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FEDERAL GRAND JURY IS INVESTIGATING ROBBERY

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 18.—The federal grand jury here today began a thorough investigation of the Jackson-street postal station on the night of January 14, and attaches of the United States district attorney's office said they expected a number of indictments to be returned promptly. Meanwhile, three of the bandits are still at liberty and about \$3,500 in currency is still missing.

CONGRESS CAN'T PASS REAPPORTIONMENT BILL

Washington, Jan. 18.—Although the house is ready to go through the formality of voting on the reapportionment bill increasing its membership from 435 to 483, the final check-up of house leaders showed, they said, that the measure would be decisively beaten.

Persians shave themselves as a sign of mourning.

DAILY MAIL ROBBERY STAGED IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Jan. 18.—Five youthful bandits held up a United States mail truck at the Union Station here early today, escaping in an automobile with twelve sacks of mail, ten of which contained registered matter. Officers said the pouches contained a part of a Federal Reserve Bank money shipment. The bandits surprised the three postal employees guarding the pouches, forcing them at the point of their guns to remain quiet while the looting was in progress. The robbers wore black masks.

ENTIRE FAMILY SLAIN

Pamlico, S. C., Jan. 17.—Mrs. L. S. Bigham, 60 years of age, was shot through the head and her body was found lying in the yard of the Bigham home; her daughter, Mrs. Marjorie Black, 35, was found lying in a pool of blood in her room with a bullet hole in her head; Mrs. Black's adopted son, 9 years of age was found in a backhouse, his head shattered by a bullet at close range; Mrs. Black's other adopted son, 5 years old, evidently tried to escape from his assailant, for his body was found near a fence in the back yard with a bullet wound in his head. He died this morning.

The body of the other member of the family, L. S. Bigham, 40 years of age, son of Mrs. L. S. Bigham, was found today in the woods about one-half mile from the house, wounded in his right temple. His hand was holding a revolver in which there were two bullets.

The family had long been prominent in this state, the father having been a member of both branches of the South Carolina General Assembly.

PURCHASE OF ISLAND PROPOSED TO ELKS

Odgen, Utah, Jan. 18.—Past exalted rulers of the Odgen Elks Monday sent a telegram to William H. Abbott of San Francisco, grand exalted ruler, suggesting to him that the order of Elks purchase Antelope Island in the Great Salt Lake to prevent extermination of the buffalo herd on the island and also to use it as a sanctuary for elk from the section of Wyoming where many perish each winter. The telegram said the island could be purchased for half a million dollars. The message proposed an assessment of \$1 for each member of the order.

NEFF INAUGURATED TODAY

Austin, Texas, Jan. 18.—Patrick Morris Neff was inaugurated governor of Texas at noon today at a joint session of the Thirty-seventh legislature, the oath of office being administered by Chief Justice Nelson Phillips of the state supreme court in the presence of 5,000 people who crowded the floor of the house and galleries. The inaugural ceremonies were simple but impressive. An unusual feature was the presence for the first time in the history of Texas of a delegation of distinguished Mexican officials, including two governors-elect and their staffs and General Perez Trevino, chief of staff of the Mexican army and personal representative of President Obregon.

In administering the oaths to the new governor and lieutenant governor, Judge Phillips used the same historic Bible which has served in such ceremonies since the days of Sam Houston.

At 11:50 o'clock the joint committee in charge appeared at the entrance of the hall, followed by Governor W. P. Hobby and Governor-elect Pat. M. Neff, which was the signal for an outburst of applause. These were followed by Lieutenant Governor W. A. Johnson and his successor, Lynch Davidson. State officials and other dignitaries then followed in the line of march.

After an invocation of divine blessing by Rev. Edward Barcus of Austin and the bands had played Mexican-American airs, Speaker Thomas presented John Valtz, who extended a welcome to the Mexican visitors. After a response had been made by the Mexican officials, Speaker Thomas presented Chief Justice Phillips to administer the oath of office to the new governor and lieutenant governor. After the oath had been administered Governor Hobby, the retired executive, presented Governor Neff to the assemblage, which was the signal for another outburst of applause.

VOTING ON NATIONAL TREE

Washington, Jan. 18.—Thousands of American school children are voting this week to select a national tree. For three months a campaign has been going on all over the country under the auspices of the American Forestry Association. Some votes have already been cast, but this week sees the windup of what has been termed the national tree referendum.

At the same time, the referendum has been converted into an organized movement to educate school children in the varieties of trees. Collections of leaves have been made, the growth and habit of trees have been studied and discussed, and before the ballots have been cast, there have been joint debates in which the champions of different trees have set out regular arguments as to why some particular species should be selected as being truly national.

The first school to report a vote was Emory Stake Academy of Castle Dale, Utah, the figures for which showed pine 14; oak 14; elm 8 and American ash 4.

The first town to report was Ham-burgh, Mass., which gave white oak 98, American elm 88, sugar maple 28, American chestnut 23, black walnut 20, shell bark hickory 12, white pine 9, scattering 29.

The first woman's club to report was the Woman's Literary Club of Jennings, La., which cast 30 votes solid for the oak.

The number of hairs, according to a certain scientist, on four heads which he experimented with were: On a head of red hair, 90,000; on a head of black hair, 103,000; brown, 109,000; fair hair, 140,000 hairs.

CONSTELLATION BREAKS ALL KNOWN SPEED RECORDS

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 18.—The Nebula Dreyer No. 584 in the constellation of Cetus has broken all known speed records in the heavens. It is dashing through space away from the earth at a velocity of 2,000 kilometers, (nearly 1,243 miles) a second, the highest speed ever attained by a celestial object. This was the word received at the Harvard college observatory Monday from Dr. V. M. Slipper of the Lowell observatory, Flagstaff, Arizona, in announcing the result of spectrographic observations there.

RAILROAD USES WIRELESS

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 18.—Transaction of railroad business by wireless soon will be a reality in the south, according to announcement here by Telegraph Superintendent R. R. Hobbs of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad. The company has purchased wireless outfits and will install them at Louisville, New Orleans, Pensacola and Mobile for the general message service of the company.

Train dispatching by wireless, however, Mr. Hobbs said, is not practicable at this time. There are sometimes as many as 25 trains with the same number running on the lines of the company at the same time and as wireless messages can be heard all over the country confusion would be created. The wireless will be merely supplementary to the regular wires.

RETURNS EXTRA PROFIT

New London, Mo., Jan. 18.—The four livestock shipping associations organized by the Ralls County Farm Bureau have done \$400,000 worth of business during the last year. Two hundred and thirty-five car loads of livestock have been shipped. The total membership of these associations is 708 and while the associations are all local units, a membership in one permits the use of the others. Members say that they have received at least 10 percent more for their live stock through the association than they would have received otherwise. The most conservative figures shows \$28,000 additional returns to Ralls county farmers during the last nine months.

GUARDSMEN ARRESTED

Jasper, Ala., Jan. 18.—Guy Cannon and Clyde Springer, members of Co. M, Alabama National Guard, were brought here today under military guard to testify before the Walker county grand jury investigating the lynching of William Baird, miner, in connection with which ten members of Co. M have been placed under arrest. Baird, who was taken from jail Thursday night and shot to death, was charged with killing a guardsman.

T. P. WINS CASE

Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 18.—Following yesterday's victory for the railroad before the Texas Railroad Commission at Austin, the Texas & Pacific line announced today that oil field traffic would be curtailed January 20. West Texas towns had opposed a reduction of service and had taken the fight to the commission. The chief effect will be the extension of passenger service by the Texas & Pacific from Dallas into Breckenridge via Roscoe.

LEGION ORGANIZES

Dallas, Texas, Jan. 17.—Organization of the Southwestern conference of the American Legion, which will embrace eight states and the Republic of Mexico, will be undertaken at the first southwestern conference, being held in Dallas today.

National Adjutant Lemuel Bolles and Russell G. Creviston, national director of organization and assistant national adjutant accepted invitations to attend this conference. In addition, state commanders, adjutants and national committeemen from Arkansas, Arizona, Colorado, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas, are scheduled to attend. Word has been received that Legionnaires in Mexico will also send two representatives.

DR. J. G. RUSHING SERIOUSLY HURT

Dr. J. G. Rushing, one of Shelby county's most prominent physicians, is at his home in a serious condition as the result of being kicked by a horse last Sunday. He was slightly improved Wednesday morning, although his condition is still critical.

When injured, Dr. Rushing was carrying his horse. He had tied the animal's head and front feet. The horse, in attempting to get loose broke the halter and kicked with both hind feet, the hoofs striking Dr. Rushing in the stomach. He is internally hurt and has been lingering between life and death. Relatives from out of town are at his bed side.—Center Champion.

AIRPLANES REACH PANAMA

Panama, Jan. 17.—Naval officers here are enthusiastic over the successful completion of the flight from San Diego, Cal., to the canal zone by 12 of the navy F-5-L seaplanes, which arrived here Saturday evening.

The flight, which covered 3,200 miles and completed in 17 flying days, was marred by one fatality. Chief Radio Electrician Cain having been killed when struck by a propeller of one of the machines. The flight, which ranks well up among the longest on record, was over a course never before traversed by aircraft, and the aviators arrived here with a record of only one forced landing. Officials were enthusiastic in their praise of the Liberty motors, with which the machines were equipped.

THE USEFUL MINNOW

Washington, Jan. 17.—The top minnow, a wee fish, is doing its bit for the health and comfort of the American people seems to enjoy the job.

Its popularity as an agent in the control of malaria and the destruction of mosquitoes has spread considerably during the last year, according to Samuel F. Hildebrand, assistant of the Bureau of Fisheries, working in co-operation with the United States Public Health Service.

In twelve Southern states the employment of the top minnow is reported and nearly every sanitary engineer who made use of it reported excellent results with a saving of large sums where fish control replaced methods that were more expensive.

EXTRA SESSION CONGRESS

Washington, Jan. 17.—President-elect Harding has practically decided to call a special session of the new congress on April 4, members of the house ways and means committee were informed today by Chairman Fordney, who had just returned from a conference with Harding at Marion. Fordney discussed with Harding the general taxation and tariff questions, which will be among the more important subjects coming before the special session of the new congress.

REPEAL WARTIME LAWS

Washington, Jan. 17.—The house resolution proposing the repeal of most of the special wartime laws was approved today by the senate judiciary committee, with an amendment that the operation of the food and fuel contract act would be continued.

LANGDON'S WIDOW SUICIDES

Manila, P. I., Jan. 17.—The Russian wife of Lieutenant Langdon, who was killed by a Japanese sentry at Vladivostok recently, ended her life on hearing of her husband's death, according to a Reuter dispatch from Vladivostok.

A TRAGIC DISASTER

Sydney, Australia, Jan. 17.—A violent rainstorm said to have been the worst in 70 years, has reduced the New South Wales wheat harvest from 20,000,000 pounds to 15,000,000 pounds the Minister of Agriculture states.

The minister describes the storm as a tragic disaster for wheat growers, who had every reason to expect a recovery after three years of devastating drought.

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