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ADVISED AGAINST GIVING EVIDENCE

Says When He Refused to Take Advice He Was Dismissed—Says Papers Were Taken by an Army Officer

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, D. C., April 3.—Thomas F. Lane, until a week ago legal adviser to the chief of the army air service, told the Senate Daugherty committee today that he had been ordered by Captain Voland of the air service to "stay away" from the committee and the capital.

The witness also declared that papers from his own personal files in connection with aircraft cases had been taken from his brief case by Captain Voland.

On motion of Senator Jones, republican of Washington, the committee directed Chairman Brookhart to notify Secretary Weeks at once of Lane's testimony.

An legal adviser to the air service, Lane said, he had recommended to Secretary of War, that the government case against the Standard Aircraft Corporation and other contractors who supplied war materials be reopened. He declared he felt "there was some ulterior purpose" behind his dismissal, and that he had been "shocked and pained," because he had trusted Captain Voland.

The committee decided to call on Voland, and directed him to bring with him papers taken from Lane. Senator Ashurst suggested that Voland be "attached" if he did not "appear soon."

These papers, Lane said, included the only copy he had of the report to Secretary Weeks. "I presume I was dismissed," he said, "I don't know what my status is. Yesterday I found my private files on my desk and all the papers taken from the desk which I have worked for five years."

He said he had recommended recovery of \$9,000,000 from the Lincoln Motors Company, and that war department officers "tied up" the government claims against the company, but that the Department of Justice settled them despite this.

Captain W. F. Voland followed Lane immediately on the stand, and told the committee he did order Lane not to appear before the committee. He confirmed also that he had taken control of the records in the possession of Lane, and said Secretary Weeks had instructed him to say that a subpoena served on the secretary himself would be necessary to bring papers before the committee.

Voland denied he had desired to suppress Lane's testimony, declaring that he had taken only "official records" from Lane's desk and brief case, and insisted he was actuated only by a desire to see that the committee should come through the proper channels if it desired to secure possession of the documents.

Senator Wheeler, the committee prosecutor, immediately instructed the committee clerk "to get out a subpoena for the secretary of war, describing the papers" wanted.

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AL SMITH AND LAFOLLETTE ARE WISCONSIN FAVORITES

Former Secured Endorsement of Democrats and Latter Received Endorsement of Republicans.

Milwaukee, Wis., April 3 (By the Associated Press).—Two district delegates pledged to President Coolidge were elected in the first district in Wisconsin's primary election Tuesday, complete returns from that district show today.

Returns from 1,161 precincts out of 2,574 in the state for republican delegates at large gave LaFollette 154,323 and Coolidge 98,342.

Democratic presidential delegates pledged support to Al Smith of New York, carried Milwaukee over the ticket. A doo delegates by 5,293 votes, with all but 21 precincts in the city reported.

In the state Smith also was maintaining a comfortable lead in the returns received today.

Connecticut Republicans in Convention. Hartford, Conn., April 3.—The Republican State convention today elects 17 delegates to the Cleveland convention.

Maine Favorable to Coolidge. Portland, Me., April 3.—The choice of fifteen delegates to the Republican national convention favorable to President Coolidge, but unpledged, appeared probable at the Republican State convention here today.

McAdoo Leads in Iowa. Davenport, Iowa, April 3.—An Iowa delegation to the Democratic national convention, favorable to William G. McAdoo, apparently was assured today when nine of the eleven Congressional districts in a pre-convention caucus named delegates who favor the election of Clyde L. Herring, McAdoo's Iowa manager as the State's national committeeman.

Davenport, Iowa, April 2.—Pledged to militant campaign for a complete state ticket as well as national ticket, Iowa democrats in convention here today are deciding their allegiance to a Presidential candidate; framing a tentative slate of state candidates; and selection national committee men and women.

In the contest for instruction of national convention delegates, chief interest centered about the fortunes of W. G. McAdoo whose friends claim is the popular choice of Iowa democrats. Other candidates, however, have numerous supporters.

NO CRIME TO LAUGH AT VAUDEVILLE JOKES New York Magistrate Calls Arrest of Two Girls Outrage.

New York, April 3.—Laughing uproariously in a theatre at the antics and jokes of a comedian is no crime, ruled Magistrate Weil in the West Side Court today.

People who pay their money to see a theatre show, he said, are entitled to expect to laugh. The arrest of these girls is an outrage.

Assistant Manager Hawkins, who called the police, said laughing was not all the party indulged in. He said there were loud comments. Just what the comedian said was not divulged in Court, but the girls said it was very funny.

THE COTTON MARKET Strength of Near Month Situation Featured Market During Early Trading Today.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, April 3.—Strength of the near month situation featured the cotton market again in today's early trading.

Reports of increasing activity in Manchester goods market were accompanied by relatively firm Liverpool cables and the opening here was firm at an advance of 20 to 26 points on the active months.

Trade interests were credited with buying May, while there was continued covering by near month shorts and commission house buying, which sent prices up to 29.43 for the May position and 24.96 for October, or 31 to 45 points net higher during the early trading.

Cotton futures opened firm: May 29.15; July 28.07; October 24.82 to 24.90; December 24.50; January 24.05 bid.

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Figures in Tragic Newark Murder



Police in Newark, N. J., have arrested Martin Wright (shown with crutches) and charged him with the murder of Edward Hallock (upper right), a young telephone lineman. Wright, his wife, (lower left) and their daughter (upper left) lived together with Hallock. The daughter, Mrs. Minnie Ebert, has been separated from her husband for three weeks, police say, and the murder resulted from jealousy over attentions Hallock had been receiving from the two women. Wright is 69 years old. He shot Hallock while sitting in his wheel chair, police say.

SHOOT-TO-KILL ORDER IN GIRL BANDIT HUNT

May Dying From Bullets of Brooklyn's Bobbed Blonde, Felled in Hold-up of 17.

New York, April 1.—Brooklyn's blonde bobbed-hair bandit, who has snuffed through a score of daring holdups in the past ten weeks, shot to kill today when capture seemed imminent after a frustrated attempt to hold up seventeen employees of the Brooklyn plant of the National Biscuit Company.

Her victim, Nathan Mazzio, lies dangerously wounded in a hospital, attending physicians declaring he has but a slim chance to recover. He has two bullets in the chest and a third in the thigh.

Today's attempt was by far the most daring in the girl's meteoric career of banditry—a career which she has pursued since she was arrested for robbing physicians declaring he has but a slim chance to recover.

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Easter Sale at Efr's. Announcement of a big Easter Sale at Efr's is made in a two-page ad in this paper today.

The two-page ad, the company carries in this paper today, enumerates some of the man bargains to be offered, some of the many bargains to be offered. It will be to your advantage to read the ad, and call at the store tomorrow, the opening day of the sale.

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PRESIDENT WANTS NO SUMMER WHITE HOUSE

Coolidge Will Stay in Washington and Attend to Business.

Washington, D. C., April 3.—President Coolidge will spend the summer in Washington.

This statement was made at the White House in answer to inquiries as to whether the Executive planned to accept any of the offers of summer homes which have been coming into him.

Business can be transacted more easily in Washington than at any place removed from the capital, in the opinion of the President, and the slight difference in comfort is not to be given any considerable thought, he feels.

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ROTARIANS MEETING IN STATE CAPITAL TODAY

Members of Thirty-Seventh District, About 1,000 Strong, Gather for Annual Meeting.

Raleigh, April 3.—With about 1,000 delegates in attendance, the annual convention of District 37, Rotary International, embracing 29 cities in North Carolina and Virginia, opened here this morning for sessions which will continue through Friday afternoon.

The convention was called to order by John A. Park, president of the Raleigh Rotary club, and the delegates were welcomed by former Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels.

John J. Gibson, international director of Toronto, addressed the convention on "Rotary International, Its Organization and Activities."

THESE ARE TOUGH DAYS FOR LADIES OF CHORUS

New York Revue Wants Several and Thousands Seek Positions.

New York, April 3.—A call for a handful of chorus girls revealed that at least 3,500 are out of work. As the season for road shows is nearing an end, it is estimated that the number of unemployed soon will run as high as 5,000.

They will be concentrated in this city. Had business, high railroad rates, excessive expenses and the controversy between actors and managers are cited as reasons for the large number of unemployed. Ordinarily, dozens of spring and summer shows would be rehearsing at this time, but now there are only three or four.

"Keep Cool," a new revue which goes into rehearsal Monday, issued a call that brought thousands of responses. All kinds of girls responded from show girls to ballet dancers. The Chorus Equity Association, a branch of the Actors' Equity, declined to discuss the situation. It was learned, however, that the fraction of chorus girls out of work probably runs as high as 85 per cent.

Few people are aware that the first American captain-general of Cuba was Andrew Jackson.

GOV. MORRISON MARRIED.

Weds Mrs. Geo. W. Watts of Durham. —A Big Surprise.

Durham, April 2.—In the presence of only a very few of their most intimate friends, Governor Cameron Morrison and Mrs. Sarah Ecker Watts, widow of George W. Watts, Durham multi-millionaire financier, were married here this afternoon at the home of the bride on Morehead hill. The ceremony was performed by Dr. D. H. Scanlon, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, of which the bride was a member, at 4 o'clock. Immediately after the ceremony Governor and Mr. Morrison motored to Greensboro where they were to catch a train for New York and other northern points on their honeymoon.

The marriage party motored to the city in the afternoon from Raleigh where the marriage license was issued. The governor gave his age as 52 and the age of Mrs. Watts as 51 years. They proceeded directly to the Watts mansion from the courthouse where the ceremony was performed. It was witnessed by the governor daughter, Miss Angela Morrison, his sister, Miss Ida Morrison, Judge Walter Clark, of the Supreme court of North Carolina, W. N. Ewett, secretary of state, R. A. Doughton, commissioner of revenue, General J. Vann Metts of the governor's personal staff, Heriot Clarkson, associate justice of Supreme court and former campaign manager for Governor Morrison, Mrs. Gilbert C. White, and Mrs. J. E. Driscoll of Durham. No members of the bride's immediate family was present.

No One Expected News. Mrs. Watts, who married the Durham financier in October, 1917, at Syracuse, N. Y., and Governor Morrison have been friends for sometime but nobody was ready for the news of the marriage. It came as a distinct surprise to their immediate friends. During the past several months he had been known to visit Durham frequently as the guest of John Sprunt Hill and Gilbert C. White but nobody knew that a courtship was underway between Mrs. Watts and himself. Just when the romance was culminated, the decision to marry, is not known and it was not dreamed by people here that the two people were considering marriage.

Durham's Wealthiest Woman. Mrs. Morrison is Durham's wealthiest woman and since coming to the city to live after her marriage with the late Mr. Watts, she has been one of the city's most influential and well liked citizens. She took part in practically every public movement looking toward civic betterment. In the work of her church she has always shown much interest and her benefactions have done much both for the church and for the public at large. She was formerly a trained nurse in a Baltimore hospital and it was in this capacity that she first met the late Mr. Watts; during his illness she attended him. This culminated in their marriage in October, 1917. On March 6, 1921 Mr. Watts died.

Nothing is known as to the plans of the couple. It is thought here that they will reside in the governor's mansion in Raleigh until the governor's term of office expires after that it is purely conjecture at this time as to where they will make their home.

Knocks Charlotte Clean Off Its Feet.— Didn't Expect It. Charlotte, April 2.—Charlotte relatives and friends of Governor Morrison were "knocked off their feet" shortly after 5 o'clock this afternoon by receipt of telegrams from his excellency announcing "My marriage to Mrs. George W. Watts of Durham at 4 o'clock this afternoon."

The majority had never heard the Governor's name linked with that of the widow of the Durham capitalist and their surprise registered above the nth degree when the announcement broke upon them.

Mrs. C. B. Bryant, a niece, was "never so surprised in all my life," while his mother, Mrs. Ada Nuttall, the Governor's sister, was equally surprised by the announcement, neither having ever heard of the Governor's inclination toward the Durham lady.

F. C. Whitlock, Morrison's former law partner here, was "knocked off his feet" when he received his telegram. He recalled upon consideration of the matter he had heard desultory rumor that the Governor was somewhat attentive to Mrs. Watts but had no idea that matrimony was even a remote possibility.

KANSAS DEMOCRATS TO SUPPORT GOV. DAVIS Will Be Instructed to Vote for Him So Long as the Majority Deems It Expedient.

(By the Associated Press.) Hutchinson, Kans., April 2.—The Kansas delegation will go to the National Democratic convention supporting Governor Jonathan Davis as first choice for the Presidential nomination, but not bound to stick by him longer than the majority deems expedient.

Followers of William G. McAdoo supported the governor in the convention, and declared the Kansas votes would go to McAdoo at New York after Governor Davis had been accorded the usual complimentary ballots.

Tropical Malaria in Russia Claims Five Million Victims. (By the Associated Press.) Moscow, April 3.—The spread of malaria in Russia, noted seriously for the first time a year ago and seemingly an aftermath of the great famine, continues. According to the federal department of health cases registered during the first ten months of 1923 numbered 4,887,000 and it seemed certain that the annual total would exceed 5,000,000.

This malaria is of the tropical type, lasting in its effects and apparently came in by way of the Persian frontier. The malaria mosquitoes found perfect breeding spots in the backwaters and sloughs of the great southern rivers and in the swamp lands with which some sections of Russia abound.

TWO LIVES LOST IN FIRE THAT DAMAGES

State Library and BROAD OAKS HOSPITAL

Mrs. Hereford and Mrs. Hamilton Lose Lives as Sanatorium at Morganton is Partially Burned.

SEVERAL OTHERS SERIOUSLY HURT

North Wing of Hospital, Which is Operated by Dr. J. W. Vernon, Total Loss. —Watchman Saw Blaze.

(By the Associated Press.) Morganton, April 3.—Two women were killed and a man and a woman badly burned, the woman perhaps fatally, when fire destroyed the north wing of the Broad Oaks Sanatorium for nervous diseases here today.

The dead are: a Mrs. Hereford, of Union, W. Va., who was smothered to death in her bed; and a Mrs. Hamilton, of Jacksonville, Fla., who was burned to death. J. P. Green, of Charlotte, was seriously burned, and a Mrs. Jones, who entered the hospital from a town in Georgia, was probably fatally burned. Records of the hospital were not available this morning, and initials could not be obtained.

The Broad Oaks Sanatorium is operated by Dr. J. W. Vernon, and there were 42 patients in the building when the flames were discovered by the night watchman at 4:30 this morning. It was at first believed that all of the patients had been removed, but later it was discovered that several were missing. The body of Mrs. Hereford was found in her bed, and that of Mrs. Hamilton was taken from the debris of the north wing.

The uninjured were taken to the State Hospital and are being cared for there until the undamaged portions of the sanatorium can be put into shape to care for them.

Officials of the sanitarium said today they had been unable to determine how the fire started as it originated in a portion of the building in which patients were forbidden to use matches.

SWAIN HALL AT STATE UNIVERSITY DAMAGED Fire Totally Destroyed Kitchen and All Equipment—Loss Estimated at \$25,000.

(By the Associated Press.) Chapel Hill, April 3.—Six hundred students of the University of North Carolina this morning had to search for a new place to board. Fire discovered by a negro janitor at an early hour damaged Swain Hall, the dining room of the University, to the extent of \$25,000, the kitchen equipment being a total loss.

The fire originated in the furnace room under the main portion of the dining hall, and the firemen found the blaze a difficult one to handle. Among the kitchen equipment was a \$3,000 range. University officials say the building cannot be repaired before May 1st.

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Last call—this is Mr. Rosenberger's last day at Hoover's. Better let him take your measure for a new suit today. The utmost in style and quality at prices that are fair at Oestricher's in Salisbury. See ad.

Hobos Now Avoid New York. (By the Associated Press.) New York, April 3.—The hobo is becoming extinct along the sidewalks of New York. A check-up by welfare societies and the "flop houses" on the Bowery and other favorite haunts of the genus bears out the statement.

The Hobo College, famed as an East Side hostelry for those of the roving nature, is still open to the public, but its registry cannot boast the records it used to.

Hypnotism is scientifically studied in some of the French colleges.

WHAT SAT'S BEAR SAYS.



Fair and warmer tonight; Friday increasing cloudiness, probable showers in extreme southwest portion, warmer on the coast.

A WARNING!

The Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association for the past several months has devoted his time and energy to the program of Christian Citizenship as it pertains to the building of Character, Good Will and Peace in the community, with a vision of so establishing in the hearts of the people a love for the things that are beautiful and helpful and a desire to uphold womanhood and manhood that there could be no doubt in the hearts of the citizenship that the Y has a place which can be filled by no other organization. To the thoughtful man and woman it is apparent that much has been accomplished. It is needless to mention the many things, activities and far reaching effects of the program as inaugurated and carried out. Thousands of boys and girls of every walk of life have felt its influence and the name of the Y has spread to every State in the Union. But unless the people realize that it takes money to carry on, pay their pledges given a year ago and come up not with talk but with deeds, the work in Concord must cease. The doors of the great civic institution will be closed and Concord will lose its one great opportunity.

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