WEATHER FORECAST

Nebraska—Partly cloudy today, with rising temperature.

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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

After the verb "To Love" the verb "To Help" is the most beautiful verb in the world.—Baroness Von Suttner.

Mrs. Stokes Gives Lie to Aged Mate

Brands Husband From Stand as She Denies She Received Cousin in Chemise and Corsets.

Case to Jury This Week

By Universal Service.

Chicago, March 11.—Her good name and character, spattered and besmirched during the trial of her wealthy 73-year-old husband, William E. D. Stokes, on charges of conspiracy to defame her, was defended from the witness stand today by Mrs. Helen Ellwood Stokes.

Vehemently and indignantly she denied the charges that she had been more than friendly with her cousin, Hal C. Billig, jr., and that her actions with him in the Stokes home in New York on New Year's eve 1919, was the thing that had driven her husband from her and led him to seek a divorce.

Mrs. Stokes' testimony came as a long-heralded climax to more than three weeks of dragging her through the mire in an effort to save Stokes from conviction. Shortly after she left the stand, both state and defense announced they had closed and the first argument for the state began with Milton D. Smith, assistant state's attorney, speaking.

Brands Stokes Liar.

Smith had not concluded when court adjourned today. He will resume tomorrow morning and be followed during the day by Charles F. Rathbun for the defense. Friday Assistant State's Attorney William W. Smith will wind up and the case will go to the jury probably Friday night.

Mrs. Stokes was permitted to take the stand, despite the law which forbids a wife from testifying against her husband, because the defense introduced new evidence charging her with infidelity.

She was on the stand less than 30 minutes, all told, but her words were charged with TNT for Stokes, whom she branded a liar when he said that what he saw in his own home when Billig was a guest there gave her plenty of grounds to warrant investigation of her past.

Mrs. Stokes said she asked Billig to her home with her husband's consent, that the latter chatted with Billig while she dressed on the other side of a closed door and that she had not stood in that door attired in only chemise, corset and hose and conversed with her cousin, as Stokes swore.

Never on Train With Him.

She denied, too, the millionaire's story that he had surprised Billig in a closet near her bathroom after he had been told Billig had left the house. She said, too, that Billig did not go to a hotel because Stokes chased him out of the home, but because the younger man resented Stokes' insinuation that he intended to sit up all night, despite a high fever, because he felt it incumbent to keep an eye on what went on.

Their separation did not take place next morning, as Stokes alleged, she swore. The next day Stokes gave her a valuable ring and it was eight days later that he went away after breakfast, after kissing her goodbye, and did not return.

As for testimony of two Pullman conductors that she and Billig had traveled together on their trains, once in the same berth and once in the same compartment, Mrs. Stokes swore she never had been on a train with Billig in her life.

Denies Intimacy.

Asked pointblank as to her relations with Billig, she said they never had been more than cousinly.

She also denied she ever had been a bright lights habitue in Chicago or elsewhere.

Before she took the stand a long string of state witnesses were recalled and denied in whole conversations which Stokes said he had with them in which they identified pictures and told him lurid tales of his wife's supposed past.

In his closing argument Milton D. Smith hurled charges of degeneracy against Stokes. The millionaire, he declared, was willing to do anything to rid himself of his wife after she beat his first divorce suit and had stooped to trafficking in false affidavits as a means to that end.

Florida Tract Brings Beatrice Woman Big Sum

Beatrice, Neb., March 11.—According to word received here today, Mrs. Aura Parker Kennedy, one time Beatrice resident and prominent in musical circles here for years, has sold a 40 acre tract of land near Miami, Fla., for $160,000. Twenty-five acres of the plat brought $5,250 an acre.

Mrs. Kennedy is niece of the late Judge H. W. Parker, formerly mayor of Beatrice.

We Have With Us Today

J. J. March,
Merchant,
Hot Springs, S. D.

Mr. March is in Omaha visiting the McCord-Brady company in connection with the spring market week.

Hot Springs, he says, will double in population this year, due to the building of a $1,000,000 hospital for tubercular soldiers and a $205,000 addition to the home for widows of old soldiers.

He is the head of J. J. March & Son Dry Goods and Grocery company at Hot Springs.

Osborne Wood Boards Vessel for America With Three Bottles of Wine

Young Spendthrift Indignantly Casts Into Sea a Cablegram From New York Producer, Offering $5,000 Week to "Show Card Tricks" on Stage in United States.

By Universal Service.

Cadiz, Spain, March 11.—Lieut. Osborne Wood boarded the West Chetac tonight, carrying two handbags, bound for America. In one grip was a change of linen and handkerchiefs and in the other were three bottles of the best Spanish wine, with which he proposes to while away the hours on the shipping board's dry boat.

In one pocket Wood carried a pack of cards and in another he had 10 pesetas, representing his sole wealth until he arrives at Tampa.

But Lieutenant Wood has not yet left Spain—the West Chetac has not yet sailed—and even the most sanguine of his friends will not heave a sigh of relief until the freighter actually hauls up anchor and quits Cadiz on its month-long voyage to the gulf coast. However, if the tide or something does not prevent, the ship will sail tomorrow.

Wireless aboard will keep Wood in close touch with events during the trip across the Atlantic. Among telegrams he received before going aboard the ship was one from a Broadway producer offering him $5,000 a week for five weeks to "show card tricks." Wood indignantly cast the cablegram into the sea.

Amortization of $562,000,000 Is Questioned

Couzens Committee Declares Similar Claims, Still Pending, Total $300,000,000; All Corporation Taxes.

Washington, March 11.—The internal revenue bureau, in collecting war and postwar corporation taxes, has allowed $562,000,000 in amortization claims, under principles questioned by the Couzens senate committee, its record filed with the senate disclosed today, on the basis of testimony by bureau officials. Similar claims that are still pending, as set forth in this testimony, amount to approximately $300,000,000.

Through L. H. Manson, counsel for the committee, and its own engineers, with the aid of the bureau personnel, the committee undertook more detailed investigation of several of the allowed claims, most of them arising out of wartime operations of industrial companies. The Berwind-White Coal Mining company, in Pennsylvania, furnished the chief claim brought under particular examinations in this category.

The largest of the claims pending, Manson reported to the committee, affects the United States Steel corporation.

$21,000,000 Difference.

"The amount claimed is $83,482,961," he told the committee, explaining that while the case was yet unfinished, the engineering estimates had been approved in the bureau. "The amortization allowed by the unit income tax) was $55,063,312.

"The amortization considered proper by your counsel and engineers is $27,136,987. . . . The difference in tax is $21,438,513."

Special amortization allowances were given corporations producing war material during 1917 and 1918, if they embarked upon improvement and construction projects during that period, even though the actual expenditure was not made until after the war. The committee demanded a list of principal concerns which had been so treated, and the list was read as follows by W. E. Tandrow, one of the valuation experts for the bureau:

"The first taxpayer is the Jones and Laughlin Steel company, Pittsburgh, total costs involved, $28,193,771.

Dupont Firm Named.

"The second is the Midvale Steel and Ordnance of New York, report submitted February 18, 1924; total cost, $24,928,520.

GUN WOMAN HOLDS NEIGHBORS AT BAY

A patrol loaded with policemen and detectives was dispatched to Twenty-seventh and Ohio streets early Tuesday afternoon on a report that colored woman was running amuck.

They found Rosetta Pope, 2713 Ohio street, running about the street and between the residences with a shotgun, threatening to shoot, they reported.

They called to her to drop the weapon, but she declined and, they said, threatened to shoot anyone who approched her. After some maneuvering, Detective Arthur English slipped up behind her and seized the gun and she was brought to Central station for investigtion.

Four years ago she shot Policeman Clifford Cain, injuring him, officers say.

Intoxication Fine Added to Penalty for Fighting

Beatrice, March 11.—At the close of the trial of Lil Smith, charged with assaulting H. S. Tonnemaker in the latter's office last Saturday, Judge O'Keefe discharged the defendant, but fined Tom Brooks $10 and costs for taking part in the melee. Brooks was also fined $40 and costs for intoxication.

Three Hurt in Car Wreck.

Pawnee City, March 11.—A touring car overturned on the highway eight miles west of here after a front tire blew out. The occupants, Mrs. Raymond Johnson of Pawnee City, her father, John Hansen, and uncle, Chris Cederquist, of Ravenna, who were on their way from Pawnee City to Ravenna, were returned to Pawnee City for treatment, though not seriously injured.

Omaha Woman Loses Memory

Kansas City, March 11.—Photographs of a woman taken to a hospital here Monday, when she said she had lost her memory and was unable to give her name or address, were identified as those of Tirzah Johanneons, alias Alice Cramer, formerly of Omaha.

Gross Crude Oil Production for Week Is Greater

Daily Average Increases 700 Barrels, According to Weekly Summary of Petroleum Industry.

New York, March 11.—The daily average gross crude oil production of the United States increased 700 barrels for the week ending March 7, accordingt to the weekly summary of the American Petroleum institute. The daily average production east of California was 1,341,450 barrels, a decrease of 300 barrells. California production was 603,000 barrels, an increase of 1,000 barrels.

Oklahoma shows a daily average production of 467,650 barrels, a decrease of 7,950 barrels; Kansas, 85,300 barrels, an increase of 50 barrels; North Texas, 86,550 barrels, a decrease of 150 barrels; east central Texas, 169,900 barrels, a decrease of 350 barrels; north Louisiana, 49,900 barrels, an increase of 400 barrels; Arkansas, 109,300 barrels, an increase of 2,050 barrels; gulf coast and southwest Texas, 128,200 barrels, an increase of 3,650 barrels; eastern, 99,000 barrels, an increase of 500 barrels; Wyoming, Montana and Colorado, 92,550 barrels, an increase of 2,300 barrels.

Daily average exports of petroleum at principal ports for the month of February were 234,821 barrels, compared with 238,065 barrels for the month of January, and for the week ending March 7, 214,000 barrels, compared with 319,429 barrels for the previous week. Daily average receipts of California oil at Atlantic and gulf coast ports for the month of February were 59,607 barrels, compared with 72,613 barrels for the month of January, and for week ending March 7 69,714 barrels, compared with 68,857 barrels for the previous week.

No changes were reported in crude oil prices for the major districts.

COLLECTOR'S WIFE SEEKING DIVORCE

Mrs. Josephine E. Kelley, 2427 Ellison avenue, filed a petition in district court Wednesday asking a divorce from her husband, Archibald R. Kelley, proprietor of a collection agency. She charges that he has been guilty of repeated acts of extreme cruelty.

Mrs. Kelley declares in her petition that her husband has humiliated her in the eyes of her friends, has accused her of "acts too vile to be set forth," and has refused to pay for medical treatment for her and their two sons, Rodney, 8, and Marvin, 7.

The Kelleys were married September 2, 1915. She asserts that he possesses real and personal property worth between $35,000 and $50,000 and she asks that she be granted alimony for the care of herself and their two children.

She also asks that the court grant an injunction to prevent him from concealing his assets and to prevent him from annoying her.

Mrs. Effie Clark Funeral Services Held at Hay Springs

Hay Springs, March 11.—The funeral if Mrs. Effie Clark, who died at Omaha Friday, was held in Hay Springs community hall and burial made in Hay Springs cemetery. The chapter of the Eastern Star, of which Mrs. Clark was a charter member, conducted the services. Rev. Mr. Hoagland of the Methodist church preached the funeral sermon.

Mrs. Clark was born in Webster county, Nebraska, January 9, 1886. Surviving her are her husband, William F. Clark; two children, Billy and Betty; her aged father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Scribner; three brothers and a sister.

Two Shot to Death.

Sedalia, Mo., March 11.—Clyde Porter, 43, and his wife, Sebe, 30, are dead in a shooting, John Zinn, 58, father of Mrs. Porter, surrendered to the authorities, declaring that he shot Porter after the latter had fatally injured Mrs. Porter.

Carlson Funeral.

Funeral services for Miss Hulda Carlson, 33, former resident of Omaha, who died Sunday at Lincoln, were held Wednesday, at 2 p. m., at the Harry E. Swanson chapel. Burial was made in Forest Lawn cemetery.

Tariff Oficial Remains.

Washington, March 11.—Commissioner Burggas of the tariff commission said after a conference with President Coolidge, that he would continue in office "for a while at least."

Poison Plot Bared in K. C. Hotel Death

Dying ... Charge ... Room ... He Says ... or to Blame.

Insurance to Be Probed

By VINA LINDSAY.
Universal Service Staff Correspondent.

Kansas City, March 11.—In the face of a woman's dying accusation that he poisoned her, R. M. Turner, former Kansas university football man, here tonight steadfastly maintained his innocence in connection with the mysterious death of Mrs. Dora Gage of Atchison, Kans.

Mrs. Gage, 50, was found dying late today in her room in the Hotel Baltimore. Turner, 32, was in the room with her. While she shrieked that he had poisoned her, he insisted that her illness had been caused by corn liquor. She died 30 minutes later at the general hospital.

Turner is in jail here.

Seek Insurance Policies.

Efforts are being made here and in Atchison to locate $16,000 worth of life insurance policies which Mrs. Gage yesterday, in Atchison, showed to her daughter, Mrs. Russell Stanley. Police say Turner was named beneficiary in a $9,000 policy which Mrs. Gage carried.

Attendants at the hospital here say Mrs. Gage died of strychnine poisoning. An autopsy will be held early tomorrow. Particles of a glass bottle which Turner had thrown out of a window of the hotel room are being analyzed.

The police have received word from Atchison that Turner, a real estate man of that city, figured in an investigation three years ago in connection with the death of his wife. Mrs. Turner was drowned in the Cottonwood river near Atchison when a canoe in which she and her husband were riding capsized.

Collected $10,000.

Turner is said to have collected a $10,000 insurance policy which his wife carried. Charges were filed against him in connection with her death, according to Atchison authorities, but he was released for lack of evidence. He is a veteran of the world war.

Mrs. Gage was divorced three years ago from William Gage, a resident of Illinois. She came to Kansas City Monday and registered alone at the Hotel Baltimore, occupying an expensive room. Turner was not registered at the hotel.

The dying woman was discovered this afternoon when aides in the hotel heard screams and groans coming from her room.

Detectives forced the door, which was locked, and found the woman writhing in pain on the bed, while Turner stood by trying to quiet her. She shrieked that he had poisoned her.

YOUTH TRIED ON SISTER'S CHARGE

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Wahoo, Neb., March 11.—Cecil House, a dental student at the University of Nebraska, went on trial here this morning on a grave charge preferred by his sister, Thelma, 15.

The girl's father, Dr. Alfred House, 55, former Ashland dentist, was acquitted of the same charges by a jury Tuesday evening. The jury was out five hours, and took five ballots.

Following his acquittal, Dr. House said he desired to take his daughter back to his home. She has been in the custody of the state welfare bureau since she first made charges against her father and brother.

"I'll send her to school, to a university, if she wishes," he said. "She's my daughter. Why shouldn't I?"

Dr. House's wife and his son, Cecil, whose trial started this morning, testified on his behalf Tuesday. Seven other witnesses testified to his exemplary life.

The principal state witnesses were Mildred Dunham, 202 South Seventeenth street, employed in an Omaha brokerage office; Mrs. Ruth Brown, teacher in an Ashland school, and Helen Dunlap, who testified that the girl had complained to them of her father's conduct.

The alleged offense was said to have been committed Thanksgiving night, 1923.

Married in Council Bluffs.

The following persons obtained marriage licenses in Council Bluffs yesterday:

Claude Powell, Omaha	21
Edna Wright, Omaha	19
Kara DeForest Dumas, Council Bluffs	54
Kate Killian, Council Bluffs	49
Alfred C. Brehe, Unadilla, Neb.	21
Alma Keller, Syracuse, Neb.	22
Henry Oehlerking, Wabash, Neb.	57
Mary Marshall, Ashland, Neb.	60
Edward Guehlstorff, Wabash, Neb.	37
Lena Miller, Wabash, Neb.	32
Harry Marshall, Wabash, Neb.	22
Jennie Oehlerking, Wabash, Neb.	20
J. R. Orvall, Omaha	21
Dorothy Lucile Page, Omaha	20
Marvin Goodman, St. Edwards, Neb.	23
Bernice Gulice, St. Edwards, Neb.	23
Charles W. Ried, Unadilla, Neb.	51
Olga Duncan, Hamburg, Ia.	47
Jesse Grubaugh, David City, Neb.	22
Alice Hosier, David City, Neb.	19
Robert L. Carter, St. Edwards, Neb.	23
Lillian M. Cherry, Genoa, Neb.	23
Emil Brandt, Papillion, Neb.	20
Lena Stuehm, Papillion, Neb.	27
Kivin Umland, Eagle, Neb.	20
Hazel Pump, Palmyra, Neb.	23
John Fox, Gretna, Neb.	28
Marjorie Newsham, Greenwood, Neb.	24
M. F. O'Leary, Omaha	21
Bessie Miller, Omaha	18
John F. Groman, Minden, Ia.	37
Ethel Fauver, Omaha	27
Jack Frasier, Omaha	26
Alice Costello, Omaha	23
N. A. House, Grand Island, Neb.	56
Edna Sharp, Grand Island, Neb.	40
Emil Christiane, Missouri Valley, Ia.	22
Garnet Moshiner, Honey Creek, Ia.	18
B. Goldstein, Omaha	65
Anna Weiner, Omaha	61
Emil Jurgens, Glenwood, Ia.	23
Edna Justen, Silver City, Ia.	21
William Meyer, O'Neill, Neb.	24
Essele Randell, O'Neill, Neb.	23
Glenn Jones, St. Paul, Neb.	26
Towie Redman, St. Paul, Neb.	21

Fall Tried to Cover Up Oil Leases

Letters and Telegrams Put on Record in Cheyenne Trial Indicate Former Secretary Made Secret of Deal.

Roosevelt Tells Story

By Associated Press.

Cheyenne, Wyo., March 11.—Depositional testimony of Theodore Roosevelt, former assistant secretary of the navy, and the introduction by the government of a mass of letters and telegrams intended to show that Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior, attempted to keep secret the fact that he had leased the Teapot Dome naval oil reserve to Harry F. Sinclair's Mammoth Oil company today made their way into the ever swelling records of the Teapot Dome lease annulment suit, being tried here before Federal Judge T. Blake Kennedy.

Outstanding in Roosevelt's testimony was his statement that he insisted on a modification of the executive order drafted for signature by President Harding transferring the Teapot Dome reserve from the navy to the Interior department, so that the navy would have the "final say" in administrative affairs connected with the reserve.

Not Satisfied With Plan.

Roosevelt said that the tentative draft of the order which came from the Interior department was not satisfactory to him—that he at first took the position that the reserve should not be relinquished to the Interior department. As it was signed by the president, he said in the deposition, the navy was to have been given control over matters governing administration of leases to private concerns.

After receiving the original draft of the order, Roosevelt averred, he conferred with Rear Admiral Griffin and others in the Navy department, some of whom suggested changes; that various revised drafts were then made and submitted to Edwin Denby, then secretary of the navy.

"If you get Fall to agree to the modification I will agree," Roosevelt quoted Denby as saying. After both secretaries agreed, Roosevelt's deposition said, the document was taken to President Harding, who signed it May 31, 1921.

Knew Nothing in Advance.

Roosevelt's deposition said he knew neither of the leasing of the Elk Hills naval reserve in California nor the Teapot Dome lease until they were publicly announced and that he had always been under the impression that it was not the intention of the Navy department to permit leasing of the entire fields. He had understood, he said, that only offset wells, on the borders of naval reserves adjoining commercial fields, were to be drilled and these merely to prevent drainage of the naval oil stores.

The Roosevelt deposition told of the navy's plans for the building of storage to accommodate 45,000,000 barrels of oil for the navy at a cost of $67,500,000 and its program for developing the oil reserves only sufficiently to fill the proposed storage.

Asked on cross examination what proportion of navy tankage the department planned on filling with oil from Teapot Dome, Roosevelt replied that he "could not tell."

Feared Agitation.

Letters and telegrams to Fall inquiring into the possibility of leasing the naval reserve from N. M. Tabor of Denver, the late Senator Samuel D. Nicholson of Colorado, Joseph W. Clark of Leadville, Colo.; Patrick Sullivan, Casper, Wyo., oil man; Peter Q. Neiss, Great Falls, Mont., were read into the record, as were the requests of several congressmen for information on the possible leasing of the reserves.

That Fall took cognizance of "congressional agitation" about the time the lease was executed was shown in government exhibits of a telegram on April 18, 1922, from Fall, who then was at his ranch at Three Rivers, N. M., to E. C. Finney, assistant secretary of the interior, directing the latter to notify Sinclair to furnish security bonds to back his side of the contract.

"Notify Sinclair immediately to furnish security bonds, in view of congressional agitation," said the telegram. A reply from Finney to Fall assuring the latter that his order would be given immediate attention also was introduced.

Pawnee City Lumber Yard Sold Twice in Three Weeks

Pawnee City, March 11.—Pawnee City lumber yard, sold three weeks ago to Oscar Vanler of Fairbury by M. H. Lum & Co., was resold last week to Busboom brothers of Fairbury. The purchasers are general contractors of Fairbury who have added two other lumber yards to their holdings with purchases at Strang and Bruning.

Music Memory Contest Held in Schools at Plattsmouth

Plattsmouth, Mar. 11.—Music memory contest, an annual event in the Plattsmouth public schools, was held this week. In group 1, fourth and fifth grades, Parmele Dovey was first, and in group 2, sixth, seventh and eighth grades, Beatrice Knoflicek was first. The prize banner went to the fifth grade students.

Man Buried Beneath Car.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Beatrice, Neb., March 11.—Glen Hadley narrowly escaped death last night when his car collided with one driven by J. C. Howe of this city. The Hadley machine turned over, burying the driver underneath. He escaped with cuts about the face and body. His car was completely wrecked.

Son and Daughter Witness Marriage of Father, Mother, Brother and Sister

Romances Follow Wedding of a Year Ago; Bride's Father and Groom's Mother "Take a Chance," While Cousins and Others More Firmly Entangle Family Alliances.

Two years ago Charles Marshall of Ashland, Neb., married Alma Oehlerking of Wabash, Neb. And from that marriage sprang two more, both celebrated yesterday, which further entwined the family trees of Marshall and Oehlerking.

Before Rev. J. H. Oehlerking of the Wabash Evangelical church, Mrs. Mary Marshall, 50, mother of Charles, promised to love and honor Henry Oehlerking, 50, father of Alma. Beside them stood Harry Marshall, 22, and Jennie Oehlerking, 20, a son and a daughter, repeating after their uncle minister the words of the marriage ceremony.

And, as if this was not enough to tax the keeper of the records, came Edward Guehlstorff, 37, and Lena Miller, 32, both of Wabash, and relatives of the Oehlerkings, to join the other couples and take the vow of matrimony.

Signing the register as witnesses were Alma and Charles, the cause of it all.

This triple marriage took place in the private office of Roy Hardesty, Council Bluffs district court clerk, who issued licenses to the three couples. It was the second time within a few short hours that marriage had taken possession of his office.

A short prayer, a word of thanks to Hardesty and those who were Oehlerkings but now are Marshalls and she who was a Marshall but is now an Oehlerking, left Council Bluffs for Nebraska and their homes in Ashland and Wabash.

Whereupon Hardesty, who had been trying to figure it all out, wiped a dewy brow and agreed that it was just one thing after another.

Railroads Rise or Fall on Their Own Records Now

Director General Davis Says Roads Have Suffered Seriously From Decline in Net Earnings.

Chicago, March 11.—The railroads of the country now have the opportunity to rise or fall on their own record, James C. Davis, director general of railroads, declared tonight in an address before the American Railway Engineering association.

Davis said the railways have suffered seriously from the decline in net earnings that occurred under government operation because expenses increased more than rates and total earnings, but declared that "the carriers have found some compensations not measured in the money they received from the government for the use of their property."

Lauds Transportation Act.

"It was," he said, "the crisis in which the carriers found themselves that made the strong appeal to congress to enact the transportation act," which he declared to be the most constructive piece of railway legislation ever passed and the only one "containing a definite and just recognition of the rights of the owners of the property.

"Pittiless publicity on the details of income, outgo and the realization that efficient service can only be had when full compensation for such service is received, will result in legislature and congress treating the vital question of transportation, so essential to any sort of national progress and prosperity, as an economic rather than a political problem.

Servants of Public.

"The railroad executives and managers have learned that in the progress of government control they have become in the operation of their properties, the servants and not the masters of the public, and it is up to them to give a just account to the people.

"If the railroad interests in the future can give as good service as they have in the last two years and take the public generously into their confidence, much progress will be made in permanently settling our national transportation problem upon a just basis and the people of this country will continue to receive the most efficient transportation in the world at the cheapest and most reasonable rates."

Mortgage Filings Heavy at Pawnee City in February

Pawnee City, March 11.—February showed a high average for mortgage fillings at the office of the county clerk here with a total of 246. Eighty-three chattel mortgages amounted to $100,188.20, against which 45 were released in the sum of $29,133.00. Real estate mortgages filed totaled 45 for $316,735. The number satisfied was 45, amounting to $283,703.

22 Carloads of Livestock Shipped From Hardy Tuesday

Hardy, March 11.—Twenty-two carloads of hogs and cattle were shipped from this place to the St. Joseph and Kansas City markets Tuesday, being the largest single day's shipment of livestock from this place for many years. Considerable stock is being fed in this vicinity and the movement so far this spring from here being lighter than usual.

Plattsmouth Elks Elect L. L. Turpin Exalted Ruler

Plattsmouth, March 11.—Plattsmouth lodge No. 739, B. P. O. E., at its election of officers this week, selected L. L. Turpin, leading knight last year, as exalted ruler and advanced the occupants of each of the other chairs. Emil Hild, secretary for several years, was retained.

Farm Buildings Burned.

Kenesaw, March 11.—The barn, eight head of horses, four head of cattle, machinery, 400 bushels of oats, harness, lumber, etc., were destroyed by fire at the home of R. T. Coulter, two and one-half miles north of Kenesaw. The origin of the fire is a mystery. The loss is estimated at round $3,000. Insurance was carried.

SMASH—DOCTOR—HOSPITAL If you don't watch the brakes. We are an authorized Raybestos Service Station and will line em white you wait. Troup Auto Supply Co., 2027 Farnam St.—Advertisement.

United States Wins Canadian Fight in Court

Legal Battle to Force Toronto Man to Testify in Teapot Dome Case Results Victoriously.

By Associated Press.

Cheyenne, Wyo., March 11.—Government counsel in the trial of the Teapot Dome lease annulment case late today announced that they would consider renewing efforts to take depositions of H. S. Osler and his associates in Toronto, Canada, as the result of a decision of the appellate court of Ontario today.

This announcement was made by Owen J. Roberts after he had been informed of the Ontario court's decision in favor of the American government. Roberts' announcement was taken to mean that government counsel intends to prepare itself for further attempts to prove there was an exchange of bonds between Harry F. Sinclair, whose Mammoth Oil company was given the Teapot Dome lease, and Albert B. Fall, who as secretary of the interior, executed the contract in behalf of the government.

It now is too late to take Osler's deposition for use in the case now under way, Roberts said. This would indicate that any deposition now taken could be used only in a retrial of the case.

Appeal Is Lost.

Toronto, March 11.—The United States government was victorious today in its fight to compel H. S. Osler and six other of the defunct Continental Trading company, Ltd., to tell some of the things they know in connection with the Teapot Dome oil leases.

Osler and his associates lost their appeal from an order of Justice Riddell, handed down last December 13, when the appellate division of Ontario ruled today that they must answer certain questions put to them by the United States special attorneys in the oil scandal prosecution.

The Canadian end of the famous case came to light last September, when the American lawyers brought Osler into court, alleging contempt, in that he had refused to answer certain questions put to him by United States Consul Shantz, acting as a commissioner. Osler, a king's counsellor, immediately resorted to devious legal proceedings to escape the purpose of the Americans, keeping his questioners at bay until December 13, when Justice Riddell ordered that he must answer.

Osler Is Missing.

Two days later his attorneys filed an appeal and it was this action that the appellate division's ruling today settled.

But Osler is out of the country—last reports had him in a hospital in Cairo, Egypt, recovering from blood poisoning incurred on a hunting trip in the Sudan. He left Canada for the Sudan in December, before Justice Riddell's ruling. His attorneys assured the courts that it was merely a holiday, and in no manner an attempt to escape the court's jurisdiction.

The questions put to Osler and his associates—Briton Osler, Suneva Margaret Fordyce, Louis Samuels, Morley H. Bruels, N. E. Strickland and Harold E. Boston—concern a somewhat intricate series of American oil deals, out of which $90,000 worth of Liberty bonds are alleged by the American government to have been paid by Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior, and the men charged with having been instrumental in the lease of Teapot Dome to Harry F. Sinclair.

Frederick A. Cook Denied Rehearing in Fraud Case

New Orleans, March 11.—The petition for a re-hearing filed by Dr. Frederick A. Cook was denied in United States circuit court of appeals here today. He was convicted in the northern district of Texas court of fraud and sentenced to serve a prison term.

The Weather

For 24 hours ending 7 p. m., March 11, 1925:

Precipitation, inches and hundredths: Total, 0; total since January 1, 1.49; deficiency, 0.52.

Hourly Temperatures.

6 a. m.	32	1 p. m.	36
6 p. m.	32	2 p. m.	38
7 a. m.	32	3 p. m.	41
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Senator May Fill Vacancy in Cabinet

Republican Leaders Ask Coolidge to Select Attorney-General From Upper House.

To Meet Warren Today

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Washington, March 11.—A member of the present senate may be the next attorney general of the United States, it developed today as the sequel to the rejection of Charles Beecher Warren of Michigan in a spectacular session of the senate yesterday.

President Coolidge was told today by a group of senators that a happy solution of the tangle would be the appointment of some prominent senator. It was pointed out to the president that confirmation of such a nomination would be a matter of form and require only a few minutes.

Those who took part in the White House conference included Senator Moses of New Hampshire, president pro tempore; Watson of Indiana, assistant floor leader; Wadsworth of New York, chairman of the steering committee; Cummins of Iowa, chief advocate of Warren's confirmation; Reed of Pennsylvania and Harreld of Oklahoma.

Coolidge Noncommittal.

The executive was urged to make no further attempt to have Warren confirmed as attorney general. Some of the senators went so far, it was said, to suggest to the president that it would be unwise and impolitic to give Warren a recess appointment. They pointed out in that event the fight against him would be renewed with vigor when congress reconvenes in December, and would probably lead to an ugly snarl and create an undesirable atmosphere at the beginning of the session.

President Coolidge refused to commit himself as to the course he will pursue. Senators got the impression that the president desired to consult with Warren before taking a positive stand.

The post of attorney general, however, will not go unfilled from now until the reconvening of congress in December, in the opinion of officials close to the president. General belief at the White House today was that Mr. Coolidge will make a recess appointment to complete his cabinet.

To Confer With Warren.

Warren will arrive here from Detroit tomorrow for a breakfast conference with the president. At that time, it is understood, he will be offered a recess appointment. If he declines it—and there is an outstanding possibility he will—Mr. Coolidge will go afield to find another man ready to hold down the attorney generalship through the recess and take his chances of confirmation by the senate nine months hence.

The defeat of the Warren nomination creates another crisis between the White House and the capitol, comparable to that which existed last May at the time of passage of the selective immigration bill with the Japanese exclusion clause. It was to be apprehended that the senate, made up as it was in the 68th congress,

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7 PERSONS HURT IN FEUD BATTLE

Connellsville, Pa., March 11.—Three men were stabbed and injured and four were slightly hurt by bullets in a fight in the mountains near South Connellsville yesterday, it was learned today when stories of a mountain feud were told to Fayette county authorities.

Women members of the families were said to have joined in the fighting, although none was hurt.

The fight started, officers said, when Charles Scheyer tried to collect $180 from Raymond Evans.

Record Price Paid for Pair of Percheron Colts

Beatrice, Neb., March 11.—A record price was paid here today for a team of Percheron yearling colts when Truman Clayton of Holyoke, Colo., bought them from J. C. Dell & Son for $550. They will be shipped to Clayton's ranch in Colorado.

Summary of the Day in Washington

The senate resumed consideration of the Isle of Pines treaty.

President Coolidge named the Bunker Hill sesqui-centennial commission.

The resignation of John W. Riddle as ambassador to Argentina was accepted.

A proclamation asking observance of the week of April 27-May 3, as American Forest week, was issued by the president.

President Coolidge was advised by senate leaders not to resubmit the nomination of Charles B. Warren to be attorney general.

Charles C. Eberhardt of Kansas was nominated minister to Nicaragua and George T. Summerlin of Louisiana, minister of Honduras.

The senate confirmed the nomination of Lieut. Col. James E. Fechet to be assistant chief of the army air service, with the rank of brigadier general.

Chairman Lampert of the house aircraft committee declared Brigadier General Mitchell had been vindicated in his testimony regarding deficiencies in equipment and personnel of the army air service.