

MORE EVIDENCE OF OIL DEAL AT G. O. P. MEETING HEARD

R. H. Wilson, Former State Officer in Oklahoma, Tells of Boast Made by the Late Jake Hamon.

HAMON CLAIMED HE MADE HARDING

Wilson Says He Heard Hamon Make Boast That He Had "Put Over" Nomination of Late President.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, April 1.—Resuming its inquiry into the story of an oil deal at the Chicago Republican convention in 1920, the oil committee today was told by R. H. Wilson, former superintendent of public instruction in Oklahoma, of a boast by Jake Hamon, the oil operator, who was serving as the State's Republican national committeeman that he had "put over" the nomination of Warren G. Harding.

Hamon was quoted as saying he had given \$25,000 to Harry M. Dougherty for the Harding campaign fund. In the early days of the campaign, the witness said, Hamon had appeared friendly to the candidacy of Leonard Wood.

Wilson said under questioning that Hamon had made no reference in his talk with him to naval oil lands or leases. J. E. Dyche, who followed Wilson on the stand, identified himself as a prohibition agent with headquarters at Oklahoma City.

The committee adjourned the hearing until tomorrow, but no session will be held at that time unless William Boyce Thompson, formerly of the Republican national committee, reaches Washington in the meantime. A new subpoena for his appearance forthwith has been issued, but process servers have been unable to serve it.

Study Political Activities of Hamon. Washington, April 1.—The political activities of the late Jake Hamon, republican national committeeman for Oklahoma, came under scrutiny before the oil committee again today in an avowed effort by the committee prosecutor, Senator Walsh, to establish a conspiracy as far back as 1920, to select a "complacent" secretary of the Interior.

Under the Montana senator's insistent questioning, J. E. Dyche, who managed Hamon's campaign for the place on the national committee, testified that the fight had cost Hamon \$105,000, but insisted that he never had desired to have a place in the cabinet.

The witness ridiculed Al Jennings' testimony that Hamon had told him of large money payments to the late Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania and others, to secure the nomination of Warren G. Harding, and of indiscriminate use of money among members of the Oklahoma delegation to the Chicago convention.

"Nothing to it," Dyche said, "but as a matter of fact, Dyche said, Hamon did not spend a dime to influence the delegation of his state to vote for Harding, but on the contrary advised them to vote for Lowden on two ballots, after they were ready to get on the Harding band wagon.

"If Jennings said that, he lied," Dyche said when asked about the spending of money with the Oklahoma delegation. "There was not a dime spent on that delegation."

Dyche declared he went to Chicago with Hamon, and went home with him, and "he did not even buy me a dinner." Asked as to the likelihood of Hamon telling Jennings the story the former train robber had repeated to the committee, Dyche said people might say what they would about Hamon "but they could not say he was a fool."

DAUGHERTY SUCCESSOR TO BE NAMED SOON

President Coolidge Expected to Name Attorney General Within Next Few Days.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, April 1.—President Coolidge is approaching a decision with respect to a successor to Harry M. Daugherty, and indications were given today after the Executive had conferred again with Senator Pepper, republican of Pennsylvania, that the selection would be made within two days.

The President has ascertained which of those under consideration would accept the place if offered them, and now is engaged in choosing among them.

The President also consulted today with Senator Curtis, of Kansas, and Senator Cummins, of Iowa.

The President told visitors today that he had not reached a decision but expected to make an announcement shortly. He added that he was trying to find a \$75,000 or \$100,000 man to take a place where the compensation was \$12,000 "and an automobile."

Geographical considerations are not being given prime importance.

BENCH WARRANTS FOR MEANS NOW VACATED

Action Taken by Judge Garvin, Who Orders \$15,000 Bond Given Back to Means.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, April 1.—Federal Judge Garvin today vacated the bench warrants issued yesterday for Gaston B. Means and his secretary, Elmer W. Jarnecke, when they failed to appear for trial on indictments for conspiracy to violate the Volstead act. The court also remitted the \$15,000 bail which was ordered forfeited by each man yesterday.

FIFTEEN PERSONS INJURED BY VIOLENT EXPLOSION

Explosion Occurred in Crater of Volcano Stromboli on Coast of Sicily.

Rome, April 1 (By the Associated Press).—A violent explosion occurred in the crater of the volcano Stromboli on the coast of Sicily on March 28th, it was announced in a statement from the Royal Meteorological Bureau here today. Witnesses in the vicinity were shattered by the shock, and 15 persons were injured.

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Another new face in our advertising columns is that of J. F. Dayvault and Co. Get a pork steak cut from the ham of one of their special corn fed pigs.

Would Exempt Pension Money.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, April 1.—Pensions paid Confederate veterans by states would be immune from income taxes under an amendment to the revenue bill proposed today by Senator Trammell, democrat, of Florida.

Southern to Issue Bonds.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, April 1.—The Interstate Commerce Commission today authorized the Southern Railway to issue \$6,000,000 in equipment trust certificates, to be sold at 97.25 per cent. of par.

TELLS ABOUT DAUGHERTY AND LAND FRAUD CASE

Former U. S. Attorney for Oklahoma Tells About Getting Orders to Continue the Case.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, April 1.—Harry M. Daugherty's part in stopping the trial of the "Miller brothers," Indian land fraud case in Oklahoma in the Spring of 1921 was described today to the Senate Daugherty investigating committee by H. M. Peck, former United States attorney of the western Oklahoma district.

The case involved 10,000 acres of land, valued at \$50 an acre, Peck said. When it was ready for trial at Guthrie in May, 1921, he added, a personal letter from the Attorney General directed that a continuance be taken to the fall term of court.

Peck described a request for his resignation, received from Daugherty in September, 1921, and his subsequent employment as a special prosecutor for the government.

Peck asserted that the delay had resulted in the Miller group obtaining and still holding land worth more than a quarter of a million dollars for which they paid only a few dollars.

Wayne Wilson, of New York, was called to testify about an effort to have J. V. Oleott appointed Federal judge, but he denied that he had told Oleott it would be necessary to put up a large amount of money, or had ever discussed the matter in any way with officials of the Department of Justice.

Senator Wheeler recalled Gaston B. Means, who identified the signature of Jesse Smith in two letters, was called to the stand, and testified that he had not been engaged in an investigation of the record of Senator Wheeler.

STRUCK BY AUTOMOBILE, GREENSBORO WOMAN DIES

Skull is Crushed When She Leaves a Machine to Cross Street Toward Her Son's Home.

Greensboro, March 31.—Mrs. Mattie Lucas was fatally injured when hit by an automobile in front of the home of her son, William Lucas, in the White Oak mill village here, dying early this morning in a hospital. Her skull was crushed and an operation could not save her.

She had been for a ride late Sunday afternoon with a son, G. R. Lucas. The machine was brought to a stop across the street from the home of William Lucas and as she stepped out and started across the street toward the home she was struck by a car driven by a man named Green, of Brown Summit, Guilford county.

The man stopped his car and assisted in carrying her to the hospital. It is understood that the accident was regretted as avoidable.

St. Cloud Assumes Charge at Selwyn.

Charlotte, March 31.—Virgil St. Cloud, of Raleigh, has arrived here to become manager of the Selwyn Hotel. For ten years he has been manager of the Bland Hotel at Raleigh and is secretary of the Interstate Hotel Company, which operates seven leading hotels in the Carolinas and Virginia. The Selwyn is one of the group.

Mr. St. Cloud has been an active member of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce and is a member of the Raleigh Kiwanis club. Mrs. St. Cloud arrived with him. They will live at the Selwyn.

Commencement Speakers at Davidson Are Announced.

Davidson, March 31.—President W. D. Melton, of the University of South Carolina, has accepted the invitation of Davidson College to deliver the commencement address, on Tuesday, June 3rd, at 12:15 p. m.

The annual commencement sermon by the Y. M. C. A. will be delivered Sunday, June 1st, by Rev. J. H. Hendlerite, D. D., of Gastonia, N. C.

Jacob's Faults Subject Of Evangelistic Sermon

Dr. Schaeffer Pointed Out Mistakes of Jacob as Showing Mistakes Many People Make Now.

PEACE WITH GOD MUST COME FIRST

Peace With Man Will Not Come Until Peace Is Made With God, Speaker Said in Fine Sermon.

Two illustrations characters of the Old Testament—Jacob and Esau—came into the world fighting each other and kept it up as long as they lived. Thus Dr. Schaeffer introduced his sermon as he continued evangelistic services in Trinity Reformed Church. The song service was good. The choir, under the leadership of Mrs. Womble sang "All Hail Immanuel." Dr. Schaeffer spoke in part as follows:

Old Testament names are significant of character. Jacob means trickster, supplanter, schemer. He was a mother's spoiled boy. He had her favors. It is a bad thing to have favorites in the family circle. Favoritism brings difficulties. Jacob took the advantage of his brother, of his father, and everybody else he could. He deceived his father, lied, and received the parental blessing. He took advantage of Esau's weakness for a good dinner when hungry and took the birthright. Then he had to get out. It was no longer safe and comfortable at home. In the far country he lived with his Uncle Laban. He married his Uncle Laban's daughters, became very rich, and his riches were not honestly acquired. Don't you get the idea that a man that cheats another will not cheat you if he gets a chance. Don't be deceived that a man who deceives another will not deceive you if he gets a chance. It is his nature to deceive, to cheat. And when it is his nature he has no regard even for brother, sister, father or the closest friend.

After 20 years Jacob decides that it is time to go home. He lays his plans to make up with Esau. First he sends messengers in advance. He calls Esau "my Lord." It is just mockery, humility, a sham, a deception. And when the messengers returned they said Esau is coming to meet you and he was 400 men with him. Jacob was in distress. He divided all that he had, seven his wives and children into two bands. If Esau should capture one there would be one hand left and he would still be a wealthy man. Then in the extreme distress in which his soul brought him he called upon the Lord.

Next he sends a present to Esau, a large present. During the night he called all across the Jacobite "and he was alone." Jacob had not taken into account the great factor in any man's life. He was trying to appease his brother with gifts. So when he was alone there came to him an unseen presence. He saw no form but he felt the presence of the unseen. That unseen One was God. Jacob had not taken God into his life. And now God wrestles with Jacob. Jacob wanted his own way all the time. He had not alone now for he was in the grip of God. We are held in the grip of God. I have felt that grip in my own life. I know there were times if I had not been held in check by the grip of the unseen I would have gone the downward road. And I know that you can tell the same experience. The Bible tells us that God interposes, interposes in the life and the affairs of man. Baalim was sent to curse Israel but God interposed. Baalim was slow to see but that ass on which he rode balked at the presence of the angel. So do the angels of God intervene for our boys and girls. We ought to be thankful that we do not always have our own way.

God wants us to do something. He grips us till we sing "Have Thine Own Way, Lord," till we say in our hearts "All to Jesus I Surrender." When God wrestles with us it is that He would prevail. That night it would seem that Jacob would prevail and again that the unseen One would prevail. When the dawn told of the coming day, Jacob's hip was dislocated—he limped—he surrendered. God gave him a new name—Israel—a Prince with you and among men. And from that place he went forth and made peace with his brother.

It is a great mistake to try to make peace with a brother, a neighbor or anybody till we have made peace with God. And when we go to them with the God of Peace in our hearts there is no difficulty. The victory was won. God won the victory. Jacob won the victory. And it is always that we win when God prevails in us.

Dr. Schaeffer made a strong appeal to each heart and life to let God prevail, to let God have His way. Mrs. Womble sang "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go."

Dr. Schaeffer will be in Concord for four services: two today and two tomorrow. The hours are 3 and 7:30 o'clock. He has a message and you are invited to attend. Mrs. Womble promises some of the best song service at the closing services.

Prince Sets New Style

London, April 1.—The Prince of Wales is responsible for large West End window displays of handkerchiefs with highly colored and decorative borders. Recently the royal heir appeared with such a handkerchief prominently displayed in his breast pocket.

The haberdashers have learned from long experience that to follow the Prince in his fashions is money in their pocket, hence they are selling the young bloods the hankies by the dozen. None of them can hope to compare with the Prince in the number of handkerchiefs kept in the wardrobe, the Prince's valet says, for he has very definite ideas upon this minor but necessary article of dress.

THINK BANDITS HAVE MADE CLEAN GETAWAY

No Clue to Payroll Robbers Who Got \$24,000 From Tampa Cigar Factory.

Tampa, Fla., March 31.—Belief that the three bandits who Saturday held up and robbed the office of the Hav-A-Tampa Cigar Company of the week's payroll amounting to \$24,300.95, have made a clean get-away and are now somewhere on the East Coast of Florida, was expressed by local officers last night. Thirty hours after the robbery officers had succeeded in unearthing no clues which would lead them to surmise even in the most vague terms the identity of the trio.

That the robbery was not the work of local criminals was established, officers said, in a check up of the movements of several men who were immediately suspected of having been connected with the hold-up. Tampa police and Hillsborough county officers were of the opinion that the robbery had been well planned and that outside talent had been imported for that purpose.

From several sources officers have learned of a large automobile of expensive make speeding from the city a short time after the robbery. Although points within a two-hundred mile radius of Tampa were immediately notified, the car has not been reported at any place. A woman here told officers yesterday that she saw such a car standing around the corner from the factory Saturday morning and that as she watched it three men ran from the building and entered the machine, driving north rapidly. She was unable to give a clear description of them.

HISTORIC BEARD INCLUDED IN LOSSES BY FOREST FIRE

Flames Damage Foreman's Hirsute Adornment Dating From 1881.

Harrisburg, April 1.—Other things besides trees fall a victim of forest fires, according to the bulletin of the State Forestry Department for last week. Under the caption, "An Unusual Fire," the bulletin says:

"One of the most picturesque foremen on the Pennsylvania system is Joseph Golla, who lives at Penfield and has charge of the low grade branch of the Allegheny division. It is reported that from the time he first entered the service in 1881 he was never shaved. His long gray beard attracts no end of attention when he is called for trial on a charge of contempt, growing out of his refusal to answer questions of the Senate oil committee.

SINCLAIR IS PREPARING TO FURNISH \$5,000 BOND

Will Give Bond When He Is Called in Washington Court to Answer Charge of Contempt.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, April 1.—District Attorney Peyton Gordon was notified today that Harry F. Sinclair would come to Washington late today from New York to furnish bond of \$5,000 to answer when he is called for trial on a charge of contempt, growing out of his refusal to answer questions of the Senate oil committee.

AGED PRISONER PLANNED TO ESCAPE FROM PRISON

Dr. Asa Chamberlain, 69 Years Old, Planned to Escape From Jail in Richmond.

(By the Associated Press.) Richmond, Va., April 1.—Dr. Asa W. Chamberlain, 69 years old surgeon, under sentence of 99 days imprisonment for the murder of his brother, Judge Albert P. Chamberlain, planned to escape from the Virginia State penitentiary here last week, it was learned today. The authorities learned of the plot, however, in time to prevent the aged man from even getting his plan underway.

His Bananas Rotten, No Worse Than The Show.

Berlin, April 1.—Three bananas got a fruit dealer into a ten-twenty-three hour show at Luckenwalde, one of Berlin's suburbs, recently, but they got him out again just about as fast as they got him in.

The show in question appeared in Luckenwalde and opened up in the town hall with little success. Half an hour after the curtain was scheduled to go up there were only twenty-five persons in the house and the management was beginning to wonder how long a walk it was to the next town.

At this moment a fruit dealer appeared at the box office and said he had over speculated in bananas and had no money. He would, however, pay three bananas for an admission to the balcony.

Bananas appealed to the manager and he let the fruit man after him and hauled him out by the scruff of the neck.

"What is the matter?" asked the ejected banana trader.

"Your bananas were rotten," the manager replied.

"Not half as rotten as your show," said the fruit man. And he got in again.

Says All Inebriates Must Attend the Church.

Kansas City, April 1.—Sentences to attend church services conducted by a welfare officer in the basement of the city hall will be substituted hereafter for fines for first offenders in drunkenness cases in the Kansas City, Kans., police court.

Harry S. Robert, judge of the court, inaugurated the new policy when he ordered Richard McCormick, No. 610 Pyle Street, twenty-five years old, to report at the services Sunday morning. McCormick was charged with being drunk. He is an employee at the Cudahy packing plant.

"Fining a man reacts on the family," Judge Roberts explained. "The new method should do some good."

If a man prefers to attend some other church, he will be given that privilege, Judge Roberts said. He will be placed on his honor to attend the services.

WHAT SAYS THE BEAR SAYS.

Generally fair and colder tonight, probably frost in west and central portions; Wednesday fair, warmer in the west portion.

GEN. LUDENDORFF FOUND NOT GUILTY OF TREASON CHARGE

Former German Field Marshal Acquitted for Part in Unsuccessful Revolt of Last November.

SEVERAL OTHERS GIVEN SENTENCES

Adolph Hitler, Dr. Frisch and Others Must Go To Jail.—Ludendorff Verdict Proved Popular.

Munich, Bavaria, April 1 (By the Associated Press).—Gen. Erich Ludendorff, former German field marshal, was acquitted today of the charge of treason for his part in the unsuccessful revolt here last November.

Adolph Hitler and former chief of police Pechner were convicted, and each was sentenced to five years' imprisonment and fine 200 gold marks. Dr. Weber and Col. Kriebel, accused of being Hitler's aides, received life sentences.

Dr. Frisch, former president of the Munich district, captain Roehm, Lieut. Henry Purnet, who is Ludendorff's stepson, and Lieutenants Brueckner and Wagner, were given 15 months and fined 100 marks each.

The verdict was received with popular approval, the people being inclined to view it as a rebuke to Dr. von Kahr, former Bavarian dictator, Gen. von Lossow, former commander of the Bavarian reichswehr, and Gen. Seisser, former chief of the Bavarian police, who repudiated the revolt after joining it at the outset as they claimed under compulsion.

From a punitive standpoint the sentences imposed on Hitler and his followers are considered partial, as Hitler and Pechner will be obliged to serve only six months of their five-year term, after which they may be paroled on good behavior.

WORST SNOWSTORM IN YEARS IN NORTHWEST

Causes Extensive Damage to Property.

St. Paul, Minn., March 31.—Mid clearing skies and low temperatures. This section of the Northwest today was busy digging itself out of the pure snow drifts, an aftermath of one of the worst storms on record here.

Two deaths had been reported and damage estimated at hundreds of thousands of dollars was caused by the storm. Wire communication and traffic were halted, trolley company officials reporting the worst tie up in forty years. Only a few street car lines were in operation today.

Railroad traffic out of the Twin cities, which was stopped yesterday, was being resumed gradually tonight and telephone and telegraph companies were at work replacing poles. Damage to communication equipment alone was estimated at several hundred thousand dollars. The snowfall will be worth millions of dollars to farmers of the northwest, according to agricultural experts.

Professor Andrew Boss, agronomist and director of the experiment station of the University of Minnesota, declared "this wonderful snowfall" came at an ideal time when lack of moisture was becoming serious.

Fire on Sunset Mountain.

(By the Associated Press.) Asheville, April 1.—One of the most beautiful spots in the vicinity of Asheville recently was swept by fire and as a result seekers of wild flowers will be unable to pluck blossoms from one of the largest sources of rhubars in the county. The fire originated from some undetermined cause on the west side of Sunset Mountain. For a time it threatened to spread to the city but firemen and boys with pine boughs succeeded in checking it but not before it had destroyed the arbutus grounds.

Wilson's Papers to Be Published Next Fall.

New York, March 31.—The public papers of Woodrow Wilson will be published next fall through an arrangement with Mrs. Wilson, it is announced by a New York publishing house. The edition will appear in six volumes.

State Dry Law for New York.

(By the Associated Press.) Albany, N. Y., April 1.—A bill to provide for State enforcement of prohibition was advanced to the order of final passage in the Assembly today.

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