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NEW NAMES BROUGHT IN OIL PROBE

"Mr. Hayes" and Francis McAdoo Involved in Wire Dispatches to Mr. McLean at Palm Beach—Veil of Secrecy Drawn Over Today's Session of Committee.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The name of Francis McAdoo, a New York lawyer, was mentioned a number of times in the telegrams exchanged between Edward B. McLean, publisher of the Washington Post, at Palm Beach, and his employees in Washington.

Members of the committee are striving to learn whether this was Francis H. McAdoo, son of William McAdoo. Francis H. McAdoo is a member of the New York law firm of Miller and Otis.

Some senators said the records of the telegraph companies examined today by the committee showed that McLean had a leased wire from the office of the Washington Post to Palm Beach and that he was most closely informed as to developments in the oil inquiry by his employees here.

Most of the Western Union telegrams submitted were addressed to McLean, but there were some to Fall, according to committee men.

A number of the McLean messages were purely personal or on matters not related to the oil inquiry. Senators also said code words were used in several of the messages.

Thompson is Accused. Senator Hefflin, democrat, Alabama, made another long speech on Teapot Dome during the day in which he charged that William Boyce Thompson borrowed \$3,000,000 on a "dummy note," while he was connected with the republican national committee.

A subpoena for Henry Woodhouse of New York was issued today. Senator Walsh said he would be questioned particularly with reference to an article written by him stating that the Doherty interests had made a contract with British interests to deliver all or a great portion of the oil from naval reserve number one in California to British concerns.

Chairman Lenroot told the oil committee today that on January 9, 1924, the day Senator Walsh left for Palm Beach to examine McLean, he (Lenroot) sent an official telegram to McLean, notifying him of the authorization given Senator Walsh to take his testimony.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Presented with a sheaf of telegrams sent from Washington Albert B. Fall and Edward B. McLean, publisher of the Washington Post, at Palm Beach, Fla., the senate oil committee suddenly went into executive session today to examine them.

In ordering the hearing room cleared, Chairman Lenroot said that any of the telegrams found to be relevant to the inquiry would be read in public.

The telegrams were presented by the divisional superintendents of the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies and apparently numbered several score. Some of them contained hundreds of words.

A "Mr. Hayes" Mentioned. A subpoena was issued today for G. D. Wahlberg, former private secretary to Harry F. Sinclair, who will be questioned as to the identity of "Mr. Hayes," to whom he has said he delivered \$25,000 in Liberty bonds. At the time of his testimony, committee men thought the reference was to an employee of Sinclair, but since then there have been reports that it was another "Mr. Hayes." In this connection, Senator Walsh, democrat, Montana, announced today there was no

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3000 Cattle and 6000 Hogs in California To Be Slaughtered

OAKLAND, Cal., Feb. 26.—Arrangements were complete today for the slaughtering of approximately 3000 cattle and 6000 hogs in five California counties under hoof and mouth disease quarantine.

GEO. RANDOLPH CHESTER VICTIM HEART ATTACK

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—George Randolph Chester, author and playwright, died here early today. Mr. Chester left his Ohio home at an early age and engaged in various occupations. Beginning newspaper work as a reporter on the Detroit News, he rose to become one of the day's most popular writers of fiction.

Mr. Chester and his wife worked late last night on a new story. Shortly after midnight he complained of pains in his chest and Mrs. Chester applied hot towels. But the hot applications failed to relieve him and he took a hot bath and retired, joking with Mrs. Chester about his pains.

Shortly before five o'clock this morning Mr. Chester sat up in his bed, awakened his wife and said to her: "You know, dear, I love you."

He fell back upon his pillow. His wife did not think him dead and attempted to revive him. Failing, she called the superintendent of the apartment house, James Schultz and he summoned an ambulance.

Mr. Chester died of a heart attack. Recently, Schutz said, Mr. Chester came home and started running up the stairs. "I said 'gosh, Mr. Chester, but you're spry,'" Schutz said, "and he told me he had just taken out \$100,000 life insurance and the doctors told him he was good for fifty years more."

Mr. Chester was born in Cincinnati. After his entrance into newspaper work in Detroit, he returned to his home city and became Sunday editor of the Cincinnati Enquirer. While in this position he became interested in syndicated matter. His first wife, whom he married in Davenport, Iowa in 1895, encouraged him to place stories he had written on the market and they were readily purchased.

He received \$250 for his first piece of fiction. His second piece was rejected by seven magazines before it was accepted by a popular weekly publication. The first Mrs. Chester obtained a decree of divorce and the custody of the two children in October 1911. Shortly after Mr. Chester married Mrs. Lillian Devereaux, a former close friend of his wife, who had been named correspondent in the divorce suit.

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The Daily Bank Robbery

MORRIS, Ill., Feb. 26.—(By the Associated Press)—Bank bandits carried away a \$200,000 fund containing \$15,000 in currency and securities from the State Bank of Kinsman, Ill., twelve miles from here, early today with the aid of an automobile, a motor truck and a hand truck. The robbery was discovered shortly before six a. m., and Sheriff James Mack notified, but the robbers had made their escape.

The safe was trundled on a hand truck three blocks from the bank to the motor truck, where it was taken aboard.

M'ADOO SOLD INFLUENCE TO OIL BARONS

Democratic Candidate Is Vigorously Assailed By Democratic Colleague—Claims McAdoo Never Acted As Lawyer—Speech Causes Flurry in Senate.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 26.—Senator James Reed renewed his attack on William G. McAdoo, candidate for the democratic presidential nomination yesterday when he opened his campaign for the presidential nomination here. He charged McAdoo had received large legal retainers from E. L. Doherty, oil magnate, the Charles W. Morse interests and motion picture concerns although he "did not appear in a single law suit."

Senator Reed also outlined his opposition to "oppressive tariffs," his favor for reduced taxes, adjusted compensation for soldiers, elimination of "useless boards and bureaus, and the tendency to concentrate power at Washington.

Referring to the oil inquiry disclosures, Senator Reed said "I unhesitatingly express the opinion that not one-tenth of the corruption and iniquity which has existed is yet laid bare. When the whole foul mess is known, the American people will be convinced of the supreme necessity of purging the government and driving from power every tainted man."

In his reference to the employment of former cabinet officials by Doherty, the senator said the oil man had entered the market to buy "influence, just as he might purchase a pig."

He declared that the Morse interests had likewise purchased influence when they employed McAdoo.

"The total of fees thus far discovered which McAdoo expected to realize," he said, "was \$44,000. To this must be added the Doherty fee of \$150,000. Total \$194,000."

"For all this McAdoo did not appear in a single law suit. He did not write a court brief. He did not prepare a petition or an answer. He was dealing for the most part in his domestic transactions with men who had been part of the administration when he was a member of the cabinet."

Speech Causes Senate Fight. WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—William G. McAdoo's candidacy for the democratic presidential nomination became the vehicle for a parliamentary skirmish today in the senate.

Senator Moses, republican, New Hampshire, wanted to insert into the Congressional Record a newspaper abstract of an address delivered at St. Louis last night by Senator Reed of Missouri, also a candidate for the democratic presidential nomination, who attacked Mr. McAdoo for his legal services to E. L. Doherty and Charles W. Morse.

Democratic Leader Robinson twice blocked the move but Senator Moses was insistent and finally read the abstract to the senate, explaining that he was "wholly unwilling that the readers of the Congressional Record should lose the vigorous phraseology" which the Missouri senator had used at St. Louis.

When Senator Moses concluded Senator Harrison, democrat, Mississippi, retailed by reading an article from a Portland, Ore., newspaper quoting Senator Stanfield, republican, Oregon, as saying that Mr. McAdoo had "been given a clean bill of health" in the oil matter.

Then Senator Harrison obtained unanimous consent to place into the Congressional Record newspaper abstracts of addresses by Senator Johnson of California in which he attacked the record of the present administration.

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Death Toll of the Automobile

OREGON CITY, Ore., Feb. 26.—P. P. Kroecker, of Dallas, Ore., was still in a critical condition today from injuries suffered yesterday when an automobile in which he was riding was wrecked at a grade crossing here when hit by a train. Mrs. George W. Harms of Dallas, died late yesterday following the death of Frank Regier. George W. Harms, the driver and Jacob Martin of Main Center, Sask., Canada, were recovering today from injuries.

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Tenant Must Have Five Children To Get Home Like This and Each New Baby Saves \$2 a Month



Above is shown one of the 1,500 "forty-minute" homes which have been erected within the last year by a Schenectady, N. Y., real estate operator. They are rented only to couples who have five or more children. For each child born on the premises the rent is reduced \$2 a month.

TOM MIX PLAYS UNHEROIC ROLE FILES PROTEST

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 26.—Tom Mix, athletic hero of western films today was entirely recovered from the effects of a border fight at Tijuana, ten days ago, in which he played the role of victim, according to the Los Angeles Examiner.

According to Mix, as quoted by the Examiner, two United States customs guards stopped him and two companions as they were returning from a visit to Tijuana, the Mexican town opposite Tijuana, Cal., dragged him into the customs house, beat, stripped and searched him, and finally turned him loose.

The actor was unable to give the names of his assailants, according to the Examiner. His story was corroborated by Frankie Dolan and Johnny Christopher, his companions on the alleged tempestuous trip. At the border customs house, however, officials said they knew nothing of the affair.

"I'm going to take it up with my congressman," Mix was quoted as saying.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Feb. 26.—Customs officials at the Mexican-United States boundary this morning denied that Tom Mix had "been beaten up" after being inspected and searched. "It's all bunk," said Customs Inspector Markley, in charge of the force.

According to Markley, Mix claimed at the time he "wouldn't be searched." The officials were curious then, he said, and so they took him in the office, found nothing on him and released him.

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JOHNSON CERTAIN HE WILL WIN IN OREGON PRIMARY

CLEVELAND, Feb. 26.—Senator Hiram Johnson, who has just finished a stupor tour of the central west passed through there last night and was met at the railroad station by Senator George H. Bender, his Ohio campaign manager. "His oratorical war chest is packed with shots for the Coolidge administration," Bender said. Bender also quoted Mr. Johnson as saying:

"I don't fear to run a slate of delegates to the convention from this state. I challenge President Coolidge to run a similar ticket. We have enough cards signed in the state, enough of an interlocking organization, to assure absolutely carrying the Ohio delegation.

"There is absolutely no doubt about California. I will carry Indiana. I will return to the middle west next week for a campaign in Michigan where we will have a fight, but Michigan will be with me. I am not worried about Kansas and am hopeful of Wyoming. We will win in Oregon.

"There has been an entire change in the political atmosphere in this country in the last month. The people want a clean sweep in government—the republican voters especially. They are going to demand it, and they are going to vote that way. The press of the United States created an unreal Coolidge candidacy and the glamor created by the newspapers through shouting for the Mellon tax plan has worn off."

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American Men Are Too Good Declares Madam Marie Jonesue

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—American women are the loneliest women in the world, altho they are charming, intelligent, hospitable, dress faultlessly and never are too fat or too thin, Madame Marie Jonesue, sister-in-law of the former premier of Roumania and art emissary of Queen Marie, said today.

She concluded that American women are loneliest because they have not learned that happiness comes first, their husbands wearing themselves out to provide luxuries for their women, and consequently die young.

"American men are too good, they are angels," she declared.

COUNTY COURT TO USE CEMENT NOT MACADAM

Bids for the paving of the Medford-Ruch road, now being advertised will be opened at the first meeting of the state highway commission at Salem, after March 15th, and work will start immediately upon the acceptance of a bid.

Instead of using macadam, the county court has decided to change the specifications on the Ruch sector, using cement paving instead of macadam, beginning at Ruch, and proceeding as far towards Jacksonville as the \$80,000 voted for that purpose will allow, and more at the option of the county court.

It will be a sixteen foot road, six inches deep in the center, and nine on the edges, following what is known as the "Illinois type" of road construction, which has been demonstrated as highly economical, according to County Judge Gardner.

The Medford-Jacksonville sector will be asphalt, 18 feet wide, and laid in two courses.

Checkers who counted the autos on the Jacksonville road to determine the amount of travel, report that on February 14, between the hours of eight and five, 605 cars passed a given point. The circuit count was in season at the time.

According to Joe Williams of the county seat, the count was without deception, and he says, "I know of only one man who made the trip for the moral effect."

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OREGON BEATEN BY HUSKY TOSSERS

SEATTLE, Feb. 26.—The University of Washington climbed up another step in the conference race by defeating the University of Oregon basketball quintet here last night 29 to 22. The game was the last conference contest of the season for the Washington tossers. Hesketh of Washington and Latham, of Oregon were the stellar players.

CORVALLIS, Ore., Feb. 26.—The O. A. C. basketball team defeated Washington State here last night 28 to 20. The game was fast and clean. The score at the end of the first half was 14 to 9 for the Aggies.

The playing of Red Ridings, who scored fourteen points was sensational.

Coolidge for Real Economy. WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The numerous bills pending in congress calling for large appropriations are regarded by President Coolidge as disturbing to the prosperity and welfare of the country.

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Fishing On One Third of Diamond Lake Is Closed to Anglers

ROSEBURG, Ore., Feb. 26.—Approximately one-third of Diamond lake has been closed to fishing, by an order of the Oregon state game commission effective on March 8. The waters eliminated from the fishing grounds lie in the northern end of the lake adjoining the state hatchery, which is the largest egg taking station in the world. The deadline extends from a point north of the resort at Two Bear creek, in a southwesterly direction to the west bank, about a mile and a half north of the mouth of Silent creek. This action is taken to preserve the fish in the lake, which is becoming one of the best known vacation spots in southern Oregon.

GIFT TAX IS PASSED BY A LARGE VOTE

House Approves of Tax On Gifts in Excess of \$50,000—Increase in Cigaret Tax Approved Over Protest By Congressman Hawley of Oregon.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—A gift tax was placed in the revenue bill today by the house.

It would impose a graduated scale of rates from one to forty per cent, but would exempt amounts not in excess of \$50,000.

The vote was 191 to 65. Democrats voted almost solidly for the amendment which was proposed by Chairman Green of the ways and means committee.

An amendment by Representative McKeown, democrat, Oklahoma, to tax excessive house rents fifty per cent was thrown out on a point of order.

On motion of Representative Garner, democrat, Texas, the house voted to increase the tax on cigarettes from \$3.00 to \$4.00 a thousand.

The vote on this item was 117 to 85. Mr. Garner estimated the increased tax would yield \$60,000,000 annually, without reducing cigarette consumption.

Representative Hawley, republican, Oregon, argued the increase would cut consumption and result in an actual loss of revenue, resulting he estimated in an addition tax of two cents on each 15 cent package of 20 cigarettes, and a lowering of tobacco growers' prices.

The house today approved a section of the revenue bill which would repeal the ten per cent tax on theater admissions of 50 cents and under.

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LAWYERS' FIGHT DEVELOPING IN GOLD BEACH CASE

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Feb. 26.—The Curry county grand jury today began investigation of the shooting of Lawrence Hare in connection with which State Prohibition Officers Paul Mumpower and E. C. Neill are held. Alf Gauntlett, foreman of the grand jury was taken ill soon after the jury convened yesterday and it adjourned until today when Judge Kendall appointed Charles Wakeman to replace Gauntlett. The jury is not expected to report before late tomorrow.

Attorney's Buffington and Childs who were engaged by Hare's relatives to assist in prosecution of the case, have withdrawn owing to differences with Miles H. McKee who was sent by Governor Pierce and Attorney General Van Winkle to investigate the case. They claim McKee did not allow them fully to co-operate and complained because McKee had Judge Wood reduce the charge to manslaughter after Mumpower and Neill had been bound over on a second degree murder charge.

They claim McKee asked the change in the charge without notifying them. The matter, they said, will be laid before Governor Pierce.

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THREE DEAD, THREE DYING IN COLO. AS RESULT OF BOTULINUS POISON

STERLING, Colo., Feb. 26.—Domini Cametto, 31 years old, and Joe Notario, 5 years old, died today at the Sterling hospital of botulinus poisoning, bringing the toll of deaths from poison sausage here to five.

STERLING, Colo., Feb. 26.—Three persons are dead here, three are in a critical condition and eight others are ill as the result of eating poison sausage. The malady has been diagnosed as botulism.

The dead are Tony Notario, 35 years old; his daughter, Grace, 9 years old and Neno Dotter, 17 years old. All the dead and sick are members of an Italian farm colony in the Atwood-Merino community.

John Notario, brother of one of the victims, and Dominic Cametto, are patients at the Sterling hospital. The death of Joe Notario, 5 year old son of Tony Notario, first to be affected by the poison, is expected momentarily, while Mrs. Notario, the wife and mother, is dangerously ill at her home near Atwood.

Last Friday members of several families gathered at the home of Tony Notario, five miles south of Sterling to make sausage. A large quantity of the food was prepared and a portion was served at an evening meal. The sausage then was divided among those who helped in making it, and quantities were taken to the four or five homes.

EX-SEC'Y FALL'S HEALTH IMPROVES BY NOT READING THE DAILY NEWSPAPERS

EL PASO, Texas, Feb. 26.—Former Secretary of the Interior Albert B. Fall, accompanied by Mrs. Fall, today returned to their ranch home at Three Rivers, N. M., after a visit of several days at their residence in El Paso.

Mr. Fall, who is said to be with-holding a statement of his plans, seemed much improved in health and walk-