

More Charges Hurlled at Sinclair and Doheny at Oil Lease Investigation

Denver Newspaper Man Declares Doheny, Sinclair and "Standard Oil Companies" Entered Conspiracy.

SINCLAIR WAS TO GET TEAPOT DOME Articles Which Appeared in Paper Read at Hearing.—Editor Tells of Money and Oil That Changed Hands.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Feb. 9.—A charge that Harry F. Sinclair, E. L. Doheny and the "Standard Oil companies" conspired to assure award of the Teapot Dome naval oil lease to Sinclair was made before the Senate oil committee today by Frederick G. Bonfils, publisher of the Denver Post.

Continuing his story of his connection with the group that held contesting claims in the Teapot Dome reserve and disposed of them to Sinclair, the publisher asserted that in addition to the payments made to that group, the Mid-West and Pioneer companies who also had interests in the district, received \$1,000,000 in oil produced by the Sinclair company from Teapot.

During his testimony yesterday, the witness had said that he and John L. Stack, a Denver oil man, with H. H. Tamm, his partner, and H. H. Schwartz, their attorney, negotiated a settlement with Sinclair, the proceeds of which were split four ways. This settlement, he said, took place after the Post had published an article attacking the Teapot Dome situation, but had deferred publication of other stories on the same subject because of a fear of libel suits.

Reverting to this feature of the testimony today Senator Walsh called attention to the article attacking the Teapot Dome lease which appeared in the Post on August 15, 1922, and asked if there were others.

Bonfils said he had prepared a list of all the articles regarding the lease of Teapot Dome and he supposed there were 100 of them from September 15, 1922, up to the present time.

Interior Department advised that the Secretary of the Interior, Albert B. Fall, was kept fully advised as to the publications in the Post regarding the lease. The first, he added, was under date of April 5, 1922, two days before the lease was signed. Mr. Bonfils in response to a question, said he supposed that financial editor Dill, of his paper, had secured the information from bankers and brokers.

The clippings from the Post were sent to Mr. Fall by N. D. McEnery, a land office official at Denver, according to the record submitted. Under date of April 9, 1922, he wrote to Mr. Fall that he thought some of the lawyers who represented large oil companies "are giving Dill this dope."

Under date of April 14, 1922, Enery sent a telegram to Wm. Spry, in the Interior department, stating that the financial editor of the Denver Post asserted in an article that the Teapot Dome lease to Sinclair threatened an "oil scandal" and that "a probe by Congress may be asked."

The Post's daily published articles from April 5th to April 14th the record showed, although the public announcement of the lease was withheld by the Interior Department until April 21.

Stinnes Is No Movie Fan. Berlin, Feb. 9.—Hugo Stinnes, Germany's great captain of industry, confesses that he has little taste for theatrical entertainments. His experience in this direction is limited to one visit to the Berlin opera house, on which occasion Wagner so bored him that he left before the performance was half completed. And as for the movies, he has never seen them at all.

Nevertheless, Herr Stinnes is going into the movie business. A colossal company under his control has been formed for the production, selling and general distribution of films. The company will also build, acquire and manage motion picture theatres. It aims at extending its activities all over central Europe.

3,000,000 Yards of Fog a Minute. Stockholm, Feb. 9.—M. Jernberg, an eminent Swedish engineer, has been successful with his apparatus for producing artificial fog, to serve in the place of a fog screen in naval warfare. The apparatus produces about 3,000,000 cubic yards of fog per minute. It is said the Italian navy will introduce it on all lighter vessels.

The possession of American Sanna's is guaranteed to the natives forever by the Government of the United States. Opium, alcohol, patent medicines and commercialized drugs are prohibited and medical service is supplied free.

Fifty Miles an Hour



The day of the motorized ice sled is here, and this particular one, built by J. B. Morehouse at McCook Field, Dayton, O., makes 50 miles an hour over frozen waters.

THE COOPER TRIAL

Effort to Show Coopers Converted Bank's Funds to Pay Personal Draft. Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 9 (By the Associated Press).—Records of a transaction in which Lieut. Governor W. B. Cooper and Thos. E. Cooper are charged with having aided and abetted Horace C. Cooper in an alleged conversion of funds on the last day before the Commercial National Bank was closed were introduced this morning in the trial of the first two on a charge of conspiracy in connection with the bank's failure.

Horace Cooper, cashier of the defunct bank, and also under indictment, is alleged in the conspiracy charges to have converted \$2,678 of the bank's funds to his own use, with the collusion of the defendants, to pay a draft drawn on him by the Long Island National Bank of Hicksville, N. Y., and the draft was offered in evidence, stamped paid.

W. L. Smith, Jr., auditor of the Commercial National Bank, identified the draft, and testified it had been received by his bank for collection on December 29, 1922, the last day the Commercial National was open for business. He stated that application for payment was made to the Commercial National and the funds were remitted.

Most of the day was spent in introducing records of the Commercial National and a large stack of ledgers and other books was added to the mass quantity of documentary evidence already introduced.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Firm at Advance of 22 to 41 Points in Response to Relatively Firm Cables. (By the Associated Press.) New York, Feb. 9.—The cotton market opened firm today at an advance of 22 to 41 points in response to relatively firm cables and overnight buying orders. The latter was believed to include further price fixing by the trade, as well as covering, and May contracts sold up to 33.90 during the first few minutes, or 45 points net higher. Offerings increased at this figure and there were reactions of 25 to 30 points, but the market showed a fairly steady tone during the early trading.

Cotton futures opened firm. March 33.40 to 33.50; May 33.75 to 33.90; July 32.45; Oct. 28.20; Dec. not quoted.

A lion gnawed the wood away from two iron bars in his cage and roamed freely in two connecting express cars on a Santa Fe passenger train near Kansas City, Missouri. He was captured by the superintendent of a park zoo at Kansas City who lassoed the animal and pulled it into a waiting cage.

Faith and toil and helping one another. These seven words form the plan for international peace submitted by Anton Lang, Christus of the Oberammergau Passion play, to Edward W. Bok.

Anderson Gets Sentence of One To Two Years In Sing Sing

New York, Feb. 8.—William H. Anderson must go to Sing Sing prison from one to two years for third degree forgery in falsifying the books of the State Anti-Saloon League, of which he is superintendent, unless his conviction by a jury January 29th is reversed on appeal.

In imposing sentence today Supreme Court Justice Tompkins said: "This crime was deliberately committed and aggravated by some of his testimony, which was obviously untrue."

The sentence followed an impassioned plea for clemency by former Governor Charles S. Whitman, Anderson's chief counsel, and an appeal by Ferdinand Pecora, assistant district attorney, that the punishment be such as to satisfy the public that justice has been done and that the law is no respecter of persons." Anderson, it is reported, has resigned as State superintendent of the League.

Anderson was freed in \$5,000 bail on a stay of execution to permit Mr. Whitman to seek a certificate of reasonable doubt which the trial court refused to grant. Arguments for a certificate will be heard by the court February 15th.

As he left the courtroom Anderson was served with papers in a \$105,000 libel suit brought against the league, of which he still is superintendent, by Francis Cortwright, of Corning, N. Y., who has accused the league of having libelled him in literature distributed throughout the district in which he is a candidate for the State assembly in 1922.

State Troopers Take Over Herrin After Near-Riot

One Man Was Killed and Deputy Sheriff Seriously Hurt in Disorders Which Took Place Friday Night.

KLAN IS BROUGHT INTO SITUATION

It Is Charged That Raids Are Being Made at Request of Klan.—Anti-Klan Meeting Broken Up by Fights.

Herrin, Ill., Feb. 9 (By the Associated Press).—Herrin, the scene of the riot of 1922, was taken over by state troops today as a result of a near-riot last night between wet and dry in which one man was killed and a deputy sheriff seriously wounded.

The trouble is a result of the wholesale dry raids which have been conducted in this (Williamson) county recently by the Klansmen of the Ku Klux Klan led by S. Glenn Young, paid employee of the Klan. A meeting of the Knights of the Plating Circle, an anti-Klan organization, was in session when a crowd stormed the hall. The shooting followed.

Cesar Cagle, who has been issuing the warrants on which the drags conducted the raids, was shot dead. John Layman, deputy sheriff, who with Sheriff George Galligan, went to the anti-Klan meeting to urge the conferees to disperse and go to their homes in the interest of peace, was shot. He was taken to a local hospital by Mayor C. E. Anderson, and Ora Thomas, an anti-Klansman, and the trio is being guarded at the hospital by guardsmen.

Immediately after the men went to the hospital a crowd gathered outside and began firing into the institution. Persons inside the hospital responded to the fire and a miniature battle waged for a short time.

The first guardsmen arrived at Carbondale at 4 a. m. and the drags then established headquarters at the city hall, several blocks from the hospital. The guardsmen are patrolling the hospital to protect the Mayor, Layman and Thomas.

Five companies of troops had arrived this forenoon. The crowd which visited the meeting hall of the anti-Klansmen was headed by three of the four policemen of Herrin, and when shouts of "lynch them" and "string them up" were heard, the sheriff commanded an automobile and urged the mob to hurry.

The three are chief of police John Ford and Policemen Harold Craint and Sam Stephens.

Before the arrival of the troops the raiders armed with revolvers and shotguns, paraded the streets of Herrin, declaring anyone they considered suspicious the right to pass. Those unable to give the Klan password were searched for weapons.

Just as the trouble in Herrin was at its height, Leonard Sterns, deputy circuit clerk, and son of Cyprius Sam Stearns, was fired on as he was riding in an automobile in Marion, the county seat.

The bullet grazed his back, but he is not seriously injured. He is a candidate for circuit clerk. An automobile owned by John Whiteside, also an admitted member of the Klan, was fired on at the same time.

SLIGHTED FRENCH BEAUTY DRIVES JUDGE TO COVER

But He Was Married Already and Escaped.

Nice, Feb. 9.—Ten years ago Madeleine Callmon was the most beautiful girl in France. While her popularity was at its height in a beauty contest, a Nice merchant proposed marriage to her and she was accepted. He was drafted into the army before their marriage, and went to Morocco in military service for four years.

His affection cooled at the end of his military service, and he sought to have the engagement cancelled. Madeleine Callmon, however, regained his affections, and lived happily for six years in the thought that she would one day marry the merchant, but the tenth anniversary of their betrothal he declared the engagement null.

Mademoiselle Callmon then brought suit for 100,000 francs damage. In the court she displayed the pictures of the girl whose beauty had been the toast of the Riviera, and declared her unfaithful suitor had made it impossible for her to think of another man.

"But why?" the judge asked. "Would you take a girl who was engaged for ten years to another man, and then jilted by him?" the woman questioned.

"At once," the judge replied. "Well, here I am, judge," she countered. "Oh, I am married already," the embarrassed judge replied.

The court then proceeded to award Mademoiselle Callmon 8,000 francs damages, and cautioned the defendant not to prolong another engagement for ten years.

New Home Is Burned. Salisbury, Feb. 8.—The home of Will Wetmore, at Woodleaf, was destroyed by fire, together with practically all the contents. It was a new home, Mr. Wetmore having moved into it about a month ago. Cause of the blaze was not ascertained.

MYSTERY OF MURDER OF LOUISE LAWSIN IS BECOMING DEEPER

Story of Robbery, Which Was First Entertained, Somewhat Changed When Missing Jewels Are Found.

JEWELS LOCATED IN REPAIR SHOP

Owner of Shops Says They Were Left There for Repair.—Two Photos Found on Dresser of Victim.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Feb. 9.—The mystery of the murder of Louise Lawson, manikin and actress, in her apartment yesterday, became deeper today when detectives found a part of her jewelry in a shop where she had left them to be repaired. The discovery tended to dissipate the police theory of robbery.

Miss Lawson, a towel stuffed in her mouth, her hands and feet tightly bound, was found dead by her negro maid. The police found the apartment in disorder and the young woman's jewel box empty. This evidence, coupled with the elevator boy's story of two uncouth strangers who visited the apartment, led to the robbery theory.

On a dresser stood a photograph of an army officer and one of Gerhard M. Dahl, chairman of the executive committee of the Brooklyn, Manhattan Trust Corporation, lawyer and broker, who the police learned, had been interested in the young woman.

Mr. Dahl was but one of her socially prominent friends. She was a friend of the late Angier B. Duke and was one of those at the party which ended in his drowning at Greenwich, Conn., last September. She had a motor car at her disposal, it was said.

MURDER OF TEXAS GIRL IN HER APARTMENT IN NEW YORK

The Girl Was a Member of Angier B. Duke Death Party.

New York, Feb. 8.—Miss Louise Lawson, former motion picture actress, was found strangled to death in her fashionable studio apartment on West 74th street, Greenwich Village, today and police have withheld the name in a search for two men who entered her rooms early this morning and in questioning those believed to have known details of the girl's life and her friends along Broadway.

The theory has been advanced by the police that the murderers were bootleggers who had visited the apartment before and had been attracted by jewels Miss Lawson wore and others they had seen in her rooms. A quantity of liquor was found in the ice box of the apartment. Police cast aside all motives other than robbery, for a platinum bracelet, said to be worth \$8,000, and other valuable jewels were gone. All jewel boxes were open and the entire apartment was in disorder, indicating that the girl had fought hard to save her life and her valuables.

In their probe of Miss Lawson's life, police learned she was the daughter of a prominent merchant of Walnut Springs, Texas; that she had played small parts in motion pictures, but for two years or more had been unemployed, living in her luxurious apartment which still was filled with cut flowers when her body was found.

They learned she had been a member of the gay party that ended in the death of Angier B. Duke, wealthy tobacco manufacturer, at Greenwich, Conn., last September. Pictures of an army lieutenant and of a middle-aged man were on her dressing table.

MONEY FOR NAVY

Naval Appropriation Bill, Carrying \$271,942,867, Report by House Committee.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Feb. 9.—The annual naval appropriation bill carrying \$271,942,867 of which \$30,000,000 would be available for completing more than a score of vessels now under construction, was reported today by the House Appropriations Committee. The total is \$4,453,000 less than the budget estimates, and \$23,024,000 less than the amount allotted the Navy by Congress a year ago.

Piedmont Next

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

The Motion Picture Version of A. S. M. Hutchinson's Famous Novel

"If Winter Comes"

Mightier Than the Book

Rebels Holding Americans. El Paso, Texas, Feb. 9.—Paul Glinther, prominent mining man of El Paso and Chihuahua, has been taken a prisoner by rebels under the command of Hipolito Villa and Manuel Chao, and is being held for ransom, according to word received here from Chihuahua.

A young French archeologist, swimming into the recesses of a partially submerged cave near St. Martory, France, found valuable secrets. Keeping his matches and candles dry by means of a special contrivance he swam nearly a mile, resting on rocks en route, when he reached a dry gallery 200 yards long, the walls of which were covered with statues of animals that disappeared from the earth thousands of years ago.



Fair and not quite so cold tonight; Sunday, fair and warmer.