

Wisdom is knowing what to do next, skill is knowing how to do it, and virtue is doing it.—Clipped.

1500 CASES OF WOMEN'S JEWELRY FIRE

One Guilty in Midland Stock Sale

Ben Salinger, Jr., Convicted of Using Mails to Defraud in Packing House Promotion.

Sloux Falls, S. D., Nov. 14.—Ben I. Salinger, Jr., former vice president and general counsel for the defunct Midland Packing company of Sloux City, Ia., was found guilty by a jury in federal court here late today on an indictment charging him with using the mails to defraud.

Two Others Acquitted

Fred C. Sawyer, president of the defunct company, and C. H. Burlingame, secretary and treasurer, who were tried jointly with Salinger, were acquitted.

The case went to the jury at noon after the trial had been in progress for more than three weeks, and the verdict was returned at 4:30 this afternoon.

Immediately upon hearing the verdict Ben I. Salinger, Sr., father of the convicted man and one of his attorneys, made a motion for a new trial. Judge Joseph W. Woodrough of Omaha, Neb., presiding, announced that he would hear arguments and pass sentence on Salinger November 23. He ordered Sawyer and Burlingame released from custody.

Salinger was convicted on count seven of the indictment. This count related to the alleged resale of stock. Today's verdict marks one of the closing chapters in an \$8,000,000 financial scheme in which farmers of South Dakota and Iowa placed large sums of money. The Midland Packing company project was promoted from 1918 to 1920, and a well equipped plant erected at Sloux City. Shortly thereafter the company was placed in bankruptcy. Complaint of many farmers who had lost money in the enterprise resulted in the return of the indictment in South Dakota in 1922.

After that followed a long battle to bring the principals to trial. Various legal steps were taken by the defendants, but all failed after some delay and the trial here commenced October 21.

Woodrough presides. A number of motions to postpone and halt trial were made, but Judge Woodrough overruled all of them. During the three weeks' legal battle in which many witnesses were heard both for the government and the defense, the charges were stipulated down to certain definite points. In his final charge to the jury today Judge Woodrough eliminated everything but the charges of juggling of stock and records involving the resale of large blocks of stock.

The purpose of the government's presentation of the case in this regard was that "dummy" stock had been sold, whereby purchasers gave only notes in payment for large blocks of stock, never intending to pay. Later this stock was sold at \$25 advance, the government charged. The government further contended that of this profit, one-fourth went to the sales, with no record of the balance.

Man, Assaulted, Asks That Assaultants Be Fined at Least \$5

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Hastings, Neb., Nov. 14.—Police are seeking for two men today who are believed to have assaulted John Russell, meat cutter, last Sunday night.

All night they have halfheartedly sought for one individual. They were not sure that it was a man. John Russell regained consciousness today. His first words were: "Did you get 'em? They should be fined at least \$5."

Russell was found Sunday night lying in the street near the Victory building, unconscious. He was suffering from a fractured skull. There was no evidence of how he had been injured. He was taken to a hospital and the nurses in charge were told to watch for any rational word which he might utter. Attending physicians now say that, while he has a chance to live, it is doubtful if he will ever regain his mind.

Brookhart Sure of Seat Unless U. S. Sneate Acts

With Returns Missing From Only Two Counties Stech Lags Behind by 755 Votes.

By Associated Press.

Des Moines, Ia., Nov. 14.—With the official canvass of the senatorial vote completed in all but two Iowa counties and Senator Smith W. Brookhart leading Dan F. Stech his democratic opponent by only 755 votes out of the total of more than 84,000 a contest for the seat of the junior Iowa senator seemed a certainty tonight.

Definite announcement of his intention to contest the election was withheld by the democratic candidate, but close political associates let it be known he was preparing a statement to be issued probably tomorrow, which would include an outline of the grounds upon which he would petition the senate for a recount.

It was understood the much discussed "arrow ballots" which are invalid under the election law but which might under certain circumstances be acceptable to the senate and other ballots that were not counted for various reasons, chief among them a misunderstanding of the method of tabulating election machine votes would form the basis for Stech's recount petition.

The narrow margin by which Senator Brookhart leads his opponent in Iowa was declared by Stech's supporters to warrant a contest. "I am confident," said Clyde L. Herring, national committeeman, "that the slender margin shown for Brookhart will be overturned. The people of Iowa have repudiated Brookhart and their will should be sustained."

No Special Session of Congress

Coolidge Believes Question of Tax Reduction Should be Ignored Until End of Fiscal Year.

Washington, Nov. 14.—The administration does not feel that the question of tax reduction should be taken up until the government's books are balanced at the close of this fiscal year, which ends next June 30.

Until that time, it is the opinion of President Coolidge, that the actual amount of reduction possible cannot be determined and scientific action is thus impossible.

Meanwhile the president has no intention of calling a session of the new congress March 4.

It was stated today at the White House he would not call a special session unless he considers it very necessary.

Administration spokesmen have consistently pointed out that an orderly program for further tax reduction is not possible until the surplus available for a cut is known. Likewise they have explained that the new tax law is just going into effect and the benefits accruing from it will be felt in the taxes payable next year.

In signing the new tax reduction bill Coolidge made known his dislike of the provision for publicity of returns and also announced he wanted more "tax reform." In his speeches since he has indicated a desire to reduce further the higher surtaxes as well as the lower schedules.

While it was stated officially at the White House that Coolidge does not now intend to call an extra session next March 4, when the present congress dies, unless very urgent legislation is necessary, he does not want it said he is not going to call such a session at all.

Considerable pressure for an extra session is expected to be brought by some congressional leaders. Senator Borah, republican, Idaho, yesterday urged such a session. Other republican leaders, however, including Senators Wadsworth, New York; Moses, New Hampshire, and Watson, Indiana, have declared against such a call.

Attorney Offers Lot to City as Payment of Water Main Debt

Informs Water Board That Delinquent Taxes of \$400 Should Be Paid as They Have Earned by Annual Advertising of Place for Sale.

D. C. Patterson, who contested the judgment of the health commissioner as to whether or not sumac is a weed or a shrub, recently magnanimously offered, Friday, to give a warranty deed to a city lot to the Metropolitan Utilities district.

He gave as his reason for making the offer the fact that the lot had been advertised for sale for delinquent taxes for 19 years and in all that time no bidders have come forward.

His letter reads in part: "In view of the fact that there are some \$400 of taxes past due on this lot and the cost of filling would be \$1,500, and when filled the lot would not be salable for \$400, I have advised the company that I would not be good financing to pay these taxes but offer you a warranty deed for the lot, free of cost to you, except you should pay the county treasurer the \$400 taxes. He has surely done his duty advertising it for sale for 19 years and no bidders yet."

Permit me to explain the condition. During the days that Abe Kaibible was assessor he considered lots in holes especially valuable as the owner had the advantage of selling the privilege of dumping surplus dirt and lots having hills more valuable as the owner had extra dirt to sell for making brick, and lots near graveyards (like this one, corner Thirty-sixth and ...) have an extra value. The special taxes were levied by Mutt and Jeff when on the city council, using the front foot rule, and rejecting the rule in equity, unless the lot was at the corner of Sixteenth and Farnam streets, where lots were not charged for either water or gas mains."

Patterson wrote the notice as a response to a notice that a levy for the installation of water mains in front of the lot had not been paid.

U. S. Agrees With Poland on Debt

Funding Settlement Similar to Four Others Which Preceded; 62-Year Life.

Washington, Nov. 14.—The American government today entered into an agreement with Poland for funding that nation's debt to the United States. The agreement, the fifth among the powers to whom funds have been loaned, is similar to the funding settlements which have preceded it, and calls for full liquidation of the obligation of \$170,565,025 in 62 years.

With the signatures of Secretary Mellon and President Coolidge and that of Mr. Wroblewski for Poland, the agreement, together with one with Lithuania, signed some weeks ago, is ready for submission to congress.

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Coolidge Lauds Liberal Culture

President Designates Week of November 17 to 23 for American Education

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COOLIDGE WILL TALK IN CHICAGO

Washington, Nov. 14.—Chicago will be the scene of a visit by President Coolidge during his visit to Chicago early in December to attend the National Livestock exposition.

This Is the Day of the Big Game

Ralph Wagner, sports editor of The Omaha Bee, will give readers of Omaha's best sport pages a complete story of the Nebraska-Cotre Dame clash this afternoon.

Wagner is with the Cornhusker team and will send a play by play account of the contest to the office of The Omaha Bee.

Nebraska's football classic will be witnessed by 600 or 700 Nebraskans who have accompanied the team. The Burlington railroad along transportation filled coaches from Omaha to South Bend.

The game is being watched with interest by football critics of the east, as well as those of the west. Ralph Wagner will be on the side lines from strait to finish of the game and will report each play.

New York-Chicago Night Air Mail to Start Next Spring

Trail Blazed for Eight-Hour Service: "Double Track" to Also Run to San Francisco.

New York, Nov. 14.—The government has blazed the trail for an eight to nine-hour overnight air mail service between New York and Chicago both ways, it was disclosed today by Carl F. Egge, general superintendent of the Postoffice department's air mail division.

Routes have been mapped, terminals, way stations and emergency fields are being acquired; machines and personnel have been assigned and all the powerful lighting equipment for night flying is being set up.

Col. Paul Henderson, second assistant postmaster general, has ordered the new service installed early next spring, probably in April. This, said Mr. Egge, will give the government a "double track" air mail system between here and Chicago, and with a transcontinental service covering 2,720 miles, will make a total of 1,905 miles over which night flying will be continuous.

W. E. La Follette, superintendent of the western division, announced that a field had been leased today at Concord, Cal., in preparation for early extension of the all night service from Rock Springs, Wyo., to San Francisco.

50 Injured and Damage Is 5 Millions

Four Blocks of Tenements and Factories Razed and 100 Explosions Terrify Persons in Area.

By Universal Service.

Jersey City, N. J., Nov. 14.—Fifty injured.

Four blocks of tenements and factories burned to the ground. One hundred explosions. Fifteen hundred driven homeless into the streets.

That briefly tells the story of Jersey City's greatest conflagration, which today raged for hours through the heart of the industrial section before it finally was brought under control with the aid of apparatus rushed by ferry from New York.

The fire began at 9 in the salt-peter factory of Battelle & Renwick, and was not fully under control until late in the day. The four blocks affected were turned into a raging furnace and the tenement dwellers, mostly women and children, rushed screaming through the streets as the highly explosive material in the salt-peter factory blew up in great blasts that could be heard across the Hudson river in New York.

The district tonight stands stark and desolate like a war-torn village in France, peopled only by firemen, on guard against a possible reawakening of the red hot mass of smoldering embers, and by former residents of the tenements, hovering about hoping against hope that a few of their poor belongings may have been spared by the flames.

Jersey City, N. J., Nov. 14.—With fire boats playing streams of water upon freight and coal yards of the High Valley railroad, endangered by fire, and with help speeding to the city from half a dozen other municipalities, firemen of Jersey City fought with desperation this afternoon to check a conflagration which, after three hours, still raged beyond control to the north, east and south, threatening the entire downtown industrial district.

Damage done by the blaze has gone far into the millions. Fire department officials said, hundreds are homeless and virtually penniless. The frame dwellings in which they lived, with all their effects, were destroyed.

Thirty persons, most of them firemen, were in hospitals. Five great factories and warehouses were ravaged by flames, and fear was expressed that the fire might spread to the great plant of Colgate & Co., occupying two city blocks.

"Shoot to Kill." Reports that looters were active in deserted houses caused issuance of an order by Chief of Police Battersby to "shoot to kill."

Joseph G. Wood, Brooklyn, N. Y., El-Flood Mayonnaise Company.

Mr. Wood is the revivalist who stirs the retail grocers to higher ideas and ideals. He believes that the retail grocer must keep in step with the progressive movement and he also contends that the retail grocer should be an exemplar of cleanliness and optimism.

David City Council Bluffs to Wed

David City, Nov. 14.—Henry Vandenberg and Miss Helen Litty were united in marriage recently at Council Bluffs. Mrs. Vandenberg was a graduate of the David City High school in the class of 1922 and has been an operator in the office of the Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph company at David City for the past two years. They will make their home on a farm about five and one-half miles from David City.

Turkey Shipments to Begin.

Columbus, Nov. 14.—Eastbound shipments of turkeys from central and western Nebraska for the Thanksgiving dinner tables have begun. Nebraska's turkey offerings are going to be lighter this year because of the cool, moist spring, which caused heavy mortality among growing flocks.

Rich Man Gives "Tobacco Money" to University

New York, Nov. 14.—When he gave \$100,000 to Columbia university toward establishing a department of Chinese, the late Horace W. Carpenter explained that that amount represented what he had saved by re-foresting the use of tobacco.

Prairie Dogs Exterminated in Scotts Bluff County

Bridgeton, Nov. 14.—Practically all prairie dogs in Scotts Bluff county have been exterminated by the persistent war waged by members of the farm bureau for the past three years. Formerly prairie dog towns were a common sight.

World Press Congress to Meet Next in Rome

Columbia, Mo., Nov. 14.—The next session of the World Press congress will be held in Rome during June and July of 1925, it was announced here today by Walter Williams, president of the organization and dean of the school of journalism of the University of Missouri.

Father Pieper Takes Constance Pastorate

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Constance, Neb., Nov. 14.—Rev. Father John Pieper has located here as minister of the Catholic church. He came here from Howell, where he served the St. Peter and St. Paul's Catholic church for several years.

Charge Against Singer Dismissed by Judge

New York, Nov. 14.—A grand jury charged with the duty of returning Atalie Unkallunt Rider, Cherokee Indian concert singer, was dismissed today by Magistrate McAndrews. George H. Ainsie, fifth avenue art dealer and his daughter, Miss Lucia Benedict, alleged that Miss Rider had stolen from them personal property valued at about \$350.

Polish Debt Funded.

Washington, Nov. 14.—An agreement for funding the Polish debt to the United States, amounting to \$190,000,000, was signed today at the treasury. It follows practically the same terms accorded Great Britain.

Legion Auxiliary Elects.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Harrington, Neb., Nov. 14.—At the annual business meeting of the American Legion auxiliary held here, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. F. W. Bryant, president; Miss Irene Hirschman, vice president; Mrs. E. Boynton, secretary; Miss Raphael Keane, treasurer; Mrs. Lester Samuelson, his torian; and Mrs. John M. Lammer, chaplain.

Father's Suicide Cause for Divorce Action

Leah Sanford testified in domestic relations court yesterday that her husband, Carlton, from whom she seeks divorce, often "threw up to her" the suicide of her father. She lives at 310 North Thirty-fourth street.

Wymore Hotel Sold.

Beatrice, Neb., Nov. 14.—Moore & Hutchison, who have owned and operated the Vendome hotel at Wymore, Neb., for the last year, have sold the place to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Carr of Lincoln, Neb., who will assume charge at once. The Moore and Hutchison families will come to Beatrice to live. Before going to Wymore they resided at Manhattan, Kan.

Stella High School Head Marries at Council Bluffs

Stella, Nov. 14.—Mrs. Lorena McCarty, principal of Stella High school, and Keith Hoagland were married in the parsonage of the First Christian church at Council Bluffs, Sunday, October 12. News of the wedding did not reach Stella until this week.

Mr. Hoagland is connected with Huddleston's auto top shop at Lincoln. Mrs. Hoagland plans to finish her school year at Stella. Her first husband died of influenza six years ago, a few months after marriage. When she was teaching at Calender, Ia., she boarded with Mr. Hoagland's parents, who now live in Lincoln.

French Acquire Title to Napoleon's Birthplace

Paris, Nov. 14.—Prince Victor Napoleon has given to the French government the house at Ajaccio, Corsica, in which Napoleon Bonaparte was born, and in return has received the Roman sword of honor presented to Napoleon when he was first consul, and a clock by Clodion. These objects formed part of the personal estate of Napoleon III. Litigation over them was carried on for years between the late Empress Eugenia and the French government.

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The Weather

For 24 hours ending 7 a. m. November 15, 1924.

| Time | Temp. | Wind | Clouds | Humidity | Pressure |
|---------|-------|------|--------|----------|----------|
| 6 a. m. | 48 | W | 100 | 75 | 30.0 |
| 9 a. m. | 50 | W | 100 | 75 | 30.0 |
| 12 m. | 52 | W | 100 | 75 | 30.0 |
| 3 p. m. | 54 | W | 100 | 75 | 30.0 |
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