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REQUIREMENTS OF THE LAW IGNORED

In the Selection of Jurymen By Judge Speer

FAVORITISM AND PREJUDICE

Sub-Committee of the House Judiciary Committee Hears Four Witnesses at Savannah—Transferred from Macon.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 26.—Members of the special congressional committee which is investigating charges of official misconduct on the part of Federal Judge Emory Speer, of the Southern district of Georgia, today heard four members of the Savannah bar testify to alleged instances in which they charged that the accused jurist displayed favoritism and prejudice in the conduct of cases before him.

Echoes of the famous Green-Gaynor trial presided over by Judge Speer, were heard at the morning session when Alex. A. Lawrence, member of the local bar and one of the attorneys for the defense in that case, accused Judge Speer of having selected "convincing" jurors. He added that in his opinion, Judge Speer never had observed the requirements of the law in the selection of a jury.

John Rourke, Jr., city attorney of Savannah, told the committee of making a trip to Mt. Airy, N. C., to secure Judge Speer's signature to a mandate of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, in a decision by Judge Speer was reversed. Mr. Rourke said that Judge Speer grew very angry and refused to sign the mandate. "It was not signed," said the witness "until Judge Speer came to Savannah three weeks later."

EARLY HEARINGS ON TRUST PROGRAM

Will Probably Be Agreed Upon By Both Houses.

PLANS TAKE DEFINITE SHAPE

President Wilson Made It Clear That Nothing, in Spirit Not a Monopoly, Would Be Barred. Trade Commission.

Washington, Jan. 26.—Plans for public hearings on the anti-trust legislation programme in Congress probably will take definite shape tomorrow, when the House Judiciary and Interstate Commerce committees will hold separate meetings. There is some feeling between the committees in both branches of Congress over the question of jurisdiction and it was said tonight that the House Judiciary committee probably would not consent to join the hearings, which Chairman Newlands, of the State committee on Interstate Commerce and his colleagues have suggested.

Early hearings probably will be agreed upon by both the House committees. The Judiciary committee expects to examine some William Draper Lewis, of the University of Pennsylvania; Donald R. Alchberg, of the Progressive National headquarters, and Herbert Knox Smith, former Federal commissioner of corporations, who have submitted requests to be heard through Progressive Leader Murdock.

Washington, Jan. 26.—The Russell Lanson building, one of the largest here, was destroyed by fire today. The loss was estimated at \$360,000.

SEVERE STORM IN PACIFIC STATES

High Wind Accompanied By Snow and Rain

THREE LIVES WERE LOST BEFORE MINES COMMITTEE

Property Damaged by Wind—Roofs of State Buildings Were Blown Off and Other Houses Totally Destroyed.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 26.—A severe storm swept the Pacific Northwest today, snow and rain being accompanied by a high wind which at some places attained a velocity of 60 miles an hour. The storm on Puget sound was the most severe recorded since the establishment of the weather bureau here. The wind blew 60 miles an hour at Cape Plattery and 54 miles an hour here.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 26.—Three men were drowned, a boy was reported to have lost his life, many persons were driven from their homes; buildings were damaged, and steam and electric traffic was either tied up or seriously interrupted in Southern California today as the result of the rain which deluged this section in the last 24 hours.

San Francisco, Jan. 26.—The second day of the storm which has held the western seaboard in its grip, closed with rail transportation facilities crippled by floods, cloud bursts, washouts, and land slides. The southern and western regions of California received the brunt of the rain and snow laden gales. Traffic on the overland lines of the Southern Pacific had been tied up since yesterday and 200 pleasure-seeking Shriners, with 150 members of other organizations, attracted to Truckee, Cal., by a winter carnival, were marooned in the snow.

RADIUM AS CANCER CURE UNCERTAIN

Treatment Is Still Experimental Says Dr. Campbell

TWO OUT OF EVERY FIVE TREATMENTS FOR INTERNAL CANCER PROVE FATAL

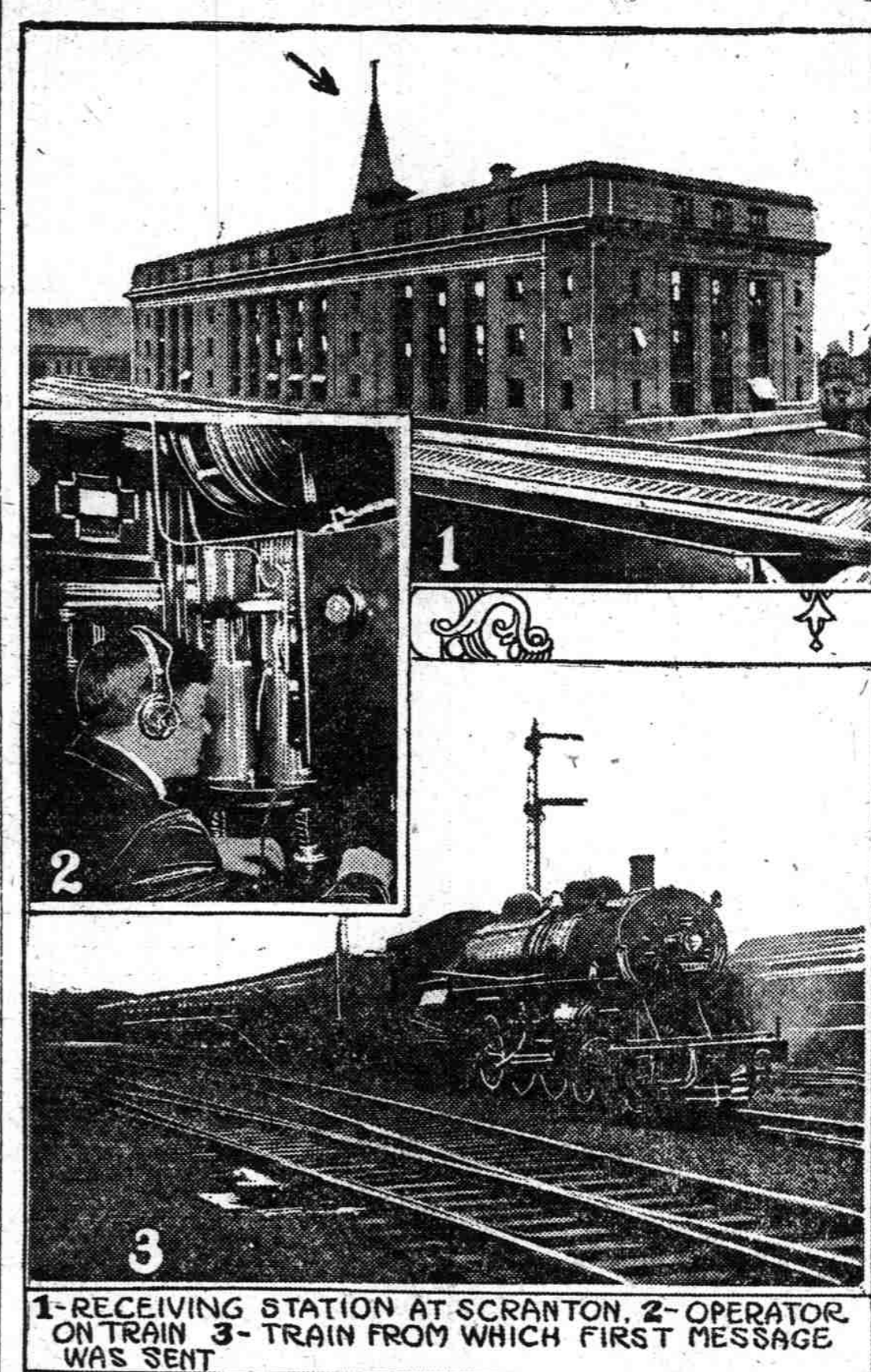
Secretary Lane Before the Committee.

Washington, January 26.—Radium as a cure for cancer still is on an experimental stage, and its use in the treatment of internal cancer results fatally in a large percentage of cases, according to the testimony before the House Mines Committee today of Dr. William H. Campbell, director of the radium clinic of Pennsylvania. Dr. Campbell told the committee that, so far as the deeper cancers are concerned "we cannot tell today what the outcome of the radium treatment will be."

Dr. Campbell demurred at this, but finally said that two out of five of the cases treated ended fatally. He added that all were in cases where the disease would have resulted in death in a few months without treatment. Dr. Campbell said that at the present price of radium, the cost to patients ought not to be prohibitive. "I can treat patients at four cents per milligram of radium, but on an investment and double my money in a year," he declared.

Secretary Lane's proposal was to divide a certain area into two parts, one for the exclusive use of the government and the other for the use of prospectors and private individuals. He said that the government would have the right to prospect and to allow him all the usual rights except that the government would take 25 per cent of the value of the ore. He would give the government absolute control over a certain definite area for the development of radium on its own initiative.

Trains Equipped With Wireless Telegraph.



1-RECEIVING STATION AT SCRANTON, 2-OPERATOR ON TRAIN 3-TRAIN FROM WHICH FIRST MESSAGE WAS SENT

An Eastern railroad, the Lackawanna, has installed a system of wireless telegraphy on various of its express trains, an innovation in land transportation that is expected to prove as successful commercially as it has practically.

Where Boxing Stops and Fighting Begins Kansas Woman to Run For Congress

Goodland, Kas., January 26.—Mrs. Eva M. Murphy, of Goodland, today announced her candidacy for Congress from the Sixth Kansas district as a Progressive.

NORFLEET LYON A SUICIDE EXPECT HAMMER TO WITHDRAW

Such is Strong Belief in Washington—Embarrassment for Friends if He Does Not.

Washington, D. C., January 26.—Well informed North Carolinians here tonight are strong in the belief that the opposition to W. C. Hammer for district attorney for western North Carolina has become so strong that the Asheboro man is on the eve of withdrawing from the race.

REFINERS OPPOSE INCREASE

Of Five Per Cent Being Asked For By The Eastern Railroads—Means Bankruptcy.

Washington, Jan. 26.—Independent oil refiners of the territory east of the Mississippi river and North of the Ohio told the Interstate Commerce Commission today that they virtually would be driven out of business if the general five per cent freight rate increase demanded by the railroads were granted.

SPLIT HER HEAD WITH AN AXE

Evidence Developed That Some Unknown Person Probably Criminally Assaulted Mrs. Lynch.

(Special Star Correspondence.) Smithfield, N. C., Jan. 26.—A Johnston county coroner's jury investigating the horrible murder of Mrs. William Lynch, near Wendell, developed evidence that some unknown person probably criminally assaulted her and literally split her head open in two directions.

MINERS BEGIN LEGAL BATTLE

In Defense of President Moyer of the Western Federation—Motion to Quash Indictments.

Houghton, Mich., Jan. 26.—The Western Federation of Miners today began its fight in the courts in behalf of its president, Charles H. Moyer, and its thirty odd officials and members who are under indictment here on the charge of conspiring to interfere with non-union employees of the Michigan copper mines.

OUTLINES

The Western Federation of Miners began a legal battle yesterday in behalf of their president, Chas. H. Moyer. A motion to quash the indictment was the first move.

Kinston Man Takes His Life in Hotel by Swallowing Poison—Leaves No Word of Explanation.

(Special Star Telegram.) Kinston, N. C., January 26.—Norfleet Lyon, about 30, a farmer and well connected, committed suicide in the Neuse Hotel here early today by swallowing poison. He is believed to have swallowed three and one-half ounces of the stuff.

SKULL CRUSHED BY WHEELS OF LUMBER-LADEN WAGON.

(Special Star Telegram.) Tarboro, N. C., January 26.—In a runaway accident near Tarboro today, Charles Bailey, aged 35 years, was thrown from a wagon loaded with lumber, dragged 25 yards and then instantly killed by the rear wheels crushing his skull.

REPORTS TELL OF FRISCO FAILURE

Investigation By Inter-State Commerce Commission

OFFICERS POCKETED MONEY

The Acquisition and Financing of Too Many New Lines Given as One Reason for Failure of Big Road—Manipulations.

Washington, Jan. 26.—Financial operations, which included the acquisition of lines through syndicates which profited to the extent of more than \$8,000,000, some of which was pocketed by the road's own officers, are cited as among the underlying causes of the insolvency of the St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad Company, in a report to the Senate today by the Interstate Commerce Commission on the Frisco lines receivership.

Causes Summarized. Summarized, the commission's report attributed the insolvency of the Frisco to the following causes: "Disproportionate capitalization. The acquisition of new lines. The financing by the Frisco of the New Orleans, Texas & Mexico Railroad and other south Texas lines. The desire for an entrance into Chicago, resulting in the assumption of heavy fixed charges in a transaction of the stock of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railroad.

NEWBERN TO RALEIGH. Division Superintendent Akers to be Transferred February 1st. Newbern, N. C., January 26.—Division Superintendent C. W. Akers, of the Norfolk Southern, will be transferred from Newbern to Raleigh, John C. Lewis, of Newbern, will succeed Mr. Akers as division superintendent, with headquarters in this city.

WASHINGTON AS A MASON. Memorial to be Erected to Country's First President. Alexandria, Va., Jan. 26.—The memory of "Washington the Mason" is to be perpetuated by the erection of a permanent temple here. Plans for the memorial are to be outlined at a meeting here February 22nd of the George Washington Masonic Memorial Association, at which many grand jurisdictions throughout the country will be represented.