

Coolidge Note to Mitchell Enters Aircraft Inquiry

General Tells Committee He Had Specific Permission to Write Magazine Articles.

Washington, March 2.—Brig. Gen. William Mitchell, assistant chief of the army air service, flatly denied in a letter to the house aircraft committee today that he violated orders of President Coolidge and the War department in writing articles on aircraft for a weekly magazine.

Secretary of War Weeks told the committee Saturday that Mitchell had violated orders by not submitting his articles to his superior officers for approval.

"I have in no way disobeyed or transgressed any known order or instruction that I am familiar with," said Mitchell.

President Coolidge gave him permission to write the articles, and subsequent approval also was granted by Maj. Gen. Mason M. Patrick, chief of air service, Mitchell said.

Followed Instructions. "I complied with both the president's verbal and written instructions."

Mitchell's letter, addressed to Representative Lampert, republican of Wisconsin, chairman of the committee, follows:

"According to press reports, I am informed that evidence has been given that I disobeyed the orders of the War department and the president, or both, in writing some articles on air power which were published in the Saturday Evening Post. I therefore desire to acquaint you with the facts in the case.

"In the month of November, 1924, an editor of the Saturday Evening Post called on me and desired that I write a series of articles on air power."

"This, I informed him, I would be very happy to do but that it would be necessary for the magazine to obtain permission for me to do so. Several days after this I received a message from Philadelphia that one of the editors had received an appointment with the president to discuss this subject.

"Upon reaching the White House the editor called my office and asked if I had any objection to accompanying him in his interview with the president. I proceeded at once.

First Woman Governor Pauses in Omaha on Way to Inauguration

The first woman governor passed through Omaha Sunday on her way to Washington. She will be the first woman governor to witness the inauguration of a president of the United States.

The governor was Mrs. Nellie Taylor Ross of Wyoming, formerly of Omaha. She and "Ma" Ferguson tied in being elected on the same day, but Mrs. Ross took the oath of office two weeks ahead of "Ma" and thus she is really and truly the first woman governor.

In Omaha the governor was petitioned, asked to be excused from talking.

"I am proud of being the first woman governor, of course," she said, "but you see sex is swallowed up in the job. Everyone in Wyoming is helping, and that makes a big difference."

"We Are Earnest." "Out in Wyoming we have democrats and republicans as we have everywhere, but first of all we are earnest men and women interested in doing the right thing. With that as a background and with hard work, why shouldn't I succeed?"

Following the death of the late Governor Ross last fall, when the democrats of Wyoming cast about for a candidate, Joseph C. Mahoney, Cheyenne attorney and democratic wheelhorse, asked:

"Why not Mrs. Ross?" Of course there were some democratic wisecrackers who shook their heads in doubt. A woman for governor? And especially a woman for governor in cattle-punching, sheep-fencing, ore-digging, oil-drilling Wyoming?

First With Suffrage. "But wasn't this same hard-riding vociferous Wyoming first state to grant equal suffrage?" queried O'Mahoney.

"What 'all Bill! Also Powder River, and let 'er buck!" O'Mahoney's suggestion met with instant favor. Business men who took little or no interest in politics, and as republicans when they did, said it was a good idea.

Democracy who were rather backward about talking politics opened up and said, "Hop to it."

Nebraska Saved \$150,000 by Cut in Interest Rate

Annual March 1 Settlement Day in Omaha Unusually Promising, Trust Officials Say.

Millions of dollars were transferred through Omaha trust companies and banks Monday.

The money and transfers are due to March 1 being known as settlement day between the farmers and the various trust companies and banking concerns holding the farmers' notes.

The farmers in Nebraska will save approximately \$150,000 during the coming year due to a lower interest rate. Insurance companies are flooding Nebraska with money, and loaning the money at the low rate of 5 per cent.

\$15,000,000 Worth. Private investors in Nebraska farmers' notes have in the past few years been receiving from 7 1/2 per cent to 7 per cent on their loans.

There are about \$15,000,000 worth of loans handled annually by Omaha and Lincoln loan companies.

The volume of farm loans closed March 1, are unusually large, according to the Peters Trust company. The company says the amount of loans handled by them is the largest in the organization's history, with but one exception.

In previous years, the Peters Trust company says, a large part of the March 1 farm loan financing has originated in land sales, this year it is almost entirely caused by the refinancing of old loans at a lower rate of interest.

Held Encouraging. "This is encouraging for two reasons. The granting of a lower interest rate by insurance companies reflects the confidence which they have in Nebraska farm loans and the lower interest rate means the saving of thousands of dollars in fixed expenses to Nebraska farmers," officials of the trust company said.

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Stone Takes Place on Supreme Bench



By International News Service. Washington, March 2.—Harlan Fiske Stone of New York resigned today as attorney general and was sworn in at noon as an associate justice of the United States supreme court.

The oath was administered by Chief Justice Taft. Garbed for the first time in his black judicial robes, Justice Stone took the chair at the extreme left of the chief justice and participated in the day's proceedings, although he had no part in the rendering of decisions or opinions.

Solicitor General James M. Beck will act as attorney general until the nomination of Charles Beecher Warren to that post is confirmed by the senate.

Harvard.—The local chapter of the Order of Eastern Star was highly complimented by Mrs. Margaret McPherson, supervisor of the Fourteenth district, after a special meeting at which the ritualistic work was presented for inspection and instruction.

Wichita.—After closing his music store in Tecumseh last week William F. Fannen bought a similar business at Concordia, Kan.

Beatrice.—Two boys named Schank and another named Menke, arrested on the charge of stealing nine pairs of roller skates from the Kees factory, have been paroled by the juvenile court, the Schank boys to the father and young Menke to the probation officer.

Holdrege.—O. E. S. chapter members decided to make 12 bungalow aprons and 12 gowns for six little girls at the Masonic home at Fremont.

Harvard.—The funeral services for Peter A. Yost, long-time resident here, who died Thursday night after a prolonged illness, were held Saturday.

Burgess Bedtime Stories

By THORNTON W. BURGESS.

You'll find that for another's sake the sympathetic heart will ache.

The Sympathy of Farmer Brown's Boy. Plunger and Mrs. Plunger the Ospreys couldn't seem to get over the loss of their nest. You remember, the tree in which it had been had blown down during the winter. They had lived there in that particular place for so many years that it seemed to them that they just couldn't give it up. Plunger had suggested that they build a new home nearer the Big River.

"I don't want a new home nearer the Big River! I want my old home!" cried Mrs. Plunger. "I want my old home!" Plunger tried to comfort her, but she refused to be comforted. Finally he suggested that they build a new nest in a tree near the one that had fallen. Together they looked over all the trees right around there. Somehow they couldn't find one that just suited. It seemed to Plunger, that Mrs. Plunger was very hard to suit.

But he was wise enough not to tell her. He circled overhead or sat about patiently, waiting for her to make up her mind. Now of course Farmer Brown's boy knew what had happened. That nest was in plain sight from his doorway before the tree was blown down. So he had known at once when the tree had blown down, carrying the great nest with it. He had wondered what Plunger and Mrs. Plunger would do when they returned and found their home destroyed. Now, as he watched them and saw how mournful they were, her sympathy for them led him to long to do something to help them.

But what could he do? There were trees enough for them to build in, so what was the use of worrying about them? "I do hope they'll stay around somewhere near," said he. "I certainly would miss them if they should take it into their heads to go way off somewhere to build a new nest. I wish there was something I could do to keep them here. It certainly is tough on Plunger and Mrs. Plunger to lose a perfectly good home like that. I sympathize with them. They go over to the Big River fishing. I wish I didn't feel so helpless. But what can a fellow do for such great big birds as those Ospreys? I can't put the tree back up again, and I can't put their nest up in another tree."

Just then his eye rested on something out in the barnyard leaning up against the barn. He remembered something he had read. His eyes brightened. He looked over toward the Big River. Plunger and Mrs. Plunger were just two dark specks

in the sky. Then he started over for the place where their old home had been. And as he went he whistled. You see an idea had come to Farmer Brown's boy.

"Perhaps it can be done and perhaps it can't," said he to himself. "If it can I'd like to try it. I wonder what they would think of it. I wonder if they would make use of it. I'll have to get Dad to help me do it. And perhaps he won't want to take the time. Then if after all that work the Plungers didn't like it and wouldn't use it I would feel foolish."

He looked all around near the place where the tree of the Ospreys had stood. Finally he went back to the barn and there was a smile of satisfaction on his face.

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BODY IDENTIFIED AS SOLDIER HERE

The body of the man who was found in a dying condition Sunday evening at the roadside near the end of the Albright car line, was identified Monday as that of James L. Kyeer, a private at Fort Crook. He was enlisted from Newark, N. J.

Kyeer died in St. Joseph hospital a few hours after he had been found unconscious at the roadside. He was bleeding from the nose when he was found, but there were no marks of violence on his body and physicians think that he may have died as the result of a hemorrhage.

An autopsy is to be held to determine the exact cause of death, but the date has not yet been fixed. An autopsy to determine the cause of his death was begun late Monday afternoon.

An investigation committee of three Fort Crook officers was appointed Monday to examine the cause of his death, and this committee learned that Kyeer was seen at 8 p. m. Sunday at Twenty-fourth and N streets, apparently in good health. It is believed that he may have been struck by an automobile which injured him internally.

TWO WIVES FIGHT OVER INSURANCE

Two wives of George Rothelma, who died in Council Bluffs last October, filed separate petitions in district court Monday asking that \$2,000 due on a life insurance policy be awarded to them.

Rothelma's parents, who were originally named as beneficiaries in the policy, and who claim to have paid part of the premiums, also filed a bill in interpleader asking for the money due.

The two wives are Maude Rothelma, from whom he obtained a divorce, and Mrs. Mary Rothelma, 2905 Avenue C, whom he later married. Mrs. Maude Rothelma's petition states, however, that the Catholic church does not recognize divorce and that she is the legal widow of Rothelma.

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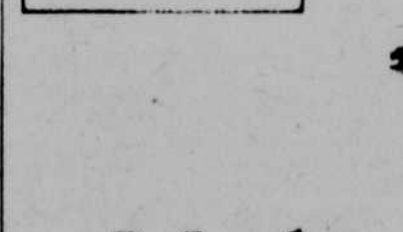
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That's a danger signal. If the dentifrice you are using doesn't successfully remove it, do this—the new tooth care children's dentists advise.

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What film indicates. Why it must be sought several times daily

Look at your child's teeth. If cloudy, dull, discolored, there's a film. And that film is often a danger sign. The child can feel it by running his tongue across his teeth.

Ordinary tooth pastes won't combat it successfully. Try the one you now use. See if the film does not still remain.

Film is a viscous coat that clings to teeth, gets into crevices and stays. It makes teeth turn ugly, discolored—dingy. Many a naturally pretty child is handicapped in this way.

Film also holds food substance which ferments and forms acid. It holds the acid in contact with the teeth to cause decay. Germs by millions breed in it. They, with tartar, are the chief cause of pyorrhea and gum troubles.

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"WET" FILIBUSTER TIES UP CONGRESS

Washington, March 2.—The legislative machinery of congress was paralyzed this afternoon when a bloc of "liberals" launched a filibuster in the senate to prevent action on the Crampton prohibition bill.

The measure provoked the first conflict between the "wets" and "drys" at the present session and brought to a standstill all legislative activity.

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