

Two Bluffs Councilmen Are Indicted

Lee Evans and Charles Campbell Accused of Soliciting Bribes in Purchase of Flusher.

Ouster Move Is Started

Alderman Charles D. Campbell of the Fifth ward and Alderman L. Lee Evans of the Third ward, both elected at the Council Bluffs city election March 28, 1920, were indicted Thursday by the district court grand jury for conspiracy to solicit bribes.

Judge O. D. Wheeler, in dismissing the jury until August 30, said that the members were free until that time "unless recalled."

Bribe Attempt Charged

The indictments charge that the two aldermen "willfully, unlawfully, feloniously did and actually caused to be done, to wit: the crime of accepting reward for public duty, and in furtherance with such conspiracy did solicit for mite Council Bluffs Auto company and the Western Motor company a sum in excess of \$500 as compensation, conditioned upon the aldermen casting their official votes as councilmen at a meeting of the city council in favor of the purchase of a street flusher from the bidder offering the largest consideration and gratuity to said defendants at a public letting of contract at which the Council Bluffs Auto company and the Western Motor company were then and there bidders."

The other indictment covering the alleged offer to "put over" the increased street car fare is identical in wording so far as the crime of bribery is concerned, the amount named being in excess of \$500.

Many Incidents Recounted

Both of these charges are included in the ouster proceedings with an additional charge of bribery in connection with the construction of the city incinerator plant. It is charged that lots, originally purchased for the city at \$150, were turned over at \$450 and \$500.

A Dozen Witnesses Examined

Yesterday, but one from out of the city whose testimony is considered of great value, did not appear. Witnesses before the grand jury recounted many incidents of alleged bribery solicitation, including the purchase of the \$12,500 fire truck, the Sixteenth avenue bridge over Indian creek, city printing contract with the Monarch Printing company and the city ordinance permitting the telephone company to raise its rates, all within the two-year statute of limitation. No witness was able to give direct testimony that any money was actually paid.

The indictments cannot be tried until the July term of the district court, but the testimony before the grand jury will probably all be used in the ouster hearing.

Seventh Corps Wants More Second "Lieuts"

Final examinations for appointment as second lieutenants in the regular army, to fill vacancies caused by recent enlargements of forces, will be held August 22 in the Seventh corps area, according to announcement made by Adjutant Paul Potter.

Preliminary examinations which must precede the final ones will be held at seven posts in the Seventh corps area at any date before August 13. The posts at which the preliminary tests will be given are: Fort Crook, Fort Des Moines, Fort Snelling, Fort Leavenworth, Fort Riley, Jefferson Barracks and Camp Pike. Applicants should direct correspondence to the commanding officer of the camp nearest their place of residence.

Receiver Is Appointed For Transportation Firm

New York, June 2.—Federal Judge Hand today appointed Walbridge Taft receiver for the Marine and Commerce corporation of America, a transportation concern. Assets were given at \$2,939,573, with liabilities of \$3,548,067, in a petition recently filed.

Woman on Trial for Murder Changes Plea, Is Given Life

Bridgeport, Conn., June 2.—Mrs. Ethel Hutchins Nott, on trial here charged with murder of her husband, George B. Nott, today pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree. Judge Malbie sentenced her to life imprisonment.

City Dads Accused Of Soliciting Graft



CHARLES CAMPBELL



LEE EVANS

Flood in Beaver Valley Forces Residents Out

Water Reported 16 to 18 Feet Deep Near Cedar Bluffs—Eastern Nebraska Gets Needed Rain.

McCook, Neb., June 2.—(Special Telegram)—Traer, Kan., south of McCook in Beaver Valley, is flooded and citizens are moving out. Thousands of acres in that neighborhood are flooded. In the Cedar Bluffs area water is reported 16 to 18 feet high. Burlington tracks are overflowed and washed out at several points. Between Traer and Cedar Bluffs traffic will be suspended for several days. Damage to crops in this district by the flood will be heavy.

Reatrice, Neb., June 2.—(Special Telegram)—This section was visited by a fine rain which came in time to save crops and early planted potatoes. The rainfall amounted to 1.10 inches, according to the government gauge here.

Wymore, Neb., June 2.—(Special Telegram)—This section of Nebraska was visited by a two-inch rain, which will be of great value in filling out the wheat and oats and re-planting pastures and gardens. Lack of moisture and repeated freezings has so injured the wheat that with this fine rain, there will not be more than 50 per cent of a normal crop. Corn is doing well.

Edison, Neb., June 2.—(Special Telegram)—Five and a half inches of rain fell here this week. Some live stock was reported killed by lightning. The rain was of distinct help to crops.

St. Paul Shows Largest Drop in Clothing Prices

Washington, June 2.—Changes in retail food prices between April 15 and May 15, made public by the Department of Labor, show that of the nine cities included in the figures, St. Paul had the largest decrease, amounting to 8 per cent.

"Pigs Is Pigs" But 16 More Than Nature Made Provision for

Chicago, June 2.—"Pigs is pigs," all right, but Mrs. Leaman C. Ames of Waukegan, a suburb, arose today to tell the world that 16 of them are more like a riot.

All was quiet at the Ames "farm" until last night when 16 baby rooters arrived and demanded food in soprano tones.

Old Lady Pig was so surprised at the size of her newly-acquired family that she stepped on two budding sons and they passed from existence.

When meal time arrived, it was found that nature had provided for only eight and the rest were shoudered over of the way.

Mrs. Ames sent a hurry call to the village drug store for its supply of nursing bottles and then called on the milk man for a liberal supply and proceeded to feed her hungry stepchildren. At last reports all were doing well.

Probe Into Tulsa Race War Opens

City, Outwardly, Resumes Normal Atmosphere After Day of Fighting and Incendiarism.

Estimates of Dead Drop

Tulsa, Okl., June 2.—Outwardly Tulsa resumed its normal atmosphere today except for the presence under a martial law proclamation of approximately 500 Oklahoma national guardsmen sent here yesterday after many hours of rioting between negroes and white men, including a night of incendiarism in which virtually the entire negro quarter was destroyed with a loss of about \$1,500,000.

As the situation rapidly quieted down the estimates of dead and wounded were made. Nine white men dead had been identified today and 15 negroes were accounted for. The list of known wounded increased, however, and the total was unofficially estimated at about 240.

Basis for estimates that still range as high as 40 negroes dead was the possibility of an unknown number of bodies having been destroyed when the torch was applied to the quarter failed to disclose additional bodies or bones today.

Negroes Go to Work. Negroes began to return to their places of employment this morning. Some wore white handkerchiefs around their arms, while others wore white ribbon badges inscribed "police protection."

Governor J. B. Robertson, who came here yesterday from Oklahoma City to assume personal charge of the efforts to restore order, this morning said he felt assured the trouble was over. He said he intended to insist on a rigid grand jury investigation of the clash.

The plight of more than 5,000 negroes under joint guard and protection at the fair grounds was regarded as serious today. Many of them lost their entire possessions when fire swept their district. It is understood an effort is being made to sift from the negroes at the fairgrounds those who participated in the initial clash at the county building Tuesday night when white men bent on taking from the jail, Dick Rowland, 19-year-old bookblack, attacked a white girl, met armed negroes whose intention was to prevent Rowland from being lynched.

Will Seek Guilty Ones. As rapidly as a negro at the fair grounds is sponsored by his or her employer a "police protection" tag is issued, and the prisoner released. It is hoped in that manner to thin the ranks to where the five negro officers of Tulsa county can identify negro participants in the riot.

A sweeping investigation of the race riots was expected to get under way today. The city was related that many of the militia under martial law and officials were confident the disturbances would not recur. A

Witness in Orthwein Murder Case Missing; Trial Is Postponed

Chicago Tribune—Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Chicago, June 2.—The trial of Mrs. Orthwein on a charge of killing Herbert P. Ziegler, which was to have started today, was again postponed, when representatives of the state's attorney's office told the court that Viola Deckery, one of the chief witnesses against the accused murderer, had been missing since May 1, and that every effort to locate her had proved futile.

It was Miss Dockery, a close friend of Mrs. Orthwein, who told of seeing Ziegler with the "kissing blonde" in a North Side cabaret just a few hours before Mrs. Orthwein shot and killed Ziegler. She was also a witness of the Orthwein-Ziegler quarrel that supposedly resulted from the "kissing blonde" information and that led to the final death quarrel.

Her story is regarded as an important link in the state's efforts to prove jealously the cause of the murder.

First Tornado in History Of Colorado County Hits

Akron, Colo., June 2.—At least one person was seriously injured in a tornado that hit the northern part of Washington county late yesterday afternoon, while farm buildings were demolished, hundreds of horses and cattle were killed, miles of fence thrown down and wind and hail destroyed thousands of dollars worth of crops. On the Ray Culbertson farm, 20 miles north of Akron, Culbertson's oldest daughter was knocked unconscious and her little dog was picked up and carried nearly two miles before he was unharmed in a farmer's yard alive and unhurt.

This is the first tornado ever recorded in this county.

Striking Clothing Workers Start to Return to Shops

New York, June 2.—Approximately 65,000 New York clothing workers today began a gradual return to work following a general strike in the industry starting last December.

Thirty thousand were expected back in the shops today as the result of an agreement reached between officials of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America and the Clothing Manufacturers' association. A formal settlement, drawn up for signing today, provided for a 15 per cent increase of production weekly and for an impartial arbitration board.

Ford Car, No. 5,000,000, Turned Out Saturday, To Have Niche of Fame

Detroit, Mich., June 2.—Ford automobile No. 5,000,000 which left the factory Saturday, is said to be slated for a niche in the Ford hall of fame—it may be given a place in the museum of Henry Ford by the side of the original Ford car and other early models.

Britain May Aid U.S. To Capture Bergdoll

Washington, June 2.—Interest in the case of Grover Bergdoll, draft evader, has been manifested by the British government. War department officials said, and it is possible that that government will assist the United States in its efforts to obtain his return from Germany. Officials would not say just how Great Britain might assist, but Bergdoll is known to have gotten to Germany on a Canadian passport and it has been suggested Great Britain might ask for the extradition of the slacker on the ground of a violation of Canadian passport laws.

Fight Launched By Reformers To Save Convict

Lincoln Attorney Employed to Keep Negro From Electric Chair for Slaying Prison Guard.

Lincoln, June 2.—(Special)—Balked in the recent legislature in their attempt to abolish capital punishment in Nebraska, strong forces are banded together to defeat the attempt of the state to put James B. King, negro convict in an electric chair, according to reports in Lincoln.

The basis of these reports is the entry of Harry Reese, wealthy Lincoln attorney and chairman, in the defense of the negro charged with slaying Robert L. Taylor, guard, to death on the night of May 11.

The state originally appointed Richard Stout to defend King. But Reese is conducting the defense. Stout, who originally stood alone against the array of state attorneys insisting on the death penalty for King, is a secondary figure in the trial today.

State Not to Pay. Reese asked the court to permit him to enter the case. He is reported as saying that he would receive his compensation from sources other than the state's exchequer.

The line of Reese's questions today in the Lancaster district court room indicated that he was serving the prison reformers. Reese spent much time in examining witnesses, not about the crime, but about the solitary confinement cell, "the hole," from which King emerged, and in revenge for Taylor's incarceration.

Testimony brought out by Reese showed that there were two windows, 28x15 inches, in the hole, a toilet, a chair and a bed and electric lights in the corridor.

Witnesses to Murder. Negroes convicted were produced today who swore they saw King Taylor as he stepped from line on his way to suffer. One of the negroes, W. T. Elmore, said that

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General Strike in Argentina Fails

All Public Services With Exceptions of Taxicabs in Operation.

Buenos Aires, June 2.—Efforts by communists to cause a general strike in Argentina have thus far failed to win complete success. All public services with the exception of taxicabs continue in operation, while work in the port zone is proceeding with nonunion laborers.

The maritime strike, which became effective yesterday, tied up many vessels belonging to the Argentine Navigation company, but the concern was reported last night to be recruiting nonunion crews. Various manufacturing, including flour mills, bakeries and print shops, were closed yesterday but they were small.

Newspapers generally credit the authorities with preventing the spread of the strike by vigorous repression of communist activities and preventing gatherings and demonstrations.

Sleeping Sickness Caused Woman to Talk Incessantly

Spokane, June 2.—A case of sleeping sickness, during which Mrs. George Banby, 38, of West, Wash., talked incessantly for three weeks, except when under the influence of opiates, was reported here today by physicians, who announced her discharge from the hospital as cured. The talking symptoms were followed by another stage of disease in which Mrs. Banby suffered from hallucinations for several weeks, it was stated. She was in the hospital about two months.

Priest Indicted for Part in Toledo Postal Robbery

Toledo, June 2.—The Rev. Anthony Gorek, a Catholic priest of New Chicago, Ind., was indicted with five others by a federal grand jury here today in connection with the \$1,000,000 postal robbery on last February 17. All are charged with the sale of stolen goods.

The grand jury action followed investigation of the arrest of Rev. Gorek and his alleged confession that a woman had given him a package containing \$85,000, a part of the postoffice loot.

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Another Farmers' Relief Bill Is Passed by Senate

Washington, June 2.—Another farmers' relief measure, the bill of Senator Curtis, republican, Kansas, to loan up to \$50,000,000 to federal farm loan banks to distribute among farmers at not more than 5 1/2 per cent interest, was passed today by the senate with assurances of early house approval.

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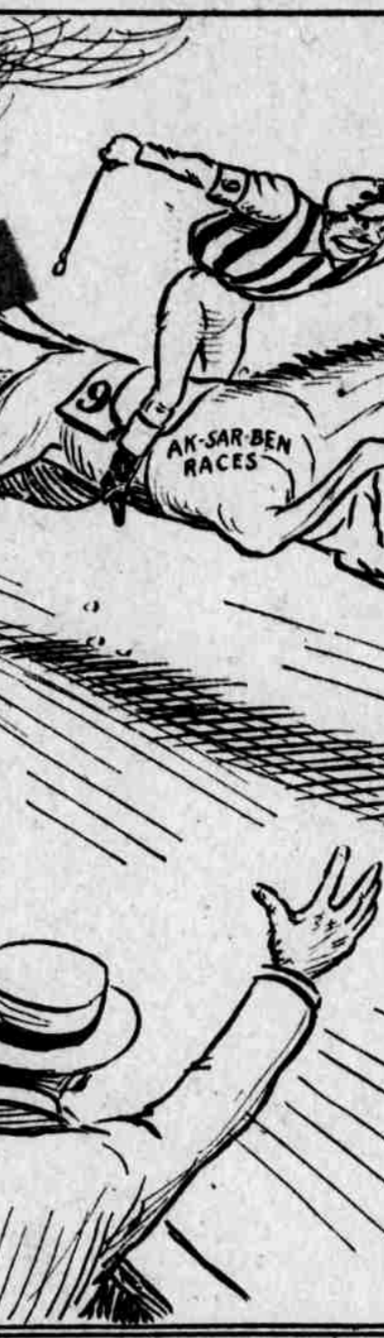
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Fraud Charged in Manila Election

Manila, June 2.—(By The Associated Press).—Allegations of fraud in the insular elections are understood to be contained in the mass of data and letters now under consideration by President Harding's commission, consisting of Major General Leonard Wood and W. Cameron Forbes, former governor general of the Philippines, who are here investigating conditions in the island, it became known here today.

The mass of documents were received by the commission as the result of its extended visit through the northern provinces of Luzon. The commissioners have been busy since their return here on May 30 in classifying and considering the data.

Election Fraud Charged. Although most of the letters are confidential, it is understood that the democratic party, which has only one member in the insular legislature, has alleged that the nationalist organization seized the power of government in the island through unfair election methods.

The complaints received by the commissioners on many subjects in the various provinces visited will be referred to the bureau having jurisdiction over the unsatisfactory matters, which will be asked to report on them, it was announced today.

The mission made public its intention to spend much of its time here in ascertaining whether the administration of justice has been impartial and whether all prisoners are given a fair and speedy trial.

Will Visit Provinces. Beginning next week, the commission will visit the provinces near Manila, holding meetings at the capital of each province, and most of the larger municipalities. As on the trip through the northern provinces all persons will be invited to express their views on independence and other subjects, both at private conference and at public meetings.

The mission informed the Chinese consul general that it probably would visit China early in September.

Man Who Wounded Deputy Sheriff Attempts To Die

George Matheson, 37, who shot and seriously wounded Deputy Sheriff J. C. Baker 18 years ago near Wesport, Ia., took poison yesterday at his home, 1410 South Eighth street, Council Bluffs, and is in a serious condition at the Jennie Edmondson Memorial hospital. Dr. A. A. Robertson says he may die.

Matheson was still a youth when he became implicated in the theft of \$300 worth of jewelry from the Weston postoffice in 1903. Baker went to the Matheson farm on the case and walked up the railroad tracks with the youth to search for some of the loot alleged to have been cached.

They failed to find it and when the deputy sheriff placed Matheson under arrest, the youth drew a revolver and shot him in the chest. The bullet was never removed and the former deputy has been in poor health ever since at his home, 38 North Seventh street.

Matheson was not prosecuted on the robbery charge, but he stood trial on the charge of assault with intent to commit murder. He was convicted and sentenced to serve eight years in the penitentiary. The case was appealed, remanded for new trial and ultimately tangled in so much cross-litigation that it was dropped and Matheson never served a day of the term.

Police could assign no motive for his act yesterday in attempting to commit suicide. The character of the poison in the half-ounce bottle which he emptied has not been determined either. The man was unconscious and foaming at the mouth when police arrived to take him to the hospital. He left no note.

Montana Union Daily Suspends Publication

Butte, Mont., June 2.—The Butte Bulletin, established as a daily evening newspaper in the fall of 1917, suspended publication today because of financial difficulties. In a statement by R. B. Smith, manager, it was announced that the publication owed \$21,000; that it had assets amounting to \$50,000, and that it hoped to resume publication of the daily in a month. In the meantime it will issue a small weekly. The Bulletin had the support of the Montana Federation of Labor. It championed the One Big Union idea.

Man Killed in Attempt To Rescue His Pet Cat

Wasau, Wis., June 2.—While attempting to rescue his pet cat which had been on top of a telegraph pole for several days, Lyle Durke, 23, of Schofield, was electrocuted when 22,000 volts passed through his body. The cat fell 30 feet with the body and ran away unharmed.

Haugen Packer Control Bill Is Passed by House

Washington, June 2.—The Haugen packer control bill was passed today by the house without a record vote and sent to the senate.

Warren Stone Becomes One of Highest Paid Union Chiefs

Cleveland, O., June 2.—Warren S. Stone became one of the highest paid national labor executives of the country today when the triennial convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers voted him with the \$25,000 a year as grand chief of the brotherhood and president of its co-operative national bank, building association and pension association. Mr. Stone's annual salary had been \$13,500.

Japanese Paper Says Yap Controversy Is Near End

Tokyo, June 2.—(By The Associated Press).—The Hochi Shimbun says it has reason to believe Japan has proposed to give the United States the Yap-Guam cable, with the privilege of control of the line to the island of Yap. While Japan intends to keep the mandate, the newspaper says, she considers this to be virtual internationalization.

The Weather

Forecast. Partly cloudy and cooler Friday. Hourly Temperatures.

Table with 2 columns: Time and Temperature. Rows for 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m., 7 p.m., 8 p.m., 9 p.m., 10 p.m., 11 p.m.

Bank Here Forced To Close Doors

Action Follows Investigation Of Pioneer State by Attorney General; "Frozen Notes" Responsible.

Depositors To Be Paid

The Pioneer State bank, 1519 Farnam street, will not be opened for business this morning. This announcement was made last night by Attorney General Clarence A. Davis, who was in Omaha.

The bank is now in charge of E. A. Fricke, state bank examiner, who will be here for several days. The closing of this bank was the result of an examination which has been going on for a week by state officers.

"I doubt very much whether there will be any ultimate loss to the state bank guarantee fund," said Attorney General Davis last night. "All depositors will be paid in full. We have under consideration a method of quick liquidation. We hope to obtain money for depositors within 10 days. If that is not accomplished, then they will be paid through the guarantee fund within 60 days."

Bunch of Frozen Notes. Mr. Davis declined to say whether criminal prosecutions will follow. State officials in charge of the investigation of the affairs of this bank said that they found "a bad bunch of frozen notes, not much of which is immediately collectable."

W. W. Mathews is president of the Pioneer State bank. J. F. Hexco is vice president. Mr. Hexco formerly was with the City National bank and the American State bank of this city and was identified with several other banks before coming to Omaha. A. L. Steingart is cashier.