

New Evidence Coming In Fast to Committee Investigating Leases

Witnesses Are Being Heard Daily and So Much Data is Presented the Public Can Hardly Keep It.

VANDERLIP CALLED TO GIVE TESTIMONY

He Has Brought Marion Star Into Question.—Counsel for Standard Oil Company Heard During the Day.

Washington, Feb. 14.—While Frank A. Vanderlip waited to testify regarding his views on the sale of President Harding's leases, the Senate oil committee produced a fresh flock of witnesses today from various witnesses.

John C. Shaffer, publisher of the Chicago Post, the Rocky Mountain News of Denver, and other newspapers, testified in Secretary Fall had told him in 1921, the very month he entered the oil business, that he was going to lease the Teapot Dome to Harry F. Sinclair. At that time, Vanderlip was not yet an oil man.

Mr. Shaffer also told how he himself got a one-eighth interest in the Teapot Dome from the Teapot Dome subsidiary, and gave up nothing in return. He also claimed that he had been promised that he would be taken care of by Secretary Fall, director of the leases, and that the leases were written before the leases were put into the committee's hands.

He said that the writer "understand" Attorney General Daugherty given an informal opinion upon the validity of the leasing policy. Daugherty previously had denied that he had given any opinion. The letter addressed to Secretary Fall suggested a written opinion be asked from the Attorney General, but added that "realize the object" of asking such an opinion.

Secretary Fall suggested a written opinion be asked from the Attorney General, but added that "realize the object" of asking such an opinion.

COOPER TESTIFIES THAT HE IS NOW BANKRUPT

Status That For Some Time He Has Been Supported by His Relatives.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 14 (By the Associated Press).—Lieutenant Governor W. B. Cooper is bankrupt and has been living off money borrowed from a relative, he testified at the trial here of himself and his brother T. E. Cooper, on charges of conspiracy in connection with the failure of the Commercial National Bank of Wilmington. He declared in May, 1921, he was worth \$200,000.

The lieutenant governor took the witness stand at the opening of court today, his brother having concluded his testimony at yesterday's session. He was excused that after the lieutenant governor concluded a number of character witnesses would be introduced and the defense rest.

The lieutenant governor appeared nervous when he took the stand, but he soon regained composure, although speaking rapidly and revealing the strain under which he was laboring by rapid movement of his hands. The largest crowd since the trial started was present.

The lieutenant governor reviewed his business career up to May, 1921, when he succeeded his youngest brother as president of the bank here. He said he bought \$50,000 worth of stock of the bank from his brother, and paid for it. At that time he was worth about \$200,000. He said that his heaviest personal loss resulted from bonds signed by him to protect deposits in the bank by government agencies. These, he said, amounted to \$200,000 and judgment had been given against him in several suits brought in this connection.

Mortally Wounded



Rev. Father Hubert F. Dahme (above), pastor of St. Joseph's German Catholic Church at Bridgeport, Conn., was shot and mortally wounded by an unidentified man who was walking with the priest on the street. The assassin escaped.

COTTON CONSUMED DURING JANUARY

South Used More Than Half of Total.—Increase Over December Is Shown in the Report.

Washington, Feb. 14.—Cotton consumed during January amounted to 576,904 bales of lint and 40,281 of lint-free, compared with 461,500 of lint and 40,892 of lint-free in December. This was contrary to the party law, Section II of the last plan of organization of the Republican Convention says: "It shall be the duty of the State

Cotton on hand January 31st totaled: in consuming establishments, 1,633,332 bales of lint and 120,634 of lint-free. In public storage and at compresses, 2,966,466 bales of lint and 82,742 of lint-free.

Imports during January totaled 47,663 bales.

Exports during January totaled 450,253 bales, including 7,203 bales of lint-free.

Cotton spindles active during January totaled 33,330,806.

Statistics for cotton growing states include: consumed during January, 931,038 bales.

On hand January 31st in consuming establishments, 1,004,743 bales; in public storage and compresses 2,667,432 bales.

Cotton spindles active during January, 16,346,206.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Firm at Advance of 18 to 21 Points—New Crops Quiet.

New York, Feb. 14.—The cotton market opened firm at an advance of 18 to 21 points on old crop months in response to unexpectedly heavy figures on domestic consumption for January as published by the Census Bureau. Later months were four points higher to five points lower, however, and the general list turned weak right after the call, owing to the failure of the census figures to create any general or aggressive buying. May broke from 32.25 to 32.50 during the first half hour, making a net decline of 50 points, and old crop months generally sold 47 to 50 points net lower. The new crop was relatively quiet, but sold off 15 to 20 points from the opening figures.

Cotton futures opened firm, March 32.87 to 33.10; May 33.25; July 31.80; Oct. 27.80; Dec. 27.80.

The Tribune's Missing Word Contest.

The last page in The Tribune's Missing Word Contest was published Tuesday. All answers must be in not later than next Monday, February 18th, at noon. The judges will then receive the answers and slogans, and we expect to have their decision ready to be published on Thursday the 21st.

In the event of a tie, for any prize offered, a prize identical in all respects to that tied for, will be given to the tying contestant.

Eight prizes are offered: \$20 first prize, \$10 second prize, \$7.50 third prize, \$5 fourth prize, \$3 fifth prize, \$2 sixth prize, \$1.50 seventh prize, \$1 eighth prize.

In awarding the prizes the answers in the misspelled contest and the best slogans submitted will be considered together.

1057 Students at Trinity College.

Trinity College, Durham, Feb. 12.—With the registration of a dozen new students at Trinity, the total enrollment for the present year has been increased to 1057, which number is nearly double in excess of any previous enrollment in the history of the college. Among the new students there are two public school teachers taking the special teacher course, one graduate student, one junior, one sophomore, and seven freshmen.

May Not Adopt Hughes Proposal.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 14.—Chairman Johnson and other members of the House immigration committee appeared today to comply with the suggestion made by Secretary Hughes that Japan be placed on the same quota basis as other nations in the immigration bill pending before the committee.

The June brides are checking over their prospect lists and making their final selection for a husband.

"THE POSTOFFICE STATUS NOW"

Under the above caption, G. Ed. Kestler, candidate for the postoffice here, and editor of the Concord Observer, will have the following to say in today's issue of his paper:

"There is a vacancy in the Postmastership at Concord, N. C. An examination by the Civil Service was held. There were made eligible, Mr. Miller withdrew, and then on January 19th, 1924 the Civil Service Commission wrote Mr. Geo. E. Kestler as follows:

"Sir:—The Commission has your letter of January 11th concerning your candidacy for the position of Postmaster at Concord, N. C. You are informed that if, and when, the Department returns the Concord papers to the Commission with information that one or more persons has withdrawn from the eligible register, then the Commission will carefully review the papers of the remaining candidates for the purpose of determining which, if any is entitled to the next highest rating, and will re-certify the results to the Postoffice Department.

"By direction of the Commission, Very respectfully, JOHN T. DOYLE, Secretary (V.)"

"According to this information four applicants for the place and a large number of citizens went to the County Republican Chairman, Mr. H. S. Williams, and asked him to ask the State Chairman to have the Postoffice Department to ask the Civil Service Commission to send up another eligible. He refused to do this. He was asked to call his County Committee together and let the committee settle the issues. He refused to do this.

"He refused to call them at all. Kestler wired and wrote Mr. Bramham to have this done in justice to all applicants. He replied that Mr. Williams had endorsed Mr. Ward, as if the Committee had been called, and he had written that it must meet before any selection could be made, and upon Williams' statement he had sent in the appointment. So the people and the full committee has never had anything to do with Ward's endorsement. He was put up by the County Chairman individually and without any one up in Miller's place. This was contrary to the party law, Section II of the last plan of organization of the Republican Convention says:

"It shall be the duty of the State Vanderlip Pictures Widespread Graft

Arraigns Public Officials, Past and Present, and Demands Course.

Ossining, N. Y., Feb. 13.—In the course of an arraignment of public officials, past and present, Frank A. Vanderlip, financier, in a Rotary club address last night criticized the sale of a "certain Marion newspaper."

"A certain Marion newspaper sold for \$550,000, when it was well known to everyone that it was not worth half that sum," he said.

"Two young men of no financial standing purchased it. Everybody in Washington, including the newspaper correspondents, knows that, but no one wants to look under the edge of a shroud.

"Where did the money come from? Where did it go? These are matters of public interest. The last administration stands challenged. We cannot wait for Congress or the courts, especially when we remember that Mr. Daugherty is attorney general."

Then the banker whirled into the Teapot Dome scandal. He attacked Senator Walsh's associates on the senate investigating committee, saying several of them are undesirable investigators of any moral question.

McAdoo testified, he went on, "that he was only acting as a reputable attorney for a reputable client in the oil matter but like anybody with stolen jam, he dropped that client immediately after the client had testified before the investigating committee."

"The Senate did not go further in investigating Secretary Fall because Fall was ready to peach and what he would have said would have gone into high places. They didn't dare."

There were other national scandals even more flagrant than Teapot Dome. Mr. Vanderlip added, declaring that the veterans' bureau had spent over \$900,000,000 belonging to wounded veterans and that the shipping board had spent millions in the previous administration "which if not dishonest, was incredibly stupid." He called upon President Coolidge to demand the resignation of Secretary Denby and every other official besmirched in the public mind.

"All of these things are floating in the sun of Washington," Mr. Vanderlip continued. "What is the truth? We are entitled to know. It will demand courage in high places to find out. The President has got to say something. Silence will not answer. He must say something to make us continue to believe in his great integrity and moral courage, which we all think he has."

HEFLIN DENIES THAT HE EVER JOINED THE KLAN

Also States in the Senate That He Has Not Conferred With Mayfield Managers.

Washington, Feb. 14.—A flat denial that he was ever had been a member of the Ku Klux Klan was made in the Senate today by Senator Hefflin, democrat of Alabama, in the course of an address regarding his proposed investigation of alleged Texas land frauds.

"I am not a member and never have been a member of the Ku Klux Klan," he said. "Further I have never had any conferences with managers of Senator Mayfield's contest and have not heard that contest mentioned by any Senator for two months."

Sues Railroad for \$3,000.

Thomsonville, N. C., Feb. 14.—Mrs. Hattie Clodfelter, widow of Policeman D. H. Clodfelter, has brought for \$3,000 against the North Carolina Railroad Company for the death of her husband which occurred near the passenger station here last year. The case is expected to come up for trial at the next term of the Davidson Superior Court.

Is Arrested With Mrs. Asa G. Candler

Wm. J. Stoddard, wealthy Atlanta business man, was arrested with Mrs. Asa G. Candler, when the police raided a fashionable apartment.

Committee and its Chairman to give to the Republican voters of the precinct town, county zone or district concerned the largest possible power in making appointments affecting the general locality by CONSULTING the WISH of the PRECINCT TOWN, COUNTY or DISTRICT COMMITTEES as well as the REPUBLICAN VOTERS most concerned and to follow so far as practical the WISHES of ALL REPUBLICAN VOTERS asked or offering suggestions."

"We asked the precinct and county committee if they were consulted about this. Instead of doing this Williams alone tried to name the Postmaster and in defiance of the wish of REPUBLICAN VOTERS and of the Democratic voters, too. And Ward would be Postmaster here today, secretly put in, had not some friends of the other applicants intervened. Knowing the party law Kestler asked the full Republican Committee for endorsement and voluntarily 60 out of the 80 signed his petition. See list of these committeemen and women attached as printed at the time in 1922. Besides most all the influential men of the party and of all parties have been glad to endorse him. He had a big majority of the committee and if Williams had let another name go on the list and had called the committee to meet Ward never would have been considered for this place. If the party plan of organization is recognized then the people will yet say who they want for Postmaster here. This appeal is to the Postmaster General to see that we get a square deal which was denied us by the County Chairman. This is all we ask but we are denied this and we know Mr. Bartlett will do the right thing as he is a true Republican and a gentleman."

"How come then a name cannot go up in place of Miller? So if they consider the wishes of the precinct and county committee as plan II demands, Kestler has three times as many as all the other seven candidates.

"Has the above committee ever been consulted by the State chairman as to their wishes about this? Have they had the largest possible power in making this appointment?

"Have the Republican voters been consulted?

"If not then the plan of organization has not been applied and no one can get in until these things are done legally."

PLAN BETTER FARM HOMES

National Committee Organized in Springfield, Conn., Feb. 14.—To make a better home this year upon each of the 5,000,000 farms that most need it is the purpose of the families person, as expressed by their national committee, completed here today. Its chairman is Dr. Louise Stanley, who is also chief of the Home Economics Bureau in the United States Department of Agriculture at Washington. Other members of the committee are Miss Isabel Bevier, professor emerita of home economics at the University of Illinois; Prof. Alfred Vivian, dean of the College of Agriculture of Ohio State University; Miss Neale S. Knowles, state leader in home economics at Iowa Agricultural College, and President K. L. Butterfield of the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Efforts of rural families to improve their homes are being stimulated by national prizes aggregating \$5,000 contributed by Farm and Home magazine of this city. This work in bettering rural homes is now highly organized throughout the United States. In solving its own problem of home improvement, each rural family is now able to consult a trained expert in its own locality. Home demonstration workers are, or will be available for this purpose in each county farm bureau throughout the United States. They work under the direction of the State extension service in home economics, which centers at each state university or agricultural college. And all this effort in each state co-operates through the Home Economics Bureau of the United States Department of Agriculture.

McADOO SUPPORTERS TO MEET IN CHICAGO ON FEBRUARY 18th

To Consider His Availability as Democratic Candidate.

Chicago, Feb. 13.—A national conference of McAdoo supporters, representatives of labor, farmers "and other liberals" to consider the availability of the former secretary of the treasury as a candidate for the democratic presidential nomination was called tonight to meet in Chicago February 18.

"The means you propose for ascertaining whether the present partisan attack upon you have in any degree lessened the demand for your candidacy is the surest method that can be devised," former Judge Rockwell, national director of the McAdoo campaign, in a letter to the candidate acknowledging the latter's suggestion that such a conference be called.

Mr. McAdoo requested the conference "to consider and determine whether or not the fact that an honorable professional service rendered by me to a client, but having no relation whatever to the oil leases now under investigation by the senate committee, is prejudicial to my leadership in the cause of progressive democracy."

Hundreds of supporters in all sections of the country have wired national headquarters here of their intention to attend.

Confederate Veteran Weds.

Lexington, N. C., Feb. 14.—Milbia Hill, a Confederate veteran, of Denton, near here, and a well known citizen of this county, was married to Miss Vina Harden, also of Denton, in the office of the Register of Deeds, the other day. Dr. C. A. Owens of the First Baptist Church, performed the ceremony. The groom was 82 years of age and his bride was 49, it was stated.

If Australia could be placed in the Atlantic Ocean, it would fill up all the space between America and the British Isles.

Is Arrested With Mrs. Asa G. Candler



Wm. J. Stoddard, wealthy Atlanta business man, was arrested with Mrs. Asa G. Candler, when the police raided a fashionable apartment.

MORE SEPARATISTS KILLED IN RIOTING

Six Men Killed at Raduerkheim—Disorders Are Also Reported From the City of Stettin.

Berlin, Feb. 14 (By the Associated Press).—Six separatists were killed at Raduerkheim, a town of 7,000 inhabitants yesterday, in an antiseparatist outbreak similar to that at Pirmasens. The communist disorders are reported from Stettin. Dispatches received here say one policeman was wounded and one communist killed and seven wounded in the disorders.

General Uprising Feared.

Amsterdam, Feb. 14.—Reports from Pirmasens, Kaiserlauten and other centers in the palatinate state that the disorders are continuing and it is feared a general uprising against the separatists will break out today.

BREWER CHARGES IS DENIED BY MELLON

Have Been No Duplications of Bonds, Treasury Secretary Tells President.

Washington Feb. 14.—Secretary Mellon in a letter today to President Coolidge, declared unfounded the charges by Chas. B. Brewer, of the Department of Justice attorney that there had been bond duplications in the Bureau of Engraving.

At the same time it was announced that Major Wallace W. Kirby of the army engineer corps had been detailed today to act as director of the bureau succeeding Louis A. Hill, whose resignation has been accepted.

Happy feeds for cattle, horses and poultry at the Richmond-Flowe Co.

The Richmond-Flowe Co. is now ready to receive orders for Maybanks Fish Fertilizer. Their big warehouse on the railway siding enables them to give you fresh goods all the time.

The Bell & Harris Furniture Company is offering some big bargains in home furnishings. Just received a car load of Leonard refrigerators. At their big new store corner Church and East Deep street.

On Friday, Saturday and Monday the S. S. Brown Shoe Store will offer good high grade shoes for every member of the family at prices ranging only from \$1.00 to \$4.95. The newest and best at lowest prices.

See the diamond selection of the Starnes-Miller-Parker Co. before you buy.

For three days the Parks-Belk Co. will have 5,000 pairs of ladies' slippers and shoes on sale at prices ranging from 98 cents to \$2.98. See new ad, today in their regular space on page two.

Capetown Accurately Hears Schenectady Radio Programs.

Schenectady, N. Y., Feb. 12.—The General Electric company today announced receipt of a letter containing the log of a radio program broadcast here January 4 and received at Cape Town, South Africa.

Every number contained in the log checked with the program as broadcast. The exact distance from Schenectady to Cape Town is 7,880 miles.

Controversy Comes to Head.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 13.—Bringing to a head the controversy between the United States Employees Compensation Commission and the Comptroller General's office, Comptroller General McCarl today cut off A. H. Gardes as disbursing officer in the Commission from further advances of money from the compensation fund.

C. E. INSTITUTE IN CITY PROVED OF BIG INTEREST TO CROWDS

Two Sessions of Institute Held in Methodist Protestant Church Yesterday Drew Large Congregations

DR. A. E. CORY CHIEF SPEAKER

Talks of World Conditions and Expressed the Opinion That Children Are Greatest Asset of the World.

The auditorium of the First Methodist Protestant Church was filled last night at the meeting of the Cabarrus County Christian Endeavor Union and the Leadership Institute under the auspices of the Union. Representatives were in attendance from the Roberta Presbyterian, Roberta Methodist Protestant, as well as from the Christian Endeavor Society of the city. There were also present representatives of Epworth Leagues, Luther Leagues and B. Y. P. U's.

The first meeting was opened at 4:30 p. m. under the leadership of Mr. Evans of Chattanooga, Tenn. Mr. Evans outlined the new work for the Junior and Intermediate Societies, showing interesting handwork that had been collected from various points throughout the country. He gave in outline the plans for the All-South Christian Endeavor Convention, to be held in Richmond, Va., July 10-14. Already over 300 delegates have registered for this convention, and at least three thousand persons are expected to attend. North Carolina will have several special cars to go to Richmond for the convention and for sight-seeing tours to Washington and other points of interest afterward.

At the 7 o'clock meeting, the roll of societies was called, showing splendid attendance from several churches. The largest percentage of attendance was reported by the Methodist Protestant Junior Society, although the Senior Society of this church lacked only one of having 100 per cent. The several societies of the city had waged an advance Registration Campaign for the Institute, the registration fee being 10 cents per person. A total of 519 persons paid this fee.

The principal address of the evening was made by Dr. A. E. Cory, of Kingston, N. C., President of the International Convention of Disciples of Christ. Dr. Cory held his audience spell-bound with his masterly portrayal of world conditions, politically, economically and religiously. He stated that one of the most wholesome signs of the times was that those people were thinking. He did not agree with some of the things they were thinking, but that the mere fact that they were thinking at all was a good omen. "The Bible will never be hurt by what people think about it," he said, "but will endure when its critics are long forgotten." He said that the Young People of today are the greatest asset the world has at the present time. "War," he said, "is the greatest sign of the age, and the church has no right to make itself a recruiting station. War can be stopped only when our boys and girls learn the principles of peace and world brotherhood." He quoted a statement from "Good Housekeeping" that there is more dishonesty today in our youth from 12 to 16 than at any other time during the last generation. "Honesty is being implanted in the lives of our children, not by the schools as it might be, certainly not by some of our homes—the Christian Church must do it if ever it is properly done. While our young people are thinking as well—in terms of money. The greatest movements of the world today are among the youth of all lands. Youth is doing things in a bigger, finer way than ever their fathers did. Invest in your youth if you would make the greatest investment possible."

"The largest Christian Endeavor Society in the world is in Africa, with over 1500 members, all who walk for miles across swamps and sands because of their interest in Jesus Christ."

At the conclusion of this masterly address by Dr. Cory, Mr. Evans, gave some history in connection with the great work of the young people through the Christian Endeavor Societies and said among many other phases of activity that year before last, 739 new societies were organized in the Southern States, under the direction of Mr. Evans and he is the head. That means one new society every twelve hours during the entire year. Last year, there were 780 new ones organized. One month last year 5,264 persons pledged themselves, through their Christian Endeavor Societies, to observe at least fifteen minutes each day of prayer and Bible-reading. Two thousand, two hundred thirty-two persons pledged themselves to tithing their incomes for Christian work. Over 200 persons pledged themselves for the ministry and mission fields.

Among the visitors at the rally was Mr. Cary P. Lowrance, of Mooresville, who is President of the Southern District C. E. Union.

Dr. Cory and Mr. Evans go from Concord to Charlotte for a like series of meetings.

Read Succeeds Bowen.

Washington, Feb. 13.—George C. Bowen, of Greenville, S. C., prohibition director for South Carolina, has resigned. Prohibition Commissioner Hanes announced today. Edgar Reed, former divisional chief of the fourth district, will take temporary charge of the office.

Fire at Henderson.

Henderson, N. C., Feb. 14.—Damage estimated at \$250,000 was done by fire here today that destroyed the hull and meal house of the Henderson Cotton Mill. The origin of the blaze has not been determined.

In Chicago they found a still under a barber shop. It seems as if some policeman was "next."

Only thing some people save for a rainy day is rheumatism.

WHAT SATS BEAR SAYS.

Mr. Sats Bear says that the company bid was not a formal bid.

Mr. Sats Bear says that the company bid was not a formal bid.

Mr. Sats Bear says that the company bid was not a formal bid.

Mr. Sats Bear says that the company bid was not a formal bid.

Mr. Sats Bear says that the company bid was not a formal bid.

Mr. Sats Bear says that the company bid was not a formal bid.

Mr. Sats Bear says that the company bid was not a formal bid.

Mr. Sats Bear says that the company bid was not a formal bid.

Mr. Sats Bear says that the company bid was not a formal bid.

Mr. Sats Bear says that the company bid was not a formal bid.

Mr. Sats Bear says that the company bid was not a formal bid.

Mr. Sats Bear says that the company bid was not a formal bid.

Mr. Sats Bear says that the company bid was not a formal bid.

Mr. Sats Bear says that the company bid was not a formal bid.

Mr. Sats Bear says that the company bid was not a formal bid.

Mr. Sats Bear says that the company bid was not a formal bid.