

MAHONEY SEEKS TO PROVE WIFE ALIVE APRIL 16

Attorneys for Defense Claim Body in Trunk Not Mrs. Mahoney. Detective Testifies for Prosecution; Judge Reverses Decision.

Seattle, Sept. 28.—The defense in the trial of James E. Mahoney, charged with the alleged murder of his wife, will seek to prove by witnesses that Mrs. Mahoney was alive after April 16, the day the state alleges she was slain.

Witnesses would also be called to prove that the body found in the mystery trunk here August 8 was not the body of Mrs. Mahoney, Attorney Schwelienbach stated.

Opening of the defense case came after Judge J. T. Ronald had overruled defense counsel's objection to testimony by Captain of Detectives Charles Tennant as to remarks Mahoney was alleged to have made after the finding of the trunk. Tennant was allowed to take the stand and testified that Mahoney had said:

"I suppose the worst you can do is to take me to Walla Walla, (the state penitentiary) and hang me."

Judge Ronald then announced reversal of his decision Tuesday admitting as an exhibit a letter alleged to have been written to Mahoney by a young woman in St. Paul, Minn., and intended by the state to show that Mahoney had been meeting the other woman while he was in St. Paul after the alleged slaying of his wife.

The court explained that although the state declared the letter was intended for Mahoney, it had been addressed to another man and had never been seen by the defendant.

Bonus Warrants Not to Be Discounted by Washington Banks

Olympia, Sept. 28.—That soldiers' bonus warrants should not be discounted should the supreme court hold that the state may issue them after the present appropriation, was the assurance received by Clifford L. Halecock, state treasurer, from practically every bank in the state, it was announced Wednesday.

Mr. Halecock has received replies from 200 letters to bankers and has just returned from a tour of eastern Washington, which extended from Yakima to Walla Walla, Colfax, Spokane, Waterville and Wenatchee, and conferences were held with bankers all along the route.

About \$1,500,000 in excess of the \$11,000,000 appropriation will be required to meet all bonus claims, Mr. Halecock estimates, and this amount must be appropriated by the next legislature if the supreme court rules additional warrants can be issued.

PLAN AIR PROGRAM

Kansas City, Sept. 28.—A long distance entrance airplane race will feature the air program of the third annual national convention of the American Legion, to be held here October 31, November 1 and 2, by the flying club of Kansas City announced Wednesday. It is expected the event will be participated in by fliers from all parts of the country who fly to the convention.

Railroad Consolidation Advocated to Link Weak Lines to Profitable Ones

Hearing Will Be Held in Near Future to Discuss I. C. C. Idea.

Rail Heads Have Not Been Advised of New Scheme, It Is Said.

Washington, Sept. 28.—The interstate commerce commission Wednesday announced tentative plans for consolidating all of the major railroads of the United States into nineteen great systems, and gave notice that hearings would be called upon in the near future.

The step was taken under provisions of the transportation act, which allows the consolidation, if voluntary with the railroads concerned. The proposals put forward by the commission follow in the main a plan prepared under its direction by Professor William Z. Ripley of Harvard.

The commission's proposed nineteen systems as outlined provide for retention of the competitive arrangement of transportation lines giving more sections of the country access to two or more of the great routes devised. The principle followed in making up the consolidations was that of hitching weaker and less profitable roads to more prosperous competitors or connections, at the same time maintaining the identity very largely of existing great railroads. In some cases branch lines of existing roads are suggested for divorce from present owners and attachment to other systems, with re-arrangement of terminal facilities.

Ready for Discussion. It is expected that the plan with alternative arrangements which the commission has suggested, particularly with reference to New England, will be under consideration and argument for a prolonged period, since permission of the commission and consent of the railroads is required to every detail before it can be put into operation.

The voluntary consolidated plan was adopted by congress as a possible means of facilitating the operation of the American transportation system under rate regulation, on the theory that rates allowed by the interstate commerce commission were being found sufficient to give adequate earnings to strong lines while weaker roads in the same territory could not show sufficient earnings to continue operations.

In the main, the plan proposed by the commission is that drafted under its direction by Professor William H. Ripley, Harvard university, but some variations were made. The commission said that while all of the larger or class 1 railroads had been included in the make-up of its schedule, a number of class 2 and class 3 lines had also been covered.

19 Systems. The following consolidated systems are proposed by the commission: No. 1—New York Central, including the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis; Monongahela; Boston and Maine; Bangor and Aroostook, and others. No. 2—Pennsylvania, including Toledo, Peoria and Western; Long Island; Monongahela, as an alternative to the inclusion of that road in the New York Central system, and others.

No. 3—Baltimore and Ohio; Reading; New York, New Haven and Hartford; Lehigh and Hudson, and others. No. 4—Chicago and Erie; Delaware, Lackawanna and Western; Bessemer and Lake Erie; Wabash lines east of the Missouri, and others. No. 5—Lehigh Valley; New York, Chicago and St. Louis; Pittsburgh and West Virginia, and others. No. 6—Pere Marquette; Ann Arbor, and others. No. 7—New York, New Haven and Hartford; Boston and Maine; Bangor and Aroostook; Lehigh and Hudson River, all of these being alternatively to be taken into other systems. No. 8—Chesapeake and Ohio; Hocking Valley and Virginia. No. 9—Norfolk and Western; Toledo and Ohio Central, and others. No. 10—Southwestern New Orleans Great Northern, and Alabama and Vicksburg. No. 11—Atlantic Coast Line; Norfolk Southern; Florida East Coast; Mississippi Central; Louisville and Nashville, and others. No. 12—Illinois Central; Sea Board Air Line; Carolina Clinchfield and Ohio, and others. No. 13—Union Pacific lines; Chicago Northwest; Wabash lines west of the Missouri, and others. No. 14—Chicago, Burlington and Quincy; Northern Pacific; Spokane, Portland and Seattle, and others. No. 15—Chicago and St. Paul; Great Northern, and others. No. 16—Chicago, Topeka and Santa Fe; Colorado and Southern; Denver and Rio Grande; Western Pacific, and others. No. 17—Southern Pacific company; Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific; El Paso and Southwestern; Vicksburg, Shreveport and Pacific, and others. No. 18—St. Louis-San Francisco; St. Louis-Southwestern; Chicago and Missouri; Kansas and Texas; San Antonio, Uvalde and Gulf, and others. No. 19—Chicago and Eastern Illinois; Missouri Pacific; Texas and Pacific; Gulf Coast lines, and others.

The commission noted that Canadian railroad subsidiaries, such as the Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie and the Central Vermont, has been eliminated from its consolidation and that water carriers were controlled by railroads concerned, were included.

Start Official Probe of Sub Sinking in Pacific Harbor

Los Angeles, Sept. 28.—Official inquiry into the sinking of the navy submarine R-6 at Los Angeles harbor Monday night and the loss of two of her crew, was expected to begin Wednesday upon the arrival in the harbor of Admiral E. W. Eberle from San Diego. Officers of the submarine base expressed hope that the sunken craft would be floated late Wednesday.

Search of harbor waters failed to locate the body of J. E. Drefflein, seaman, who was reported thrown from the conning tower of the submarine when attempting to escape. The other missing man, Frank O. Shalepp, was believed to have been trapped inside the R-6.

London Taking Up Problems of Jobless

London, Sept. 28.—Various proposals for relieving the unemployment situation in Great Britain were discussed by a committee of the British cabinet Tuesday. A plan to revive home and export trade by the extension of credits was one of the matters taken up by the committee during the day.

Foreign minister Lloyd George plans to consult a number of leaders in commerce and industry at Gairloch Friday and will probably hear he views them of union leaders.

JOBLESS MEET ADVANCED TO OCTOBER 30

Committees Speed Up and Announce They Will Be Ready Soon.

Questions of Public Employment Agencies Taken Up by Meeting.

Washington, Sept. 28.—The date for reconvening the general unemployment conference for consideration of emergency relief measures was advanced Wednesday from October 5 to September 30.

Progress of the national conference on unemployment indicated prospects for completion of an emergency relief program earlier than had been anticipated. The conference adjourned on Monday until October 5, when it is to receive reports from its sub-committees but conferees say that the work of preparing the reports was being completed so rapidly that it was believed most of them would be ready by the end of this week, and the conference was able to consider a general emergency program.

The question of public employment agencies was taken up Wednesday at the conference's open hearings. R. H. Phelps, director of labor statistics of the Massachusetts department, said the cost of placing a worker through the Massachusetts agency was \$1.35, as against an average charge of \$14 by a private employment agency. He said it was desirable at this time that employment service should be furnished without charge with local authorities in direct contact with the workers, supervised by state and federal employment authorities.

John Hilder of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, declared that the majority of the members of a recent referendum vote, went on record in favor of a federal employment system to work in co-operation with state and local agencies.

PREDICT WORK FOR ALL IN FUTURE

New York, Sept. 28.—The speedy recovery of prosperity with plenty of work for all, was predicted Wednesday by two notable figures in industrial and mercantile circles, Charles E. Bedford, president of the Vacuum Oil company, and John Wanamaker, merchant.

"Business revival week," said Mr. Wanamaker, "I think will be expanded into a business revival of years' duration. I have more faith in America today and more expectation for the future than at any time in my 60 years as a merchant."

"Instead of worrying over advertising we are enlarging it. Instead of standing pat on our stores as they have been we are refitting, re-arranging, re-building and improving them. We do this to give employment to large bodies of merchants and others day and night."

In Mr. Bedford's view conditions will be restored to normal by spring, barring unforeseen developments.

"The business of this company," he said, "has been increasing right along for some time, and we have been employing more men steadily."

Explorers of North at Wrangell Island

New York, Sept. 28.—An advance party of Vilhjalmur Stefansson's fifth expedition into the Arctic has arrived at Wrangell island, where it will "dig in" for the winter. Mr. Stefansson announced Wednesday on receipt of a relayed telegram from Alan Crawford of Toronto, leader of the party.

Mr. Stefansson said the party consisted of four white men and four Eskimos, who sailed from Nome, Alaska, last August. They will be the first white men to spend an entire winter on the island, he added.

They will spend the winter exploring and mapping Wrangell island and will be joined next spring by a larger party, led by Stefansson, which will remain in the Arctic for two or three years.

Mrs. Bergdoll Called to Appear in Court

Philadelphia, Sept. 28.—Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll was ordered by Judge Dickinson to appear in court here Oct. 11 and show cause why she should not give an accounting of all properties held for her son, Grover C. Bergdoll, notorious draft evader.

Judge Dickinson issued the summons upon the request of Major Vincent A. Carroll, counsel for Thomas W. Miller, alien property custodian. The action is one more move in the government's effort to attach the wealthy evader's entire fortune.

Movie Censorship May Be Taken Up at Special Session

Sacramento, Calif., Sept. 28.—An appeal to Governor Stephens to include in his call for a special session of the legislature the subject of censorship of motion pictures is made in a letter received at the governor's office Wednesday from Assemblyman Chester M. Kline of Riverside county.

While an attempt to pass a censorship bill failed at the regular session of the legislature, Kline declares that recent developments have focused the attention of the state and nation on the motion picture industry. It is his opinion the time is ripe for legislation in this matter.

DRUGGISTS ELECT

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 28.—F. C. Grov, of Jacksonville, Fla., was chosen president of the National Association of Wholesale Druggists by the annual convention.

Colorado Springs was selected for next year's convention.

DIES ON WAY TO COURT

Chicago, Sept. 28.—Held to the federal grand jury with her husband and a patrolman on charges of extortion, conspiracy and violation of the prohibition act, Mrs. Rose Allen dropped dead in the federal building here Wednesday. Her husband attributed her death to heart disease.

ASK MODIFICATION

Baton Rouge, La., Sept. 28.—The senate Wednesday passed a resolution petitioning congress to modify the Volstead act to permit the sale of light wines and beers. The vote was 20 to 13.

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WEATHER Reported for The Tribune by the U. S. Weather Bureau at Helena. Observations taken at 6 p. m., Sept. 28, for Preceding 24 Hours. High Low Pre. Great Falls ... 70 40 0.05 Calgary ... 60 30 0 Chicago ... 78 60 0 Havana ... 82 64 0.20 Havre ... 66 45 0.01 Kallispell ... 58 50 0 Miles City ... 80 62 0 St. Paul ... 80 48 0 Seattle ... 90 48 0 Williston ... 66 48 0 Los Angeles ... 88 66 0 Spokane ... 62 46 0 Portland ... 62 46 0 San Francisco ... 94 64 0 Weather Conditions—Pacific Slope: Northwest and Canadian Northwest Tuesday night's western Canada storm has reached Montana, extending from that province and Minnesota southward over the great plains and upper Mississippi valley, influenced by a strong high pressure area behind it, a sharp fall in temperatures has occurred. In the northern states, westward to Idaho, which states were also swept by strong northwesterly winds. Rain fell along the international line from Manitoba to the main range of the Rockies. Montana Forecast: Fair Thursday and Friday; rising temperature Friday.