

Nebraska—Possibly cloudy today with occasional showers. Not much change in temperature.

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TWO CENTS

Man at some times are masters of their fate. The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars but in ourselves, that we are underlings.

SENATE IGNORES JAPANESE PROTEST

Slayer of Former Omaha Doctor to Plead Insanity

Crazed by Slaughter of Cattle

Attorney of Murderess of Dr. Baldwin Says Wholesale Killing of Infected Animals Led to Crime.

Doctor Had Four Wives

Los Angeles, April 14.—That the Willis-Baldwin trunk murder was an indirect result of the foot and mouth disease was one line of the defense outlined today by S. S. Hahn, attorney, retained by Mrs. Margaret B. Willis, formerly of Denver, who yesterday confessed having killed Dr. Beecher Baldwin, formerly of Omaha, stuffed his body in a trunk and thrown it over a San Fernando road embankment.

Temporary insanity will be the bulwark of the defense, Hahn said, and he went on to explain his client's statement to officers yesterday that she regarded the killing of a human being no more serious than the slaughtering of an animal.

Mrs. Willis had brooded so much over the legal slaughtering of cattle in the campaign against the foot and mouth disease that it warped her judgment of right and wrong to such an extent that she was insane when she slew Dr. Baldwin, Hahn declared.

The police, proceeding on the more old-fashioned theory that "the half has not been told," today were preparing to take Mrs. Willis back over every step of her story as told the first time yesterday morning.

Webster still is being held as a material witness.

Marital adventures of Dr. Beecher B. Baldwin, formerly of Omaha, were barred Monday by detectives through out the country.

A check of his career was started on the heels of the confession Sunday to Los Angeles police by Mrs. Margaret Willis that she killed the physician during a battle for her honor, placed the body in a trunk and then hurled it into a canyon in San Fernando valley.

Dr. Baldwin was graduated from Creighton Medical College in 1906 with highest scholastic honors. He was then 21.

Interne at Lincoln. After his graduation he went to Lincoln, where he served his internship in the St. Elizabeth hospital.

Tecumseh—Burglars cut the glass from a door at Burk's grocery store, in Falls City, and took canned fruit, cigars and cigarettes valued at \$50.



English Premier Warns Russia at Debt Conference

Macdonald Condemns Any Attempt at Trickery—Assures Soviets Recognition Will Be Unqualified.

London, April 14.—A note of warning to Russia was the keynote of Premier Macdonald's speech of greeting to the soviet delegation at the foreign office today when the Anglo-soviet conference was formally opened.

Condemning any attempt at trickery or any display of insincerity, the premier said: "I trust you share my optimism regarding the results of our deliberations, for though I see risks, failure and the consequences of a breakdown are too serious for either of us to be indifferent to them."

At the beginning of his address the premier assured the red delegates that the British recognition of the soviet government was unqualified. Dealing with the work before the conference, he said the first duty was the liquidation of the past, which includes consideration of inter-governmental obligations and private British claims of which the British are prepared to submit a detailed statement later.

The premier promised consideration of the Russian counter claims. Warnings of Propaganda. One of the strongest passages of the premier's speech was the warning to the reds to cease propaganda within the British empire.

Farm Credit Body Opens Conference

Plans to Assist Wheat Growers Toward Diversification Discussed.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 14.—Directors of the new \$10,000,000 agricultural credit corporation met here today to perfect plans for assisting farmers in the wheat growing section of the northwest toward diversification in line with the recent letter of President Coolidge to C. T. Jaffray, head of the corporation.

Mr. Jaffray placed before the directors his approval to make a test of aiding farmers purchase livestock as requested in the president's letter. Bankers from Minnesota and North and South Dakota attended the meeting.

PHILIPPINES MAY GET PLEBISCITE

Washington, April 14.—Chairman Fairfield of the house insular committee announced today that he would introduce a bill for a plebiscite of the Filipino people on independence at the end of 25 years, and for election by the Filipinos of their governor pending such a plebiscite.

Drafting of the measure has been virtually completed by Chairman Fairfield but before its introduction he will confer with President Coolidge and Secretary Weeks.

Gambler Kills Chief of Police at Hot Springs

Man Said to Have Opened Fire on Officer When Ordered to Halt Car.

Hot Springs, Ark., April 14.—Chief of Police Oscar Sullivan was shot and killed here after midnight last night and the police are hunting for Hubert Coates, who, it is said, emptied a .45 caliber automatic pistol into the body of the officer.

Coates is known as an itinerant gambler, whose residence is divided between Kansas City, Hot Springs, Pine Bluff and other towns. Four bullets are said to have penetrated the body of the officer. One struck him in the face, another in the breast, one in the arm and one in the upper leg.

SNOW HOLDS UP U. S. ARMY PLANES

Seattle, Wash., April 14.—Snow squalls prevented the United States army squadron from leaving Seward, Alaska, today on the next leg of its flight around the earth, according to a dispatch received by the Seattle Times. The dispatch said that a departure Tuesday was contemplated.

Another report says that Chief Sullivan had given Coates orders not to gamble with visitors or he would be run out of town.

Republicans Rally to Side of Coolidge

Administration Senators in Fighting Mood in Resisting Pinchot-Henry Onslaught at Mellon.

Brief Armistice Called

Washington, April 14.—Administration senators were again in a fighting mood today in resisting the Pinchot-Henry onslaught at Secretary Mellon by way of the internal revenue bureau investigating committee.

Through Senator Watson, republican, Indiana, committee chairman, they gathered new support from conferees with President Coolidge and Mr. Mellon, while Senator Edge, republican, New Jersey, raised the democratic side with a prepared speech defending the president's action in the controversy.

Veterans Oppose Abandonment of Bellevue School

Notice That Vocational Training May Be Discontinued Here Sends Dr. Tamisica to Washington.

Special Dispatch to the Omaha Bee. Washington, April 14.—Dr. J. A. Tamisica, department commander, Disabled Veterans of the World War, arrived here today to conduct a fight against discontinuance of the government vocational school at Bellevue, June 1.

Member of Former Governor's Staff Succumbs at Home

Beatrice, Neb., April 14.—E. H. Mumford, former secretary to Governor John H. Mervin and for many years prominent in democratic circles in Gage county, died at his home here today after a lingering illness.

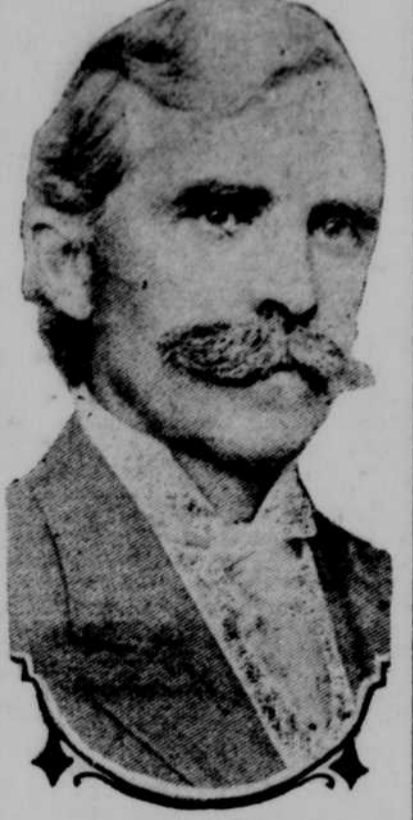
Superior Debaters Win District Championship

Superior, Neb., April 14.—Superior debating team defeated the Fairbury team in the final debate of the southern district tournament. Superior team was composed of Paul Montgomery, Lloyd Speer and George Johnson; Fairbury team, Clifford Jackson, Doris Jones and Alvin Hudson.

Phoenix, Ariz., April 14.—Charles Ackers, 63, publisher of the Arizona Gazette died here this afternoon. He was stricken with an attack of acute indigestion early yesterday. He was reported much improved early this morning and his death came unexpectedly.

C. J. Smyth, Well Known Jurist, Dies

Following Operation at Rochester Cancer Fatal to Former Omaha Resident and Chief Justice of U. S. Court of Appeals.



Constantine J. Smyth.

Constantine J. Smyth, 65, chief justice of the United States Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia, and for many years a resident of Omaha, died at 7 Monday night following an operation for cancer at Rochester, Minn.

Mr. Smyth was taken to Rochester a week ago and was operated upon last Friday. The day following his condition was favorable and there was hope for his recovery. Sunday, however, his former partners, Ed P. Smith and W. H. Schall, were notified that he had suffered a relapse, and Schall hurried at once to Rochester.

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Gentlemen's Agreement Voted Down

"Veiled Threat" in Hanihara Letter Causes Several Solons to Change Stand and Favor Exclusion.

House Bill to Be Adopted

Washington, April 14.—The senate answered Ambassador Hanihara's protest against Japanese exclusion legislation today by voting, 76 to 2, against recognition of the "gentlemen's agreement" with Japan on the immigration question.

This action is preliminary to adoption by the senate by an overwhelming majority of the house Japanese exclusion provision.

Whatever the result would have been without the incident of the ambassador's letter, that communication served to change the votes of a number of administration leaders, including Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, chairman of the foreign relations committee.

The republican leader informed the senate in open session that he regarded the Hanihara letter as a "veiled threat," and declared that in the face of that threat he could not support the immigration committee's proposal to recognize by law the "gentlemen's agreement."

SLAYER BOUND TO COURT TRIAL

Frank Sanders pleaded not guilty to first degree murder when arraigned in municipal court Monday morning and bound over to district court without bail for the slayer of John Barnes.

Summary of The Day In Washington

The supreme court held Nebraska's minimum and maximum bread weight law invalid.

The senate finance committee voted to give the bonus priority over tax reduction.

Attorney General Stone accepted an invitation to confer with the Daugherty investigating committee on questions before the senate on pending forces in the senate renewed their warfare over Secretary Mellon and the future of the congressional investigation program.

A batch of new witnesses, including William Cooper Procter, arrived for the resumption tomorrow of the senate oil committee's inquiry.

The senate Daugherty committee voted to cite M. S. Daugherty, brother of the former attorney general, to the bar of the senate for contempt.

The senate, after the most spirited debate on foreign affairs in years, rejected a committee amendment to the immigration bill which would have ratified and continued the "gentlemen's agreement" with Japan.

The Weather

Table with 2 columns: Hourly Temperatures and other weather data for April 14, 1924.