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# JOHNSTON GIVEN ONE YEAR IN JAIL; MRS. NOTT GETS LIFE SENTENCE

## CHANCELLOR SPREADS DRASTIC PROGRAM BEFORE GERMANS

### Drafted to Set Country In Order to Meet Indemnity—Will Float No Loans But Germany Will Pay As She Goes.

Berlin, June 2—The most drastic programme under which any modern nation has ever lived was spread out before the German people today to set the country in order to meet the indemnity due the Allies. Chancellor Wirth who addressed the Reichstag on the subject Wednesday announcing the new financial policy, summed up Germany's needs in the following four phrases:

- Intensive industry.
- Intensive agriculture.
- Maximum efficiency.
- Unprecedented economy.

Germany will not attempt to float any loans but will pay as she goes.

"In summarizing our new program there are three points upon which we must concentrate our endeavors. Understanding, reconstruction and reconciliation," said the chancellor. "We purpose to tax stock speculation and to carry out in full the present tax laws. The indirect taxes on luxuries are to be increased and the printing of more paper marks in great amounts will be prevented. Caution is necessary. We must avoid adding reparations profiteers to the war profiteers. There must be greater production and thrift must be encouraged. There must be more efficiency in agriculture. Motor tractors must supplant horses on the farm. Cultivation of agricultural areas must be intensive. We must tax coal and domestic sales. It is impossible to make new loans so we must meet our yearly budget by paying as we go."

It is impossible to reimburse German exporters for the whole tax of 20 per cent. levied by the allied indemnity ultimatum, so the Germans must take advantage of the mark value in exchange. The chancellor pointed out.

(Chancellor Wirth said that Germany is at present carrying out the disarmament demands of the allies, to the letter.)

### TWO DRUNKS IN COURT.

Arrested late last night, Andrew Havrilla, of 565 Bostwick avenue, and Bernard O'Hara, of Worcester, Mass., were arraigned in the City court today, charged with drunkenness. O'Hara was fined \$5 and costs, and judgment was suspended in the case of Havrilla.

## Four Revenue Bills To Provide Radical Changes

Washington, June 2—Four revenue bills which would provide radical changes in the present taxation system were introduced in the House today by Rep. Keiser, Rep. Pinkney.

"These four bills," said Keiser, "will relieve producing business of \$1,730,000,000 annually and the people of from 3 to 5 times this amount in inflated living costs."

With his bills, Keiser presented a detailed estimate purporting to show that the revenue raised under the changes, would provide sufficient funds to meet the budget and in addition provide a sinking fund which would pay off the national debt in thirty years.

The first bill would repeal all existing transportation and sales taxes except those on tobacco, spirituous, oleomargarine, drugs and products of child labor. It would also repeal the excess profits tax and the 10 per cent. income tax on corporations.

The second bill would amend the income tax law so as to distinguish between earned and unearned income. The tax on earned income is cut in two. Earned income is defined as income derived from personal service or personally conducted business while "unearned" income is defined as income derived from property interest on mortgages, notes dividends on stock and from any source other than the labor, skill or business personally conducted of the person receiving the income.

The third bill amends the inheritance tax, beginning with estates of \$20,000 to \$35,000, there would be a tax of one per cent. graduated up to 6 per cent. on inheritances between \$150,000 and \$250,000. The taxes then graduate upward until the point of \$1,000,000 is reached after which the tax would be 50 per cent.

The fourth bill would put a tax of one per cent. on land values in excess of \$10,000, exempting buildings, improvements.

The bill aims to tax monopoly holders of natural resources and holding in land not in use. Ninety-eight per cent. of all actual working farmers would be exempt under the bill, Keiser estimated.

All of the bills, Keiser said, have the backing of the committee of manufacturers and merchants on federal taxation.

## FRIENDLY SUIT AGAINST HEIRS OF DR. MARTIN

An action has been commenced in the Superior court by the City National bank as administrator, on the estate of the late Dr. Thomas F. Martin against Edith Wren, Marguerite Hurley and Albert V. Martin, children of Dr. Martin, and against Thomas Morrissey. The suit is a friendly one and is brought for the purpose of having the court determine how the estate shall be distributed in view of certain contradictory and conflicting documents left by the deceased, Dr. Martin.

His estate consists almost entirely of mortgages upon various pieces of real estate throughout the city. At different times he made assignments of these mortgages to Thomas Morrissey as trustee. Mr. Morrissey then reassigned the mortgages to the three children of Dr. Martin. These papers were never put upon record and were left with Judge Kelsey.

In 915 Dr. Martin made a will leaving one-third of his estate to each of his daughters and the remaining one-third to the City National bank. (Continued on Page Two.)

## FORFEITED \$50 BONDS

Larry Anny, of 641 Harral avenue, was charged with having liquor in his saloon at 629 Harral avenue, forfeited \$50 bonds in the City court today.

## TWO ARRESTED FOR PEDDLING NARCOTIC DRUGS

Recent activity of the police against drug peddlers was resumed again last night, and Leonard Capozzia, proprietor of a poolroom and tonic drug store, 487 Madison avenue, and William P. Welch, of the Astor hotel were arrested on charges of selling narcotics. A quantity of drugs valued at \$150 was taken from Welch, and \$10 worth was discovered in Capozzia's establishment. Both men are now being held under \$1,000 bonds for trial in the City court Saturday morning.

Capozzia, who has been arrested four times for various offenses, was taken to custody at 7:40 o'clock last night by Patrolmen McFadden and Broley of the Bureau of Investigation. Ten minutes later, Welch was apprehended by Broley and Patrolman Auger. Bonds were fixed at \$2,000 for each man last night, but were reduced when the cases were called in the City court today.

During the past two months, five persons have been arrested by the police in an effort to stamp out the narcotic drug business in this city. No great quantities of "dope" have been seized, and the police have reached the conclusion that the peddlers secure small supplies from outside sources.

### ASKS \$2,000 DAMAGES.

The Morris Metal Products company, Bridgeport, has been made defendant in a suit brought by Daniel F. Mahaney, also Bridgeport, who asks damages of \$2,000 and the foreclosure of a lien on a forge shop on Hollister avenue. Materials and services furnished are claimed by the plaintiff for a certain cupola charging work for a forge shop. The work was to cost \$3,325.58, of which sum \$1,018.58 has been paid. The action is in Superior court.

## Tulsa Quiets Down

### Martial Law Continues In Effect But No Disorder is Apparent—Damage Tremendous.

Tulsa, Okla., June 2—Business was resumed as usual today, following a night of quiet. The militia still paced the streets and martial law continued in effect, but there was no disorder and stores and business places which were barred and bolted yesterday opened and people appeared on the streets as though Tulsa's day of terror had never happened.

There were no further outbreaks of the race riot which raged unchecked during the morning hours yesterday and which was only put down by the arrival of the National Guard from outside cities.

State troops acting under the direction of Adjutant General Charles F. Barrett patrolled the entire city during the night. Pedestrians without passes and motor cars except official vehicles were barred from the streets between midnight and 5 this morning.

All street car service was discontinued throughout the night which was closed early as were a majority of drug stores, soda fountains and cafes. A check up this morning showed 10 white men to be dead and six of 35 wounded in hospitals to be in a critical condition. The bodies of 15 negroes were held in various morgues. Other bodies were brought to the morgues this morning from the ruins of the "Black Belt" where they had lain untouched since yesterday morning. Over 70 wounded negroes are reported in hospitals to-day and more than 50 are not expected to live for 24 hours.

The cordon of troops thrown around the desolate region which was once "Little Africa," perhaps the most concentrated and wealthy negro settlement in the southwest before it was leveled to the ground, yesterday morning, by the white invaders, continued to do picket duty today.

Adjutant General Barrett today considered the advisability of pitching semi-permanent tents in the negro district as soon as the wreckage can be cleared up, to serve as homes for the negroes now herded in Convention hall and other buildings, and quartered at the baseball park.

More than 3,000 of these negroes taken prisoner yesterday were being fed by relief agencies headed by the Red Cross today. During the night and today their numbers continued to increase as little bands of fugitives learning all danger was past, began to straggle back into the city. Their meals were served at the fair grounds.

### WILL HEAR 150 CANDIDATES.

Examiner Daniel Mahoney will take up the examination of applicants for citizenship in Naturalization court today before Judge John E. Keeler. Examiner Allen F. Charters has been called away by death in his family. About 150 candidates are scheduled for hearing today. Tomorrow the present session will close.

## Developments In Trolley Situation Are Looked For

Rumblings and rumors from many quarters make it seem probable that there will be developments of interest in matters pertaining to the Connecticut company, and the riding public, before many more weeks have passed. The present agreement between the company and the city, which expires on June 1, last year it was a number of weeks after the old agreement had passed out of existence before the matter was peacefully settled, the men taking a 10 per cent. increase, which was not all that they wanted, but wiser heads prevailed.

If reports emanating from Hartford are correct, another raise is sought, but with the present conditions of the company and the country in general the men seem likely to be disappointed. However, it is said that the middle ground this year will be the present scale.

In the meantime a small army of checkers, not all familiar faces on the local division, are doing duty in various parts of the city, apparently trying to get an accurate line on just how many pickles worth the jitneys are getting. With operating expenses somewhat diminished due to a drop in coal, one-man cars, a possible reduction to the men, rumors have gained considerable ground that the Connecticut Company is endeavoring to figure out if it would be possible to operate at a profit on a five or six cent fare, providing they had all the riding public as they did before the advent of the jitney.

This is denied, as it is to be expected, by Manager Foster of the Bridgeport lines. The theory still sticks in many minds and the jitney men also have a hunch or premonition that something is in the air, especially after hearing of such action being taken in Indianapolis, Ind., and other places, where the situation is like that in Bridgeport.

At the Indiana capital the trolleys came back to the old five cent fare with old fare limits with the proviso that the jitneys were to be eliminated within 60 days. The new jitney laws to go in force here late in July will materially reduce the number of jitneys in operation unless some relief is found by counsel for the jitney men before that time.

## THE DEADLY PARALLEL

The following item will be of interest to Bridgeport's taxpayers. It speaks for itself:

Recently the Stratford Board of Education bought 750 tons of coal at \$13 per ton, delivered, from Vincent Brothers' Coal company.

Recently the Bridgeport Board of Education bought 3,500 tons of coal at \$13.20 per ton, from the Sprague Ice and Coal company.

## IS BRIDGEPORT THE BOOB?

### Advance Of British Troops In Silesia Has Been Halted

Berlin, June 2—The advance of the British troops in Silesia has been halted owing to conflicting opinions over the measures to be pursued in cleaning up the disputed territory, said an Oppeln dispatch to the Morning Post today. The dispatch follows:

"The French are protesting against the British cleaning up Upper Silesia and are demanding the creation of a neutral zone. In the meantime the British advance has halted. The British demand the retention of the German Free corps (volunteers) to protect the flanks from the Polish insurgents. The French insist upon the disarmament of the Germans." Oppeln, June 2.—(By the A. P.)—French soldiers forming the garrison of Beuthen, in southeastern Silesia, have been attacked by forces organized by the German inhabitants of the town. Reports state the Germans in the fighting numbered 3,000. The French have used tanks in charging on the Germans, and are said to have gained the upper hand in the battle. There have been many German casualties, it is reported, and the French have not suffered losses.

The situation is complicated by the presence of Polish insurgents' forces around the city. The Poles began a fight with Germans in the outskirts of the town on Sunday, and when the French were attacked, the Poles rushed to their assistance. Reports are not entirely clear, but it would appear that the French commander refused the proffered aid, as it is said the Poles are holding the Poles from entering the town.

Paris, June 2—The foreign office today issued a denial of the reports from New Haven, Conn., that the railroad, head of the interrelated commission there had been recalled.

## England May Abandon Policy Of Irish Reprisals

### EXPECT STAPLETON ESTATE TO AMOUNT TO OVER \$100,000

That the estate of the late George Stapleton, 23 Washington avenue, well known truckman in Bridgeport for many years, will total over \$100,000 is evident in papers filed in Probate court yesterday at which time an application was filed, asking that an administrator be appointed. Mrs. Mary L. Hewitt, his only daughter, is the beneficiary of the entire estate.

## FIVE SELECTED TO COMPETE FOR BARNUM PRIZES

Five candidates have been selected to compete for the Barnum prizes to be judged on Thursday evening, June 23rd, at the graduating exercises of the Bridgeport High school in its auditorium.

Those whose essays won honorable place in this annual competition were: Miss Marion Berland, who used as her subject, "Children in Literature." Alexander Greenup, with "Power of Spoken Words," as his topic, Jean Ronald Hopkins, wrote about, "My Friends in Fiction and Life." Mr. Hopkins is also the class poet and author of the class hymn. Miss Thelma Helen Knox used "Should Bridgeport Have a Juvenile Court" as her subject, and Miss Alma S. Rosen wrote on "The Leaders in American Thought."

The first Barnum prize to be awarded will be \$20 and the second \$10. Rev. Alexander Allison, Jr., pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Rev. Joseph Ganley of St. Augustine's parish and Miss Ruby Barrett, president of the College club, will act as the judges.

### WEATHER

New Haven, June 2—Forecast for New Haven and vicinity: Fair to-night. Friday increasing cloudiness, slightly warmer.

## LETTERS WRITTEN IN COUNTY JAIL PROVED DEFENSE'S UNDOING

### States Attorney Cummings and Attorney Finkelstone Make Clemency Plea for Accomplice—Justice Satisfied With Sentences Passed On Wade and Mrs. Nott—Accused Woman Barely Able to Make Change of Plea in Whisper—Closes in Matron's Arms.



Ethel Hutchins Nott

John Edward Johnston was sentenced to one year in the Fairfield County jail this noon by Judge Maltbie for his part in the murder of George B. Nott. Pleas for clemency by State's Attorney Cummings and Attorney Larry Finkelstone were made. Johnston was arraigned about thirty minutes after the life sentence had been imposed on Mrs. Nott.

He changed his plea of not guilty to first degree murder to guilty to manslaughter. It was accepted by the State, and Attorney Cummings informed the court of the valuable assistance of the youth in the prosecution of the other principals and believing that justice had been fully satisfied in the execution of Elwood Wade and the life imprisonment of Mrs. Nott, he recommended that the court show mercy.

Attorney Finkelstone pleaded for his client, and stated that while the youth had already suffered and been punished, he would be as fair as the state and would ask for nothing beyond the acceptance of the state's recommendation.

Judge Maltbie accepted the plea, and sentenced Johnston to a year in the county jail on North avenue.

Counsel for Mrs. Ethel H. Nott at the opening of court this morning asked the privilege to change the plea of their prisoner to guilty of murder in the second degree. This was after a physician had been summoned in order to make it possible for the accused woman to be brought before Judge William M. Maltbie who immediately sentenced her to spend the "rest of her natural life in State's prison." The woman was barely able to whisper that she wanted to change her plea, and when she managed to get out the words "Guilty in second degree" she completely collapsed and fell over on her left side into the arms of Mrs. Hall, police matron.

And so came to an end the most sensational murder trial in the history of Fairfield county. Robert DeFore, for the defense, stated that after he and attorney Henry E. Shannon had inspected the letters written by Mrs. Nott to Elwood Wade, while they both were confined for the commission of the crime, that they had decided that their previous intentions of fighting the case to the last ditch were futile, and that an acceptance of their plea by the court would be satisfactory.

State's Attorney Homer S. Cummings spoke deliberately and at length, the body of his remarks being to the effect that he had only the law and the Honor of the State in mind, and that because of his personal feeling in the matter he would not like to venture an opinion, but felt that the Judge was the only one qualified to pass upon so momentous a question. He closed by stating that he believed, had the trial proceeded, that he could have produced evidence, with the famous fatal letters and the testimony of John Edward Johnston, also held for the murder, to show that Ethel H. Nott was equally guilty with Wade in the actual killing of her husband on August 29, last.

Judge William M. Maltbie spoke with a great deal of caution, and with a very deep consideration for all the points involved. He stated that any opinion he might have had early in the trial of faking up on the part of Mrs. Nott as to her physical condition, had been changed and that now he thoroughly believed that she was a broken woman, bordering upon complete collapse, and that to go on would in his opinion be futile, for he believed that before the case could ever be completed that she would

## NORWALK HAS \$20,000 FIRE

Norwalk, June 2—Fire which for a time endangered the homes of wealthy residents of the Silvermine district, destroyed two large barns, a horse and a number of smaller buildings, with an estimated loss of from \$15,000 to \$20,000 early today. Firemen were summoned from New Canaan, Stamford and Darien and their united efforts saved the threatened residences. The fire started on the John Dorman place in an barn occupied by Frank La Briggs, the caretaker. The fire is supposed to have started from an electric iron used by Mrs. La Briggs. The barn was completely destroyed and the barn on the Tournier estate nearby was also destroyed.

## KING WILL NOT OPEN PARLIAMENT

Belfast, June 2—King George will open the Northern Ireland (later) Parliament on June 21, according to the Belfast News-Letter today.

London, June 2—A report printed in Belfast that King George would open the Ulster Parliament on June 21 was official.

Louis Trippe, of 236 Church street, and Jake Bruno, of 58 Hallam street, were arrested yesterday afternoon for trespassing on railroad property. Both were arraigned in the City court today and judgment was suspended.