

SHEPHERD JAILED; BAIL DENIED; MORE BODIES TO BE EXHUMED

Prairie Fires Sweeping Wide Section in Middle West

HUGE PRAIRIE FIRES RAGING MIDDLE WEST

Hundreds of Acres of Land Are Swept Over — Sky Red with Reflection.

BULLETIN—OMAHA, March 26.—A dispatch to the Omaha World-Herald late this afternoon said every citizen of Gregory, South Dakota, joined in a bucket and dirt brigade and have saved the town, 30 miles east of the Rosebud Reservation, after a hard fight.

SHEEP ARE DESTROYED. MANDAN, S. Dak., March 26.—Five farmhouses near Selfridge, 200 sheep and much hay have been destroyed in a prairie fire sweeping toward the Black Hills before a stiff wind. One man is reported killed near Walker, South Dakota, fighting the flames.

CITIZENS DESERT TOWN. MILES CITY, Montana, March 26.—The entire population of Wakdale, South Dakota, have deserted the town to fight a prairie fire at the Standing Rock Indian Reservation according to word received by the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul officials here. The fire is near where Sitting Bull is buried.

FLAMES REFLECTED IN SKY. VALENTINE, S. Dak., March 26.—The northern sky has a red reflection of flames. The wind last

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HECKMAN URGES HATCHERY WORK AS VITAL NEED

In Strong Statement Before Fish Committee Says Propagation Success.

Declaring that the pond-rearing method now used in Territorial salmon propagation is successful and undoubtedly practical from a commercial standpoint, J. R. Heckman, Vice-Chairman and executive member of the Alaska Fish Commission, told members of the Fisheries Committee of both the House and Senate yesterday afternoon that it was vital that this work be continued. He was before the committees in joint session, for about one hour.

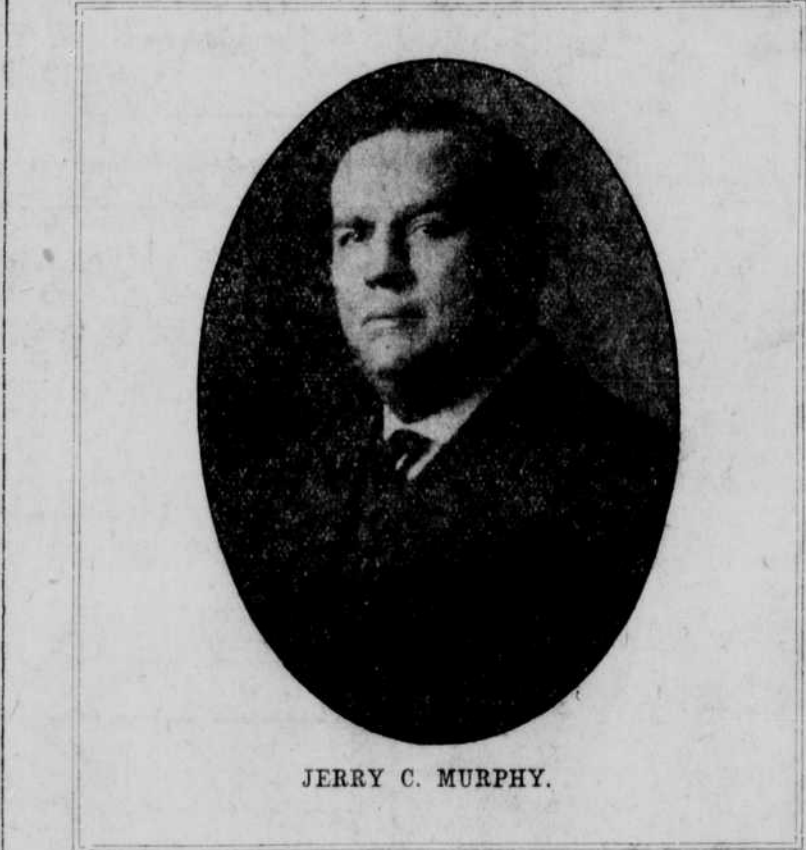
Mr. Heckman appeared before the committees in response to a resolution passed by the House directing that he and other members of the Commission, come here to testify regarding the hatchery work carried on by the Commission. He was preceded by Edwin Wentworth, Superintendent of hatcheries, who appeared in the committee hearing yesterday. Their attendance was required by

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Air Route Over North Pole Arouses Interest in Japan

BERLIN, March 26.—Germany, the Scandinavian countries and Japan, all are showing interest in a proposal to operate an air route over the North Pole area from the coast of Russia to Alaska. The idea is not particularly new, but it has been revived recently because of the improvements, of late years, in airship construction. It is understood that Dr. Fridtjof Nansen has offered to lead such an enterprise, under international support.

An airship a little larger than the Los Angeles is contemplated for the run. May is regarded as the best



JERRY C. MURPHY.

BOTH BRANCHES OF LEGISLATURE PASS ON BILLS

Senate Approves Six Measures — House Considers Three, Second Reading.

The legislative grist mills of both Houses spent a busy morning today, the Senate passing six measures and the House considering three bills in second reading and passing one resolution. The last document empowers the presiding officers of both branches to appoint committees to make the biennial Legislative inspection of the Pioneers' Home at Sitka.

Four measures carrying appropriations ranging from \$105 to \$17,200 were favorably reported by House committees today and will be considered in second reading tomorrow. The Ways and Means Committee recommended the passage of Sherman's bill providing an appropriation of \$19,000 to supplement current funds for old age allowances, and another measure carrying \$105 for relief of Nathan P. White for services in search for John O. Parker, in 1918. With one member, Paul, not concurring, the same committee recommended the passage of the Seward Peninsula shipping subsidy measure with amendments, carrying \$17,200 to make the act effective. The Committee on Education favorably reported Sherman's bill for \$7,500 for construction of a schoolhouse at Kenai.

Pass Resolution. A concurrent resolution by Moody, Fairbanks, Chairman of the Committee on Territorial Institutions, was unanimously passed under suspended rules, authorizing the appointment of a joint legislative committee to inspect the Sitka Pioneer's

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J. C. MURPHY, WELL KNOWN ALASKAN LAWYER, IS DEAD

Former Attorney - General Found Dead in Bed at Anchorage, Heart Trouble.

Jerry C. Murphy, former Attorney General of Alaska, former resident of Juneau, well known in all mining camps in the Interior in the early days, who has been practicing law here for several years, was found dead in his home in the Anchorage Hotel, in Anchorage, yesterday morning, according to an Associated Press dispatch received by the Empire early last evening. The cause of death is given as heart failure. The dispatch stated Mr. Murphy had been complaining of heart trouble for the past month.

Mr. Murphy was a native of Western New York and about fifty years of age. He lived his early years in Minnesota and the Dakotas, practicing law when a young man for several years in North Dakota. He came north in the early days of the gold rush to the Interior, and followed mining and prospecting for several years. He practiced law at Ruby and for a time was a law partner of Senator John W. Dunn at that place. When Anchorage became the headquarters of the Alaska Railroad, Mr. Murphy opened a law

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TACNA-ARICA IS SCENE OF "ATROCITIES"

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Chilean authorities in Tacna-Arica and Taraka are charged with committing "atrocities" on Peruvian inhabitants in provinces after the delivery of the Coolidge award, according to published dispatches. The Peruvian Embassy charges the Chilean forces intended to sack and fire Taraka before evacuation under the award and have already started a reign of terror and atrocities of all kinds are reported from Tacna-Arica.

Murderer Sought for 4 Years, Is Under Arrest

TACOMA, Wash., March 26.—A four year national search for the murderer of Harry E. Hallen ended last night in the arrest of Gino Spadoni, a laborer, of San Francisco, when a small arsenal of weapons and explosives was discovered by the police.

ADMINISTRATION GIVEN SCORING BY REPUBLICAN

New York Representative Talks About Double-Crossing of People.

NEW YORK, March 26.—F. H. LaGuardia, Republican Representative from New York, said, in an address in a local theatre last night, that there was "perfect teamwork" between President Coolidge and the administration leaders in the last session of Congress which "seems to be a new method of double-crossing the American people. Vice-President Dawes has yet to learn his ABC's in parliamentary procedure.

LaGuardia said: "The President is safe in promising legislation such as relief for farmers, cooperative marketing, Civil Service pension law, reform of the Prohibition Department, reduction of armament and rent regulation while his leaders in Congress are under orders to kill every one of the measures. I expect little or no changes in the rules of the Senate."

Representative LaGuardia said there would be a reduction in taxes but not a like reduction in "high surtaxes Mellon promises his fellow millionaires."

Don't Eat Garlic If You Don't Want Garlic Odor, Breath

WASHINGTON, March 26.—Department of Agriculture scientists, after a long study to determine the way to eliminate the odor of garlic from the breath have agreed that the only way is not to eat garlic. The scientists also agreed that the only way for farmers to get rid of the garlic flavor in the milk of their cows, is to keep the weed away so the cows cannot eat it.

DOUBTS SUCCESS FOR CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT

WASHINGTON, March 26.—United States Senator William E. Borah declared, after a conference with President Coolidge, he favored calling a second arms conference but doubted if it will be successful. He said Russia holds the key to world disarmament and Russia is not expected to enter any agreement without diplomatic recognition by the United States.

ALAMEDA HAS 18 FOR HERE

SEATTLE, March 26.—Steamer Alameda sailed for Southeastern Alaskan ports at 9 o'clock this morning with 75 passengers aboard, the following for Juneau: H. L. Yshi, J. L. Carlson and wife, Jean Carlson, Katherine Carlson, C. W. Felch, Dan E. Standard, Frank Cox, Mrs. L. Ahrenstad, Mrs. J. Jaeger, H. Winson, B. Windson, G. A. Nelson, L. Hamilton and four steerage.

Finds Daughter He Thought He Had Buried

WEST FRANKFORT, Ill., March 26.—Jerry Sullivan who last Monday buried the body which he identified at the morgue as that of his two-year-old baby, killed in the tornado, found the child alive yesterday at the hospital.

Orders Residents Of British Columbia To Be Vaccinated

VICTORIA, B. C., March 26.—The Provincial Board of Health, following the order effective on March 17 that persons entering the United States from Vancouver must be vaccinated, has ordered everybody in British Columbia to be vaccinated. This is the result of smallpox reported in Vancouver.

CROSS CARIBOU WITH REINDEER

Experiments to Be Carried on in Alaska During the Coming Summer.

SEATTLE, March 26.—Breeding experiments intended to double the weight of the Alaska reindeer by crossing them with woodland caribou will be conducted on Nunivak Island and Fairbanks during the coming summer said L. P. Palmer, head of the Biological Survey at Nome. He is here enroute north from Washington where he prepared a pamphlet on the reindeer industry.

The plan of the cross-breeding is to increase the weight of the reindeer from 150 to 300 pounds. Fifteen caribou bulls will be taken from Korines down the Yukon to Nunivak Island where a small herd of reindeer will be used in cross-breeding.

Palmer declared another problem to study is lichens, reindeer moss, the main food of the deer in the winter. He said it takes from 15 to 30 years for a new growth and plans to discover a method to hasten the growth or find a substitute food.

The Biological Survey station at Nome will be moved to Fairbanks and connected with the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines there.

Air Mail Line For Alaska Towns Promoted

SEATTLE, March 26.—The Chamber of Commerce has been informed by the National Aeronautical Association that an air mail route line to all Alaska coast cities, with Seattle, has been promoted.

SEA MURDER CASE OPENED

Hi-Jacking Case and Double Murder Tragedy Testimony Is Presented.

VICTORIA, B. C., March 26.—Albert Claussen, of Seattle, owner of the rum runner Dolphin, was a witness yesterday at the opening of the trial of Owen B. Baker and Harry F. Sowash, alleged murderers of Capt. William G. Gillis and his son William, on the gasoline launch Beryl G in a hi-jacking raid on September 15 in British Columbia waters near the American boundary.

Claussen testified he made 950 dollars three trips to Darcy Island with Baker and Sowash about the time of the tragedy. He said Baker, referring to hi-jacking of the Beryl G, told him: "I took the whiskey from the old man and the boy."

Claussen testified Baker told him the Gillises were landed on Halbut Island, which is barren, without a rowboat, and then the Beryl G was set afloat.

At Oil Trial



HARRY F. SINCLAIR

This is the latest photograph of Harry F. Sinclair, New York City oil magnate and sportsman, snapped in Cheyenne, Wyo., where he appeared at the hearing of the Government's suit to annul his leases on the Teapot Dome Naval oil reserves.

GOVERNMENT'S CHARGE, LEASE CASE ANSWERED

Defense Announces Does Not Propose to Put Sinclair Upon Stand.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., March 26.—George P. Hoover, defense counsel in the Teapot Dome oil lease cancellation case, answering the Government's charge on silence regarding exchange of bonds between Albert B. Fall and Harry F. Sinclair said late yesterday:

"We do not propose to put Sinclair on the witness stand and have him shot at."

The defense's case was closed with arguments of Martin W. Littleton who attacked the contentions of the Government that fraud was used in connection with the turning of the Teapot Dome lease over to Sinclair and the Mammoth Oil Company by Fall.

Defense Indicating in Jazz Girl's Murder Case

SAN FRANCISCO, March 26.—Examining Mrs. Julia Ott for the jury, the defense counsel asked her if she would be prejudiced against a verdict in favor of Dorothy Ellingson, if shown the girl did not shoot her mother but assumed the guilt to shield somebody.

Dorothy did not show a flicker of interest in this suggestion to the possible contention she did not kill her mother but slumped into a faint as she left the court room at the noon recess today and she was carried into an anteroom unconscious.

WIDE RANGE COVERED BY PROGRAM OFFERED FOR WOMEN'S LEAGUE

RICHMOND, Va., March 26.—The proposed program of work for the National League of Women Voters carries as one of its principal recommendations the outlawry of war and its abolition as a legalized institution. It will be submitted to the annual convention here April 16-22.

The tentative program, a comprehensive outline covering all phases of the league's activities, is now being sent out for consideration and discussion by state and local leagues. It includes two new federal recommendations, the first being "support of resolutions permitting United States official representation in the

SHEPHERD IS DENIED BAIL POISON CASE

Heir to Estate of "Millionaire Orphan" Is Sent to Chicago Jail.

MORE REVELATIONS ARE NOW EXPECTED

Coroner Orders Exhumation of Bodies of Mrs. McClintock and Dr. Olson.

CHICAGO, March 26.—William D. Shepherd, heir to the estate of William N. McClintock, known as the "millionaire orphan," has been denied his liberty on bail as the result of the hearing which started on Monday.

Judge Jacob Hopkins, Chief Justice of the Criminal Court said: "This is a murder case, or nothing, and by no process could it degenerate into a manslaughter case." Shepherd was taken to jail and he said:

"Well boys, I lost out. I guess I'll be with you a long time."

Last week the grand jury returned indictments against Shepherd and Dr. C. C. Faiman, of the National University of Science, alleging they caused the death of McClintock by the administering of typhoid germs, poison, etc.

Other suspicious deaths are now being investigated, and these are reported to also involve Shepherd.

William Scott Stewart, noted criminal lawyer representing Shepherd, attacked the validity of the indictment and sought to secure his client's release on bail.

Today the coroner announced he would order the bodies of Mrs. Emma Nelson McClintock and Dr. Oscar Olson to be exhumed.

Mrs. McClintock, mother of William N. McClintock, died 16 years ago. Dr. Olson died three years ago.

BUREAU MEN UNDER ARREST

WASHINGTON, March 26.—Announcement of the arrest of Frederick Sutherland, auditor of the Bureau of Internal Revenue, several days ago, was announced today following the capture last night, in Milford, Conn., of John F. McCarron and James J. Clifford said to have resigned from the Bureau and started out as tax reducers.

Joseph D. Brady, lawyer for the New Haven Railroad, caused the arrests. He said he had received an offer to have the railroad taxes halved. Investigators said the efforts of the three men had defrauded the government of large sums, books of the Bureau being so changed as to eliminate indebtedness of concerns accepting proposals.

disarmament conference when called by the League of Nations. The second calls for "support of measures designed to make effective the Permanent Court of International Justice and providing for the codification of international law"; also measures designed for the outlawry of war and its abolition as a legalized institution. Appointment of women to positions in the national, state and local governments this year is supplemented by the plea for the placement on commissions "and other bodies having international representation."

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