

Political Tension Is High as M'Adoo Tells Story to Committee

Says But for Political Reasons His Name Would Never Have Been Brought Out in Oil Lease Inquiry.

APPLAUSE GREETED FIRST APPEARANCE

He Declared His Association With Doheny Company Had Nothing to Do With Lease of Oil Reserves.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 11.—In an atmosphere surcharged with political tension, Wm. G. McAdoo faced the Senate oil committee today and explained his connections with the Doheny inquiry.

At the very outset he read a prepared statement charging that he had not been prominently mentioned in connection with high office; his name never would have been brought into the inquiry.

He declared he had acted in perfect good faith in accepting a retainer fee as counsel for Doheny after he left the cabinet, and in course of a long cross-examination resistered forcibly over and over his assertions that the attack made on him had been purely political.

"I conceive that the matter is wholly irrelevant to the subject matter of your inquiry," he said in conclusion, "but I have been willing to come here and give these facts for such use and for such value as they may have in the pursuit of your investigation."

When he appeared in the committee room accompanied by David Rockwell, of Ohio, manager of his campaign for the Democratic presidential nomination, the former Treasury Secretary was greeted with a burst of applause. He smiled and bowed as he made his way to a seat to await the call of the committee.

"You will be sworn as all witnesses are," Chairman Lenroot said, after he had called Mr. McAdoo to the stand.

"Do you desire to make a statement to the committee?" asked the chairman after the oath had been administered.

Seating himself under a battery of cameras, Mr. McAdoo adjusted his glasses and replied by reading his prepared statement.

Questioned by Senator Walsh, democrat, of Montana, Mr. McAdoo said he resigned as Secretary of the Treasury on December 16, 1918, and gave up the post of Director-General of Railways on January 11, 1919.

FINDS ROYAL ERMINE IS ONLY RABBIT SKIN

Germana Court Unveils Wide Frauds Among Dealers—Many Royal Houses Deceived.

Leipzig, Feb. 11.—If King Edward III, of England were alive today he would probably have been the most interested person in the world in recent legal proceedings which proved that most of the "ermine" used those days as trimming for state robes at European royal courts is not really ermine at all, but nothing more than white rabbit, or the bleached pelts of gray squirrels.

Of all the monarchs of early days who were fond of ermine, Edward III, stood first, and soon after he ascended the throne in 1327 the wearing of this fur was restricted throughout England to members of the royal families.

Rabbit makes the best "ermine," according to the testimony of experts at the trial, which was begun by a disgruntled purchaser who contended that he had been duped—that he had paid good money and a high price for ermine which was nothing more than white rabbit of the back-yard variety.

It was brought out at the hearing that squirrels from the United States and Russia are often used by European fur dealers to make up orders for ermine which come from royal households, where there is always more or less pomp and ceremony. The court found for the plaintiff.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady at Advance of 8 to 13 Points—March Beneficial Later.

New York, Feb. 11.—The cotton market opened steady at an advance of 8 to 13 points today, owing to relatively steady Liverpool cables and rumors that private returns indicated domestic mill consumption of 561,000 bales for January, compared with 461,000 for December.

The advances ran into considerable covering, however, and after advancing to 33.92 at the opening March contracts soon reacted to 33.73, or within a point of Saturday's closing quotation.

New Orleans also reacted after an opening advance, and the market here was barely steady during early trading under liquidation, local and western selling.

Private cables from Liverpool attributed the early firmness there to a sharp decline in the futures market.

Cotton opened steady, March 33.00; May 32.80; July 32.42; Oct. 28.20; Dec. 27.72.

GRIFFIS IS OFFICIALLY GREETED IN NEW YORK

Man Who Tried to Kidnap Bergdoll Given Reception at New York City Hall.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Feb. 11.—Corlis Hoover Griffis, of Hamilton, Ohio, who was released recently from prison in Moscow, Germany, after serving part of a sentence for complicity in a plot to kidnap Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, American draft leader, arrived home today on the S. S. Albert Ballin, and was given a reception at the City Hall.

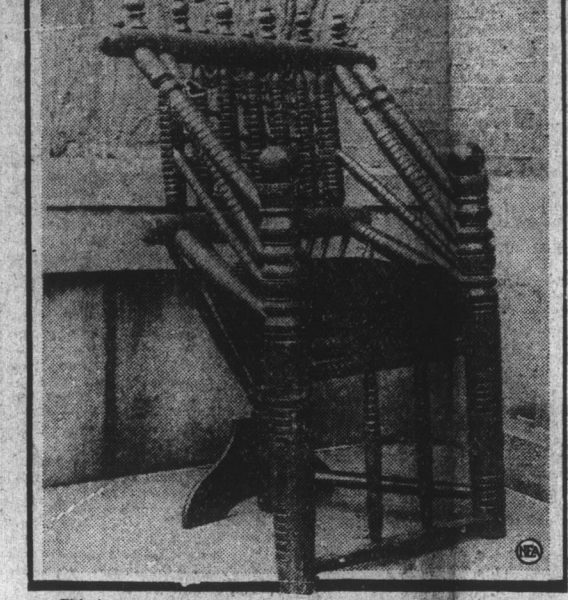
Mellon Tax Bill to Come Up in House Thursday.

Washington, Feb. 11.—Decision by Republican house leaders to take up the Mellon tax bill in the house next Thursday and to hold it before that body until disposed of was communicated to President Coolidge today by Representative Longworth, of Ohio, the Republican leader, and Chairman Snell, of the house rules committee.

The two house leaders discussed with the President the legislative program of their body and told him that an attempt would be made to consider major legislation in this order: Taxes, immigration, Muscle Shoals and bonus, with appropriation measures sandwiched in between.

The President also was told that house leaders proposed to make every effort to adjourn by June and that they considered tax legislation as of supreme importance.

Exclusive View



This is an exclusive view of the famous Harvard University "Presidential Chair," used by presidents since 1737. It was photographed recently for the first time. It is used only on Commencement Day and then taken back in vault.

WOMEN OPEN A REPUBLICAN CLUB

To Serve as a Clearing House for Political Activities.

New York, Feb. 11.—Financed by women from nearly every State, the new clubhouse of the Women's National Republican Club in East Thirty-seventh street is to be formally opened this evening.

The club will serve as the clearing-house for political activities and information for Republican women during the 1924 campaign, and on its two top floors quarters are provided to house many of its members during their campaign trips to the east.

The Republican Club and the new clubhouse of the Women's National Democratic Club in Washington are cited as proof of the fact that women are in politics to stay, and that they have no intention of putting up the shutters of the political shop between campaigns.

The Republican Club has grown up between the two presidential elections, and its rapid rise to a membership of 1600 has forced it out of its three floors. It has been occupying on West Twenty-ninth Street.

The old brownstone front houses, five stories in height, have been thrown together to make the new clubhouse. Two storerooms have been built in on the street, one to be rented for commercial use, and the other to be held for campaign purposes and base for campaign meetings.

MRS. BOLICK KILLED BY SEABOARD TRAIN

Two Other Persons Seriously Injured At Grade Crossing Tragedy Near Cherryville.

Cherryville, Feb. 10.—One woman was killed instantly and two other persons were seriously injured, one probably fatally, when a Seaboard Air Line passenger train struck an automobile in which they were riding near here late today.

The woman killed was a Mrs. B. Bolick, of Buffalo, N. C. The injured were Mrs. Mammie Swink, of Buffalo, whose spine and three ribs were broken, according to reports tonight from the Lincolnton hospital, and Austin Grigg, of Cherryville, who is in the same hospital with both legs broken, according to reports received here.

Southern Baptist Laymen.

Months' Tour, Feb. 11.—Delegates from all parts of the South are arriving in this city to attend the Southern Baptist Laymen's Convention, the sessions of which will begin tomorrow and continue until Friday.

The convention will be the second Southwide gathering held by lay members of the Southern Baptist denomination.

Nearly all the plantation rubber in the world, which is now twelve times as much as that from the forests, is grown in the Malayan Peninsula and Dutch East Indies.

RACE PROGRAM FOR NEXT FAIR HAS BEEN FINISHED

Program Included Four \$1,000 Purse—Matinee Races Expected to Be Staged Here in Near Future.

The program for races to be staged at the next Cabarrus County Fair, to be held October 21-25, is announced today by Dr. T. N. Spencer, secretary of the fair.

The program also includes the various purses to be offered, as follows: 2:10 trot, \$1,000; 2:20 trot, \$1,000; 2:12 trot, \$400; 2:14 trot, \$400; 2:17 trot, \$400; 2:20 trot, \$400; 2:08 pace, \$1,000; 2:17 pace, \$1,000; 2:11, 2:14, 2:17 paces, \$400; free for all, \$400.

The following conditions for races were also announced by Dr. Spencer: On each of the \$1,000 events nominator can name on horse March 10th, and have privilege of naming additional horses for 1 per cent on each additional named and each horse named entitled to start upon payment of full 3 per cent.

All nominators have right to substitute another horse or transfer right up to June 10th.

Dr. Spencer in discussing plans for the races at the next fair declared that it is very probably that matinee races will be staged here regularly during March and April.

ATLANTA AUTOMOBILE MAN AND WIFE BURNED ALIVE

Woman Was Distinguished in Government Red Cross Work in France.

Atlanta, Ga., February 10.—C. W. Dupree, an automobile dealer and his wife were burned to death early today and Mrs. Dupree's mother, Mrs. H. M. Cottingham, of Marietta, Ga., was severely injured when she jumped from a second story window to escape flames which destroyed the Dupree residence here.

The charred bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Dupree were found by firemen. According to Mrs. W. A. Dupree, also a guest in the home, when the fire was discovered the entire interior of the residence was ablaze. She said she jumped from the second story window and was followed by Mrs. Cottingham.

Just as Mr. and Mrs. Dupree reached the window, she said, the roof of the house caved in.

Hospital authorities say Mrs. Cottingham will recover.

Mr. Dupree was a widely known Atlantian, being president of a large automobile sales company. Mrs. Dupree was active in Red Cross work during the war, being in charge of recreation and hospital work for the American Red Cross at Brest, France. She was awarded a citation by the American government for her work in the French base.

COMMITTEE GIVES REVENUE BILL TO THE LOWER HOUSE

Bill Presented to House by Ways and Means Committee, Which Had Given It Much Time.

25 PER CENT. CUT IN INCOME TAXES

Is Proposed in the Bill.—Three Other Reports Presented to the House Along With the Bill.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Feb. 11.—The revenue bill was formally reported to the House today by the Ways and Means committee which had been under consideration since the opening of Congress. The measure will be taken up for consideration on Thursday with about a month of debate in prospect before it will be passed.

The bill, as reported by Chairman Green, provides for complete revision of Federal taxes and a 25 per cent. reduction in the 1925 personal income taxes payable this year. Three other reports were made, however, the differences centering on the income rates with particular reference to surtax schedule which was reported on lines recommended by Secretary Mellon.

Eleven Republicans submitted one of the additional reports, arguing more vigorously for the 25 per cent. surtax maximum than did the chairman, who openly supported a rate of 35 per cent. The eleven were representatives Hawley, of Oregon; Treadway, of Massachusetts; Young, of North Dakota; Tison, of Connecticut; Bacharach, of New Jersey; Hadley, of Washington; Watson, of Pennsylvania; Mills, of New York; Kearns, of Ohio; Chindoff, of Illinois, and Cawthier, of New York.

Representative Frear, of Wisconsin, republican in caucus, submitted a separate report arguing for retention of the present surtax minimum of 50 per cent, and a greater cut in the normal taxes, while Representatives McLaughlin, of Michigan, and Timberlake, of Colorado, the other republicans on the committee, abided by the report of the chairman.

The eleven democratic members of the committee, however, did not report a separate surtax maximum of 44 per cent, and failure for greater cuts in normal income tax rates than provided in the Mellon schedules.

BANK LOST MONEY BUT PAID ITS DIVIDENDS

This Fact Brought Out Today in the Trial of the Coopers at Wilmington.

(By the Associated Press.)

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 11.—Evidence to the effect that the Cooper bank here paid dividends amounting to \$12,000 in 1921, although it showed an operating loss of \$8,000 that year, and that Lieut. Governor W. B. Cooper told a national bank examiner this was done because passing the dividend would "be harmful," featured the trial today of the state official and his brother, Thos. E. Cooper on charges of conspiracy in connection with the failure of the Commercial National Bank of Wilmington. The early portion of the day's session in the U. S. District Court was taken up with the introduction of additional records and letters by the prosecution.

H. R. Tull, agent for the U. S. Department of Justice, was expected to take the stand later in the day. Tull conducted the investigation which led to the arrest of the Coopers.

Testimony relative to the dividend was quoted from the report of Roger E. Brooks, national bank examiner, who investigated the bank's affairs at the time it applied for change from a state to a national institution, and who recommended that the national charter be refused. His report, made in March, 1922, which was introduced as evidence, listed losses from uncollectible loans at that time at \$148,245 and set down the total amount of overdue paper held by the bank at \$432,120, or more than 20 per cent. of all loans at that time.

The Brooks report also declared that loans to officers of the bank, and their interests amounted to \$140,000 or more than 70 per cent. of the capital stock. It listed the liabilities of T. E. Cooper, direct and indirect, at more than \$70,000, and those of C. W. Lassiter, co-defendant in another indictment, at \$58,333. Mr. Brooks was reported seriously ill and unable to appear as a witness and his report was introduced without objection.

FORMER MAYOR OF HERRIN UNDER ARREST

A. T. Pace Held in Connection With the Death of Constable Caesar Cagle.

(By the Associated Press.)

Herrin, Ill., Feb. 11.—Former Mayor A. T. Pace, was arrested today on a warrant charging murder, after he had been sworn in as foreman of the coroner's jury investigating the killing Friday night of Constable Caesar Cagle, dry raid leader. Pace was charged with complicity in Cagle's death.

The warrant for Pace's arrest was sworn out by S. Glenn Young, dry worker and paid employee of the Ku Klux Klan, who has set up de facto municipal government since the arrival of the State troops who were sent here as the result of near riot Friday night between wet and dry.

Politics



Mrs. Vincent Astor (above) of New York surprised social and political circles by allowing her name to be used as candidate for alternate delegate to National Republican Convention to be held in Cleveland, from 26th Congressional District, New York City.

SWEEPING CHANGES MADE AT LAKEHURST

Commanding Officer of Shenandoah Relieved of Duty.—Many Other Changes Have Been Ordered.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 11.—Sweeping changes in the personnel of officers of the Lakehurst, N. J., air station and others assigned to the airship Shenandoah, including the relief of her commanding officer, Commander P. H. McHenry, have been made by Rear Admiral Wm. A. Moffett, chief of the Navy Aeronautical Bureau, and approved by Secretary Denby.

Orders directed to Commander McHenry said that "upon being relieved by Lieutenant Commander Zachary Landsdowne as commanding officer of the U. S. Ship Shenandoah, you will regard yourself detached from all duties on board that airship." Orders are expected to be issued at an early date assigning him to sea duty.

BOLL WEEVIL APPRECIABLY REDUCED YIELD OF COTTON

Says a Bulletin Sent Out by the Department of Agriculture.

(By the Associated Press.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 11.—During the past few years the boll weevil appreciably decreased the yield of cotton in the American cotton belt, says a bulletin received here from the United States Department of Agriculture. At the same time, adds the bulletin, an irresponsible element of the cotton belt population is allowed to range the fields and woods, gun in hands, slaughtering at will some of the most important natural enemies of the boll weevil, the birds. Sixty-six kinds of birds of the Southeastern States have been discovered by the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture to feed upon boll weevils.

The most active of these enemies are the orioles, which actually take the insects from the sources of the squares of the cotton plant, and the swallows which feed upon the weevils when they are in flight and extending their range, declared the report. No fewer than 41 boll weevils are habitually taken by a species of 35 cavity swallows examined and eaten both weevils, the largest number in one stomach being 48, and the average 19.

In winter the most important destroyers of these cotton pests are blackbirds, meadow-larks, titlarks, and Carolina wrens, it was stated. All of these birds, in fact birds in general, the department claims, should receive all the protection that the Southern planters can extend.

"They not only help him by feeding upon the boll weevil, boll worm, the leaf worm, and other pests of cotton, it was stated, but they destroy important enemies of all his crops."

MRS. CANDLER'S TRIAL COMES UP TOMORROW

Wife of Atlanta Capitalist Must Appear in Court Following Arrest Saturday.

(By the Associated Press.)

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 11.—Mrs. Asa G. Candler, Sr., wife of Atlanta capitalist, must appear in police court tomorrow morning to answer charges growing out of the raid Saturday in which she was arrested in an apartment in company with two prominent business men, Recorder George E. Johnson ruled today when the other principals offered to waive her appearance.

Kingston Negro Carried to State Prison.

(By the Associated Press.)

Yaleigh, Feb. 11.—Dillon Goodwin, negro, of Kingston, was brought here late night for safekeeping in view of anticipated attempts to lynch him. Goodwin, it is charged, shot and seriously wounded William Case, near Fort Barnwell last night, when the deputy sheriff attempted to arrest him.

TWO OFFICERS KILLED WITH PRISONERS IN PEN START BIG RIOT

Western Penitentiary of Pennsylvania Scene of Rioting.—Four Prisoners Led the Riots.

PRISONERS WERE HEAVILY ARMED

Fighting Continued More Than Hour and Guards Used Riot Guns and Tear Gas in the Fight.

(By the Associated Press.)

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 11.—Two prison officers today were shot to death and a number of convicts were wounded more or less seriously in a riot at the Western Penitentiary. After an hour's fight, during which riot guns, tear gas bombs, clubs and bricks were used, the prison guards assisted by county detectives and Pittsburgh police forces succeeded in quelling the disturbance which started when the convicts used explosives in an effort to dynamite their way to freedom. No convicts escaped.

The dead are: Wm. Pfeiffer, assistant deputy warden; and A. E. Coax, an overseer. Warden J. M. Eagan reported that the plot was born in the minds of four or five "bad men" recently transferred from the eastern penitentiary to be disciplined. He added that he believed the plot was engineered by a quartet of convicts known as the "four horsemen."

They had help from the outside, the warden declared. The prisoners, numbering more than 1,000, had just had breakfast, and were about to go to work, when the blast ripped the main gates and a section of the wall, rocked the entire Woods Run district, shattered windows, and caused the residents to flee from their homes.

Pfeiffer and Coax were nearby. They started on a run for the hole in the wall, but were intercepted by 15 convicts who disarmed them, beat them and then shot the officers with their own guns.

The prison yard became a battle ground as other prisoners and other guards joined in the fight. The guards concentrated near the gates, and threatening the prisoners with sawed off shotguns, ordered them to their cells. During the explosion had signified the attempt to escape and with liberty in their eyes, they were stubborn and showed fight.

The Business Women's Circle of the First Presbyterian Church will meet tonight at 7:30 with Mrs. Joe F. Cannon.

MRS. CANDLER'S ARREST EXCITES CITY OF ATLANTA

Out of Town Newspapers Greedily Sought, as No Atlanta Paper Carried the Story.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 10.—Mrs. Asa G. Candler, Sr., today had left the palatial Durrill Hill home of the millionaire soft drink magnate whose bride she became last June and was reported to have spent the night at the apartment of a woman friend at which she was arrested yesterday afternoon by Police Chief James L. Beavers, along with two prominent Atlanta businessmen.

Friends of the Candler family declared today that Mrs. Candler, who was a public stenographer before she married Mr. Candler, did not spend the night at the home of her husband, and that she had not been there during the day and she could not be located today for a statement, either at the friend's apartment or at the home of her mother, Mrs. T. M. Little.

None of the Atlanta papers carried the story. The next development in the arrest is scheduled for Tuesday morning in police court, when Mrs. Candler, Mr. Stoddard and Mr. Keeling will face charges of being occupants of a "dive," which is the all embracing charge lodged by police against persons arrested in a place where liquor is being drunk.

Police Chief James L. Beavers, who raided the apartment house at No. 48 Juniper Street, assisted by Police Captain A. J. Holcombe, and arrested the three persons, stated that they were in the apartment on the second floor, seated around a table on which stood a bottle almost empty of whisky. Dishes and remnants of food, he said, indicated that a hearty meal had just been concluded.

With Our Advertisers.

Character, quality and price fairness, three principles of the hats shown at the Specialty Hat Shop.

If you want your car washed and greased regularly and thoroughly join the club at the Southern Motor Service Co. "Gifts that Last," you will find at the Starnes-Miller-Parker Co.

All Bradley Sweaters must be sold this week—cost not considered, at W. A. Overcash's.

Patt Covington has gone north to buy a load of junk, he says. His store will be closed until after Thursday.

See the picture of the beautiful Marlborough suite in the new ad of the Concord Furniture Company.

A new spring arrival in silver gray suede, very attractive, at the Parker Shoe store.

WHAT SAT'S BEAR SAYS.



Increasing cloudiness followed by rain Tuesday, and in the central portions tonight; warmer tonight and in the east portion on Tuesday.