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Oil Trail on Wires Under Probe

Walsh Orders the Washington Managers of Western Union and Postal Telegraph to Appear Monday.

To Bare Wires Sent Fall

By International News Service. Washington, Feb. 23.—New moves of a startling character were made in the naval oil leasing scandal tonight.

Following several secret conferences between democratic members of the senate public lands committee...

They were ordered to appear before the committee Monday and bring copies of all telegrams sent from Washington to E. B. McLean...

Walsh indicated the subpoenas were issued as a preliminary step to high governmental officials, including two republican members of the committee itself...

For days the oil investigating committee has been flooded with reports that efforts were started about two months ago, just before E. L. Doheny...

In an effort to determine the truth of the ability of these reports, Walsh today notified C. C. Bascom...

By Associated Press. Oklahoma City, Okla., Feb. 23.—Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior, made a "definite promise" to Senator J. W. Harrell...

Haynes Says Dry Law Needs More Teeth

Denver, Colo., Feb. 23.—The Volstead prohibition enforcement act needs more "teeth," Roy A. Haynes of Washington, federal prohibition enforcement commissioner...

Britain Near Meat Famine

London, Feb. 23.—Refusal of British dock workers to return to their posts, despite the strike settlement, brought Great Britain to the verge of a meat famine today.

Rum Smugglers Turn to Running Bananas

Atlantic City, N. J., Feb. 23.—Bootleggers and rum smugglers turned from their risky occupation today to the safer venture of banana running.

Nebraska Wounded War Veteran Blows Self to Death With Dynamite

Body of a Nebraska man, a veteran of the world war, who committed suicide in Elizabethtown, N. Y., by blowing himself to death with a stick of dynamite...

Max Linder and Wife Found Dying in Hotel



Paris, Feb. 23.—Max Linder, France's foremost cinema actor, and his wife were found dying in a hotel room in Vienna today from an overdose of a sleeping powder...

Senate Attack to Oust Daugherty Breaks Openly

Washington, Feb. 23.—The fight to oust Attorney General Daugherty, which has proceeded in private conferences for several days among republican leaders...

Borah and Robinson Join in Assault—Idaho Senator Is Prepared to Take Part in Impeachment

Senator Borah, republican, Idaho, and Senator Robinson of Arkansas, the democratic floor leader, joined in an attack on Mr. Daugherty...

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Mexican Rebels Dynamite Passenger and Scout Trains

Vera Cruz, Feb. 23.—A scout train and a passenger train following it were dynamited yesterday near Soledad, by rebels under the command of Pedro Gonzales...

Thomas E. Conley Files for Lieutenant Governor

Thomas E. Conley, Omaha lawyer, has filed as candidate for lieutenant governor on the republican ticket.

Spain Withdraws From Naval Disarmament Meet

Rome, Feb. 23.—Spain has withdrawn officially from the naval disarmament conference because it was not granted the tonnage it requested.

Married in Council Bluffs

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C. H. Baxer, York, Neb.
Paul Tell, Omaha, Neb.
Lillian Kirk, Omaha, Neb.

3 Proposals to Amend Charter Before Council

Real Estate Board Endorses Plans—Commission May Act Monday—Vote in Spring.

The Omaha Real Estate board took an important step for progress of Omaha last week, according to Chairman F. L. Heyn of the taxation committee...

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The Day in Washington

The house defeated an excess profits tax amendment to the revenue bill.

C. Bascom Sloop, secretary to President Coolidge, agreed to appear before the senate oil committee Monday.

Senator Robinson, democrat, Arkansas, defended republican senators who have urged the resignation of Attorney General Daugherty...

The senate judiciary committee ordered a favorable report on a constitutional amendment for inauguration of presidents the third Monday in January.

The shipping board submitted a report to President Coolidge on increases in ocean freight rates, which have been opposed by Secretary Wallace.

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Sinclair Returns to New York Estate From Trip in Europe



This remarkable air view shows beautiful estate of Harry F. Sinclair, oil king, at Great Neck, Long Island. Mr. Sinclair has been the subject of a grilling cross-examination in connection with his leasing of Teapot Dome oil land.



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Capt. C. E. Adams, Former Omahan, Dies on Coast

Washington, Feb. 23.—Secretary of the Treasury Mellon took another crack at the soldiers' bonus today.

In a letter to Representative Theodore H. LeGuardia, insurgent republican of New York, Mellon declared that any of the tax reduction plans under consideration by congress would cut the government's income so low that no money would be available to pay a soldiers' bonus.

LaGuardia asked Mellon for additional revenue figures in view of statements at the capitol that the adoption of the democratic (Garner) tax plan would so deplete the nation's pocketbook that there could be no bonus.

Secretary Mellon lost no time in making it clear that he had not retreated from his original position that no bonus is possible if taxes are to be reduced.

After quoting the various losses to the treasury under the several tax reduction plans, Mellon said: "Cannot Be Paid."

"It is obvious that the bonus can not be paid within the estimated surplus if any of the three plans is adopted nor would the estimated surplus justify the payment of such a bonus if any of the three plans were changed in the respect of making the normal rate 2 percent and 5 percent and the surtax rates graduated up to 40 percent, which are the figures specifically mentioned by you.

"You ask me what rates would have to be adopted in order to pay the bonus. You have the estimated figures before you. It is obvious that if all tax reduction be foregone a certain amount of revenue would be available to the government for such a purpose as might be determined. If any plan of tax reduction be adopted and additional taxes of other character be imposed, the effect on the government's revenue could only be determined when the specific nature of the proposed taxes was given. I regret that unless you can present some comprehensive plan by which you propose to raise the necessary money, or in what particulars you propose the taxes shall not be reduced, I am unable to give you specific figures.

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Doheny to Pay if Deal Successful

Democratic Candidate Declares His Firm Would Have Received Sum if Transaction in Mexico Realized.

Negotiated the Parley

Los Angeles, Feb. 23.—William G. McAdoo, candidate for the democratic presidential nomination, declared today that his law firm would have received a fee of \$1,000,000 from the Doheny interests if his negotiations in the Doheny companies' Mexican affairs had been successful.

McAdoo made this statement in a telegram to the New York World, replying to a telegram from the World in which he said it was asserted that he had not been fully cross-examined at his recent appearance before the senate oil leasing investigation committee.

He pointed out that his law firm had accepted a fee of \$100,000 from the Doheny interests for its work in the Mexican negotiations and explained that there would have been an additional fee of \$900,000 if any firm had succeeded in getting a satisfactory settlement for the Doheny companies in Mexico.

The former secretary of the treasury and director general of railroads declared that if a congressional committee would start an investigation of the private business connections of all presidential candidates, he would be glad to submit himself unreservedly to such an inquiry. He asserted what he termed "a continued effort to make my private law practice a political issue," and declared: "The matter of my employment in connection with Mexican affairs by the Doheny companies already has been covered in my testimony before the senate committee. This matter has nothing whatever to do with the naval oil leases under investigation by the senate."

He added that under his arrangements with the Doheny company, "if my firm had succeeded in getting a satisfactory settlement of the Mexican question, Mr. Doheny's companies would have paid an additional fee of \$100,000, but with several hundred million dollars of property at stake, our views had been effectively worked had been lightly compensated by the additional fee."

"Nothing to Do With Politics." In conclusion the statement said: "Any discussion of the business or affairs of the clients of my New York law firm, unrelated to the oil inquiry and without the permission of such clients and the consent of my former law partners, is clearly and indismissible."

"If the law practice and the private business of candidates for the presidency, republicans and democrats alike, are to be the issue in the forthcoming campaign, instead of principles and policies which concern the welfare and future of the American people, then I suggest that all members be permitted to continue their ceremonial dances without interference of the government, the secretary declared he did not disapprove of Indian dances as a whole and that "nothing is further from the thoughts of those who are the guardians of the Indians than to interfere with any dance that has a religious significance or those given for pleasure or entertainment which are not degrading."

There are certain practices, however, the secretary added, "which are against the law of nature and moral laws, and all who wish to perpetuate the integrity of their names must refrain from them."

The Indian cannot afford, he said, to contribute to his own spiritual and physical downfall by indulging in practices which appeal to animal emotions only. "The council's petition declared the dances of the tribe were 'drama, opera and poetry' and not immoral."

Federals Slay Four Villistas

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 23.—Federal troops of the fourth battalion, who were on duty at Canutillo ranch, formerly occupied by Hipolito Villa, killed four Villistas and scattered a large group under the command of Gen. Manuel Chao, according to advices received by Gen. Roman Lopez in Juarez today.

The Villistas were camped near a small ranch, 20 miles south of Canutillo, where it is said T. J. Mackenzie, El Paso mining man, is being held for ransom.

Plot to Wreck Union Charged

Scranton, Pa., Feb. 23.—Charges that the Union has received information that coal companies are flooding the anthracite districts with men using bogus mine certificates and that efforts are being made to destroy the miners' organization are contained in an official circular sent out to all local mine unions today by Rinaldo Cappellini, District No. 1, United Mine Workers of America.

French Franes Rise

New York, Feb. 23.—Sharp recovery of French exchange today followed passage by the chamber of deputies of Premier Poincare's entire taxation and economy plan. The price of the franc at the outbreak of the market soared 12 1/2 points to 43 1/2 cents, almost 30 points above its recent record low level. Belgian francs gained in sympathy and demand sterling also strengthened.

The Weather

For 24 hours ending 7 P. M.
Temperature: High, 38; lowest, 22; mean, 24; normal, 24. Total deficiency, none.
Precipitation, inches and hundredths: Total, 0.24. Total since January 1, 1.18.
Hourly Temperatures:
A. M. ... 28
P. M. ... 38