

# FISHES WATER HAPPINESS, THEN KILLS SELF

## Beck Fights for Powers of Coolidge

Solicitor General Pictures White House With "To Let" Sign If Removal Right Banned by Court.

### Constitution Imperilled

Washington, April 14.—A picture of the White House with a "to let" sign hung out, was drawn in the supreme court today by Solicitor General Beck in closing argument in the Myers case through which the president's right to remove a postmaster without obtaining the senate's consent has been challenged.

The solicitor general presented the president's position as opposed by the senate through Senator Pepper, Pennsylvania, in the controversy resulting from the appeal of the estate of Frank S. Myers, which is suing for back pay on the contention that his removal as postmaster at Portland was illegal.

### 800,000 Employees Affected.

Congress should not be permitted, Mr. Beck declared, to "place the president in a strait-jacket" by encroaching upon his prerogative to remove government office holders. There are 800,000 such employees and the president, he argued, should be unhampered in his right to remove any or all of them.

Mr. Beck held it highly essential in the proper administration of the government that the president should be unrestrained by congress in exercising this right. If deprived of it, he contended the president would be rendered so ineffective that it would be well to close the White House.

Insisting that the constitution intended to create a "strong executive," he protested against "congressional despotism," declaring that unless the court intervened the executive's power might ultimately be strangled by congress.

### Senator Pepper Closes Argument.

Emphasizing that the present struggle was not between the president and the senate, but between the legislative and executive branches, Senator Pepper, in closing his argument begun yesterday, asserted the constitutional duty of the president to execute the laws as faithfully as he could, including a mandate to respect those made by congress creating offices and prescribing the conditions under which they should be filled.

Employees of the government are not servants of the president, the senator declared, but are representatives of the people. The office of Comptroller General McCarl also came under discussion during the argument, Senator Pepper defended the law under which the comptroller general is subject to removal only by congress, while the office of the comptroller general in administrative matters, reading from a recent decision by Mr. McCarl, the solicitor general warned the court that unless the comptroller general was made subject to removal by the president he might ignore the decisions even of the judicial branch of the government.

### CREW OF FISHING BOAT IS RESCUED

Los Angeles, April 14.—Nine men on the fishing boat Diamond were rescued at sea 25 miles from here today after the French steamer Indiana collided with the Diamond.

The fishing boat was sunk. The crew of the Indiana rescued the fishermen.

### Trainload of Cattle Shipped From Albion

Albion, April 14.—A special trainload of cattle was shipped from here Monday for Chicago. There were nine cars from Albion, two from Loreto and two from Elgin. Owing to the scarcity of corn there were not as many cattle fed in this county the past season as usual. There are still a few small lots to be marketed.

### Decide S. D. Gas Policy.

Pierre, S. D., April 14.—The state of South Dakota will continue the retail sale of gasoline for 30 days, after which figures on the cost will be presented to oil dealers of the state and the future policy of the state will be determined, Governor Carl Anderson announced after a meeting of the state gasoline commission with representatives of the dealers.

### We Have With Us Today

Dr. Andrew T. Chapman, New Orleans. Retired physician. Dr. Chapman lived in New Orleans in the days when it was one of the most unhealthy cities in the world. He always has read extensively, and prides himself on having clipped or written a million words for the New Orleans Item and later rose to great literary fame.

### Trust Companies Merged.

Minneapolis, April 14.—Negotiations were completed for the consolidation of the Minneapolis Trust company and the Wells-Dickey Trust company in one of the largest financial mergers in the history of the northwest. The new consolidated financial institution will have assets of nearly \$18,000,000.

### British Inspect U. S. Mines.

New York, April 14.—To develop a program of co-operation between Great Britain and the United States in researches aiming at safety in coal mining, a mission from the British safety in mines research board arrived here.

## Minister Marries His Son and Daughter at Double Ceremony

Falls City, April 14.—A double wedding ceremony performed by the father of one of the brides and one of the bridegrooms, and in which two Falls Citizens were principals, took place at the Lutheran church at Leslie, Mo., when Miss Alma Karsten, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Karsten, sr., of this city, became the bride of Alfred A. Schmidt, son of Rev. and Mrs. T. P. Schmidt of Leslie, Mo., and Miss Nora Schmidt became the bride of Joe Godemann, son of Charles Godemann.

Rev. Mr. Schmidt performed the ceremony for both his son and daughter.

## British Vessel, Laden With Rum, Seized in Chase

Coast Guard Cutter Spends 12 Hours in Pursuit of Craft Carrying Large Liquor Stores.

New York, April 14.—Uncle Sam's rum chasers today added \$250,000 to the value of recent liquor seizures in this vicinity with the capture of the two masted British 95 ton auxiliary schooner Madeline Adams, 20 miles off the coast.

There was some mystery about the capture of the trim little craft which had in its hold 3,700 cases of assorted liquors, including champagnes, in addition to 100 barrels of alcohol on her decks. Captain W. E. V. Jacobs, commander of the New York division of the coast guard, assured questioners that the schooner was taken "20 miles off Fire Island." But the fact that the coast guard cutter, Seminole, spent 12 hours in the chase lent color to reports that the pursuit took the speedy government boat from 150 to 200 miles out to sea and that a number of shots were laid across the fugitive's bows before the capture.

### Prize Crew in Charge.

The capture was made late yesterday and the Madeline Adams tonight was anchored off the Statue of Liberty, a coast guard prize crew aboard in charge. Captain Jacobs, Gillan, and seven members of its crew.

Captain Jacobs said that two of the schooner's crew had sought to bribe the crew of the government's rum chaser C. G. 203 to take 500 cases of whiskey aboard last Saturday. The government men pretended to accede to the proposal, but instead of related, and piled the contraband on the boat's decks, only to discharge the cargo at the United States barge office at the Battery and place the two men under arrest.

It was then that Captain Jacobs said he broadcast orders to all his chasers to "get the Madeline Adams if you have to chase her to the British three-mile limit."

### Total Seizures Rise.

The Seminole was the first to sight the Madeline Adams on run rum. This was early yesterday. The chase began. Reports of subsequent occurrences do not agree, Captain Jacobs insisting that the chase never got very far off the coast. He admitted, however, that the Seminole was 12 hours at the job.

The \$250,000 valuation put upon the prize's cargo brings the value of contraband intoxicants taken in this vicinity by the government in the last four days to almost \$1,000,000. Liquors found in a cache near Montauk point last Saturday and Sunday were valued at \$500,000, bootleggers' wholesale prices.

### Kilmartin Awaiting

Gubernatorial Quiz. Lincoln, Neb., April 14.—John Kilmartin, state boxing commissioner, arrived at Lincoln this morning to meet Governor Taylor. Adam McCarl, who called him for conference when he received a report of Kilmartin's arrest on charges of intoxication and disorderly conduct at Omaha Saturday night.

The governor spent the day at the board of pardons and paroles. He said he would discuss the case with Kilmartin either tonight or tomorrow morning.

### Sidney Publishers Bound

Over on Federal Charge. Caroline and Perry Coler, publishers of the Sidney Enterprise, who were indicted by federal grand jury at Omaha on a charge of sending obscene matter through the mails, were arraigned before the United States Commissioner Oberfelder Tuesday and bound over to the federal district court under bonds of \$2,000 each.

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## Cunningham Sons Slain, Quiz Shows

Two Bodies of Members of Family, Exhumed for Examination, Found to Contain Poison.

### Mother Collapses Again

Crown Point, Ind., April 14.—Mrs. Anna Cunningham, held on an open charge in the Lake county jail here while authorities investigate the mysterious deaths of her husband and four children, tonight faced detention over an indeterminate period despite her second collapse within four days. Her illness today prevented a hearing on her sanity this afternoon.

Tonight Mrs. Cunningham continued to lie in her jail cell in a coma. Authorities said if Mrs. Cunningham's condition permitted, the sanity hearings could be held at Gary tomorrow.

### Chicago, April 14.—Coroner Oscar

Wolf announced tonight that arsenic had been found in the viscera of Harry Cunningham, one of the sons of Mrs. Anna Cunningham, who died under mysterious circumstances along with four other members of the family within a period of six years. Earlier in the day it had been announced that the same poison was found in the organs of Walter Cunningham, another son.

The amount of the poison in the bodies has not yet been determined.

### Senators' Bill Is Turned Down

Secretary of State Refuses to Honor Vouchers for Work of Special Committee.

Lincoln, April 14.—Constitutionality of a claim of \$5,000 in favor of State Senators Wilkins, Banning and Robbins must be tested out in the courts following the refusal of Secretary of State Charles W. Pool today to sign a voucher calling for the money.

"If I am wrong the courts can tell me so," Pool said. The senator Wilkins intimated that the case would be taken into the courts at once.

"It is cheap politics," Wilkins said. The three senators formed a committee appointed by the senate following the legislative session two years ago. Its task was to ascertain if former Governor Bryan's charge that a deficiency existed in the state treasury was true.

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### KIWANIANS BACK OMAHA PRODUCTS

The following resolution, signed by the officers of the Omaha Kiwanis club, will be sent to the Greater Omaha committee:

Frank W. Judson, chairman: We, the members of the Kiwanis club of Omaha, Neb., believing that local business, industrial and professional interests, should unite for progressive leadership in the upbuilding and upholding of the home market and the community and prompted by a sincere desire to promote the local loyal spirit through better service to the community, do hereby request the Greater Omaha committee to call a meeting composed of representatives from each of the civic organizations in Omaha, in order to make plans for and formulate a Loyalty League of Omaha, with the express purpose of fostering the spirit of buying Omaha products.

### Shipping Board Considers Scrapping About 200 Boats

Washington, April 14.—The question of scrapping about 200 vessels now in operation was referred by the shipping board today to its committee on scrapping with a request for an early report.

Chairman O'Connor, who also heads the committee on scrapping, brought the question before the board today, proposing that the vessels, which he considers are only a source of expense, be immediately put on the market for scrapping.

### Sleeping Woman Loses Life When House Burns

New Castle, Pa., April 14.—Miss Anna Miller, 63, of Ashland, Ore., was burned to death in a fire today which destroyed the residence of W. H. Wamschick, where she was visiting. Miss Miller was asleep on the third floor when the fire was discovered and was believed by other occupants to have become confused in attempting to escape by a rear stairway. Miss Miller had spent the winter at the Wamschick home.

### Indict Kidnap Suspect.

New York, April 14.—Mrs. Mary Jones was indicted by a county grand jury for kidnaping 5-year-old Raymond Von Mulaski, Jr., who disappeared from his Washington Heights home on March 29. No trace of the missing boy has been found.

### Countess Howe Dies.

London, April 14.—Countess Howe, wife of Lord Howe and formerly Miss Flora Davis of New York, died at Buckinghamshire.

## Prince of Old Russia Has Visions of Recovering \$350,000,000 Estate

Member of Royal Family, on Stand in Suit to Get Back Two Rembrandts, Tells Court of Plans to Develop Coal Lands Seized by Bolsheviks.

New York, April 14.—Prince Felix Youssouff, head of an erstwhile wealthy royal family of the old empire in Russia, still hopes to recover his vast estates, before the revolution estimated to be worth \$350,000,000, although they are now held by the bolsheviks, he testified today at the second day of trial in the supreme court of his suit against Joseph E. Widener of Philadelphia for recovery of two Rembrandt portraits.

Prince Youssouff, a debonaire figure, held the witness stand the entire day in his legal battle to regain the two Rembrandts, "A Gentleman With a High Hat" and "A Woman With an Ostrich Feather," which Mr. Widener acquired from him in August, 1921, by payment of 100,000 pounds sterling. Prince Youssouff, who values the paintings at 300,000 pounds, told today of having refused offers from the late J. P. Morgan and the late Senator William A. Clark of 200,000 and 225,000 pounds, respectively.

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Under cross-examination by Mr. Widener's counsel, former Governor Nathan L. Miller, the prince testified that he contemplates the formation of a corporation to develop coal and oil lands once owned by his family, now in the hands of the soviet.

"Then you expect your estate in Russia to be restored to you?" Mr. Miller asked. The answer was an unqualified "yes." The prince said he wanted the pictures back so they could be returned to Russia if he came again into the Youssouff estates.

## Saints Protest Polygamy Charge

General Conference Objects to Magazine's Statements about Church Founder.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Independence, Mo., April 14.—The general conference of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints today decided to meet in this city in April of next year.

A discussion as to the manner of appointment of the standing high council of the church resulted in rescinding the action of the last conference, which decided that apostles, bishops and state presidents are not eligible for appointment to this office.

Apostle John Garner of Lamoni, Ia., and former historian, Walter Wayne Smith of Los Angeles were, on their requests, released from the present standing high council.

The conference unanimously adopted resolutions of protest against certain statements concerning the character and mission of Joseph Smith, founder of the church, which have been published in a leading eastern magazine. The presidency was requested to send a copy of these resolutions to the editor of the magazine, together with copies of the findings of the United States courts which absolve the church from the charge of polygamy.

### CATHOLIC WOMEN IN SESSION HERE

The Nebraska state convention of the Catholic Daughters of America convened at Tuesday noon at the Omaha Athletic club. Besides members of the Omaha court there were 23 delegates and alternates present. Mrs. Helen Meagher of Chicago, state regent of Illinois, is here to represent the national court.

A luncheon was served at 12:30, after which a business session was held for the election of officers and other business.

Miss Catherine Flynn, Plattsmouth, state secretary, presided. Other officers who took prominent parts in the session are Mrs. Anna Kelly, York, and Miss Helen Walk, Hartington. Both are district deputies.

### Northern Pacific Faces Charge Under Elkins Act

Spokane, Wash., April 14.—A petition for an injunction to restrain continuation of leases between the Northern Pacific railway company and 21 local firms on warehouse property owned by the city of Spokane, was filed by the United States district attorney in federal district court today. It alleges that the rental charged is so much below the real value of the property that it constitutes a violation of the federal Elkins act prohibiting rebates by a railroad.

### Harlan County School Exhibit Held at Alma

Alma, April 14.—The annual Harlan county school exhibit was held at the courthouse Friday and Saturday. Town schools receiving rewards for the best collection of work are: Huntley, first; Stamford, second; Mascot, third. Rural schools receiving the highest rewards are: District No. 19, first; District No. 39, second; and District No. 14, third.

### Richardson County Resident 60 Years Dies at Age of 91

Falls City, April 14.—Stefan Griner, 91, for 60 years a resident of Richardson county, died here today. Mr. Griner came from Germany in 1865 and walked from Omaha to Barada in this county, a stretch of nearly 125 miles. He purchased an 80-acre farm in Barada precinct and farmed there until 30 years ago, when he came to Falls City to retire.

### Georgia Banks Placed in Hands of Comptroller

Athens, Ga., April 14.—The Georgia National bank, the American State bank, an interlocking institution and a branch of the State bank, were placed in the hands of the comptroller of the currency by the directors of the banks.

### Orators to Hear Coolidge.

Washington, April 14.—President Coolidge has accepted an invitation to speak at the finale of the 1925 national oratorical contest here May 8. This will be the third time Coolidge has attended the annual contest held

## Doumergue Tries Vainly for Premier

President Refuses Because Socialist Hold Back, Sarraut Declines Because of Ill Health.

### Painleve Is Considering

By C. F. BERTELLI, Universal Service Staff Correspondent. Paris, April 14.—M. Briand having refused to form a cabinet because the socialists will not participate, retiring Premier Herriot will tomorrow ask the chamber and senate to rush through a law authorizing four billion francs inflation in order to regularize the situation with the Bank of France.

President Doumergue asked Maurice Sarraut to form a cabinet after Briand had failed, but Sarraut declined, giving ill health as his reason for refusing the responsibility.

At a late hour tonight President Doumergue made another appeal to Paul Painleve and it is reported that Painleve has taken the matter under advisement.

Experts believe the crisis will continue until Thursday and possibly until the end of the week, when, if no government is yet formed, Briand may be recalled to form a government by excluding the socialists and attempting to govern with a new majority which is now busy forming in the chamber center.

Even if a transitory government with Painleve or a similar "straw man" is formed, the general opinion is that it will not last more than a few days, when Briand, with Louis Louchet as his right-hand man, is generally expected to return to power. In such event the Briand cabinet would be sure to live until parliament returns from vacation in the fall.

Stories that Herriot will return as head of the government are generally discounted tonight, and are also rumored that there is a chance of Briand accepting some position in the cabinet except premier or minister of foreign affairs.

### BANK TELLER SHOT, KILLED BY BANDITS

Detroit, Mich., April 14.—Charles Taggart, teller of the branch of the American State bank on Oregon avenue and Epworth boulevard, was shot and killed by three men who held up the bank today. The men scooped the national court.

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### FREMONT AGENT IS EXONERATED

Fremont, Neb., April 14.—William L. Harrett, Chicago, former Fremont agent of the Singer Sewing Machine company, was completely exonerated today by county officials after three counts of embezzlement against him had been dismissed.

Dismissal followed an investigation by County Attorney John Gumb, Jr. Harrett was recently returned to Fremont from Chicago. Gumb declared that a check of the former agent's reports showed that he had not attempted to conceal anything.

### Medical Probe Holds Up Slayer's Court Martial

Manila, April 14.—Court martial to try Lieut. J. S. Thompson, U. S. A., for the murder of Miss Audrey Burleigh of Memphis here April 5, will not be opened until a medical board now observing Lieutenant Thompson completes its report.

Officials said today it probably would be two weeks before preliminaries for the trial are complete. Thompson already has been assigned military counsel, and whether additional civilian counsel will be procured for him has not yet been determined.

The army officer is said to have killed the girl because of jealousy over her partaking in an amateur theatrical performance against his wishes.

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### The Weather

For 24 hours ending 7 p. m., April 14: Precipitation in inches and fractions: Total, .80; total since January 1, 1.17.

### Hours Temperatures.

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## Going to Hell in Handbasket, Suicide Writes

Here are the two dramatic suicide notes written by Mrs. Ethel Ray before she shot and killed herself:

"I am going to get drunk this afternoon and then 'going to hell in a handbasket.' I know you will be glad to get rid of me. I am writing this when I have not even had a drink.

"Well, dear, I will tell you a few things I heard today. I found out where my kitten went to, when I was supposed to get \$3 for it. You gave it to her.

"YOU TELL HER EVERYTHING." You bought her furniture. You gave her booze. You took her fishing with you. You nearly had a fight with a certain fellow because she said I was staying with him. This all happened down to Clarence's.

You gave me hell to her for breaking so many testers, and you had her out with you getting one that night I broke one. You go and tell her everything. You told about 'Slim' spending that \$2 two weeks ago and she said you spent it with her. You tell me she is not here, and I know she is.

Well, dear, there are a few things I know, and on top of this I know you are still with her.

"TLL HAUNT HER ALL HER LIFE." Please don't give her my cats and if you think anything of me at all don't have anything to do with her after this. Please.

I will haunt that woman as long as she lives. I know I am going straight to hell this afternoon, but you and her gave me a taste of it for the last year so I will be used to it anyway. I don't see how you and her can be happy after this. You have been trying to get her to leave with you for quite a while. You have been telling her you were through with me and giving me hell for a long time.

You won't give her up so now you are going to give me up. She is the one you love. "HOPE YOU WILL BE HAPPY WITH HER." Don't give her anything that belongs to me. Please.

Well, sweetheart—you know I love you with my whole body and soul, but you don't want it. I can't live without you and you won't live with me, unless you can have her, too.

I know you expect to go away with her before long, so I will say goodby.

Dear heart—you kissed me this morning before you left. Think of me once in a while—of the good in me—please don't run me down to her." The note said, "I hope you will be happy with her. All yours—your loving wife, Ethel."

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### FOREIGN TRADE HUGE IN MARCH

Washington, April 14.—America's foreign trade in March totaled \$839,000,000, the record for three years. Secretary of Commerce Hoover announced today.

Exports were \$452,000,000, an increase of \$52,000,000 over February, while imports were \$387,000,000, or \$33,000,000 higher than the preceding month.

### New Iowa Freight Rate Schedule Suspended

Washington, April 14.—Proposed new freight rate schedules, cancelling certain tariff rules affecting the construction of combination rates on brick and similar articles from Iowa to points in North Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin, were ordered suspended today by the interstate commerce commission, pending investigation.

The suspended schedules also would increase the Iowa rate on brick and related articles from Iowa to certain Wisconsin points.

### Gage County Early Settler Dies on Visit in Illinois

Beatrice, April 14.—Mrs. John M. Nutte, one of the earliest settlers of Gage county, died in Illinois, where she had gone to visit a daughter, according to a telegram received here. She was 59 years of age and is survived by five daughters. The body will be brought to her old home at Liberty, southeast of here, and interred beside her husband.

### Site Bought for Church.

Chadron, April 14.—Trustees of the Methodist church have purchased the G. T. H. Babcock property on Bordeaux street for a new church site, but do not intend to build in the immediate future.

### Summary of the Day in Washington

A new revolution was reported in Honduras. The tax appeals board prepared to hold hearings in several important cities. Announcement was made a note dealing with Rumania's war debt has been presented at Bucharest. The State department indicated its readiness to reopen negotiations with Mexico for new commercial and extradition treaties. The shipping board moved to dismember the Pacific Mail company's injunction suit to prevent sale of five ships to the Dollar interests. The controversy between the executive and legislative branches over the president's power to remove officials was continued before the supreme court. Movement of foreign trade in March of nearly record-breaking proportions with a favorable trade balance of more than \$87,000,000 was announced by the commerce department.