PROBE OPENED INTO THEFT OF GRAIN ALCOHOL

Commissioner Begins Hearing Evidence on Charges Against A. Hanson and Arnold Roland.

United States commissioner E. W. Miller is hearing in Council Bluffs the evidence that federal officers, national detectives and city policemen collected prior to their raid against A. Hanson and Arnold Roland in connection with the theft of a barrel of grain alcohol.

It was stolen from the Milwaukee freight house on the night of December 21, and was one of 13 barrels that had been taken from a Milwaukee train near the South Omaha and Woodbury county line.

The thieves looted one of the barrels but left one. It was recovered the next morning by railroad officials and placed in the freight house, but the pilferers broke into the freight house and got it also. Not a trace of the backers in Minnesota, West Va., Illinois, Tennessee, Iowa, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and Florida. Telegrams endorsing Gronna's apparently seals such contraband whisky was found, but gone Virginia, Kentucky, Nebraska, North and South Carolina.

on council Bluffs and Omaha officers the pursuit.

The Hanson and Roland hearing started all afternoon and will be resumed this morning. Federal officers are not trying to prove the transaction with the original theft but only with the attempt to sell the recovered barrel to an alleged bootleg. Very little evidence was offered yesterday connecting them with the theft.

Some real information was elicited concerning whisky gauging when it came for the first attacked the government's witness, who had sworn to the information charging the transport "98 gallons" in a barrel holding only 52 gallons. The government explained that 52 gallons of grain alcohol was equivalent to 98 gallons of whisky.

Bankers Would Limit Power Of Federal Reserve Banks

New Orleans, Feb. 6.—A move is on to bring about an amendment to the federal reserve act and to curtail the powers of the federal reserve board, it was inaugurated at a conference of bankers from 11 states. The movement was instituted by the recent war clearance order of the federal reserve bank of the sixth district.

Bankers represented were from Georgia, South Dakota, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Tennessee, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and Florida. Telegrams endorsing the movement were received from Tulsa, Okla., Memphis, Tenn., and Jacksonville, Fla.

BARNES WARNS OF WHEAT SLUMP IF BILL PASSES

In Letter to Senate Gronna He Calls His Measure Direct Repudiation Of Pledge.

New York, Feb. 6.—Julius H. Barnes, United States wheat director, has made public a letter to Senator Gronna in which he terms the latter's bill for the repeal of the wheat guarantee act and the abolition of the grain corporation as a direct repudiation of the pledge made by congress to the wheat producers for the crop of 1919.

Senator Gronna's bill, which has been favorably reported by the senate agricultural committee, repeals all government control over the price of wheat and requires the grain corporation to wind up its affairs without delay.

Mr. Barnes asserts that at a time when no one can accurately predict the trend of prices, Senator Gronna apparently feels such confidence in his own judgment that he would immediately take from the wheat producer the protection of the $2,000,000,000 guarantee which congress has pledged itself to give until June 1.

He wheat director goes warning that the abolishing government support of wheat may precipitate a still further decline in the price of wheat, even below that of the guaranteed price. He adds that "only the most colossal egotism would presume to forecast the course of prices in the face of world-wide unsettlement, which within the last few days has wrecked the United States' export trade by total collapse of overseas finance."

"If congress should repudiate its own pledge to the farmer, Mr. Barnes adds, the possibilities of deterioration in value after the withdrawal of the government guarantee are such that millions of farmers will ask congress by what right it repudiated the pledged national guarantee on the underlying foundation of which the reliance in supply and demand has built an average premium of 30 cents per bushel."

Palace Hotel Will Be Democratic Headquarters

San Francisco, Feb. 6.—The Palace hotel has been selected by George L. Mintz, assistant to Homer S. Cummings, chairman of the democratic national committee, as headquarters at the party leaders during the convention here beginning June 28. He has reserved 170 rooms for members of the national committee and press representatives.

NEWBERRY JURY GETS EVIDENCE GIVEN IN PROBE

Attorneys for Senator Lose Fight to Bar Testimony Heard at Grand Jury Quiz.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Feb. 6.—Witnesses who appeared before the grand jury which returned indictments against Henry Ford, Senator Newberry and 134 other campaigners of 1918, was told in the trial of the case today.

The revelations of the inquisitorial proceedings come from C. B. Hodges, clerk of the grand jury, and Charles S. Potts, a member of the body.

They said the defendants whose testimony they rehearsed had waived immunity, testified voluntarily without receiving promises of any kind and with full knowledge that what they told the grand jurors might be used "for all purposes."

Defense Fights Hard

The defense fought hard to keep the testimony from the trial jury. Marion W. Littleton was on his feet constantly questioning the admissibility of the evidence. He was overruled on the exclusion question, but Federal Judge Sessions held that the testimony could be considered in the present proceedings only against the three defendants whose grand jury testimony was rehearsed.

Another struggle over the same testimony is probable for tomorrow as the defense reserved its cross-examination until that time.

The grand jury witnesses were subjected to a close examination by Mr. Littleton before they were allowed to answer questions asked by Frank C. Dodge for the government.

Tell Money Spent.

Potts and Higbee related the grand jury testimony of John M. Harris, former probate judge at Bayne City; Terry C. Corliss, a member of the state board of auditors, and James E. Davis of Lansing, sergeant-at-arms in the state senate.

The witnesses agreed that Judge Harris told the grand jury he had received $800 in salary and half that amount for expenses.

Terry Corliss' account of his activities in the campaign as related by Higbee and Potts told of similar negotiations with Krug and an agreement to work for $75 a week and expenses.

James Davis, according to the witnesses, had charge of the Newberry campaign in the southern tier of counties and his compensation was $300 a month.

Radio Message Will Be Sent to Boy Scouts Next Sunday Night

New York, Feb. 6.—Every American naval radio station will flash a message next Sunday night to test the proficiency of boy amateur wireless operators in the country as a contribution to the opening of the national good turn week of the Boy Scouts of America, it was announced here. The message will be the 10th anniversary greetings of the scouts' national council and will be sent at the speed of 30 words a minute.

Before the war there were in the United States 175,000 wireless stations most of which were constructed and operated by boys. With lifting of restrictions in force during the war nearly as many now are reported to be in operation. Amateur operators who receive Sunday's message correctly and mail it to national scout headquarters will be sent a book of radio instructions.

The call for the message will be "NAH" and will be flashed at about 9:30 p. m., except from Chicago, where it will go at about 7:30 p. m. Wave lengths to be used are 1,500 meters for New York, 476 meters for the Great Lakes stations, 600 meters for San Francisco, the same for New Orleans and 1,500 meters for Hampton Roads.

Expects to Be Acquitted On Plea of Self-Defense

Atlantic, Ia., Feb. 6.—The case against Miss Mable Robinson, Anita woman charged with attempting to kill her stepfather, Carl Millard, was given to the jury at 3 this afternoon. No verdict has been returned.

Miss Robinson is confident of an acquittal.

The defense argued she should be acquitted on the ground that she shot Millard in self-defense.

Millard, who is an Anita black smith, had married the mother of the defendant the day prior to the shooting. He is 25 years her junior.

Daniels Urges Hog Island Steel Be Used for New Ships

Washington, Feb. 6.—Construction of three aviation carriers and four destroyers tenders was recommended to congress by Secretary Daniels, who proposed that fabricated steel on hand at the Hog Island shipyard be used, thus reducing the cost of the vessels from $2,000,000 to $11,000,000.

Sugar Profiteers Fined $2,500 by Los Angeles Court

Los Angeles, Feb. 6.—Two defendants convicted of profiteering in sugar were fined $2,500 each in the United States district court. The men were E. L. Lipschutz and Abe Blumenthal, who were convicted by a jury of violating the Lever act by selling sugar at a profit of 7 cents a pound.

Accounting of Expense Of Propaganda Asked For

Washington, Feb. 6.—Associations for raising funds to be used to influence national legislation or public opinion on national questions by means of propaganda of any sort would be required to account for every dollar collected, under a bill introduced by Representative McKeown, democrat, Oklahoma.

AERIAL CIRCUIT OF ATLANTIC FOR BIG PRIZE PLAN

Heavier or Lighter Than Air Craft May Compete For $100,000.

New York, Feb. 7.—Plans for an aerial circuit of the Atlantic ocean were announced tonight by the Aero Club of America. The Aero Clubs of the 18 countries represented in the International Aeronautic Federation will cooperate in promoting the event in which the world's noted aviators are expected to take part.

The planes will leave the metropolis of New York and its outlying, stopping at the principal points on the Atlantic seaboard and then continuing by way of Cuba, Porto Rico across the Caribbean sea to Caracas and along the coast to Pernambuco, then across the Atlantic to Dakar on the west coast of Africa. The course will then be northward along the coast of Africa touching Morocco and Cape Blanco, then across either Portugal or Spain to Bordeaux and along the French coast stopping at coastal French cities thence to London and other cities of the British Isles, then to Christiania and other cities of Norway, Denmark, Sweden and the Netherlands.

The North Atlantic will have to be crossed in flight, but the competitors will be permitted to fly either by way of Iceland, Cape Farewell and St. John, or by the way of Ireland direct to St. John. From the latter place the competitors will return to the starting point stopping at Halifax, Portland and Boston.

There will be two classes of competitors—the piloting and the non-piloting class. The latter class are entered as passengers on aircraft piloted by others and can travel by heavier or lighter than air craft, but must make the entire circuit of the Atlantic by air.

The entrants of the piloting class are permitted to use any number of aircraft, but only to change from an airplane to a dirigible if the crew of the airplane is used also to pilot the dirigible.

The Atlantic may be crossed either with airplanes or dirigibles.

The prizes for the event, it is stated, will amount to more than $100,000.

French Hope to Get Aid of United States In Exchange Crisis

Paris, Feb. 6.—Proposals that an international financial conference be called immediately to consider measures for the relief of the international exchange situation find support in French government circles.

The plan has been suggested by Great Britain and is said to be the outgrowth of the recent bankers' conference at Amsterdam, at which the situation was considered with the conclusion that international action was necessary.

Eventual participation by the United States in such a conference is expected by French financiers.

French opinion generally is not molded by theories which attribute the exchange situation to speculation and other causes. It is pretty well recognized that the cause is a credit crisis and financiers consider without resentment the fact that a grave phase of the situation was opened with the shutting off by the United States of credits to cover French purchases.

Doubt Plans to Begin Trade With Russ Soviet

Paris, Feb. 6.—Doubt as to the practical working of the plan for the partial resumption of trade with Russia through the Russian co-operative societies developed at today's session of the council of ambassadors. It was declared that the soviet government had shown a disposition to tie up the societies with official administration in such a way as to make even partial trading impossible.

Former U. S. Ambassador's Extradition Is Not Asked

Berlin, Feb. 6.—The Tageblatt says it learns that the "Bernstorff" on the list of persons whose extradition is asked by the allies is not the Count von Bernstorff, who represented Germany at Washington, but a "Count Bernstorff" who, for a long time was "city commander at St. Quentin." He is accused of making attacks on the French residents.

Dies in Bath House.

Charles W. Metzger, 2459 South Twentieth street, died last night in a bath house in the Her Grand hotel. Police surgeons called say death was caused by an epileptic fit. Mr. Metzger had been in the bath house about five hours before he died.

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Council Bluffs, Ia., (Special.)—Among the 3,000 automobiles registered for 1920 in Woodbury county was the first machine to be run in Pottawattamie 23 years ago. This new arrival is the county's oldest pleasure vehicle.

The old automobile is a one cylinder affair, brought home by Lincoln Rollins. It has been converted into a truck and is operated by a local plumbing firm.

Abandon College Course On Account of Influenza

Ames, Ia., Feb. 6.—(Special.)—The annual farm and home short course at Iowa State college, set for the week February 9 to 14, has been abandoned this year because of the prevalence of influenza in Iowa. The action of cancelling the farm and home short course was on advice of medical authorities.

The decision comes with at the conclusion of various conferences and conventions scheduled in connection with the short course.

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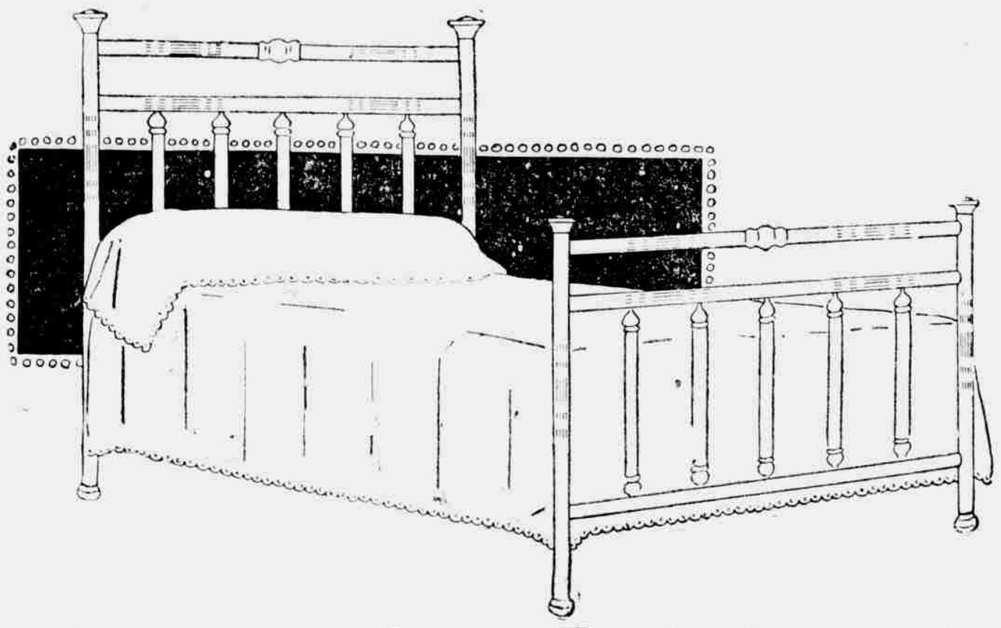

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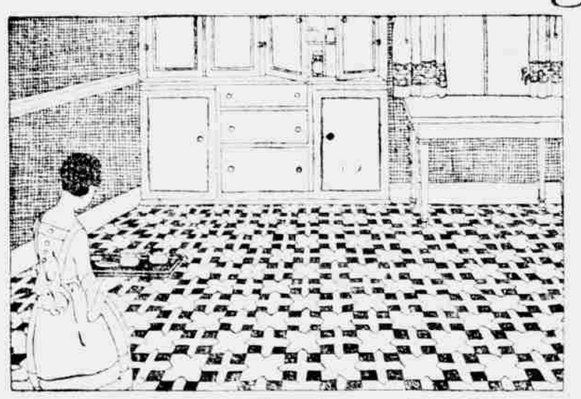

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