

And Doheny Freed of Conspiracy Charges by Jury in Washington

Came After Jury deliberated 19 Hours on Charges Growing From Charges Against Them

CHARGES GERMANY IS MAKING ARMS Charge Made in the Reichstag and Caused Demonstration—Says Arms Are Kept in Russia.

Berlin, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Bedlam broke loose in the Reichstag today when Philipp Scheidemann, head of the social democrats, attacking the Defense Minister Gessler, charged that a secret fund existed in the budget for the manufacture and hoarding of arms, and airplanes in Russia.

JAPANESE EMPEROR'S CONDITION IS CHANGED All Princes and Princesses of Royal House Called to His Bedside.

Tokyo, Dec. 16.—(AP)—All of the princes and princesses of the imperial house and other relatives of the imperial family left here on a special train late tonight for Hayama, where Emperor Yoshihito lies near death as the result of an attack of bronchial pneumonia. Hayama is only an hour's ride from Tokyo.

Florida Bus Drivers On Efficiency Basis

Daytona Beach, Fla., Dec. 16.—Jitney bus drivers here have gone on an efficiency basis.

Jesse Wyatt is Given Back His Citizenship

Raleigh, Dec. 15.—Jesse H. Wyatt was restored to citizenship here today. The order was signed by Judge W. M. Bond in Wake county superior court.

Public Interest in Six-Day Racing Shows that While the Bicycle May Have Lost Its Position as a Popular Means of Transportation and Recreation, it Certainly Has Not Lost in Favor as a Popular Means of Providing Entertainment.

American company was awarded a lease to the Elk Hills reserve. March, 1923—Fall resigned as secretary of interior. January, 1924—Doheny told the Senate oil committee he advanced Fall \$100,000 as a private loan.

Red Taped

SMITH NAMED FOR SENATE AND PLANS TO ACCEPT OFFER

Declines to Be Guided by Republicans Who Urged Him Not to Accept the Appointment. FIGHT OVER SEAT IS NOW CERTAIN It Is Said Republicans Did Not Want the Fight to Come at Present Session of Congress.

Chicago, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Frank L. Smith, United States Senator-elect from Illinois, has been appointed to the senate seat of the late W. M. McKinley, has accepted and will go to the capitol in a few days.

MOSLEMS AROUSED BY EGYPTIAN MODERNISM

Cairo, Dec. 16 (AP)—Egypt has its own fundamentalist-modernist in the case of Dr. Taha Hussein, professor of Arabic literature in the State university, accused of defaming the Moslem religion.

Law Protects Religions

The Egyptian constitution asserts the right to liberty of opinion and to its free expression "within the limits of the law." The law provides penalties against defamatory statements of any religion, whether Moslem, Christian, Jewish or any other, for the reason that in a cosmopolitan country like Egypt attacks on the religious views of others are liable to lead to breach of the public peace.

Santa Claus Abandons Reindeer; Adopts Airplane With Parachute

(By International News Service) Newburyport, Mass., Dec. 16.—Santa Claus instead of using the time-honored chimney in making his descent upon Newburyport, adopted the more modern plan of dropping from an airplane with the aid of a parachute.

FOR HIGHWAY POLICE BEST ENFORCED OF ALL LAWS, SAYS JUDGE WEBB

The Judge Went Back to the Days When Liquor Flowed Freely. (By International News Service) Greensboro, Dec. 16.—Considering that the prohibition law is one that effects the appetites of men, long un-restrained, "it is the best enforced of all the laws."

CHARLOTTE SPEEDWAY FACING BANKRUPTCY

Roberts Admits It Is in Bad Way Financially—Audit Is Now Being Made. Charlotte, Dec. 15.—Charlotte speedway is in a bad way and faces the possibility of a receivership or bankruptcy, it became known today when C. W. Roberts, of Charlotte and Greensboro, general manager, admitted that the poor attendance at the Armistice day races had put the association "in the hole."

Hotel Man Absent When Case is Called

Salisbury, Dec. 15.—As a result of a raid on the Rowan Inn, formerly the Terminal Hotel, cases were called in county court today against the proprietor, George Doby, and two couples arrested in the hotel at the time of the raid. Doby, who was charged with maintaining a nuisance operating a bawdy house and having liquor for sale, failed to show up for trial.

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Charles Gaston, Circulation Manager of Mellett's Paper, Tells of Defendant's Call to Office. O. E. CROUSE ALSO WITNESS Says He Saw Defendant and Ben Rudner, Wanted in Case, Together on Sunday Before Murder.

Canton, O., Dec. 16.—(AP)—O. E. Crouse, Canton sinking fund trustee, testified in the trial of Patrick Eugene McDermott, charged with the murder of Don R. Mellett, Canton publisher, that he saw McDermott and Ben Rudner, also charged with the murder, in front of Canton police headquarters the Sunday night preceding the murder.

DeDermott "Identified"

Canton, O., Dec. 16.—(AP)—Patrick Eugene McDermott, on trial for the murder of Don R. Mellett, publisher of the Canton Daily News, was "identified" twice by state's witnesses today.

Charles Gaston testified McDermott came to the Daily News office the day before the murder and asked to see Mr. Mellett. Gaston is circulation manager of The News.

Previously O. E. Crouse, Canton sinking fund trustee, had testified he had seen McDermott go into police headquarters the Sunday night preceding the murder.

Gaston declared McDermott came to his office the afternoon of July 15th and asked to see Mr. Mellett and was told he was in the business office.

McDermott went out and Gaston said he saw him watching Mellett through a window.

E. L. Mills, on cross examination, inquired about the campaign Mellett is said to have waged in the News against vice conditions in Canton.

He also asked Gaston if The News had not "paid a bootlegger fine" and "printed stuff from a disbarred attorney."

Gaston replied he did not know.

Frank Woods told of having a conversation with Al Ben Rudner, also charged with the murder in which Rudner told him he expected "to be framed in this case."

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John Van Allman, the next witness said a man under the name of Chas. Thompson roomed at his house in July and left on a Friday. Mellett was killed shortly after midnight on the morning of Friday, July 16th. He identified McDermott as Chas. Thompson. He said "Thompson left without making his departure known."

Yere Van Gunten then testified. He corroborated Van Allman's story and also identified McDermott as "Thompson."

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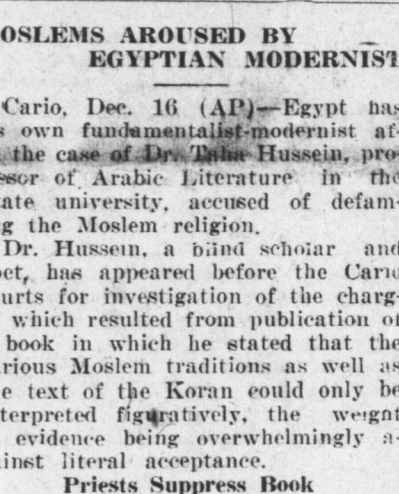
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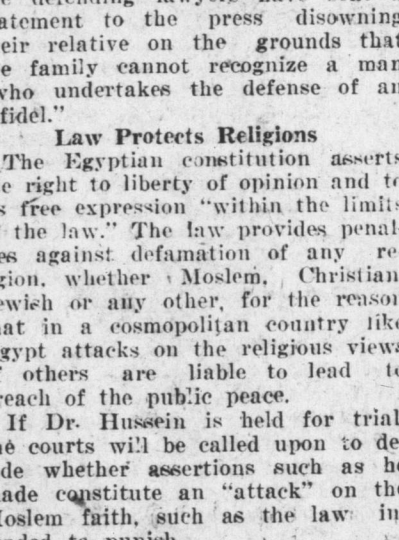
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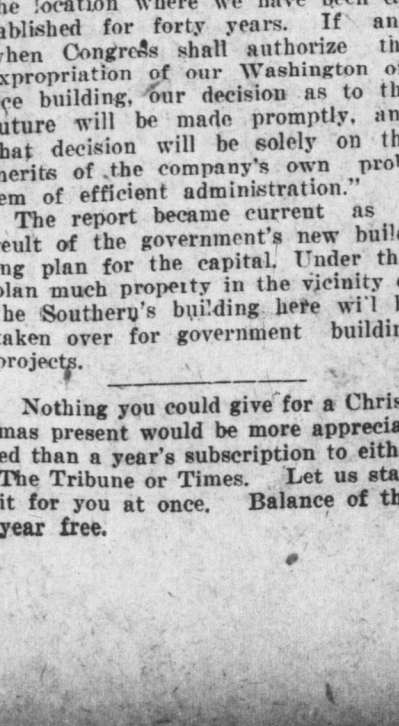
Mrs. Marbury Taylor, former French actress, was held up at Ellis Island when she arrived in America with her husband, former A. E. F. captain, because of an irregularity in her passport visa. She was on her way to visit her mother at Richmond, Va.



Dr. Hussein, a blind scholar and poet, has appeared before the Cairo courts for investigation of the charges which resulted from publication of a book in which he stated that the various Moslem traditions as well as the text of the Koran could only be interpreted figuratively, the weight of evidence being overwhelmingly against literal acceptance.



Wyatt, former captain of detectives of the Raleigh police force, lost his citizenship when he was convicted of killing Stephen S. Holt, Smithfield attorney, in June, 1925. The former officer was sentenced to serve eight months in State prison, but was paroled by Governor McLean before he completed it.



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