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SPENCER ON TRIAL AT ASHLAND, O.

JURY IS SWORN AT 11:30 A. M. AND ADJOURNMENT TAKEN UNTIL 1:30 P. M.; FIVE WOMEN JURORS

County Prosecutor Paul M. Ashbaugh is Assisted By L. C. Stillwell Of Mt. Vernon; Spencer is Represented By Judge Walter Meals And Mr. Hyde Of Cleveland; Judge Graven Of Ashland is Sitting In The Case; Stillwell's Automobile Goes Over In The Ditch.

(By Edgar Koehl)

ASHLAND, O., Nov. 13—(Special to The Daily Banner)—F. D. Spencer, former secretary and once president of the Knox Tire and Rubber Company of Mt. Vernon, was placed on trial here this morning, before Judge J. Homer Graven, charged with embezzlement.

The case was transferred here from Knox county on a change of venue.

The jury was empaneled at 11:30 a. m. and immediately sworn and an adjournment was taken until 1:30 this afternoon.

Spencer appeared in court shortly before 9 o'clock this morning accompanied by his attorneys, Judge Walter Meals and William Hyde of Cleveland. The Knox county prosecutor, Paul M. Ashbaugh, is being assisted in the prosecution by Attorney L. C. Stillwell of Mt. Vernon.

Case Is Called

The case was called promptly at 9 o'clock by Judge J. Homer Graven. The indictment was read by the clerk of courts of Ashland county. The indictment charges embezzlement.

Just two hours was spent in obtaining a jury. One peremptory challenge was used by the state, while two were excused for cause by the state.

One juror was excused for cause by the defense.

Were Stockholders

The four jurors excused were stockholders or had some knowledge regarding the sale of stock for the Ashland Rubber company.

Other jurors took the place of those excused and the jury was finally empaneled and sworn just at 11:30 this morning.

Whereupon Judge Graven ordered an adjournment until 1:30 this afternoon.

Considerable Interest

There appears to be considerable interest in the case manifested by Ashland county people for quite a number of spectators were in the common pleas court room this morning when the case started.

Five Women Jurors

The jury as sworn consists of seven men and five women. The men are all farmers and the women wives of farmers. They were chosen from the regular jurors who have been serving at the September term of the Ashland county court.

Case Is Stated

At 1:30 Monday afternoon, Prosecutor Ashbaugh stated the case for the state, showing that there were 200 counts in the indictment against Spencer alleging embezzlement and the prosecutor stated that the testimony would show that Spencer appropriated funds of the company to his own use.

Judge Meals of Cleveland presented the case for the defense. He said that the evidence would show that Spencer had a contract with the board of directors and that he had a right to draw the money.

A lively tilt occurred between Judge Meals and Attorney Stillwell when Judge Meals was presenting his statement for the defense. This soon was ironed out, and the case proceeded.

At 3 p. m. court took a short recess and the first witness for the state will be called about 3:15.

May Take Four Days

Judge Graven stated to the writer this afternoon that the case probably will consume four days in the Ashland county court.

The Jurors

The jurors in the Spencer case are: Charles Nelson

STILLWELL AUTOMOBILE TURNS OVER ENROUTE TO ASHLAND THIS MORNING

Accident Occurs Between Jelloway And Loudonville; No One Injured; Car Is Damaged

ASHLAND, O., Nov. 13—(Special to The Daily Banner)—A Packard touring car owned by Attorney L. C. Stillwell and driven by Mr. Stillwell's son, Wendell W. Stillwell, both of Mt. Vernon, turned over on the "Sand Hill" between Jelloway and Loudonville this morning.

The automobile was badly damaged, although Mr. Stillwell and his son escaped with a few bruises.

Attorney Stillwell and his son were enroute to Ashland to attend the Spencer trial. There had been considerable rain early this morning and the pike was slippery. As the Stillwell automobile was turning a curve in the pike at a moderate rate of speed, it skidded and turned over at the side of the road.

Both Mr. Stillwell and his son were able to proceed to Ashland and Mr. Stillwell is at the counsel table for the state, although extensive repairs must be made to the automobile.

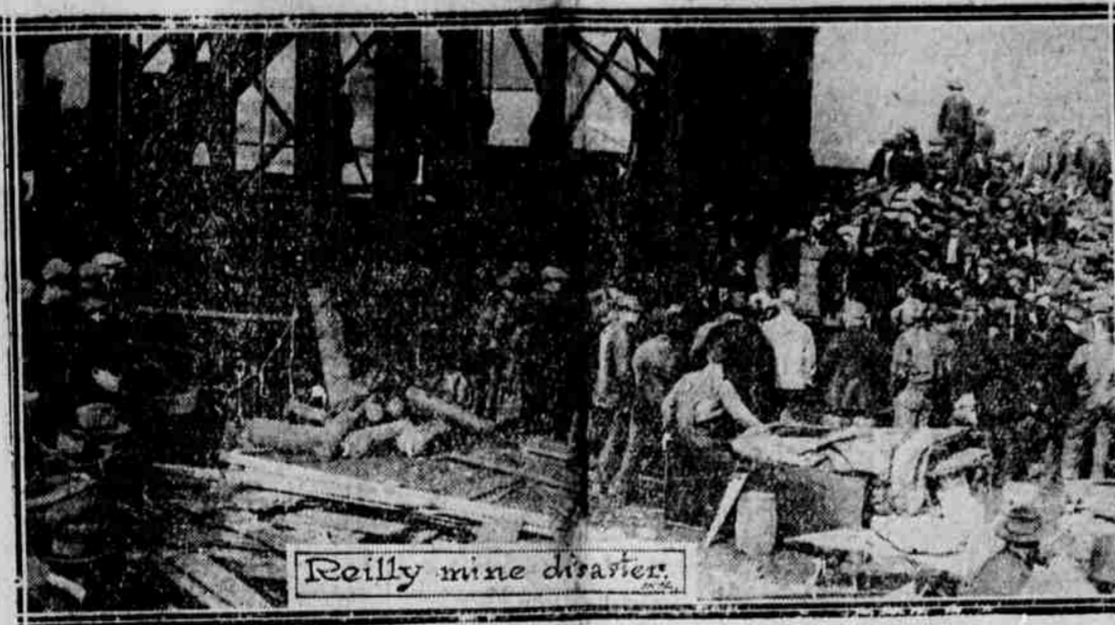
A. H. Huber
Mrs. A. B. Stephens
Wesley Leed
I. D. Drupe
Herbert Cutler
Fannie Smith
Mrs. Leon Stine
Mrs. Arlo Saff
J. C. Walters
W. M. Murphy
Selina Bener.

DEALERS' MARGINS ARE ANNOUNCED

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
COLUMBUS, Nov. 13—State Fuel Administrator Neal today announced revisions of retail coal dealers' margins throughout the state, ranging in decreases from five cents a ton in Lucas county to 45 cents per ton in Mahoning county, and increases of from five cents per ton in Harding county to 72 cents per ton in Jefferson county.

The increases and decreases, Neal said, approximated an average increase of 25 cents a ton in the cities and eight cents in the rural districts. The revision was made, Neal said, after audits of the coal trade had been made by accountants.

MINE DISASTER DEAD NUMBER 80



This photograph shows relatives and friends crowding around the mouth of the Reilly Mine, at Spangler, Pa., where more than eighty men lost their lives in an explosion.

ENGINE BLOWS UP AND FOUR ARE DEAD

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
CORNING, N. Y., Nov. 13—Four men were killed and three injured late last night as the result of the explosion of a locomotive boiler at Moreland, 13 miles from here. The locomotive was one of two attached to a southbound New York Central freight train. The boiler was thrown 400 feet ahead of the train. It landed on the rails and the head engine crashed into it.

BIG FIRE IN THE TEXAS OIL FIELD

Loss Will Reach Several Millions Of Dollars It Is Estimated Today

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
HOUSTON, Texas, Nov. 13—The most disastrous fire in the 21 years' history of the Gulf Coast Oil Co.'s fields is raging in the Humble sector, northeast of Houston.

Three-quarters of a million barrels of oil now are burning and 2,000,000 barrels are in danger. Loss is now estimated at \$1,000,000. During a storm yesterday, a bolt of lightning struck tank No. 21 of the Gulf Pipe Line Co. A column of flame shot skyward 200 feet, followed by a dense cloud of smoke and an explosion that shook Humble towns.

Tank No. 22 caught fire today and is burning. The flames threaten other tanks in the vicinity.

AUTOS STRANDED IN WESTERN TOWNS

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
IOWA CITY, Iowa, Nov. 13—One thousand automobiles which brought spectators to the Iowa-Minnesota game Saturday still were stranded today in West Liberty, Cedar Rapids and Iowa City, and scores were stored in barns or left along roads out of here, because of the rains which have made mud of the highways.

RELIEF IS GIVEN CHILE CITIZENS

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
SANTIAGO, Chile, Nov. 13—Relief forces to aid the thousands made homeless by the earthquake throughout Chile Saturday and Sunday and the flooding waves which followed the shocks were being mobilized today. The death toll will be at least 1,000, it is estimated, and the property loss will run into the millions. Gradual reopening of the telegraph lines to the north is bringing in additional details of the disaster.

Meeting Postponed

The meeting of the Queen Esther society of the M. E. church to be held this evening at the home of Miss Eleanor Hobbs has been postponed indefinitely.

JAPANESE DENIED U. S. CITIZENSHIP

Decision Is Handed Down By The United States Supreme Court Today

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 13—Japanese are not eligible for naturalization in the United States, it was held today by the supreme court.

In its finding, the court disposed of two cases. The lower federal court denied naturalization in both cases, but the Ninth circuit court of appeals suspended decision and asked the supreme court for instruction as to whether the Japanese are eligible for citizenship under the naturalization laws.

The question turned upon whether Section 2169, restricting naturalization to "free white persons" and those of African descent was still in force.

Flying Boat On Fire

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
MT. CLEMENS, Mich., Nov. 13—Hangars and barracks buildings at Selfridge Field, the army aviation post near here, were threatened with destruction by fire last night. The fire originated in one of the hangars, which stretched for more than a mile around the field and was soon beyond control of the Mt. Clemens fire department. A call for aid was sent to Detroit and all apparatus that could be spared from that city was ordered to the field.

SLEEPS IN BUGGY; KILLED

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
NAPOLEON, Nov. 13—Charles Rohrs, 40, was killed by a train on a railroad crossing near Holgate. Rohrs was on his way home and had fallen asleep in his buggy. The buggy was carried for 200 feet and demolished. The horse escaped uninjured.

BAND MAN BADLY HURT

MARION, Nov. 13—Frank Mayfield, 58, was probably fatally injured here last night when struck by a street car during an American Legion Armistice day celebration. Mayfield was playing in a band when the street car struck him and two others who were only slightly injured. Physicians say he suffered a fractured skull.

ARREST FIVE FOR MURDER OF MANY

Moscow Police Arrest Five Men Who Admit Murdering One Hundred Persons

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
MOSCOW, Nov. 13—Five men arrested by the Moscow police have admitted murdering 100 men, women and children, their motive being robbery. In one instance, 18 persons attending a birthday party were killed. At another time an entire family of eight was murdered.

The crimes were committed in various parts of Russia in a period covering more than a year.

SAYS NEW SOLDIER BONUS BILL LIKELY

Legislative Representative of American Legion Issues Statement

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 13—Confidence that a soldiers' bonus bill will be enacted by the new congress when it comes into existence after next March was expressed today by J. T. Taylor, legislative representative of the American Legion, in a statement which declared the electors clearly demonstrated that the sentiment of the country was behind compensation legislation.

The new house by 8 to 1 favors the measure, Mr. Taylor said, and 69 senators will support the legislation, giving bonus proponents a safe margin in the senate over the number needed to override the president's veto.

Charge Germans Sell Fake Smokes To Yanks

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 13—Large tobacco company representatives have reported to government officials the activities of certain German manufacturers in marketing in Germany cigarettes made of European tobacco in wrappers cleverly counterfeiting an American brand with its distinguishing picture, even a counterfeit American revenue stamp is used.

GREAT OIL FIRE REPORTED

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
HOUSTON, Tex., Nov. 13—More than 1,000,000 barrels of oil was doomed last night and indications were that similar amount probably would be consumed in a spectacular fire sweeping the Gulf Production Co. tank farm at Humble. Lightning caused the blaze.

POSTPONEMENT OF LAUSANNE CONFERENCE MAY RESULT IN OUTBREAKS IN CONSTANTINOPLE

VETERAN ACTOR HAS NERVOUS BREAKDOWN

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
CHICAGO, Nov. 13—Frank Bacon, veteran actor and star in "Lightnin'," who last night suffered a breakdown and was forced to abandon his part temporarily, will be taken to his home at Bayside, Long Island or to a winter resort in a few days, it was announced last night.

The 58-year-old actor who has enjoyed a stage career extending over 37 years and who has played the title role in his present play four and one-half years said he expected to be back in the cast when his play goes to Boston late in December.

Turkish Delegates Assume An Air Of Victors At Lausanne

Extremists Are Dominating The Angora Government, It Is Pointed Out

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
LONDON, Nov. 13—Now that the Lausanne conference has been postponed to Nov. 20, the question most urgently asked here today is whether it will be possible to maintain peace in Constantinople in the interim.

All reports coming to London concur in saying that the extremists are dominating the Angora government, which is following a policy of defiance toward the allies and terrorism among the local population. Residents of Constantinople are described as being in a state of extreme alarm, while the position of the allied troops is represented as one which soon may become untenable.

Complete agreement among the allies and a display of unity in the nature of granting full authority to their commanders in Constantinople to cooperate in any emergency, would remove anxiety, it is contended, and guarantee stability during the discussions with the Turks at Lausanne.

TURKISH DELEGATES APPEAR AS VICTORS

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
LAUSANNE, Nov. 13—The delegates of the Turkish Nationalist government have come to Lausanne as victors, and their mood is wholly different from that of the conquered representatives of the sultan, who begged for mercy when the treaty of Sevres was drafted three years ago.

Their leader, Ismet Pasha, boasts of support from the Russian headquarters and alludes to the uncertainty which the new governments in England and Italy have given to the solidarity of the entente.

Delegates of Mustafa Kemal Pasha to the Lausanne conference are confident of being granted their demand that Turkey shall be relieved of the capitulations which are rights granted to foreigners in Turkey. They are also firm and confident in believing that full sovereign rights will come to their government through the conference.

Having beaten the Greeks at arms, the Turks apparently are determined to recover practically all the European territory wrested from them by the world war.

First Man To Land On Plane Carrier Is Hurt

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 13—Lieutenant Commander Godfrey D. Chevalier, first naval aviator to make a landing on the airplane carrier Langley about three weeks ago and one of the senior fliers of the naval air service, crashed at Rock Haven, Va., near Norfolk, early today and was seriously injured.

Reports to the bureau of aeronautics said he was not expected to live. Commander Chevalier figured prominently in the work of navy airmen abroad during the war.

ARMY FLIER IS KILLED

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
ARTFORD, Conn., Nov. 13—Lieutenant John Blaney, army flier from Mitchell Field, Long Island, was instantly killed yesterday at Brainard Municipal Field here while taking part in an airplane relay in the Hartford aviation meet. His plane struck a tree and crashed when about a quarter of a mile from the landing.

BELLAMY STORER IS CALLED BY DEATH

Former Diplomat Of Cincinnati Dies In Paris, France, Last Night

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
CINCINNATI, Nov. 13—Bellamy Storer, attorney and former diplomat of Cincinnati, died in Paris, France, last night, according to a cablegram received in Cincinnati today.

The circumstances surrounding the death of Storer were not stated in the cablegram, but it is known that he had been in ill health for the past year.

Mr. Storer was ambassador to Austria-Hungary from 1902 to 1906. He represented the First Ohio district in the 52nd and 53rd congresses. He was born in Cincinnati Aug. 28, 1847, and was graduated from Harvard university in 1867.

Mr. Storer's wife is an aunt of Nicholas Longworth, and the seat now occupied by him in congress was held by Storer in 1891.

While Storer was ambassador to Austria-Hungary he engaged in a controversy with President Roosevelt over the elevation of the late Archbishop Ireland to a cardinalate, which resulted in the famous "Dear Maria" letter.

SPRINGFIELD HAS A \$50,000 FIRE

Big Blaze Occurs This Morning At The Fairbanks Piano Company

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
SPRINGFIELD, O., Nov. 13—Damage to the extent of \$50,000 resulted at the piano factory of the Fairbanks Co. by fire early this morning. The south wing of the factory, used as a pattern shop, office and stockroom, was completely destroyed. The fire is said to have started from spontaneous combustion.

FOUR PERSONS ARE BURNED TO DEATH

(BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)
AMORY, Miss., Nov. 13—Four persons were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the "Tpa" hotel early today. The fire is said to have started by the explosion of an oil stove. The bodies have been recovered.