

GROCER KILLS TWO HOLDUP MEN

President Acts in Row Over Stone

Coolidge Takes Charge of Fight in Senate to Hold Up Confirmation of Appointment.

Calls Committee Members

Washington, Jan. 24.—President Coolidge took personal charge today of the fight in the senate against confirmation of Attorney General Stone as a member of the supreme court because of his efforts to obtain an indictment against Senator Burton K. Wheeler of Montana, in the federal courts here.

After a bitter flap in the senate over the nomination of Stone, the president tonight summoned to the White House Senators Curtis of Kansas, Reed of Pennsylvania, Sterling of South Dakota, Butler of Massachusetts, and Watson of Indiana.

From them the president learned first hand what took place in the executive session today when senators denounced in vigorous language Stone's activities in the Wheeler case, and indicated they would withhold confirmation of the attorney general as an associate justice pending an exhaustive investigation of the facts.

Sends for Stone.

After conferring with his close friends in the senate, President Coolidge sent for Attorney General Stone. Senators refused to disclose whether the president made any suggestions tending to relieve the situation. Stone was equally reticent but it is understood that he is standing by his guns and has repelled suggestions that he let up on the Wheeler case in order to insure his early confirmation as an associate justice of the supreme court.

It was disclosed that for more than two hours senators Borah of Idaho, Norris of Nebraska, Walsh of Montana, Ctraway of Arkansas, Heflin of Alabama, and Overman of North Carolina, condemned the activities of the Department of Justice in trying to obtain a new indictment against Senator Wheeler.

It was heard out by senators that the Department of Justice is trying to secure the indictment because of a letter sent to former Assistant Secretary of the Interior Boothby by Philip Campbell, a client of Wheeler, in which it is alleged offers were made to turn over to Boothby certain lands provided he gave Campbell clear title to claims in dispute.

Campbell Letter Probed.

That letter was written while Wheeler was touring Russia.

Campbell pointed out to his colleagues that his committee had gone into the Campbell letter carefully and all efforts to connect Wheeler with its contents had failed.

Senator Walsh of Montana declared he is convinced Wheeler is innocent of any wrongdoing in the matter and he would not permit.

Attorney General Stone has let senators know that he will not be diverted from his avowed purpose of trying to bring an indictment against Wheeler by any threat to hold up, or deny his confirmation as a member of the supreme court.

FATHER OF DEAD MAN AIDS SLAYER

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 24.—Acquitted on a plea of self-defense of murdering her husband, William D. Richmond, at Laramie, Wyo., Mrs. Richmond will be accepted as a daughter in the home of Richmond's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Richmond, here, the elder Richmond said today.

Mrs. Richmond is said to have admitted that she shot her husband a week ago when he attempted to force her to cash a check from her savings and then threatened her. The father testified before a coroner's jury in the wife's behalf.

WOMAN WHO CAST FIRST VOTE, DIES

Fort Morgan, Colo., Jan. 24.—Mary Lee Stark, the oldest woman in Montana county, died Thursday in the Old Ladies' home. She was 92 years old.

Mrs. Stark was born in Connecticut and came to Wyoming in 1878. She was the first superintendent of schools in Cheyenne. She claimed to have been the first woman in the United States to cast a ballot in Wyoming when the first state to grant woman suffrage.

GASOLINE PRICE BOOST GENERAL

With the advance of 1 cent a gallon for gasoline sold in Nebraska by the Standard Oil company, other large oil companies boosted the price of their gasoline in Omaha Saturday.

The advance of 1 cent in the price of gasoline was general throughout the city. The Nicholas Oil company, Sinclair Refining company, Anderson-Johnson Oil company, and Manhattan Oil company, boosted their price of 13 cents a gallon to 14 cents. The National Refining company price of 16 cents for White Rose gasoline was advanced to 17 cents a gallon.

Jazz Craze Invades Small Town; Girl Forger Blames Rum, Clothes

Maiden, 19, Hates to Go to Prison and Leave Bright Lights and Music.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Jan. 24.—The jazz spirit is in young girls of the small as well as of the large cities.

A year ago Margaret Walm was 18 and an unsophisticated country girl living in Palo, a small town near here. Now she is in jail and has admitted she forged 40 checks. In her grip was found a checkbook on a Keystone (Ia.) bank, which she says she obtained there while keeping house for a wealthy farmer. She signed checks with half a dozen names and obtained more than \$400 in amounts ranging from \$5 to \$25.

"Why did you do it, Margie?" she was asked.

"Jazz, booze, pretty clothes," she answered with a smile full of worldly wisdom. "But," she added, "I hate to go to prison. It will keep me away from the bright lights and music."

Eleven months ago the girl began "keeping company" with Jack Mally of this city and they were married. She was introduced to the night life and blaring brass. The dance halls saw her high or low night. She was the last to leave.

Her pace became too swift for her husband. He couldn't dance till 1 and rise at 7 to go to work. At 20 Margie was a divorcee and had plenty of time to indulge in the joys of the gay white way. But her unconventional way of obtaining funds brought her to grief.



Margaret Walm

12-Year Truce Shattered in N. Y. Chinatown

District Not Safe for Sightseers; Tongs Are Using Guns Again.

New York, Jan. 24.—The war of the tongs—On Leong tong and Hip Sing tong—has been renewed with a vengeance. Blood has been shed. More men are going to die before it ends.

One man already is dead, and three have been wounded in the first outbreak of a tong war since 1912. The police are frankly apprehensive. Their guard in Chinatown has been trebled. Bluecoats, very much on the qui vive, are in every nook and cranny of the ill-lighted, mysterious streets. Alert plainclothes men, with service revolvers noticeably close at hand, patrol the streets. White visitors are barred. Sightseeing buses aren't allowed in the neighborhood.

Trouble has been expected for weeks. Inoffensive looking Chinese, who were seen back 12 years, in 1912, today moved almost en masse when vice and gambling were stopped in New York's Chinatown. The police knew the war was coming, but they were powerless to prevent it.

Wheat Sets New Mark at Chicago

Red Winter Grain for Immediate Delivery Sells for \$2.10 a Bushel.

Chicago, Jan. 24.—With No. 2 red winter wheat at a new high price record here today, \$2.10 a bushel, immediate delivery, the speculative market for wheat delivered in Chicago has reached a new peak. The market's capacity for absorbing a volume of selling, fresh buying, based more or less on 3,000,000 bushels reduction in the official estimate of the 1924 yield of wheat in Canada, was extremely active, and May contracts here commanded as high as \$1.95 1/2 a bushel, compared with the topmost price so far.

According to one authority, the buying public has virtually run away with the wheat market, there being no price reactions such as in general would seem proportionate to the volume of profit taking and to the swiftness with which values of late have advanced. Today's upturn, about 2c a bushel at the maximum compared with yesterday's finish, came in the face of the fact that domestic primary receipts this week were 6,129,000 bushels, against 3,785,000 bushels a year ago. Besides export clearances were relatively small and the outlook was that the United States visible supply total on Monday would show a much smaller decrease than last week.

In line with wheat, the rye market today moved up briskly, and established another new all-around peak record.

DAVIS RETURNS FROM ABROAD

New York, Jan. 24.—John W. Davis, defeated democratic candidate in the last presidential election, returned today on the steamship Paris after two months abroad with Mrs. Davis.

"Back to my desk and to work," said Davis when asked about his program.

Asked if he had anything to say about the democratic party, Davis replied:

"Yes—that it is a party full of hope."

Davis' appearance showed that his vacation had entirely offset the effects of his campaign.

FAMILY OVERCOME BY SMOKE CLOUDS

Bridgeport, Neb., Jan. 24.—Awakening before he was completely overcome by smoke that had blown from the chimney into the open window of the basement where he and his family were sleeping, Archie Truman of Minatare crawled to the open air, and revived sufficiently to get back into the smoke filled house to rescue the family. Both the boys and his father soon recovered, but two of his sisters, who were unconscious, are yet in a serious condition. A shift in the direction of the wind during the night caused the smoke to reach the room in which the family slept.

Notre Dame 7, Creighton 7, First Half

The score in the first half of the Notre Dame-Creighton basketball game at Creighton gymnasium Saturday was 7 to 7 at the end of the first half.

Dance Halls Blamed for Youth's Fall

Poolhalls During Day and Girls at Night Demand Money, Boy Tells Police After Arrest.

Names Companions

A round of pool halls in the daytime and dance halls at night, indulged in by a group of Omaha boys whose names have not been made public, was described to detectives Saturday night by Earl Cassidy, 17, 620 South Seventeenth street, who was arrested for an alleged automobile burglary.

Detectives Buglewicz and Micklas arrested young Cassidy late Saturday afternoon, after receiving a report that a car had been stolen from in front of the Grain Exchange building.

'Pardner' of Theft Suspect.

In his confession Cassidy admitted that he was a "pardner" of Orvis Bonham, 18, now in county jail awaiting trial for burglary. These two youths are believed by police to have attempted some 30 daring robberies, many of which turned out so badly that the youths' efforts seemed almost don Quixotic.

One of the attempted robberies was at the Pelton garage, Twenty-second and Farnam streets, in which Cassidy took part. Cassidy was arrested after receiving a report that a car had been stolen from in front of the Grain Exchange building.

Had Enough Guns to Start War.

Another of their exploits, young Cassidy told detectives, was a burglary of a sporting goods store when they obtained enough guns to start a war, but found to their dismay that they didn't know how to shoot them.

They persevered, however, establishing a rifle range north of Florence. But young Cassidy accidentally shot himself, and as a result he and Bonham were arrested. Cassidy was arraigned in juvenile court and paroled to his mother, Mrs. Velma Alterie, friend of the late Dion O'Banion, florist-gunman-bootlegger, who was assassinated in his floral shop, is under charges in the same case.

FARMER IS FOUND GUILTY IN FIGHT

Misouri Valley, Ia., Jan. 24.—John Hiles, a young farmer living in the hills southeast of here, was found guilty in district court at Lodgan, Friday of assault and battery, the complaining witness being James Kirkland, a neighbor. Hiles had been indicted by the grand jury on a charge of assault to commit great bodily injury.

The two men met November 19, and in a fight Kirkland suffered a number of broken ribs.

FAIR ASSOCIATION ELECTS OFFICERS

Shenandoah, Ia., Jan. 24.—All directors elected at the annual meeting of stockholders of the Shenandoah Fair association, are new, except one. The new members are Frank Keenan, Harry Shurtz, Theodore Nordstrom, Frank Anshutz, William Spook, E. F. Rose and Don McGiffin. E. F. Gauss was re-elected. The annual fair will be held the week of August 19.

CUMMINS DESPAIRS OF RAIL MEASURE

Washington, Jan. 24.—Senator Cummins, republican, Iowa, announced after conference today with President Coolidge that he had abandoned efforts at a compromise between railroad managers and employees on legislation similar to the Howell-Barkley bill, to deal with railroad labor disputes. Neither side, he said, has been willing to agree to a conference.

Action on the Howell-Barkley bill, however, has been postponed for this session.

WINE, STILL FOUND AT PRIEST'S HOME

Salt Lake City, Utah, Jan. 24.—Deputy sheriffs today raided the residence of Rev. M. P. Sheehan, rector of St. Patrick's Catholic church, and seized 15 gallons of wine and a small still.

Up to late today no complaint had been issued against Father Sheehan, who said he held a state permit for wine, and that the still was used solely for distilling water. No whisky was found by the officers.

DEFENDANTS WIN

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Carroll, Ia., Jan. 24.—A verdict for the defendants was returned by a jury in district court that heard the \$2,000 damage suit of Mrs. E. Morgan against Drs. Anneberg and Martin, alleging injuries as a result of an operation in a local hospital. The case was tried before Judge M. E. Hutchinson. The jury was out two hours.

Sun Eclipse Spells End of World to 'Wildcat Bill'

Thermopolis, Wyo., Jan. 24.—"Wildcat Bill" Abernathy came down from his shack and traps on Bird's-eye pass today, sold his furs, his dogs and the claim on federal land he has been occupying in the mountains and is waiting for the shades of night to fall, when he predicts the end of the world.

The sun's eclipse, Wildcat Bill takes it, spells the end of everything.

Another Hero of Fire Routing 3 Families



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Underworld Chief Slain in Own Auto

Chicago Beer Magnate Shot Down in Front of Home; Slayer Escapes.

Chicago, Jan. 24.—John Torrio, known as a beer magnate and underworld chief, was reported shot and seriously wounded as he sat in his automobile in front of his South Shore home today. Several men in a fast moving automobile escaped after firing upon him from under cover of their car.

Torrio recently was fined \$5,000 and sentenced to jail for nine months on a "speaking" charge resulting from his arrest with more than a score of others in a police raid on the Sieben brewery last May. Louis Alterie, friend of the late Dion O'Banion, florist-gunman-bootlegger, who was assassinated in his floral shop, is under charges in the same case.

THREE SMUGGLER GROUPS ARRESTED

Mexico City, Jan. 24.—United States customs officials at Laredo arrested today three groups of smugglers along the Mexican border, according to word received here, and seized a quantity of silk valued at several thousand dollars. Two of the smugglers were wounded. The Mexican army is co-operating with the United States officials.

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Iowa G.O.P. Asks Senate Seat Vacated

Fraud and Deceit in Election Campaign Charged by State Central Committee.

Complaint Bill Planned

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 24.—The republican party of Iowa, through the state central committee, today officially repudiated United States Senator Smith W. Brookhart and moved to have the seat to which he was elected as a republican candidate last November declared vacant on grounds of alleged fraud and deceit.

A resolution passed by the central committee, which met here today, directed the chairman, B. B. Burquist of Fort Dodge to prepare a bill of complaint for filing with the senate, charging that Senator Brookhart, prior to the November election, posed as a republican until it was too late for the committee to bring out another candidate, then aligned himself with the La Follette movement, denounced the republican national ticket and divorced himself from the republican party, thereby deceiving the electors of Iowa.

"The acts of Smith W. Brookhart," says the resolution in summing up the charges of the committee, "are contrary to honesty and political morality and to permit such acts to stand unchallenged would be to put a premium on trickery and deceit, and to permit an unscrupulous person to become elected to a public office by the use thereof."

Ask Brookhart Unseated.

The contest of Senator Brookhart's election will not be on behalf of Daniel F. Steck, his democratic opponent, who was defeated, according to the official canvass, by only 755 votes out of a total of nearly 1,000,000, but the committee will ask the senate to refuse to seat Senator Brookhart in the new session and declare his office vacant. The governor then would appoint a new senator to serve until the next general election.

A contest of the election already has been filed by Steck who also alleges fraud and irregularities.

The lengthy resolution adopted by the committee points out that in the regular manner the republican party of Iowa participated in the nomination of President Coolidge and Charles G. Dawes; that the national candidates and the platform of the party were entitled to the support of all other candidates; that the senator announced himself as a republican candidate for re-nomination and was nominated as a republican in the primary and continued to present himself as a republican candidate until the time for filing independent candidates had expired and until it was no longer possible for his name to be removed from the republican ticket.

Disavowed Party.

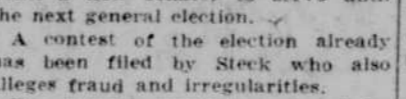
Thereafter, the resolution declares, Brookhart so openly disavowed the republican party, its principles and candidates and espoused the principles and candidates of a rival party that he ceased to be a member of the republican party and did in fact become a member of a rival party, the independent progressive party, and did thereby become ineligible as a candidate of the republican party in permitting his name to remain on the republican ballot, says the resolution. "Brookhart was actuated by fraudulent purpose and design of securing a large number of votes for senator, under the false claim of being a republican."

Members of the republican party were thereby deprived of having a candidate for United States senator, the resolution declares.

The appearance of the senator's name on the republican ticket, the resolution continues, saved him from an overwhelming defeat and resulted in a glaring fraud upon the republicans of Iowa and the United States.

The resolution is understood to have been adopted unanimously.

FLORENCE MCCABE HEADS NURSE SOCIETY OF STATE



Florence McCabe

Miss Florence McCabe, superintendent of the Visiting Nurse Association of Omaha, was elected president of the second district of the Nebraska State Nurse association at the annual meeting held Friday afternoon at the Hotel Fontenelle. Other new officers are: Miss Leeta Holdrede, first vice president; Miss Myra Tucker, second vice president; Mrs. Ethel Johnson Findley, secretary; Mrs. Amanda Olson Schoolman, treasurer, and Miss Pearl Larson, director.

After a luncheon and musical program, Miss Laura R. Logan, president of the National League of Nursing Education, spoke on "The Place of the Nurse in the Community." Dr. Rodney W. Bliss spoke on "The Physician and Nurse as Co-Workers."

The meeting adjourned after the election.

LINCOLN REFUSES TO PLEAD GUILTY

Geneva, Ill., Jan. 24.—Warren J. Lincoln would rather take a chance on the rope than spend the remainder of his life behind the walls of a prison. The man, charged with the murder of his wife, Lina, and her brother, Byron Shoup, made this decision today as his trial started before Judge William J. Fulton.

Lincoln emphatically refused to plead guilty to the murder of his wife and threw himself on the mercy of the court. Defense lawyers, Nate Aldrich and Harvey Gensel, it was reported, urged the nortriculurist to make the plea and take life sentence.

"I'm innocent. I'll be freed," countered Lincoln. "Nope; I want to tell my story."

State's Attorney Charles Abbott of Elgin made his opening argument as the trial started today.

"Evidence will show that Lincoln did everything to hide his crime," said Abbott. "Why he even wrote Lina's relatives that she had run away to Seattle with a man and that that man had scolded her into his death. Just think, gentlemen of the jury, he besmirched her memory and accused her of unchastity after her body had been hacked to bits."

BERGDOLL AIDE TO PLEAD GUILTY

Philadelphia, Jan. 24.—That Eugene (Ike) Stecher, former chauffeur for Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, draft dodger, intends to plead guilty and take his medicine at the March term of federal court was assured Assistant United States Attorney F. L. Delinger, by William C. Lynch, Stecher's attorney, this afternoon.

Stecher surrendered to federal authorities yesterday and is held in the Moyamensing prison here in \$10,000 bail for trial charged with aiding Grover C. Bergdoll, the millionaire draft dodger, to escape from his mother's home in May, 1920.

Bergdoll, Stecher said, was still in Germany, where he has been hiding since his flight from the United States. He said he saw Bergdoll about three weeks ago.

FIVE KILLED BY CAMP LANDSLIDE

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 24.—Five men are dead, two more hovering on the brink of death and another suffering from less serious injuries today, victims of a landslide at the Sigmund and Webster construction camp on the Baker river power plant at Concrete, Wash.

Charles Barkus of Seattle; Robert Small of Concrete; Andy Norman of Bremerton; Richard Turner of Henderson, N. C. and L. W. Anderson of Bremerton were killed.

The Weather

For 24 hours ending at 7 p. m. January 24	
Temperature—7 a. m. Dry bulb, 47; wet bulb, 33; noon, dry bulb, 47; wet bulb, 33; highest, 47; lowest, 32; mean, 42.1.	
Normal, 22; total excess since January 1, 45.	
Relative Humidity, Percentage—7 a. m., 65; noon, 42; 7 p. m., 55.	
Precipitation, Inches and Hundredths—Total none; total since January 1, 0.12; deficiency, 0.35.	
Hourly Temperatures.	
7 a. m.	47
8 a. m.	47
9 a. m.	47
10 a. m.	47
11 a. m.	47
12 noon	47

Merchant Opens Fire on Bandits

Had Armed Self After Robbers Had Terrorized Neighborhood During Last Week.

Identified as Soldiers

Two holdup men were shot and killed by S. R. Gulick, grocer at 3302 Grand avenue shortly after 7 Saturday night.

They had entered the store and attempted to hold up the place. There has been a series of robberies in that locality during the past few weeks, and Gulick had armed himself some time before.

The two men were identified as Fort Omaha soldiers by Lieut. F. B. Richardson, officer of the day at the fort. One of them, Norman Kelly, fell in his tracks after Gulick fired on him, and died in the store.

The other, Arthur Fay, ran from the store, leaving a trail of blood, and was found dead on Saratoga street, near the fort.

Both men were members of Company F, Seventeenth Infantry.

Gulick, anticipating a robbery, evidently recently on Saturday night, had armed himself with a shotgun and a revolver, and had seated himself on the stairs in the rear of the store, behind a cookie box.

"I knew they were tough when they came in," said Gulick. "I prepared for action."

One of the men demanded cookies of Mrs. Gulick and she handed them to him. The other had gone farther back in the store and approached Charles Davey of 4814 North Thirty-third street, who was using the telephone.

Addressing Davey he pulled a gun and said: "Damn you, get out of this corner and raise your hands. I'm going to kill you. I mean business." It was then that Gulick opened fire.

Two shots.

He fired two shots, one charge taking effect in the brains of each of the soldiers.

Fay staggered through the door and ran unsteadily for a block and a half, Kelly fell to the floor, dead.

Chief of Detectives Danbaum, recently wounded in a gun battle, hurried to the scene of the shooting. Viewed the dead man, and declared they answered the description of men who had been carrying on a series of holdups.

The men wore government shirts and overcoats, but wore overalls.

Gulick was himself a victim of a holdup on October 29, when two men entered his store and robbed him of \$2.

"I know when the two men entered that they were tough," said Gulick. "So I prepared myself for battle. I was right, too."

NEW ENVOY FROM FRANCE ARRIVES

New York, Jan. 24.—Emil Daeschner, who will succeed the retired Jules Jusserand as French ambassador at Washington, arrived today, accompanied by his wife and two daughters.

He declined to express his views on the matter of war debt payments, saying: "To do so would not be decent to the American government nor to Mr. Coolidge."

He said, however, that recent speeches by men in the public life of France had evoked much comment and "the general impression is that France is to pay her debts, as she always has done, the only question being how to do it."

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