



ENGAGED COUPLE—Second Lt. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Jr., son of the air force chief of staff, and Miss Sue Rosannah Johnson, whose father commands the U. S. air force in Britain, hold hands as they pose in Washington, D. C. Engagement was announced in London by Sue's parents, Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Leon Johnson. Young Vandenberg is recuperating from serious injuries in an auto collision last September in Texas where he was taking flight training.

Solons Hear Bad Reports On California Tax Chief

By GENE KRAMER
SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—A House Investigating Committee was told Wednesday that James G. Smyth was appointed San Francisco Collector of Internal Revenue despite three unfavorable intelligence reports on his character.

Special Treasury Agent William E. Frank of Seattle described the three reports in testimony to the House ways and means subcommittee of which Rep. King, D-Cal., is chairman.

Smyth, 1944 Northern California campaign manager of the Roosevelt-Truman ticket, was fired by President Truman last November on mismanagement charges.

Later Smyth was indicted on a charge of conspiracy to defraud the government.

Frank told the committee that a routine character investigation made of Smyth in 1925 was "distinctly unfavorable." At that time Smyth was appointed a deputy tax collector for a short period.

Under questioning, Frank said the investigation dealt with Smyth's "income tax returns, his filing records and his drinking."

Frank testified Tuesday that backdating of tax returns was the major irregularity he found in the San Francisco internal revenue office.

The T-man said "friendship . . . political favors . . . motives of that kind, not bribery," were behind the backdating.

Fifteen charges of irregularities against Smyth were made by Deputy Tax Collector Thomas J. Dolan in a letter to Sen. Tobey, R-N.H. They became the bill of particulars in a six-month grand jury probe here.

Frank outlined seven of the accusations Tuesday. He said six were found unsubstantiated, and the seventh accusing Smyth and others of holding up a tax fraud case until the statute of limitations

Big Tax Lien Hits Woman

PORTLAND (AP)—The federal government Wednesday put a tax lien for more than a million dollars against Ruth Barnett, a naturopath who is under grand jury indictment on a charge of manslaughter by abortion.

At the same time it filed a \$406,604 lien against Beatrice Cook of the same downtown office building address, 801 Broadway Building.

The lien against Dr. Barnett brought under her married name of Ruth Barnett Bush—lists these sums in additional income taxes sought:

\$340,541 for 1945; \$315,149 for 1946; and \$507,563 for 1947.

The filing says these are additional sums owed. It does not say how much was paid for those years.

The Beatrice Cook listing is: \$203,316 for 1945; \$194,304 for 1946; and \$8,983 for 1947.

Although her address was listed as the same as that for Dr. Barnett, the Internal Revenue Office reported she was believed to be living at Jennings Lodge, and to have had no connection in recent years with the Broadway Building address.

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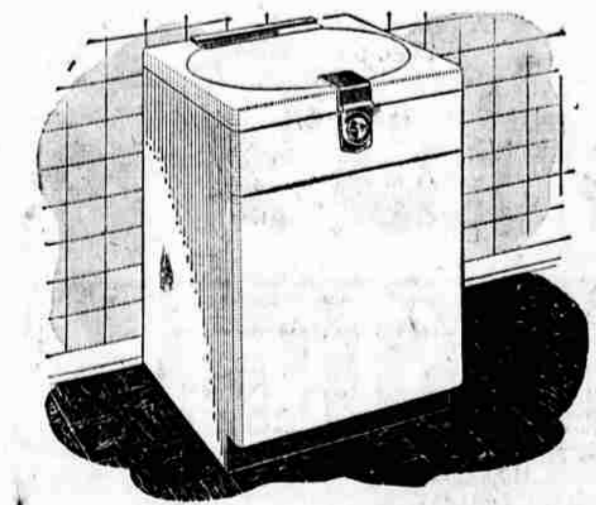
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