

War Department May Demand Trial of Beck's Slayer

Army Officers Dissatisfied With Coroner's Inquest Into Death of Officer by Judge Day.

Omaha News Special Wire.
Washington, April 20.—New developments in the recent shooting at Oklahoma City of Lieut. Col. Paul Ward Beck, which may result in a trial of Judge Jean P. Day, were predicted by war department officials.

The report of a special board of army officers which made detailed investigation into the affair resulting in the killing of Col. Beck by Judge Day is now on its way to Washington. Coming in advance of the report are letters to secretary of War Weeks and other officials of the department predicting that the army report will shed new light of a startling character on the tragedy.

Indications have been received that the anxiously awaited report will tend to prove that the investigation of the coroner's jury was "white washed." Evidence, it was said, was improperly presented and important facts were withheld or distorted.

If the advance information is substantiated by the report itself, Secretary Weeks will take under advisement the question of presenting evidence to the army board which may have produced to the Oklahoma state authorities with a view to demanding a trial of Col. Beck's slayer.

Steamer Breaks Rudder.

Halifax, April 20.—The Leland line steamer, Oxonian, from Portland, Me., to Liverpool, broke her rudder about 800 miles southeast of Halifax and has sent out calls for assistance, according to a wireless message picked up here today.

Throws Self in Front of Train.

Ranger, Tex., April 20.—A baseball medal on his watch chain bearing the words "J. H. Stuart, 2d, Seaboard, 1919" was the identification mark found on the body of a man who yesterday threw himself in front of a passenger train six miles south of here.

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Three Exservice Men Set Out for Wyoming

Three Omaha legionnaires, Clarence R. Darlow of the Darlow Advertising agency, Harry Reschke of the county clerk's office, and H. E. Voss, former postal employee, set out yesterday in three automobiles for Wyoming, where they will prove up claims on which they filed last September.

12 Hero Bodies Arrive in City

Twin Sister Meets Body of Brother Who Died in Germany.

Relatives with tear-stained faces met the 12 soldier dead who arrived in Omaha yesterday morning at 9:20 over the Northwest Express from Denver, where they will prove up claims on which they filed last September.

The cars were loaded with supplies for the trip as well as tools which will be needed in their new homes. The claims require a residence of seven months for proving up.

The claims are irrigated lands not far from Torrington, Wyo. Darlow has 163 acres; Voss 160, and Reschke 80.

Among the mourners was Mrs. Verne Adams, whose brother, Joe McKeel, a Minnott Valley, died from a gun-shot wound while in the Army of Occupation in Coblenz, Germany, February 16.

Mrs. Amil Flodine, 1525 Canton street, twin sister of Ernest Buller, 26, who died of influenza in France, January 20, 1919, met her brother's body yesterday morning. Funeral services for Buller will be held Sunday afternoon in Kiron la.

Railroad Man Charged With Attempted Blackmail

Norfolk, Neb., April 20.—(Special Telegram.)—H. J. Deland, North-western brakeman, was arrested here on a charge of writing threatening letters and attempting to extort \$1,000 from Harry Sommers, business man of Wahoo. Police say Deland wrote the letters under the name of H. J. Curtin.

Compare Costs of Federal and County Roads

State Engineer Shows at Loup City County Paid More Than State and Got Poorer Highway

Loup City, Neb., April 20.—(Special Telegram.)—The committee investigating the relative cost of federal and county highways came nearer to finding roads which could be compared on that basis at its hearing here today than at any previous time.

Sherman county supervisors built a road near Litchfield which, so far as grading was concerned, compared favorably with a federal aid project running from Loup City to Rockville. The drainage on the county road, it was admitted, was not as good but grading costs per mile could be compared.

The official figures presented to the committee showed that the county grading cost \$4,900 a mile against \$3,345 a mile for grading on the federal aid road.

Taxpayers Mailed.

George Johnson, state engineer, declared that someone had misled the taxpayers of Sherman county into believing the estimated cost was the actual cost. Johnson showed that the contractor was paid for the actual yardage removed instead of the estimated yardage, and the contractor left the job before the state was actually satisfied with the road but wished to wait and ascertain where more filling was necessary after traffic had passed over the highways.

Johnson showed that the cost of the road advertised by anti-federal aid agitators was approximately \$30,000 more than the true, actual cost. There was a dispute as to whether as much yardage per mile was removed on the federal aid as on the county road. Figures on removal of dirt were compiled to ascertain for the committee later whether this charge were true.

Johnson asserted no comparison could be made between a blade-grader road built by counties and federal aid roads. He presented figures showing that blade-grader work done by counties for from \$150 to \$300 a mile had been done on 1,500 miles by the state as cheaply as the counties did the work.

Resolutions Compared.

"The federal government will not extend financial aid to counties for roads which can be built satisfactorily with a blade-grader," Johnson explained. "The government aids and demands compliance with specifications on roads requiring difficult engineering, solution of bad drainage problems and were heavy fills and heavy work are necessary."

Johnson showed the committee a resolution passed recently by the board asking for more federal aid on one of its highways. He also showed the committee a resolution which was passed at a previous date branding federal aid as extravagant and demanding laws putting the handling of all road money back to the counties.

"Now gentlemen," said Johnson, "you all know that on your last federal aid job you had an opportunity to bid and subcontract the work or do it yourself and on the next job you can do the same thing. If you think private contractors are getting too much put in your bid at a lower figure at the next federal aid letting and we'll give you the opportunity of doing this work cheaper."

Probe Engineering Cost.

The engineering cost was delved into. Johnson explained that the state department covers or subsidizes the 5 per cent allowed by law. In some instances, one job called for more than 5 per cent, as much as 15 per cent in certain jobs and as low as 1 per cent on others, but his department was obliged to come within the 5 per cent provision on the average work.

"Engineering in road building is like architecture in house or store building," Johnson said. "You couldn't build a good house without an architect and you can't build a good road without an engineer."

Johnson presented figures which he declared were compiled from books of the county clerk and county treasurer. Johnson's figures showed that in five years taxpayers had paid \$247,554.13 for county roads and the county clerk's books showed where only \$15,146.43 of that amount had been spent.

No Graft Suspected.

"If I had kept books like that they'd had me in the penitentiary," Johnson said.

"Now is there anyone who believes the contractor on this job moved less yardage than he was paid for?" Representative Hoffmeister asked.

There was no reply.

"Does anyone think the contract price for yardage at the time of peak prices was too much in this county?" he asked.

No reply.

"Do you think there was any graft or mismanagement?" he continued.

"No," members of the board replied.

State First Aid.

Governor McKelvie asked W. O. Brown, a member of the board of supervisors for 20 years, when the first definite road building plan in the county was inaugurated.

Hall County Is Proud of Roads

Investigating Committee Held at Grand Island for 10 Days —Views on State Probe.

Grand Island, Neb., April 20.—(Special Telegram.)—Motor cars filled with good road boosters from Grand Island held up the road investigation committee 10 miles from the city and ordered it to eat dinner at Grand Island.

C. T. Flowers, president of the Chamber of Commerce, presided and assured the committee. Hall county was proud and satisfied with federal aid and state aid road work.

H. K. Bishop, chief construction engineer of the federal bureau of roads, who has accompanied the committee throughout the trip and listened attentively to testimony at Lincoln hearings, testified to the opinion of the state and federal work in Nebraska by saying, "The state department is on the right track and everything indicates Nebraska is certain to have good roads."

Attorney General Davis stated that a majority of complaints had proved to be misunderstandings rather than mismanagement.

Bigelow Antagonistic to Progressive Fusion

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young as it is, the progressive party has devised road a machine beside which Arthur Mullen and Samuel McKelvie are but amateurs.

"The question, then, as we see it, which means the life or death of the progressive party, and of the success or failure of the program of the farmer or the worker, is whether the founders of the progressive party are in favor of the proposed deal. If they are, I am done with the party. Much as I have liked J. N. Norton personally and respect his progressive record; much as I have loved the man Arthur G. Wray and admired his ideal, I cannot follow them in what to me would be a betrayal of the progressive cause.

Will Work for Ideals.

"On the other hand, if the signers of the Grand Island agreement repudiate the deal and refuse to permit the filing for the primaries of any but names of 'bona fide members of the party' I am ready to devote my best efforts to party success. I am also willing, in the latter event, and if the membership wish it, to work as a private or to enter the lists and actively contest on the issue of fusion even with my friend Judge Wray for the progressive nomination for United States senator.

Minister Says Wheat Crop Badly Damaged in Kansas

Beatrice, Neb., April 20.—(Special Telegram.)—Driving from Jewell City, Kan., in his car, Rev. Winters Funk, upon his arrival here, stated that because of dry weather little or no winter wheat would be raised in that section of Kansas. He says that practically no moisture has fallen in that particular locality since last July. He states that this side of Jewell City and as far east as Beatrice prospects are good for an average crop.

What's to become of disillusioned Uncle Bim? Will he find, perhaps, another "Heaven Eyes?"

Oil Pipe Line to Touch Omaha If Best Route Taken

C. of C. Official Declares City Is Strategic Point for Location of Refinery.

The construction of an oil pipe line from Wyoming to Missouri as planned by the Mammoth Oil company in a contract with the United States government to furnish oil for naval use, would place Omaha in a strategic manufacturing position for obtaining crude oil, according to a statement by James M. Gillan, manager of the industrial bureau of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce.

Gillan's statement was made in the wake of the announcement that the Teapot Dome area, about 35 miles north of Casper, Wyo., and just south of the famous Salt Creek oil fields, are to be tapped by a newly formed company of which H. F. Sinclair of the Sinclair Oil company is president.

River Route Is Best.

"Now where this concerns us," said Mr. Gillan, "if the line takes the logical route, it will follow the Platte river to Plattsmouth."

"All that will be necessary to get into the Platte valley will be to cross a little ridge between the fields and Casper. From this point the Platte is the logical course. The Platte has an extraordinary fall, which will eliminate pumping."

"It will be the greatest thing that has happened to Omaha in the last 10 years," he said. "With crude oil here we would have a cheap fuel. A large number of firms here use oil now and they have to ship it in. There are no coal beds close to Omaha so a cheap fuel oil would be of vast importance."

Expects Refinery Here.

"Although we have heard nothing definite, it is very reasonable to suppose that the company will pipe the oil here for refining. Oil men have found it most practical to locate refineries in large cities for several reasons.

"The high cost of refineries makes it necessary to place them where they can draw from several oil fields in case one should go dry. Omaha would be an ideal location for the western oil fields."

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Jury Still Ballots on Fate of Slayer

Hahn's Widow Sobs.

Mrs. Hahn, the widow, sobbed audibly, and at sight of her, the children joined in her weeping. Cole sat quietly throughout Slot-well's argument. Judge Leslie began giving his instructions at 3:15. The jury took the case at 4.

Until 6 o'clock hundreds of persons lingered in the courtroom and corridors. Then they began to leave.

The jurors were taken to a restaurant at 6.

Many believed a verdict would be returned within half an hour.

Cole was taken back to the county jail as soon as the jury went out on the case.

Cole's argument, which started yesterday morning, was the most extraordinary ever heard in the district court.

Filled With Inveective.

It was filled with invective against those whom he considers his enemies—the police, detectives and the state's witnesses and especially Deputy Coffey.

"The arch plotter of the prosecution is not the gentlemanly county attorney, Abel V. Shotwell, but it is his assistant, Coffey, who is instigated by his ambition for power."

"He hopes that 12 men shall declare my execution. To what end? That he may be elected to high position at the coming election."

"When I come to Omaha again I expect to see that he has been elected to a position on the front end of a three-ton coal truck."

Apologizing briefly for speaking ill of the dead, Cole said:

"Greed for Gold."

"How did Harry Hahn come to his death? By the greed for gold. I respect the spiritual existence of those who have gone through the portals of death. I may not believe in the God commonly believed in by Christians, but I believe in the God that regulates the planets as they gyrate through space."

And then he startled the audience by making this statement regarding the man he admits he killed:

"I have no feeling of resentment against Harry Hahn today and he, in the spirit world, knows it. But I have a feeling that I can't describe."

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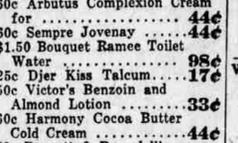
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There are five or six lawyers in this town who I'd be willing to have defend me, but I hadn't the fee; they would demand. And rather than take a lawyer appointed by the court, I'd be my own lawyer."

Cole seemed to take particular delight in voicing certain high-sounding phrases which appeared in flashes in the body of his slowly-delivered oration. Usually his delivery was labored, though clear. Then would flash a resounding phrase like "This was a chance to clothe the theory of murder in the deceitful raiment of a monstrous lie."

Maybe there'll be a reconciliation. In the Zander-Gump affair, we mean.

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delicious, lb. 29c | \$4.00 Houbigant's Quelques
Fleurs Extract, per oz. \$3.25 | 10c Straight Robert
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Extract 2.89 | 2 for 25c Cigars. All standard
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ful. 50c | \$1.50 Gouraud's Oriental
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clothing, use this wonderful
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Crystals 19c | Miller's Antiseptic Oil, Known as
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Will Positively Relieve Pain in a Few
Minutes |
| Springtime is cleanup time. Clean
up that dingy wall paper. | 25c Lelaune Face Powder, 34c | Try it right now for Rheumatism,
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and limbs, corns, bunions, etc. After
one application pain usually disappears
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| Climax, 15c—2 for 25c | 60c Arbutus Complexion Cream
for 44c | A new remedy used externally for
Coughs, Colds, Croup, Influenza, Sore
Throat, Diphtheria, Tonsillitis. |
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Cold Cream 44c | \$1.00 box Bouquet Ramee Face
Powder, 50c box Bouquet
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Don't miss it. |
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Mints for sour stomach 9c | 50c Dazgett & Ramsdell's
Cold Cream 39c | 25c full pound Puretest
Epsom Salts 14c |
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Builder and Tonic 98c | 50c Nadine Face Powder 39c | 50c Sulphur and Cream of Tartar
Tablets (Spring Tabs) 25c |
| 75c Effervescent Citrate
Magnesia, mild laxative, 39c | \$1.00 Abonita Lilac Vegetable
for 49c | LaJeune Hair Nuts—Large size.
Each one guaranteed perfect.
Single or double mesh, fringe
or cape shape—
10c each—\$1.00 dozen. |
| 25c Pkg. Puretest Henna 18c | 25c Pink Velour Powder Puff
for 12c | |
| 25c Puretest Zinc Stear-
ate, shaker-top can 19c | 50c Non Spi 39c | |
| 25c Roll First Aid Adhesive
Plaster, 2 1/2 yards
by 1 inch 19c | 50c Lelaune Face Powder, 34c | |
| Soaps | 25c Qui Sait Talcum 19c | |
| 12c Physicians' and Surgeons'
Soap 9c | \$1.00 Krank's Lemon Cream, 79c | |
| 25c Woodbury's Soap 19c | 35c Prostilla 24c | |
| 15c Lux 10c | | |
| 10c Ergemil Soap 7c | | |
| 10c Jerome's Violet Glycerine
Soap 7c | | |
| 50c Lucerne Bath Tablets 7c | | |
| 4c for 25c | | |
| 14c Sayman's Soap 11c | | |