

MEANS IS ASSAILED IN STATEMENTS BY COMMITTEE WITNESS

Hiram C. Todd Tells Daugherty Committee About the Three Indictments Against Gaston B. Means.

MEANS IS CROOK WITNESS STATES

Todd Says Means Is "Filling His Pockets at the Government Expense." - Much Ground is Covered.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, May 23.—The troubles of Gaston B. Means were debated before the Daugherty committee today at a session resounding with tumult from beginning to end. Hiram C. Todd, assistant attorney general, was on the witness stand, but committee members and counsel for former Attorney General Daugherty took up much of the time with a series of quarrels so bitter that the spectators tried to join in and were quieted by the capitol police.

Todd, himself assailed by Chairman Brookhart of being unfit for his job, fired, sharply back across the committee table at his questioners, declaring the committee had shown indignity toward Wheeler, the committee prosecutor that he himself is under indictment in Montana. The witness said that Means' story of the disappearance of his famous diaries was a "fair tale" which could be proved easily by the testimony of two Department of Justice agents who guarded the Means residence. The only purpose of the watch set over Means by the Department, Todd insisted, was to observe his health, and see whether he was well enough to come to New York for trial.

After the committee adjourned, Senator Brookhart, Paul Howland, of the Daugherty counsel, and Means renewed verbal hostilities in an adjoining hallway with the result that a police officer intervened with a caution which ended the argument.

Means' Troubles of Means. Washington, May 23.—Hiram C. Todd, special assistant to the attorney general in charge of prosecuting Gaston Means, appeared before the Senate Daugherty committee today to deny previous testimony as to his connection with detective activities directed against the committee and its witnesses.

Senator Wheeler, the committee prosecutor, also got Todd to describe his work for the government, which included the conduct of criminal proceedings against railway trainmen who quit the services at Needles, Calif., during the railway strikes of 1922.

Todd testifying regarding Means, said that Means was indicted in New York on October 8, 1923, on three charges of conspiracy in connection with prohibition matters. The cases have been adjourned from time to time through the cunning of Means, he declared. "He was paid \$15,000 by one Johnson for obtaining the removal of a large quantity of whiskey from a warehouse," Todd declared.

"You knew when you indicted Means that he had evidence to convict a number of prominent bootleggers in New York," Senator Wheeler asked.

"I knew he was working with them for the purpose of filling his pockets at the expense of the government," Todd replied.

By Radio and by Wire



In these pictures interesting contrast is shown in photographs sent by radio and by phone. On the left is a picture of Herbert Hoover, secretary of commerce, transmitted and received by radio by means of the invention of C. Francis Jenkins, Washington, D. C., who has been meeting with increased success in sending photos in the air. On right is a picture of President Coolidge transmitted by phone through the American Telegraph & Telephone Company. Some hold that radio transmission is less practical, due to ether disturbance.

148,200 GALLONS OF REAL BOURBON GOING FOR A SONG

Fine Kentucky Whisky Will Be Sold For Storage Charges.

Louisville, May 23.—There is to be a grand auction sale here Thursday and Friday and possibly on Saturday. The auctioneers are going to barter away something like 148,200 gallons of the finest old Kentucky Bourbon that ever was or ever will be distilled.

It is to be sold for storage charges. These charges amount to about 25 cents a gallon. With the cost of advertising and selling fees added, the liquor ought to bring at least 30 cents a gallon—which it must be admitted is quite a fair price in these bootlegging days.

The owners of the whiskey stretch from Portland, Maine, to Portland Oregon; from San Diego to Galveston, Tex. How simple it would be if they could only come down here and pay the 30 cents a gallon and take their Bourbon home with them, but unfortunately for them it can't be done. Mr. Volstead arranged all that. The sale must be strictly in agreement with the national prohibition laws, and these laws will absolutely prevent transportation of any amount of whiskey without a personal license.

Most of the whiskey is owned in Cincinnati, Louisville, Chicago and St. Louis. Something like 110 barrels are owned in New York, but it is a safe prediction that none of it ever will reach the Atlantic seaboard, which already is reported as wet as the ocean and doing very nicely on imported stuff.

The price of sale is that eventually this pre-war distillation will find itself in drug channels and be sold for medicinal purposes only.

In an event, the 2,074 barrels advertised for sale are abandoned property. The owners have given up hope. They cannot pay the increasing storage charges. They have gone up terrifically since prohibition. Nor can they afford to pay the bottling charges in bond and compete with the "new stuff" which is going directly from the distilleries to the drug trade.

The accumulated storage charges and selling fees on the liquor amount to about \$44,400. The bootleg value of the liquor today is in the neighborhood of \$5,187,000. Any one desiring to bid in the whiskey can only hope some day to distribute it through drug channels, or possibly hold it until he can arrange the necessary means of getting it to the bootleg market.

The shattered hopes of those who either owned the liquor outright when it was placed in storage in the bonded warehouses, or who bought warehouse certificates in the belief that some day they would be able to get the redye into their cellars, is pathetic-wide.

LICENSES FOR ALL DOGS IS STATE LAW

Passed in Interest of Encouraging Sheep Industry in North Carolina.

A law for encouraging sheep raising in North Carolina requires all dogs to be licensed, in this manner discouraging the retaining by citizens of dogs that are not worth taxing.

PEPPER LAYS OUT PLAN BEFORE SENATE

Proposal Avoids All Legal Relationship to the League of Nations.

Washington, May 23.—A composite plan for adherence to the permanent court of international justice with reservations was laid before the senate today in a resolution drafted by Senator Pepper, Republican, Pennsylvania, after two days of consultation with his colleagues on the foreign relations committee.

It was referred at once to the committee which is to continue in session tomorrow, probably with the Pepper proposal under discussion. It provides for modification of the proposal transmitted to the senate by President Harding in February, 1923, so as to transfer the election of judges from the council and assembly of the league of nations to similar bodies appointed by signatories to the court statute, and proposes also the summoning of a third Hague conference to clarify and codify international law.

The resolution contemplates adherence by the United States to the permanent court of international justice on the recommendation of Presidents Harding and Coolidge," he said. "It does not provide for a new court, but accepts the present tribunal. The present judges continue in office and the jurisdiction and procedure of the court are unaffected.

"The resolution gives effect to the determination of both Presidents to avoid all legal relationship to the League of Nations. The court, under the resolution, would become in fact a world court, and all American interests would be safeguarded.

"The resolution is an attempt to give effect to the President's policy and to reconcile as far as possible all divergent views as to how this can best be done." In its preamble the Pepper resolution declares an intention to insure the United States remaining "wholly free from any legal relationship to the league of Nations." This purpose it proceeds to accomplish by means of a long and technical arrangement, with two annexes, and with six amendments to the statute creating the court. These amendments are set forth in definite language for adoption by the other nations holding membership in the court, as a condition of American adherence.

Farmers Getting a Good Start Again. (By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, N. C., May 23.—After several days of delay, caused by the rains, most of the farmers are getting a good start in their fields again, according to an observation report made by Frank Parker, State Agricultural Statistician after a personal tour of some parts of the state. As is evident, says the report, that much cotton acreage is being substituted for tobacco.

"Attached to my ear was the 'crop meter' and this being the first time that one of the new inventions was ever used by this department, a preliminary report is offered," said Mr. Parker. "Many farmers could not understand how we could arrive at the acreage or trends by measuring only the 'road' front of the field. One familiar with averages realizes that a large number of fields, if measured on a constant side, will average approximately equal on all sides. The twelve items being measured on this trip were Legume, hay, tobacco, fruit and truck, oats, wheat, corn, cotton, woodland, plowed but apparently not planted, idle (not yet broken, urban and all other road frontage.

"To give an idea of the capacity of this crop meter, which replaces the speedometer, it has the trip and total mileage indicators in addition to the twelve crop keys.

"While cotton and tobacco were the principal crops from Raleigh to Troy, clovers and small grains were the more common in Stanly and Cabarrus counties. All crop growths are late. Small grains are low in height. The fall sown crops are very poor in stands, while the spring crop is unusually good. Wheat is good. Clovers are fair to good. Beans is just being transplanted to the fields, but the conditions are good for this purpose. Cotton is having the worst time and much replanting is expected. Dewberries and peaches promise big crops."

The famous old Roman road, Via Appia, is 2,000 years old, and is still in a marvellously good state of repair.

LOUIS ANDERSON IS KILLED BY A TRAIN

Mooresville Man Meets Instant Death While Crossing C. and O. Tracks in Richmond.

Richmond, Va., May 22.—Louis Anderson, 58, of Mooresville, N. C., employed in the construction of a bridge over the James river in the western part of this city, was instantly killed today when he was struck by a C. and O. passenger train bound here, Richmond to Lynchburg on the James river division. He was crossing the tracks at the time and was hurled nearly 100 feet.

His body was shipped to Mooresville at 3:45 this afternoon accompanied by a son, T. V. Anderson, who had been working on the same bridge here. Police announced that the engineer of the train would be arrested on a technical charge of manslaughter as soon as he returns from Lynchburg. Mr. Anderson is survived by a widow and nine children besides the son who carried his body home.

MAYFIELD HEARING. Mere Testimony Bearing on Klan Activity in Texas Election Heard by the Committee of the Senate.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, May 23.—Mere testimony bearing on the charge of Ku Klux Klan activities in the 1922 senatorial campaign in Texas was heard today by the Senate committee investigating the election contest brought against Senator Mayfield by George E. B. Peedy.

The committee also questioned M. G. Mayfield, of Terrell, Texas, a brother of the Senator, who said he was active in the campaign and had contributed to its expenses. He had on the road 18 or 20 salesmen employed by his grocery company, he said, and from them he collected from time to time small contributions which he split up and applied a part to his own expenses in connection with the work done for his brother.

THE COTTON MARKET Sharp Setback Occurred Early Today as Result of Improved Weather in Cotton Belt.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, May 23.—A sharp setback occurred in the cotton market early today as a result of improved weather in the cotton belt, weaker cables, and a continued slow demand for goods as reflected in sale of only 10,000 to 15,000 pieces at Fall River for the week. First prices were 17 to 28 points lower. May dropped as low as 31.7, while July reached 28.90 and October 25.77. There was liberal selling by Liverpool, the South, and New Orleans but on the decline Wall Street bought a dool deal in the cotton market. Opening prices were: May 31.90; July 29.00; October 25.80; December 25.05; January 24.80.

PRESIDENT IS BACK AT HIS OFFICE NOW

Cold Improved During the Night and Chief Executive Was Ready to Tackle Many Matters. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, May 23.—His cold having slightly improved overnight, President Coolidge returned to his office today facing a long series of engagements including the Friday meeting of the cabinet. This morning he took one of his early morning walks and was at his desk in the executive offices before any of the White House staff had reported for the day.

With Our Advertisers. The Big Removal Sale at Efrid's is going "over the top" every day. Tomorrow and Monday are expected to be banner days.

Get that straw hat today. W. A. Overcash has your size.

Last call for awnings. The Concord Furniture Co. will supply them for you. Special home-made cap at Liberty Lunch, 40 S. Union Street.

The Paiks-Bek Co. will have three big Dollar Days of bargains. Friday, Saturday and Monday, May 23, 24 and 26. They have a lot of prices in today's Tribune but they say they haven't the space to mention even one per cent of the bargains they have for you during these days.

Any homeowner, householder or property owner may need a fire extinguisher. They are a protection to life as well as property. If they were more generally distributed and used there is no question but the tremendous fire wastage of the country of nearly \$1,000,000,000 a minutes and forty lives every day would be greatly reduced. If you have none get one today. The new London model of Schloess clothes at Hoover's.

All Johnson is now in position to give instruction in golf. All the best perfumes at Gibson Drug Store. Get a nice comfortable rocker for summer at H. B. Wilkinson's.

Dittmore Bill Dismissed. (By the Associated Press.) Boston, May 23.—The State Supreme Court today dismissed the bill in equity brought by John V. Dittmore, seeking to have the directors of the First Church of Christ, scientist, compelled to recognize him as a member of the board. Dittmore claimed that he had been removed from the board illegally.

Senate Would Abolish the Pullman Surcharge. Washington, May 22.—The Pullman surcharge authorized by the interstate commerce commission in 1920 would be abolished under an amendment to the interstate commerce act approved today by the senate. It now goes to the house.

After a winter spent at his home in Tennessee, "Pop" Geera, 74 years old and dean of American harness reinmen, is reported in fine fettle to begin the Grand Circuit campaign.

SEVENTEEN PERSONS INDICTED FOR PART IN WHISKEY THEFTS

Men Are Charged With Having Part in Robbery Last Summer of the Jack Daniel Warehouse.

OFFICERS OF COMPANY NAMED

In Indictment Which Was Returned by Special Grand Jury—George Remus Also Named.

(By the Associated Press.) St. Louis, May 23.—Lem Motlow, wealthy distiller of Lynchburg, Tenn., Thomas A. Heffernan, president and Harry L. Dahman, vice president of the Jack Daniel Distilling Co., are included among the seventeen persons indicted by a Federal grand jury investigating the theft of 800 barrels of whiskey from the Jack Daniel bonded warehouse here last summer, it was learned here today. Motlow, who is now under an indictment for murder of C. N. Pullis, a Pullman car conductor, was formerly the owner of the distillery. Others named in the indictment include George Remus, nationally known bootlegger, who is now in the Federal prison at Atlanta, Ga., and his wife, Mrs. Imogene Remus. The arrest of a number of St. Louis men is expected today.

TEST VOTE ON DRY ACT COMING IN THE HOUSE

Black's Amendment Would Legalize Beer to Great Demand for Farm Products.

Washington, May 23.—Opponents of the Volstead act are staging a pre-election record vote on the "wet" and "dry" issue. This will come through a roll call on the proposed amendment of Representative Loring Black, Jr., of New York, to the McNairy-Haugen bill legalizing the manufacture and sale of non-intoxicating beers, ciders and medicinal whiskey to create a demand for millions of bushels of farm products.

"The bankrupt American farmer can change his difficulties," Mr. Black said today, "to the loss of a market for more than 3,500,000,000 pounds of farm products formerly used annually by the brewing industry alone. The loss of barely farmers has been estimated at \$975,000,000 in the past four years."

My amendment to the McNairy-Haugen bill will immediately reestablish a market for more than 3,500,000,000 pounds of farm products," Representative Black's rider would raise the \$200,000,000 fund provided for by the McNairy-Haugen bill the first year and leave a surplus of \$300,000,000 and yearly thereafter would produce \$500,000,000 of the revenue enough to pay off the entire soldier bonus in five years.

WORLD COURT PROPOSALS GET ACTION TOMORROW

Senate Agrees to Dispose of Proposals Tomorrow—Favorable Action for Some Plan Expected. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, May 23.—An agreement was reached today by the Senate foreign relations committee to finally dispose tomorrow of the several propositions before it dealing with American adherence to the World Court. The decision was accepted by most members as assuring a favorable report on a composite plan.

SENATOR WALSH WOULD MODIFY THE BONUS BILL

Montana Senator Would Change Law So as to Cut Out All Cash Payments. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, May 23.—The first move to modify the four-day old bonus law was made today when Senator Walsh, demagogue, proposed an amendment substituting cash payments for insurance on the same per diem basis now contained in the bill. He estimated that the government would save \$1,000,000,000 if the change were approved.

Postmaster Is Removed for "Service Reasons." Hornell, N. Y., May 23.—Postmaster Edison J. Halbert was notified today of his removal from office upon recommendation of Federal inspectors for "service reasons."

While no formal charges have been filed, Halbert said that postal inspectors had been spending some time here investigating complaints of irregularities in connection with a straw vote taken by a national weekly magazine. It was alleged that hundreds of letters containing ballots asking for an expression on the soldier bonus and tax reduction bills were mailed here and were not delivered to the persons addressed. It was charged that, instead, the ballots were marked by some one in the local post office and returned to the magazine. Halbert has denied any knowledge of the transaction and says he will fight his removal.

Mrs. Lindsay Patterson Speaks in Alabama

(By the Associated Press.) Winston-Salem, May 23.—Mrs. J. Lindsay Patterson, of this city, who is one of the leading Republicans of Forsyth County, was one of the principal speakers at the Alabama Republican Convention which was held in Birmingham on Wednesday. Mrs. Patterson was accorded a warm welcome and a great ovation at the conclusion of her address, it was said.

Portial



GENERAL JULIAN S. CARR'S WILL FILED FOR PROBATE

When Miss Minnie Goldman, of Chicago, won her diploma to practice law she never guessed that one day her father would be her client. But now he is the defendant in her "biggest case." Her father, Abraham Goldman, faces federal trial in Worcester, Mass., with his son-in-law, Joseph E. Marsano, Chicago, charged with embezzlement in connection with the looting of the Warren National Bank.

Sons Get Half of \$300,000 and His Grand-Children and Secretary the Other Half.

Durham, May 22.—The will of the late General Julian S. Carr was filed for probate with the clerk of superior court here this afternoon, involving the disposition of an estate valued at \$250,000 to \$300,000.

His two sons, Claiborne Carr and Austin Carr, got one-half of the estate, and his grandchildren and Thomas M. Gorman, his secretary, the other half, excluding holdings in Texas and Oklahoma. The western properties will go to the University of North Carolina, Trinity college, Durham public library, old ladies' home and educational institutions in China established by the general.

Numerous smaller bequests were made. His stenographer gets \$500 and a number of servants \$200 each. At one time General Carr was reported to be the wealthiest man in North Carolina. All his life he gave generously to educational and religious institutions.

RADIO LOCATES GIRL MISSING FROM HOME

Detective Sees Young Woman Whose Description Was Broadcast. Mount Holly, N. J., May 21.—Her disappearance broadcast from several radio stations in this section of the country, County Detective Parker today applied the information he received in locating Miss Mary Boyer, 25 years old, for her father, W. J. Boyer, owner of a chain drug store in Reading, Pa.

She is being returned to her home after having been absent about a week. When he registered at the Washington House here, Detective Parker was notified. Looking her over and remembering the radio news that included a description, Parker became convinced that he had the Reading woman.

Salem College Commencement.

(By the Associated Press.) Winston-Salem, May 23.—The 152nd annual Commencement of Salem College, beginning with the exercises of Saturday, May 24, and closing with the conferring of degrees and diplomas on Tuesday morning, May 27, is expected this year to exceed all previous occasions in its variety of interest and large attendance. The Commencement address will be by Dr. Plato Durham, who made the address of the occasion at the unveiling of the Confederate Memorial at Stone Mountain, Georgia. The Baccalaureate Sermon by the Rev. Karl Morgan Bloch, of Roanoke, Va., noted for his sermons to students, will doubtless attract large crowds not only locally but throughout the State, many of the Salem alumnae groups having already completed plans to drive to Winston-Salem for the three-day sojourn. Arrangements for the entertainment of visitors have been completed, and the dormitories and other facilities of the College will be used to the full to assure the comfort and pleasure of its guests.

Rev. Billy Sunday Not to Undergo an Operation Now.

Rochester, Minn., May 22.—The condition of Rev. William Sunday, evangelist, is not serious and will not require an operation at this time, Mayo clinic physicians, who completed diagnosis of Mr. Sunday's case, announced today.

Mr. Sunday is in excellent spirits. "This little delay will not interfere with my work," declared the evangelist. "We are going to Elmira, N. Y., for our first meeting and then to Nashville, Tenn."

Governor and Mrs. Morrison on Short Visit to Charlotte.

Charlotte, May 22.—Governor and Mrs. Cameron Morrison left Charlotte this afternoon for Raleigh, after spending a day and night here. While here Mrs. Morrison conferred with officials of Queens college alumni association regarding plans for improvements to the college which the association is developing.

Children of eight years of age are employed in Chinese factory.

Fair tonight, warmer in extreme west portion; Saturday showers and probably thunderstorms.

DEATH OF FOURTEEN OLD BOY IS PUZZLING OFFICERS

Nude Body of Robert Franks Found Thursday in Railroad Cut About Five Miles From Home.

FATHER PREPARING TO OFFER MONEY

To Kidnappers For His Son When Body Was Identified—Chemist Thinks the Boy Was Poisoned.

(By the Associated Press.) Chicago, May 23.—Slain white kidnappers demanded a \$10,000 ransom, the nude body of Robert Franks, 14 year old son of Jacob Franks, millionaire watch manufacturer, found yesterday in a railroad culvert five miles from his home, brought to light what the police term the strangest and most baffling homicide in Chicago's history.

Unaware that the body of an unidentified boy found early yesterday was that of his son, Mr. Franks was arranging to carry out the kidnappers' demands sent him in a neatly typewritten special delivery letter, and couched in perfect grammar. Hours after the body had been recovered, the uncle of the boy went to a morgue and identified it.

Coroner's physician Springer declared definitely today that the boy was a victim of a crime of degeneracy. The physician did not state, however, what he believed to have been the exact cause of death.

Three instructors of Harvard School, Walter Wilson, instructor in mathematics, Richard P. Williams, athletic instructor, and Mott Mitchell, English instructor, were questioned in detail concerning the boy.

Three small bottles found in the home of Williams were seized. He said that the bottles contained part of a solution he used in rubbing the boys after gymnastic exercises. Williams is 52 years old. Dr. W. D. McNally, coroner's chemist, examined the boy's vital organs and announced that discoloration of the victim's lips might indicate poison, and likewise he said there was some indication of the presence of acid in the stomach.

"From present indications I am inclined to believe that this was the cause of death," he said.

Following Two Leads.

Chicago, May 23.—Clues leading both to high culture and to degeneracy mystified the police today in solving the kidnapping, murder and attempt at ransom of Robert Franks, 14 years old son of Jacob Franks, a millionaire Chicago manufacturer.

The boy started to walk three blocks to his home late Wednesday afternoon, after umpiring a ball game at the Harvard School, and was not seen again until his body was found under a culvert several miles away.

No Evidence of Degenerate Attack. Chicago, May 23.—The kidnapping and ransom theory in the mysterious death of fourteen-year-old Robert Franks came to the fore again today when the coroner chemist declared there was no evidence of a degenerate attack as officials had announced earlier.

Dr. W. D. McNally, the coroner's chemist, said that poison might have caused external evidence, but that an earlier theory of mistreatment was drawn. The coroner accepted this theory.

Charged With Slaying Man in Quarrel Over Nickel.

Danville, Va., May 22.—Luther Beverley, of Claudeville, Patrick county, is held in Stuart jail charged with killing R. L. Barnard following a quarrel over a nickel. The inquest held at the scene revealed evidence that the two men, with others, were playing cards. Each man accused the other of owing him a nickel and finally, it is said, each man passed the lie and arose from his seat. Barnard was unarmed. Beverley is charged with drawing his revolver and shooting Barnard in the breast. The wounded man turned to run whereupon, it is further alleged, Beverley poured four more shots into the man's back and he dropped dead.

Guerrard Released on Bail.

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, May 23.—W. V. Guerrard, former King Kleagle of the Ku Klux Klan in this state, but more recently alleged organizer of the United Klansmen of America, charged with secret assault in connection with the alleged flogging of Hayes Henry, negro, several months ago, today was released from the Wake county jail when local citizens furnished \$2,500 bond. Guerrard was recently arrested in Columbia, S. C.

WHAT SMITTY'S WEATHER CAT SAYS



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