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HAMMOND CASE ARGUED BEFORE SUPREME COURT

Wife Seeks to Have Husband and Attorney Cited on Contempt Charge for Spirit- ing Away Child.

Lincoln, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Attorneys Tuesday argued before the supreme court the application of Mrs. William V. Hammond for her husband and his attorney, M. O. Cummins, to show cause why they should not be cited for contempt of court.

Omaha Attorneys Report on Results Of Work for State

Lincoln, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The fact that Omaha has furnished a great deal of the attention which the attorney general's office has been giving the legal side of the state's affairs has been reported by Attorney General Davis to employ at different times three Omaha attorneys, A. C. Munger, T. J. McGuire and George W. Pratt, to look after the business of the state.

General Wood Leads In Presidential Poll in Five State Colleges

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Republicans around the State house are discussing with considerable interest a poll recently taken in five educational institutions in the middle west and sizing it up with the poll in congress and the polls recently taken in the Nebraska constitutional convention and in one or two other places, all of which showed the same strong tendency toward Leonard Wood for president, are wondering if it does not mean something.

Governor to Hear Pleas in Cole-Grammer Case

Lincoln, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—On December 29, 30, it has not yet been determined which, Cole and Grammer, sentenced to electrocution on January 9, will be given a hearing by Governor McKelvie on their application for clemency.

ROBBERY NOW IS THOUGHT MOTIVE OF LEAD MURDER

Can Found Containing Part of Money Withdrawn From Banks Day of Death.

Deadwood, S. D., Dec. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—An important development in connection with the recent tragic death of Mrs. John Nemi of Lead, whose partially burned body was found in the fire-box of the furnace at her home, is the finding by a detective of \$4,535 in cash in the Nemi home.

The money was concealed in a coffee can and the can wrapped in an old woolen sock. The can was unopened in a box of rubbish in a storeroom directly off the bedroom occupied by the murdered woman on the night of her death.

It has been learned that on November 22 Mrs. Nemi withdrew from Lead and Newell banks \$6,000. What became of the difference between this sum and the amount found in the coffee can, and what motive prompted Mrs. Nemi to withdraw this sum of money from the banks, now is puzzling those working on the case. That some one murdered the woman and secured the money that is missing seems certain.

Asks for Continuance on Code Bill Hearing

Lincoln, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The attorney general has filed an action in the supreme court asking for a continuance on the hearing on the code bill referendum. It was stipulated by both sides when the motion was made that the hearing should be had January 9 and briefs should be filed by December 24. The attorney general says that his office has been so busy that there has not been time to prepare for the hearing.

Wahoo Minister to Leave.

Wahoo, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Rev. N. L. Packard, pastor of the Congregational church here, has accepted a call to Alma, Neb., and tendered his resignation to become effective March 1.

OPERATORS COURT INVESTIGATION OF COAL INDUSTRY

Executive of Association Issues Statement Replying to Attorney General.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Investigation of the coal industry is "courted" by the operators, it was asserted. The executive committee of the Bituminous Coal Operators' association issued a statement replying to the declaration last night of Attorney General Palmer that the government would "not assume that the operators will break faith" and intimating that ways would be found to keep faith in the coal strike settlement.

The executive committee's statement announced that a general meeting of the coal owners from all parts of the United States had been summoned to consider the situation arising from settlement of the strike.

Coal Full Investigation. "The coal operators have always courted a full investigation of the industry," the executive committee's statement said. "They welcome one now. They are wholeheartedly eager to have come out of this controversy a program that will be constructive and that will insure industrial peace."

"The miners and the operators have interpreted President Wilson's letter of December 6, in different ways.

"Because of this fact and the rapid changes in the situation during the past two weeks it has been impossible to keep the coal operators fully advised. The executive committee therefore feels that it is imperative to call a meeting of the representatives of the operators from the several coal fields, extending from Pennsylvania to as far west as the state of Washington. This meeting will be held as soon as possible.

"In the meantime steps have already been taken to gather such facts and statistics as may be necessary for a full presentation of the operators' case."

Will Abide by Commission.

Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 23.—In a statement declaring that the attitude of the coal operators of the central competitive field has not been changed by any person in authority since they agreed to a plan similar to that proposed by President Wilson for settling the miners' wage controversy, Phil H. Penna, spokesman for the operators in the wage negotiations of the past few months, late today intimated that the operators will abide by the decisions of the commission appointed by the president to arbitrate prices and wages.

Damage to Trucks in Fire Not as Great as Feared

Lincoln, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—As a result of the investigation of the damage done to the army trucks by the fire at the fair grounds, it is discovered that not all of the 44 which were in the fire are a total loss. Some were able to run under their own power when taken out and others can be easily repaired.

The state has in its possession about 450 of these trucks so that the loss will not be as severe as at first thought, and will not hamper road work to a great degree.

Nebraska Swain Will Bring Home Chicago Brides

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Young men from Nebraska are planning for a monopoly on holiday nuptial festivities and will take back to the Cornhusker state a number of "I Will" girls. Frank G. Rohde of Columbus and Carl Henig of Stockham are the latest to obtain marriage licenses here. They signified their intention of going home with them, Misses Verona Weschoven and Alma Fairbank, respectively.

Nebraska Pioneer, Aged 90, Is Buried In Cedar County

Funeral services were held yesterday for John Nelson, 90 years old, pioneer of Cedar county, Nebraska, who died Sunday at his home at Allen, Neb. He was a native of Sweden and came to America by way of Denmark and Germany in 1856. He settled in Iowa in 1858, soon moving into Nebraska, where he located in the northern part of the state. A nephew, Frans Nelson, lives in Omaha.

Tecumseh Banker Buys State Bank at Elk Creek

Tecumseh, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Rudolph Kovonda of Tecumseh has bought a controlling interest in the State bank of Elk Creek from William Whalen. He will take possession January 15. It is understood here that Mr. Whalen has bought a bank at Brownville. Mr. Kovonda was formerly associated with the Farmers' State bank at Tecumseh as assistant cashier.

Red Cross Election.

West Point, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—At the annual meeting of the local Red Cross chapter the following officers were elected for 1920: C. C. Anderson, chairman; Fred Henker, vice chairman; W. R. Deminger, secretary; A. G. Walla, treasurer.

IRISH CRITICIZE HOME RULE PLAN OF LLOYD GEORGE

Proposals Intended to Mislead Opinion in United States, Sinn Fein Founder Says.

London, Dec. 24.—The Daily Herald, labor organ, quotes opinions on the government's Irish home rule plan. Arthur Griffith, founder of the Sinn Fein organization and acting president of the Irish republic, said: "There is nothing for Irishmen to discuss. The premier's proposals are not intended to be operative, but are made to affect and mislead opinion in the United States."

George Russell, the Irish poet, declared: "There is nothing in the proposals calculated to produce reconciliation and there is no reason why the Sinn Fein should cease working for the destruction of the British empire. Under Lloyd George's proposals Great Britain would retain complete control over taxation, the trade policy and economic development of Ireland, which means that Ireland would be given, not self-government, but certain administrative powers."

William O'Brien, secretary of the Irish labor party and trade union congress, said: "The plan is unworthy of serious consideration. It is manifestly for export only."

Irish Press Scoffs At Home Rule Bill; Principles "Hateful"

Dublin, Dec. 23.—In commenting upon the speech made by Premier Lloyd George in the House of Commons yesterday, during which the premier outlined the provisions of the proposed Irish home rule bill, the Freeman's Journal says: Mr. Lloyd George "in the presence of the American ambassador, but in the absence of every representative of the majority of the Irish people, explained to the House his panacea for the ills of Ireland."

"Even the few Irish nationalist members who have survived the prime minister's past treacheries and betrayals absented themselves," the newspaper continued. "They probably had a forecast that their gesture of contempt would be warmly approved by the whole Irish nation as a matter of fact, they were merely obeying the command of their dead leader, given when he and they withdrew from the House upon the first declaration of the prime minister's intention to permanently partition their country."

"The Irish Times says that for many reasons 'some good, some bad, some wise and some mad,' three-quarters of the Irish people will reject the bill."

"Its principle is hateful alike to the unionists and nationalists," the newspaper says.

Bazar Is Profitable.

West Point, Neb., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The Catholic Ladies' kindergarten of St. Mary's church held a bazaar in Guardian Angel school that was attended by the largest crowd ever assembled at an event of this kind here. The profits from the event was about \$1,300.

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CONGRESS SOON TO PROBE RADICAL ACTIVITY IN U. S.

Inquiry Will Be Instituted Early Next Month, Leaders of Both Houses Say.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Institution early next month of a general congressional inquiry into radical activity in the United States was announced by leaders in both the senate and house.

Chairman Johnson of the house immigration committee, returning from New York where he saw the first boatload of undesirable leave American shores for soviet Russia, said that his committee would resume its hearing on radicalism soon after the holidays at eastern ports and that in the meantime members of the committee would review the large mass of seditious documents seized in recent Department of Justice raids. Representative Johnson incidentally gave out the information that there were many radicals, anarchists and communists in western jails who would follow Alexander Berkman and Emma Goldman and 247 others from this country.

Appoint Subcommittee.

To conduct the investigation of the activities of Ludwig C. Martens, ambassador to the United States from "soviet Russia" and of Russian propaganda in general, ordered by the senate just before the holiday recess began, Chairman Lodge of the foreign relations committee appointed a subcommittee to be composed of Senators Moses, New Hampshire; Borah, Idaho, and Knox, Pennsylvania; republicans, and Pomeroy, Ohio, and Shields, Tennessee, democrats. Hearings are to be started by the committee soon after the senate reassembles January 5.

Notify Foreign Nations.

Officials of foreign governments have been notified of the action of the United States in deporting Berkman, Goldman and many of their associates, the state department today making public a message sent to "various foreign capitals."

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