

CLAIM DAUGHERTY PRESENT AT TIME SMITH GOT MONEY

In Case Against Daugherty and Miller Government Would Show He Had Hand in Fraud.

DOCUMENTS ARE OFFERED TODAY

Letters, Telegrams, Checks and Travel Vouchers Introduced as Evidence by the Government.

New York, Sept. 17.—(AP)—The government today placed on record documentary evidence tending to prove that Harry M. Daugherty was in New York on September 30, 1921, when Thomas W. Miller gave Richard Merton, German metal magnate, checks for \$6,453,970.97 at a champagne dinner in the Ritz-Carlton Hotel.

Daugherty and Miller are on trial charged with conspiring to defraud the government of their "fair and unprejudiced" services as government officials in permitting the release to Merton of assets of the American Metal Company impounded during the war. At that time Daugherty was attorney general, and Miller alien property custodian.

United States Attorney Buckner placed on record travel vouchers, railroad and Pullman records, showing that Daugherty and Jesse W. Smith, "his man Friday" returned from a trip to Ohio on September 29th, and their expense accounts were shown to prove that they were still in New York on September 30th.

In the previous days of the trial twenty witnesses had been examined and some ninety exhibits had been thrown into the legal forge. These exhibits—letters, telegrams, checks and travel vouchers—the prosecution had promised to link into a connected chain of evidence proving the guilt of the defendants.

Charles E. Stewart, administrative officer in the department of justice since 1914, was today's first witness and he said he met Smith for the first time at the Harding inauguration. He said that Smith came to his office in the department of justice building, and introduced the "business" as "Smith" and "said many times" later "here and there, around the department in his own office, in Mr. Daugherty's office, and elsewhere."

With Our Advertisers. The poultry market is now improving, and C. H. Barrier & Co. want to buy all your chickens and eggs. See new ad. for prices. New arrivals in autumn millinery at Eldrid's. Smart felt sport hats, \$3.95.

Final reduction of prices at the Markson Shoe Store. The Crystal Damp Laundry wants to do your washing the "soft water way." They use only pure soap and the softest water. See ad. in today's paper and phone 632 and give them a trial.

The very best steel is used in making the knives sold by the Ritchie Hardware Co. See new ad. The five big Dollar Dais at Parks-Belk Co. began this morning, and will end next Wednesday. A watch will be given free with every boys' knee pants suit for \$3.98 and up. See new ad. today for many attractive prices.

Many Dollar Dais specials in the grocery department of the Parks-Belk Co. See list in ad. today. The Concord Furniture Co. will sell you a ten-piece suite for \$139.00, finished in brown walnut. This is the last suite at this low price. New shoes from old at the Shepherd shoe hospital. Phone 431.

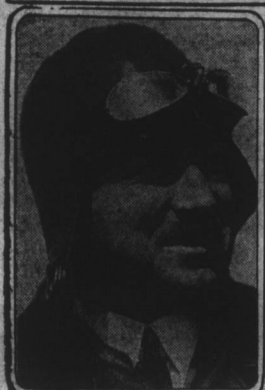
Campaign Against Home Brew. (By International News Service) Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 17.—(AP)—A statewide campaign against "home-brew" is now being launched under the direction of Federal Prohibition Agent C. D. Pentreath. In the meantime, is making a test case here of an arrest of salesman of caps, coppers, bottles and jars.

A few days back Pentreath arrested two salesmen after he purchased complete outfits from them and was given a receipt for making home-brew by both. "Selling of jars, caps, coppers and bottles is not against the law," said Pentreath. "But when the salesman knows for what purpose they are to be used and even gives a receipt for the violation of the state laws I think he is liable to prosecution."

Old Age and Youth Don't Get Along Together. (By International News Service) Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 17.—R. H. Clabaugh, 23, was granted a divorce from his wife, whom he charged was his former foster-mother here by Judge Grimm of circuit court. His wife was 45 years of age and married him when he was nineteen, after she had cared for him since his mother's death when he was twelve years of age, according to the testimony of Clabaugh.

My father moved to her house after mother's death and he boarded with her until she proposed to me," testified the young man. Mrs. Clabaugh admitted taking care of the boy, said she was not yet 45 years of age and denied proposing.

New Crew of Sikorsky Plane



RENE FONCK



L. W. CURTIS



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ENGLISH SWIMMER IS VICTOR OVER CHANNEL

Norman Leslie Dereham Swam From France to England in 13 Hours, 56 Minutes

Dover, England, Sept. 17.—(AP)—Norman Leslie Dereham, of South End, England, today finished a swim across the English Channel from Cape Gris Nez.

His time was 13 hours and 56 minutes. He left Gris Nez at 9 o'clock last night and landed in St. Margaret's Bay this morning at 10:56 o'clock.

The record for the swim is 11 hours and 57 minutes, made by the French bather, Georges Michel, on September 1st.

By his performance Dereham wins the prize of 1,000 pounds Sterling offered by the News of the World for the first British born subject to break Gertrude Ederle's time of 14 hours and 36 minutes.

Dereham used the breast stroke most of the way but changed to the back stroke toward the end. He was given a rousing reception when he arrived on the English shore. After walking the beach he sat down and smoked a cigarette, later going to a hotel for a rest.

It was his third attempt this season. His second, a few weeks ago, was abandoned when a dense fog descended after he had come within two miles of Dover.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady at Decline of 3 Points to an Advance of 2 Points.

New York, Sept. 17.—(AP)—The cotton market opened steady today at a decline of 3 points to an advance of 2 points, most of the active months being lower under overnight selling by the South and realizing.

Initial offerings appeared to be readily absorbed, and the market soon steadied up on covering promoted by relatively steady Liverpool cables and the uncertainty of the tropical storm situation. December sold up from 16.40 to 16.57, the general market showing net advances of about 6 to 9 points at the end of the first hour.

Much of the buying was supposed to be based on the market's technical position following the decline of approximately two cents a pound the past week.

Private cables reported trade calling and buying for a reaction in the Liverpool market.

Next Crop Report October 11th.

Washington, Sept. 17.—(AP)—The Federal Crop Reporting board has changed the date of the general crop report to be issued in October to Monday, October 11, at 3 p. m. instead of Saturday, October 9, it was announced today.

The report will contain a preliminary estimate of production of spring wheat, oats, barley, hay, dry edible beans, lima beans, peaches, peaches, broom-corn, and hops.

PERRY'S PLEAD GUILTY OF BEATING TEACHER

Agreement is Reached by Which It Is Understood They Will Pay Miss Lewis \$2,000.

Raleigh, Sept. 16.—Further details of how an irate father and mother brutally attacked a frail girl, the school teacher, who had just killed her daughter, and how they almost but her to death, so that the physicians attending her were not able to remove her clothes until six days after the attack, because of the condition of the bruises on her body, are expected to be related today in the trial of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Perry, charged with assault on Miss Blanche Lewis near Wake Forest last March, where Miss Lewis was teaching school.

The Perry pair threw up their hands today and pleaded guilty to a charge of assault with serious damage.

Mrs. Perry says that she did all the fighting, and that her husband tried to pull her away from the school teacher. But Miss Lewis and other witnesses insist that both Mr. and Mrs. Perry participated in the attack, the man blocking the girl's eyes with his blows, while the irate mother scratched and choked her.

The mother accused Miss Lewis of whipping her child out of spite, while Miss Lewis denied, after which the melee began. Miss Lewis was seated in a chair when Mrs. Perry first attacked her, trying to choke her, her husband following up the attack in shock-troop order. After it was all over, one of the witnesses for the State said that Miss Lewis looked "as if she were almost dying." The defense on the other hand, claims that Miss Lewis was not "hurt bad" as one of the defense witnesses said, and that she was hurt most when she "reared back and fell on her head," referring to when she fainted after the attack.

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MELLON TALKS WITH REPORTERS ON RETURN

Declined to Discuss European Affairs When He Landed in New York From Trip Abroad.

New York, Sept. 17.—(AP)—After unusual precautions had been taken to shield Secretary of the Treasury Andrew Mellon from reporters and photographers on his arrival today from abroad, the Secretary himself broke his rule of declining interviews and talked to newspaper men.

He declined to discuss European affairs, and said his trip abroad had merely been a pleasure and vacation tour. At no time had he discussed issues of national or international character, he said, although he met a number of distinguished statesmen including Premier Mussolini of Italy.

The Secretary arrived on the Benicarlo. He was taken off the liner at quarantine on a special revenue cutter.

Church Built by One Man.

(By International News Service) Luray, Va., Sept. 17.—This is not a story of a house that was built in a day but a church that was built by a single man.

Elder Thomas H. Painter, a minister, bought the land for a new church in this county. He then made excavations for the foundation alone.

He planned the building, laid the foundations and done all the carpenter work. With the church completed, Elder Painter now has arranged for the dedication ceremonies. He will officiate at this service and open a revival at the new church.

FLOOD WATERS ARE THREAT FOR CROPS WORTH \$1,500,000

Only Recession of River Can Prevent Destruction of Crops in the Green Bay Bottoms.

6,000 ACRES IN AREA THREATENED

Levee Has Given Way Despite the Heroic Efforts Made to Check Rushing Water.

Burlington, Ia., Sept. 17.—(AP)—On a recession of the flood waters of Skunk River can prevent destruction of crops in the Green Bay bottoms, north of here, valued at more than \$1,500,000.

Six thousand acres of crops in the 16,000 acre area apparently were doomed today as water continued to pour through three breaks in the levee and inundation of more of the lowlands seems certain if rains send the river higher.

A large force of men including convicts from the State penitentiary are trying today to save part of the levee by strengthening it with timbers and piles of sand-filled bags.

Damages since the water first broke through yesterday is estimated at \$100,000.

As the water advanced in the bottoms slowly, there has been no loss of life. Livestock, house furnishings and personal effects of farmers in the lowest sections were moved to higher ground before the flood arrived.

MORRISON ANNOUNCEMENT CREATES ONLY A RIPPLE

A Number of the Planks in His Platform Will Be Popular.

Tribune Bureau Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Sept. 17.—The formal announcement of Cameron Morrison, former governor, that he would be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for United States senator from North Carolina in 1928 failed to create more than a ripple of interest in political circles in Raleigh, as it has been generally understood here for some time that Morrison would make this step. However, some far-reaching interest was shown in the former governor's eight planks in his program for the state at the coming session of the legislature.

It is readily admitted that his advocacy of the State doing a "generous part" in the establishment of the Smoky Mountains National Park will prove most popular in western North Carolina and even in the piedmont section, but many doubt if it will receive much support in the eastern part of the state. There are many who will not favor the appropriation of a large sum to buy land which only the western section will benefit, as they see it. However, it may receive more support than now seems likely.

The proposal to issue another \$40,000,000 worth of highway bonds is another most questionable. Disclosure this week that North Carolina has next to the highest debt of any state, has caused many to pause and think, and it is not believed that a move to increase the present indebtedness by \$40,000,000 will meet with instant and state-wide approval at this time. And as some one waggishly remarked, even if \$40,000,000 is appropriated, will the courts allow the highway commission to spend it, or approve the routes selected?

Inland waterway improvement will meet little opposition, and the move to increase the culture of sea foods will also be favored. But whether Morrison can resurrect his port and terminal's measures remains to be seen.

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BROADCASTING RIGHTS OF FIGHT NOT GIVEN

Richard Says He Has Not Leased the Rights to Anyone So Far.

New York, Sept. 17.—(AP)—Although denying that he had yet leased the broadcasting privileges for the Dempsey-Tunney match at Philadelphia, September 23rd, Tex Rickard told the Associated Press that any contract he signed would bar newspapers from broadcasting wire reports of the bout.

Rickard, reached by telephone at his Philadelphia headquarters, flatly denied that a radio contract had been closed in spite of a telegram received by Editor & Publisher, signed ostensibly by the promoter, and worded as follows: "The broadcasting rights have been contracted for, and it will be an infringement on these rights for newspapers to use wire reports of the contest."

No Decision Now in Sacco-Vanzetti Case.

Dedham, Mass., Sept. 17.—(AP)—Judge Webster Thayer today took under advisement the motion for a new trial for Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti, convicted of murder. At the conclusion of arguments he said he would require several weeks to reach a decision.

Call to Hasten Development of Practical Cotton Picking Machine

Raleigh, Sept. 17.—(AP)—A call for cooperation among southern states in hastening the development of a practical cotton picking machine was sounded in a statement issued here tonight by William A. Graham, commissioner of agriculture for North Carolina.

"Although the federal department of agriculture has advised him that though it is interested in the perfection of such a device, it is not now in a position to participate actively in the experimental work that will be necessary, Commissioner Graham, however, states that he is not discouraged in his conviction that the picking of cotton by machinery is only a matter of time.

The commissioner wrote sometime ago to the department of agriculture at Washington presenting his views and was told the matter would be taken under advisement. In a letter just received from Acting Secretary C. F. Marvin the opinion is expressed that the development of a practical cotton picking machine will be a "gradual process involving much costly experiment."

"That may be true and probably is," declared Mr. Graham tonight, "but the sooner these processes are hastened, the sooner the South will have solved one of the biggest problems that confronts its farmers and the sooner an expense will be eliminated that now cuts into the profits of these farmers to an enormous degree.

"When the talk of a practical cotton gin was started such a device was regarded by some as an impossibility. It is needless to go into details as to the development of the cotton gin, which was invented by Eli Whitney, up to that time an obscure northwestern boy, following his graduation, visited a southern relative and conceived the idea that later revolutionized the cotton manufacturing industry.

"Whitney's invention was patented in 1794 after which time he visited the legislatures of the cotton growing states and urged them to buy the patent rights for use in their respective states. The South Carolina legislature purchased the right for that state, paying \$50,000 for it; and in 1804, the legislature of North Carolina bought the right for this state for which it paid \$30,000.

"Of course, the fostering influence of the United States department of agriculture is much to be desired. However, it seems to me that the cotton states themselves would do well to get together on the proposition of purifying up the work of perfecting a cotton picking machine.

"There are several cotton picking machines now in use. Inventors of some of these claims that they are practical and can be economically operated. While I have not made an exhaustive study of the feasibility of any of the devices already in use, there can be no doubt but that, in time, there will be one perfected that will meet the South's need.

"The South will be the direct beneficiary, and that being the case, I see no reason why there should not be co-operation among southern states. Representatives of these states could, with little or no expense, study the matter. None of the states would be obligated to go as far as the southern legislatures referred to in putting the cotton gin into practical operation within their borders, perhaps, but the findings could at least be reported and assembled for study and there would no doubt be individuals and farmers' organizations who would be glad to take a hand if something approximated 100 per cent. efficiency could be perfected."

"The club has been carrying on its brake testing campaign in Raleigh for several days, and hundreds of motorists have taken advantage of this free service. The results have shown so far that 52 per cent. of the brakes on all cars tested so far have been faulty—and most of these cars have been of the heavier type.

"Records in this and other states show that the majority of automobile accidents are due mainly to either faulty brakes or glaring headlights. As there is no standard headlight law in this state at present, there is little that can be done toward regulating that danger source," said Edward Thornhill, district manager of the Carolina Motor Club, who is assisting the Raleigh police department in conducting the free tests.

"But we are trying to do what we can to educate the people to see the value of always keeping their brakes properly adjusted, because if a motorist's brakes are in good shape, he may be able to avoid an accident that otherwise might prove serious. The ability to stop quickly has saved many a broken neck."

The club has already conducted these brake testing "clinics" in a number of other cities, although all of these have been experimental in nature. Now, however, the club has decided to hold them over the entire state, owing to the success which the few tests so far conducted have met with.

These tests are but the beginning of a state-wide safety campaign which the club is going to launch and in which more stringent brake and headlight laws will be advocated as well as a law requiring licenses for all drivers.

Telegraph Rate Hearing October 20th. Tribune Bureau Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Sept. 17.—The hearing of the petition of the Western Union and Postal telegraph companies, in which they are asking to increase intrastate rates, set to be held before the State Corporation Commission September 20th, will not be final, due to the decision of the commission to employ expert statisticians to examine the figures presented by the telegraph companies, but will be left open for either side to present any additional information which they may desire to offer, it is announced by A. J. Maxwell, of the commission. It is expected that both parties in the case will avail themselves of this opportunity and present additional material.

Another Invitation to Queen Marie (By International News Service)

Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 17.—An invitation to Queen Marie, of Rumania and her daughter, Princess Ileana, to visit Knoxville and the Smoky Mountains when they arrive in the United States for a tour next month, has been extended by the local Chamber of Commerce.

The Smoky Mountain park association is co-operating with the Chamber of Commerce in an effort to have the queen and princess visit the mountains. Should the invitation be accepted, elaborate receptions would be arranged for the royalty.

"Mrs. X."



MRS. VERLA KIMBALL, of Oakland, Cal., was identified as "Mrs. X," the woman who figured in Carmel cottage incident in the disappearance of Aimee Semple McPherson, evangelist.

WANT DEFINITE METHOD OF LICENSING DRIVERS

Commissioner Doughton Speaks of the Grave Dangers That Exist.

Tribune Bureau Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Sept. 17.—"Certainly some means must be devised to prevent persons who are unfit to operate an automobile, either from temperament or lack of the proper responsibility, from constantly endangering the lives of others on the highways of the state," said Commissioner R. A. Doughton, of the department of revenue, in commenting on North Carolina's automobile accident deaths for the month of August, when fifty-nine were killed, only nine of these being accidents at railway crossings. Some definite method of registration or licensing of drivers will undoubtedly have to be devised, the commissioner said, although he was unwilling to advocate a law requiring all operators of motor vehicles to be properly examined, both as to their ability to drive a car and as to their character and reputation and subsequent licensing, if the examination meets the requirements. The majority of other states have such laws and it is regarded as a certainty by many that a similar law for North Carolina will be proposed in the next legislature.

Such a law, if proposed, will stir up a fight that will be heard from one end of the state to the other, all agree. The principal opposition to it is expected to develop in the rural districts, but on the other hand, it is pointed out that considerable opposition will also develop in the cities from concerns employing large numbers of truck drivers and from individuals as well. Especially will it meet with the disapproval of the speed fiends and reckless drivers, upon whom it will act as a curb.

There is being heard some talk of even a more drastic measure to stop excessive speeding and recklessness and it is hinted that consideration may be given to a proposal to require governors on all cars that will automatically shut off the power when a certain speed is reached. Some states have such laws, which are applied principally to trucks and buses, but in some cases other cars are also included. In the larger cities, firms that use big fleets of trucks equip them with governors to prohibit speeding.

There is still further agitation in other quarters for a system of State highway police or patrol force, mounted on motorcycles, to patrol the State highways and compel observance of the laws of the road on motorists who at present disregard them. This plan is being especially advocated by the highway commission, which is becoming increasingly concerned with the mounting number of accidents each week.

Commissioner Doughton agrees that such a police force undoubtedly would reduce the number of accidents and greatly increase the safety of the highways. It would also assist the automobile theft bureau, which is a part of the department of revenue, in halting the theft of automobiles and in tracing stolen cars. But the commissioner is extremely doubtful to whether such a low will be given serious consideration by the next legislature, although it is pretty certain that one will be proposed.

It is pointed out that there are a hundred different details that must be worked out dealing with how to finance the plan, who would administer it, and so on, all of which are bound to prove troublesome.

Those opposed to the highway police system hold that there would be danger of its deteriorating into a grabbing organization, and that innocent and law-abiding motorists would be subject to constant inconvenience and possible persecution as a result. But the question is bound to come up and the legislature is destined to have a merry time trying to solve the best method of dealing with the problem.

Charles R. Huntley Dead.

Lancaster, N. Y., Sept. 17.—(AP)—Charles R. Huntley, nationally known paper magnate and president of the Buffalo General Electric Company, died suddenly at his home here today.

REPORT ANGELIST SERIOUSLY ILL AND HEARING POSTPONED

Mrs. Aimee McPherson Became Ill Wednesday and Collapsed During a Service Thursday.

ABSCCESS CAUSE OF HER ILLNESS

Physician Sas It Will Be Three Days Before Danger Is Passed—Abscess Close to Brain.

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 17.—(AP)—With the arrest of five persons scheduled by District Attorney Ayo Keyes, and statements of new witnesses adding to the mass of evidence in Aimee Semple McPherson's kidnapping investigation, the serious illness of the evangelist threatens to delay the trial inquiry into her five week's disappearance.

Reports of the evangelist's illness Wednesday were followed by her collapse at an Angels Temple service yesterday and the subsequent announcement of her physician that a dangerous infection might cause death if complications develop.

The illness was described as an abscess of the nose close to the brain. Physicians said although her temperature had dropped from the 102-degree mark reached last night it would be three days before danger is passed.

District Attorney Keyes said yesterday he had prepared complaints charging with conspiracy with conspiracy to defraud justice. He named Mrs. McPherson, her mother, Mrs. Manly Kennedy, Kenneth G. Ormiston, friend of the evangelist and former Angels Temple radio operator, John Doe Martin, and Mrs. Lorraine Wiseman Sleaf.

THREE OF SIX ESCAPED PRISONERS ARE CAPTURED

Mail to Gains Freedom at Night. Asheville, Sept. 17.—(AP)—Three of the six prisoners who escaped last night from Buncombe County jail, were reported captured at Waynesville this morning by Sheriff J. F. Cane, of Haywood County. Late this morning Sheriff E. M. Mitchell of Buncombe County was hurrying there to bring them back. According to Sheriff Cane, the three men were walking on the highway near—Jesse Jamuluska and started to run when officers approached them. He said they were easily captured.

Today county workmen were busy with acetylene torches repairing the bars on the fourth story window through which the six men saved their way to freedom last night.

The three taken in Waynesville were R. F. Probe and Fred Nelson, held on charges of forgery, and J. F. Blackburn, charged with embezzlement. No word of the arrest of the other three, among whom is Edward Anderson, wanted for murder in New York, had been received this morning at the sheriff's office.

WANT DEMOCRATS TO MEET IN DES MOINES

Democratic Leader Thinks Iowa Capital Would Be Strategic Center. Chicago, Sept. 17.—(AP)—Clyde L. Herring, Iowa Democratic leader, was represented by the Chicago Daily News today as launching a campaign to hold the 1928 national convention in Des Moines.

The newspaper quoted Mr. Herring as saying he had had favorable responses to his proposal from Georgia and Tennessee. It is said Omaha, Denver and Louisville also are under consideration.

The article represents anti-Smith Democrats as opposed to New York as not "neutral" ground, and likewise to Chicago, because of the residence here of George E. Brennan who has been a leader of the AI Smith forces. Proponents of Des Moines are also said to recommend it as a strategic center of the "agricultural unrest movement."

Would Report "Faith Healer."

Charlotte, Sept. 17.—(AP)—Indications were today that the city would bring sensational charges against "Bishop" C. M. Grace "faith healer," at the injunction hearing before Judge A. M. Stack in Mecklenburg Superior Court, Saturday.

Reports apparently well founded were in circulation that the assistance of federal authorities would be sought in lodging deportation proceedings against the Portuguese "bishop."

Low Cady and Mabel Norman Married.

Ventura, Calif., Sept. 17.—(AP)—Low Cady, film actor, and Mabel Norman, screen actress, were married at 3 o'clock this morning by County Recorder Thomas Neilland, as announced today. They aroused the county clerk and obtained a license at 2 o'clock and awkwardly performed and had the ceremony in an hour later, he announced.

Greece has experienced seven revolutions in the last ten years. THE WEATHER Fair tonight and Saturday. Gales to moderate north and northeast with increasing somewhat Saturday.