officers say, said, "Sanderfer has a warrant for your arrest for bootlegging, and you better get out of town." S. B. Sanderfer is the prohibition enforcement officer of this county.

Brown immediately reported the case to Deputy Sheriff Fournier, who advised him to remain. Tom Word, department of justice agent with headquarters in Portland this morning said he was investigating the case, and that he would get a deposition from Brown relative to the happening.

According to Sheriff Terrill, Brown served a sentence in the county jail recently on a liquor charge, and told the message bearer, "they ain't got anything on me. I have done no bootlegging since the time they caught me."

The authorities claim to know the man in the case, but are keeping it secret.

The incident is said to have happened last night about 7:30 and Brown immediately phoned the sheriff.

Hale Is Arrested.
With half of the regular and two special venire exhausted at the first day of the Jackson county night riding cases, of which J. J. P. Bray, minister-chiropractor is the chief defendant, charged with riot, the court this morning ordered the calling of a special venire of twenty names. It is expected that the jury will be selected by Saturday morning.

Out of eight tallmen called to the box this morning, six were excused for having "fixed opinions."

A sidelight on the case was the arrest Wednesday evening of J. F. Hale, central figure of the March 17 "hanging," the star witness for the state in the Bray case who was charged with violation of the auto traffic laws in failing to dim his lights, while motoring on the Pacific highway between this city and Ashland. Hale was arrested by Traffic Officer J. J. McMahon, and is alleged to have failed to dim his lights, when that official approached in a car. Hale was riding with a friend of Portland. Hale claims that he was first asked to appear in justice court at Ashland and then before County Judge Geo. A. Gardner at Jacksonville, but insisted that the action be in the Medford justice court.

The case progressed slowly this morning and from the line of questioning, it developed that one of the objectives of the defense will be to endeavor to impeach the testimony of Hale.

The state, from its queries expects the injection of the "religious issue" into the trial, and all the tallmen examined at this morning's session were asked if they were biased against any religion, and if they were tolerant of the faith of others. Though barred by the court ruling of Tuesday, from the direct question of membership in the Ku Klux Klan, the state attorneys asked "do you belong to any organization that would influence you in this case?"

The first preceptory challenge was

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VON HINDENBURG FAVORS FIGHTING UNTIL LAST SWORD IS SHATTERED

BERLIN, March 1.—(By the Associated Press.)—Field Marshal von Hindenburg is quoted by the Tages Zeitung as having said at a meeting of the Hanover Agricultural league: "We will never forget that we are all Germans and must do our duty and that if necessary, we will fight even until the last flag is torn to pieces and the last sword blade shattered. It is better to perish in honor than to live in disgrace."

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Charlie Chaplin Says He's Too Poor Now To Wed Pola Negri

LOS ANGELES, March 1.—Charlie Chaplin, film comedian, is "too poor" to marry Pola Negri, film tragedienne, "just now," the Los Angeles Examiner quoted him today.

The Examiner anticipated that "mid-summer is apt to be upon the couple" whose engagement recently was announced at Del Monte, Cal., before they are married. "I am too poor to get married just now," said Chaplin. "This is a working world and we've all got to stay busy and keep away from cliques and sentiment."

OIL FLAREBACK U.S. DESTROYER KILLS SIX MEN

MANILA, March 1.—(By the Associated Press.)—A flare back of oil in the fire and boiler rooms of the United States destroyer Hurlbert about nine o'clock this morning killed six enlisted men as they were changing shifts and passed by without injury one other sailor who was in the same compartment.

The dead are:
E. Menick, Coffeyville, Kas.
W. D. Johnston, Arvada, Colo.
W. L. Murden, Oceana, Va.
B. A. Lyles, Union, S. C.
T. C. Argin, Mohopae Falls, N. Y.
E. L. Brown, address unknown.

The men were suffocated by dense clouds of smoke and flames from burning oil and paint. Three men were on duty in the fire room and some of the new watch had just gone below for tools to work on other parts of the destroyer, which was anchored alongside the tender Black Hawk.

The explosion sprang leaks in the burners in the boiler room and considerable quantities of the inflammable fluid flooded that compartment. The cause of the blast still is undetermined, but it is believed a burner became detached and adjoining burners became ignited.

The position of the bodies indicated that they had made determined efforts to extinguish the flames.

Only one man in the boiler room, adjoining the fire room, escaped. He was Fireman Carter, who had just started to leave. As he reached the iron grating over the boiler near the door he saw a spurt of flame from a broken burner. Carter called to his shipmates to throw themselves on the deck to escape the deadly gases, and then rushed for the door. He escaped unhurt.

The ship's officers saw the flames spurt from the smokestack and gave the alarm but the fire room already was a mass of flames. Lieutenant Commander Frank A. Braisted, commander of the Hurlbert, ordered a jet of steam turned into the inferno below to smother the blaze and at the same time the destroyer hoisted a signal of distress. Emergency fire equipment and rescue parties were rushed from the shore.

New Poultry House Started in Medford

John O. Cupp, who recently moved here from Missouri, has formed a partnership with J. W. Shirley. They have leased the building at 128 North Grape street and will conduct a wholesale and retail poultry business. They will pay the highest market price for poultry, will milk feed the same and put high grade fattened poultry on the market.

Mr. Cupp is thoroughly experienced in this line.

They will also handle flour and feed later on.

COL. HARVEYS TALK STIRS HORNET NEST

U. S. Ambassador Astounds Great Britain By Demanding Retraction From the British Govt. Regarding Allusion to Debt in Balfour Note—British Officialdom Displeased.

LONDON, March 1.—(By the Associated Press.)—Ambassador Harvey's speech of last night, in which he discussed the underlying causes and the nature of Great Britain's war indebtedness to the United States, evoked expressions of displeasure in British official circles today and gives indication of causing considerable discussion.

The foreign office declined to comment on the address but it is reliably stated that Ambassador Harvey's remarks, particularly when, as the case was put, he virtually challenged the British government to issue a statement refuting the Balfour note of last August were considered to be unusual for a foreign envoy.

LONDON, March 1.—(By the Associated Press.)—Ambassador Harvey's assertion that Great Britain had not been asked to guarantee and never guaranteed the "payment of a single dollar loaned by the United States for the use of any country other than Great Britain herself," stood out today as one of the noteworthy utterances of his address at the Pilgrim's dinner last evening.

Colonel Harvey quoted from the Balfour note of last August the phrase: "Under the agreement arrived at, the United States insisted, in substance, if not in form, that though our allies were to spend the money it was only on our security that they were prepared to lend it."

The ambassador said he did not doubt but that the British government would "with equal formality and no less explicitness remove the misapprehension created by this unfortunate allusion."

The dinner was given in honor of Stanley Baldwin, chancellor of the exchequer, who headed the financial mission to Washington.

LEGISLATOR TO QUIT AS RESULT OF VOTE

OLYMPIA, Wash., Mar. 1.—The defeat of the bill to appropriate \$150,000 for the women's industrial home and clinic by the close margin of three votes and the declaration of Charles I. Roth, veteran representative from Whatcom county that he would turn in his resignation to the governor this morning were the high spots yesterday in the most spectacular session of the lower house yet witnessed.

The threat of Representative Roth to resign came after the passage of house bill 95, appropriating \$15,000 from the general fund to permit the state to prospect for oil on state lands by the close vote of 49 to 47.

Life Russian Prince Threatened, Protection N. York Police Asked

NEW YORK, March 1.—Search was begun by the police today for the writers of letters threatening the life of Prince Dimitri Michael Alexandrovitch Obolenski of Russia, whose mother was a Romanoff.

The prince who came to the United States several months ago to seek a livelihood, has turned over to Police Commissioner Enright four letters, each bearing the signature "agents of free Russia," and threatening his life if he did not leave this country by March 6. In addition, he complained, he had received anonymous telephone messages.

The Noted Dead

PARIS, Mar. 1.—Francois Flaeming, the painter, died last evening.

New Japanese Ambassador and Wife Arrive at San Francisco



Marisao Hanharo, former vice-minister for foreign affairs of Japan, and recently appointed Japanese ambassador to Washington, arriving at San Francisco with his wife, en route to the capital to take up his new duties.

NEW ENGLAND TO ATTEMPT COMEBACK IN AGRICULTURE

BOSTON, March 1.—New England, thoroughly aroused over its abandoned farms and the drift of population from the country to the city, which has been more marked than ever since the war, is making a determined effort to build up an agricultural prosperity which shall rest on a firm foundation. Cooperation is being stressed as the great necessity, not merely cooperation among the farmers themselves and between the farmers and the agricultural colleges and the state experiment stations, but between all these elements, and the industrial interests of this section of the country.

At a recent agricultural conference in Boston the interdependence of agriculture and industry was emphasized, and means of making New England more nearly self supporting in its farm products were discussed. It was brought out that such products to the value of approximately half a billion dollars were being brought into New England annually from other parts of the country.

Even under present conditions the New England farmer is well off as compared with those of other sections, according to state and college authorities. President Ralph D. Hotz, of New Hampshire College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, said in a recent address that the old time trend to the west had passed, and that western farmers were now coming to New England because they saw a bright future for agriculture here, due to the nearness of markets. The Massachusetts department of agriculture, in one of its publications, said it could be proved that the average Massachusetts farmer was more prosperous and got more out of life than the average farmer in any of the wheat growing western states.

Senator Caraway of Arkansas Sued By Man He Beat Up

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Damages amounting to \$20,000 are sought in a suit filed today in the District of Columbia supreme court against Senator Caraway of Arkansas by Harry A. Walenstein, a veterans bureau employee, for injuries alleged to have been sustained during a clash on a street car here several days ago. The encounter grew out of an argument on a street car.

Casualties of the Air Service

SALT LAKE CITY, Mar. 1.—Paul M. Connors of Salt Lake City, who yesterday joined the United States air mail service here, was fatally injured at the local air mail field here today when the machine he was piloting fell 200 feet. Donald A. Templeton of Jackson, Mich., a passenger, was seriously hurt in the mishap.

Connors served in the army during the war and holds a lieutenant in the air service reserve corps.

FORMAL SENATE REPORT DENIES WATSON CHARGES

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1.—The sensational chapter of senate history revolving around a charge by the late Senator Watson, democrat, Georgia, that American soldiers were executed without trial in France was closed today when the committee appointed to investigate reported unanimously that it had found the charges unfounded.

The report was scarcely a dozen lines in length. It stated merely that in pursuance to the order of the senate, the committee had held hearings and inquired into the allegations of Senator Watson and had determined that they were "not sustained by the testimony."

All the committee members fixed their signatures to the report. They are Senators Brandegee, Connecticut; Willis, Ohio, and Ernest, Kentucky, republicans, and Overman, North Carolina, and Shields, Tennessee, democrats.

In a special report Senator Ernest also declared unfounded the charge which came before the committee during its hearings that Major H. L. Opie of Virginia had shot his orderly.

Senator Watson's original charges were made in a series of senate speeches in November, 1921, during which he startled the country by submitting photographs which he said portrayed fellows on which American soldiers had been hanged without legal process. He also exhibited letters he said he had received from former service men declaring that illegal hangings and shootings had taken place while the army was in France.

Many sensational incidents also featured the committee hearings at which some of the highest officers of the army and of the war department were called to testify.

FREIGHT HANDLERS GET WAGE INCREASE

CHICAGO, March 1.—An increase of two cents an hour for 65,000 freight handlers and station laborers on approximately 41 railroads and subsidiaries became effective today. At the same time an eight hour day with punitive overtime went into effect for 321,000 members of the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, Freight Handlers, Express and Station Employees.

A decision promulgating these changes was issued yesterday by the United States railroad labor board. It stated that each employer should have one day off a week, preferably Sunday. In case that day could not be given it suggested that another day be granted and provided time and one-half for employees working on regular off days.

Bootleggers Flourishing.

BALTIMORE, March 1.—Bootleggers here are flourishing to such an extent that they have formed an association to provide lawyers for those who get caught in their trade. This was announced today by G. H. Parker, general prohibition agent.

New York Sugar Hits Peak.

NEW YORK, March 1.—Raw sugar today touched the highest level recorded since 1920, selling at 5-8 cents, cost and freight, equal to 7-10 cents for centrifugal for March shipment.

Ex-Wizard Ku Klux Klan Is Indicted On White Slave Charge

HOUSTON, Texas, March 1.—An indictment charging violation of the white slave act has been returned by the federal grand jury against Edward Young Clarke of Atlanta, former acting imperial wizard of the Ku Klux Klan, it was revealed this afternoon. Orders have been issued for the arrest of Clarke, it is understood.

ATLANTA, Ga., March 1.—"It is simply another effort to attempt to discredit me and through discrediting me, damage the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan," said Edward Young Clarke, former acting imperial wizard of the Klan, when told this afternoon of his reported indictment in Houston, Texas.

"BURK" COCKRAN DIES SUDDENLY IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1.—Representative W. Bourke Cockran, democrat, New York, died suddenly today.

Mr. Cockran, who celebrated his 69th birthday yesterday, became ill last night and died early today. He was on the floor of the house last night and made a spirited speech in opposition to the pending farm credits bill.

Mr. Cockran's death, which occurred at 7:10 o'clock came as an immediate result of a stroke of apoplexy, it was at his home.

A native of Ireland, educated in France and the United States, and active for many years in the legal profession and in politics, Mr. Cockran was one of the picturesque forces in American public life. He was an orator of the old school, endowed with a remarkable voice and with a delivery and diction that long ago won him a place among the most eloquent orators in the country.

In politics Mr. Cockran was a wheel horse of Tammany hall, whose battles he fought in New York and elsewhere on many occasions.

During the last democratic convention at San Francisco he made the speech nominating Governor Smith for the presidency, an oratorical effort which carried the convention into a prolonged demonstration savoring of old time revival meetings. He also addressed the convention in favor of a plank endorsing the manufacture of light wines and beer.

In recent years he had devoted much attention to the fight for Irish freedom, appearing before congressional committees and on the public platform prior to organization of the Free State to plead for American recognition of the Irish republic. On these occasions his eloquence was at its best, as he recounted from personal observation the privations of the poorer class in Ireland from which he sprung.

Mr. Cockran first was elected to the house of representatives for a term in 1887. He came back in 1891 for two more terms but in 1896 he declined to follow the free silver banner of William Jennings Bryan, broke with his national party organization and left congress. He returned to the party in 1900 when he campaigned for Mr. Bryan and in 1904 he was again elected to the house. This time he remained there for five years, at the end of which time he declined to become a candidate for re-election.

In 1920, however, he again yielded to the lure of the parliamentary give and take he loved so well, and was again elected to a seat in the house. He was re-elected last November. He

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DIVORCED WIFE OF SECRETARY MELLON TO MARRY POOR ANTIQUE DEALER

NEW YORK, March 1.—Mrs. Nora Mary McMullen Mellon, 44, divorced wife of Andrew W. Mellon of Pittsburgh, secretary of the treasury, is to be married to Harvey Arthur Lee, 13 years her junior, and reputed of little means. Their marriage license was obtained yesterday.

Mrs. Mellon has not been before the public much since 1912, when a divorce was granted to Mr. Mellon on grounds of desertion after he withdrew allegations of misconduct with Alfred George Curphey, an Englishman.

Mrs. Mellon was awarded custody of their two children. Both were reticent today concerning their plans. Mr. Lee said they met eighteen months ago in this city. He described it as love at first sight and said their friends have known for some time their marriage was imminent.

Mr. Lee had an antique shop on Park avenue, but he closed it February 1 and expects to open another to name it. He is also reported as saying he has comparatively little money.

Mrs. Mellon, it is understood, receives \$30,000 a year alimony from Mr. Mellon who is also understood to have settled \$3,500,000 upon her in the divorce settlement.

CARKIN ROAD BILL VETOED BY PIERCE

Governor Continues Wielding Veto Axe On Measures Passed By Legislature—Carkin Bill Would Have Given Half City Road Money to Cities.

SALEM, Ore., March 1.—The Carkin bill—house bill 284—amending the law relating to road taxes was vetoed by Governor Pierce yesterday.

"This bill is entirely in the interests of incorporated cities," the governor points out in his veto message. "If this bill were to become a law one-half of all money collected in all the cities of Oregon for road work would have to be spent within the cities. There is a statute that allows cooperation between the county courts and incorporated cities but the advantage is always in favor of a city."

"This bill if it were to become a law would seriously curtail the building of country roads. Oregon has spent millions of dollars building highways most of it for the benefit of the cities. It seems to me that the general policy now should be to improve the market roads and call upon the cities to help in doing that work as they are doing now through the operation of existing laws."

Two bills were signed by the governor—house bills 405 and 396, both ways and means committee bills—one appropriating money for the board of control and the state budget commission, the other appropriating money for the state fair.

SALEM, Ore., March 1.—Governor Pierce yesterday vetoed a bill introduced in the senate by the Multnomah county delegation providing for the creation of an additional circuit judgeship in Multnomah county, (Portland.)

SALEM, Ore., March 1.—William Follman of Baker, Ore., yesterday informed Governor Pierce by telephone that he will not accept the governor's appointment as a member of the state highway commission.

had been especially active during the present session of congress and had planned a trip to Europe this summer. Until a few days ago he apparently had been in perfect health.

Although he liked to take part in debate and had raised his voice in many recent discussions on the house floor, Mr. Cockran was not a seeker after committee honors. His only committee assignment in the present congress was as a member of the foreign affairs committee, but in that capacity he found an opportunity to study and influence action on most of the questions of the foreign policy with which the house has had to deal.

An unrelenting foe of the prohibition amendment and the Volstead act, Mr. Cockran never lost an opportunity to denounce what he termed the "invasion of personal liberty." Often on the house floor he voiced in vigorous terms his protest against laws which he said attempted to govern the morals of the people and on these occasions his appearance in debate always was a signal for a scurrying of members from the cloak rooms to hear him.

In his last speech, delivered in the house last night against the farm credits bill, Mr. Cockran spoke with all his usual fire and dash. He gave the house a word picture of attempts he said had been made for several

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