

Headton Crude Up 10 Cents Per Barrel; Other Oils Advanced

CLUES DEVELOPED BUT BANDITS ARE STILL AT LARGE

Officers Learn That Taxi-Cab Was Driven to a Spot Near the Scene of the Hold-up.

SEARCH IS BEING PRESSED DILIGENTLY

LOCATION OF POUCHES IS EVIDENCE MOST DESIRED IN TRACING THE ROBBERS AUTHORITIES SAY.

Oklahoma City, Sept. 30.—Federal, county and city officers combined efforts here today in a search for the five mail pouches stolen by six bandits from Santa Fe train No. 5, near Edmond, Wednesday night. The location of the pouches is said by the authorities to be the evidence most desired in tracing the robbers. The search is being pressed diligently.

Officers working on the case say they believe they know who five of the six of the robbers are. All are veteran offenders, they say, one of whom has been under surveillance since his release recently from the federal penitentiary at Atlanta. A new angle developed in the case last night when officers learned that a taxi-cab had been seen to drive to a spot near the scene of the holdup and deposit a black chief passenger who walked up the road toward the track. The six robbers were dressed in black.

Reichstag Ratifies the U. S. Peace Treaty

Berlin, Sept. 30.—The reichstag today passed the bill ratifying the peace treaty with the United States. Only the communists voted against the measure.

The passing by the German reichstag today of the bill ratifying the treaty of peace with the United States completes the legislative process necessary to ratification on the part of Germany. The reichstag, or upper chamber of the German parliament, ratified the treaty on September 17. The treaty is at present before the United States senate for debate, with an effort being made to expedite ratification through an agreement to take a vote on October 14.

Tulsa Women Who Used Lash Plead Not Guilty

Tulsa, Okla., Sept. 30.—Mrs. George Thomas and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Orville Thomas, were arraigned today on charges of assault brought by Mrs. Billie Daley, wife of a former newspaper man who claims that she was whipped by the two accused women. According to Assistant County Attorney W. L. Coffey, the whipping, which occurred on a road while Mrs. Daley was accompanying the two Thomas women on an automobile ride, resulted from alleged relations between George Thomas, husband of one of the women and Mrs. Daley. The two women, when arraigned, pleaded not guilty.

NO DULL MOMENTS AT DINNER OF BUILDERS

There will not be a dull moment at the Ardmore Hotel tonight when builders, contractors, lumber men, real estate dealers and others meet to discuss a general building program for Ardmore. James Barron of the Chamber of Commerce will be chairman of the meeting and will have on hand a number of speakers to handle the various phases of the movement.

It has been pointed out by lumber men and builders that prices are as low now as they will be at any time this year, and there is less building than at any time this year. In the opinion of all this is the time to start a general building program in order to get the city well to the fore during the coming year.

DE VALERA ACCEPTS LAST INVITATION OF BRITISH

London, Sept. 30.—An Exchange telegraph statement this evening says that Eamon de Valera has accepted the invitation of Premier Lloyd George to a conference on the Irish settlement.

Divorce Suit Filed

Jack C. Bell of Ardmore has filed suit for divorce from his wife, Fern Bell, charging desertion and negligence. Mrs. Bell is said to be in Kansas at this time.

Old Man Crimp Greeted Heartily

The smell of moth balls rent the air and there were 'heavies' everywhere. So sang the bard late yesterday and last night upon arrival of the first cold snap of autumn. The temperature dropped to 45 degrees, but from remarks many thought it was colder than that. All last winter's togs which had been stored away in sage and moth balls, from wool socks to heavy coats were in evidence on the streets last night. Even at that, everyone extended a greeting to Old Man Crimp for his short visit.

SOURCE OF LIQUOR AT FATTY'S PARTY TAKES PRECEDENCE

INTEREST IN TRIAL OVERSHADOWED BY INDICATIONS OF GI-GANTIC LIQUOR SMUGGLING RING

San Francisco, Sept. 30.—Preparations for the prosecution of Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Miss Virginia Rappe today were overshadowed at least for a time by the federal investigation into the supply of liquor drunk by the guests at the comedian's hotel St. Francis party. Belief that his investigations had uncovered a gigantic liquor smuggling ring, operating with San Francisco as a base, and which imports liquors of choice brand and quality only from Mexico and Canada, was expressed by federal prohibition Director E. Forrest Mitchell. He is making his inquiry at the instance of Robert H. McCormack, special assistant to the United States Attorney General. Mitchell last night stated that he had a witness who delivered liquor to Arbuckle's suite at the hotel St. Francis. The man's name is being withheld and he is being guarded closely by federal operatives pending his going before a federal grand jury it was stated.

Arbuckle left San Francisco last night for Los Angeles in company with his wife, his mother-in-law and defense attorneys. Arbuckle will remain there, it was announced until summoned to San Francisco for trial on the manslaughter charge.

Imperial Wizard Wants Congress to Look Into Ku Klux Klan Affairs

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 30.—William J. Simmons, head of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, announced today in an official statement that he had transmitted telegrams to all members of congress urging their support of the Tague and Ryan resolutions which proposed a sweeping congressional investigation of the activities of the "Invisible Empire" through the United States.

Colonel Simmons said he wired the congressmen that the Klan would "appreciate the opportunity of proving by unimpeachable witnesses the falsity of charges preferred against the organization."

Freezing Point Was Missed 14 Degrees

The minimum temperature registered at the local observatory for the 24 hours ending at 7 o'clock this morning was 46 degrees, 14 degrees above freezing point.

The change was sudden, a norther reached here late in the afternoon and the mercury immediately began to tumble from its maximum of 56 degrees reached yesterday. The drop was appreciated throughout this section that has been sweltering for several weeks.

The earliest frost ever recorded in this section was four years ago when it reached here October 12, the latest was in 1883, 35 years ago, when the first frost did not make its appearance until December 27.

COAL MINERS SEE PRESIDENT HOWAT "OFF TO JAIL"

All Mines of Kansas District are Idle as the President and Vice President Reach Pittsburgh

SPECIAL CARS TAKE CROWDS TO SCENE

MUST SERVE TERM OF SIX MONTHS FOR CALLING STRIKE LAST FEBRUARY; 400 MINERS GREET LEADERS.

Columbus, Sept. 30.—Hundreds of Kansas coal miners were here this morning to see Alexander Howat and August Dorchy, their president and vice-president, "off to jail." Special interurban cars brought loads from the camps of Crawford and Cherokee counties and many other miners in motor cars. At 8:30 o'clock half an hour before the time set for Howat and Dorchy to surrender themselves, or continue their liberty in perfecting their appeal to the Kansas supreme court, about 400 miners were scattered around the square. The court house was closed, guards being stationed at the doors.

Howat and Dorchy arrived in Columbus shortly after 8:30 o'clock. They came from Pittsburgh, having reached Pittsburgh last midnight from Indianapolis, where they attended the international convention of the United Mine Workers of America. Howat immediately went into the crowd and immediately began a hand shaking tour.

Pittsburg, Sept. 30.—All of the coal mines of the Kansas district were idle today on account of the appearance of Alexander Howat and August Dorchy, president and vice president of the union coal miners, to begin serving their sentence of six months in jail for calling a strike last February. It was apparent from early reports to the headquarters of the operators' association. A dozen special cars of the interurban railway which connects most of the Kansas coal fields with Columbus were run this morning. Cars going through Pittsburg were filled.

Strikes Greater Now Than at Any Time Since War

Washington, Sept. 30.—There are 63 reported strikes in the country at this time, a greater number than has existed simultaneously any time since the war. Secretary of Labor Davis said today. The secretary attributes the increase to the fact that the building and garment trades were the particular sources of industrial trouble.

Chicago, Sept. 30.—While "informally" stated that approximately ninety per cent of the 185,000 employees of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen have voted to strike, the exact figures will not be announced at once, it was asserted today.

An advertisement for conductors and trainmen for service on the Bangor and Aroostook railroad in the event of a strike of train crews was published in four morning newspapers here today. "WANTED—Conductors and trainmen for service on the Bangor and Aroostook railroad in case of a strike, vice president of the trainmen's organization having been quoted in press as stating there would be an immediate strike if the members so wished, which seemed practically certain."

YOUNG WOMAN SEES MAN ESCAPE WITH JEWELRY

Denison, Texas, Sept. 30.—Miss Wilma Izenhour, 22 years old, was forced to see a man who had stolen jewelry valued at \$500 from her home escape early today when the safety on her pistol stuck as she undertook to fire at the burglar after he had disregarded her command to halt. The burglar overlooked a jewel case containing jewelry valued at \$4,000.

Durant Has Fire Durant, Okla., Sept. 30.—Fire destroyed three residences in widely separated parts of the city here last night. The loss was \$12,000.

Babe Ruth Recovers With Yank's Victory

New York, Sept. 30.—Victory for the Yanks, coupled with Cleveland's defeat, was as good as medicine for "Babe" Ruth's cold that kept him indoors yesterday. Mrs. "Babe" declared today. "Babe had a bad cold," she said, "but the day's rest and the tonic of a Yankee victory combined with a Cleveland defeat simply worked wonders for him. He is going to take an early train for Philadelphia and is going to try to run his home run record up to sixty before sunset."

PIERCE ANSWERS EVANS ON MATTER ROAD BOND ISSUE

EXPENDITURES TO BE BASED ON QUARTER OF GROSS PRODUCTION TAX OF THIS YEAR.

County Commissioner Marion Pierce in speaking of the interview with former Commissioner George L. Evans yesterday says that Mr. Evans is strict in his statements with this exception.

Mr. Evans stated that the board of commissioners this year would have available for road work \$500,000. Mr. Pierce says that the commissioners have a right to estimate the gross production tax on oil as high as it was last year and spend that sum of money on the roads. But if they do that the commissioners will have to issue county funding bonds next year to pay the deficit for the reason that the gross production tax will not be as much because oil has descended from \$3.29 a barrel to \$2.11 a barrel.

The commissioners are planning to estimate the gross production tax at only one-fourth as much and spend on that basis so they will not have to fund the indebtedness of the county.

MAGNOLIA BOOSTS CRUDE OIL PRICE IN STATE FIELDS

Dallas, Texas, Sept. 30.—Increases of 10 to 25 cents per barrel for crude oil was posted today by the Magnolia Petroleum Company. The new prices follow:

- Augusta, Kansas; Yale, Comanche, Cushing, and Duncan, Okla.; Electra-Burkburnett, Henrietta, Moran, Ranger, Stephen county district, Strawn and Thrall, Texas, \$1.25; increase 25 cents. Cement, Okla., 85 cents, increase 10 cents. Corsicana, Texas, light 95 cents; increase 10 cents. Corsicana, Texas, heavy, 60 cents; advance 10 cents. Headton, Walters and Beaver Creek districts, Okla., 70 cents, increase 10 cents.

RALLY DAY AT THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday will be rally day at the First Presbyterian church, and a suitable program has been arranged by the Sunday School classes and Endeavor societies for the event. Dr. C. C. Weith, pastor of the church, expects a full attendance at both the morning and evening services, and urges all Presbyterians to be present.

WEATHER OKLAHOMA: Tonight and Saturday fair, warmer.

SMOOT TAX BILL MAY REMOVE ALL OBNOXIOUS LAWS

Manufacturers Would Pay Revenue of the Products Which are Sold for Consumption or Use.

YIELD TO BE NEAR BILLION DOLLARS

MEASURE PROVIDES FOR EXEMPTION OF SALES LESS THAN \$6,000 DURING ONE YEAR AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

Washington, Sept. 30.—A manufacturers' sales tax of three per cent was formally proposed to the senate today by Senator Smoot, republican, Utah. The senator explained that this would be in substitution for "all of the taxes, capital stock tax, transportation, telegraph and insurance taxes, the taxes on soft drinks, ice cream, cosmetics, admissions and dues, and all of the other '37 varieties' of obnoxious or other forms of taxation."

These "37 varieties" would be repealed on next January 1, under a series of amendments to the revenue revision bill offered by the senator.

Repeal of Excess Profit Repeal of the excess profits tax as of last January 1, instead of on next January 1, as planned by both the house and the senate finance committees also was proposed by Senator Smoot under his amendments the corporation income tax would remain at ten per cent, but there would be no change in the present tobacco, liquor and inheritance taxes.

The sales tax amendment read: "That in addition to all other taxes there shall be levied, assessed, collected and paid upon every commodity manufactured, or produced, when sold, leased or licensed for consumption or use without further process of manufacture, a tax equivalent to three per cent of the price for which such commodity is sold, leased or licensed; such tax to be paid by the manufacturer or producer."

Sold Articles are Taxed "It should be noted," said Senator Smoot, "that as the tax is imposed only when articles are sold for consumption or use without further process of manufacture, that the tax will be non-cumulative in effect and will give the integrated business no advantage over the disintegrated business. There will be but one tax. If a commodity is sold for consumption or use in a further process of manufacture, no tax will be imposed. For example, crude oil sold for fuel would be taxable, but if sold to a refinery for the making of gasoline or like commodities, would not be taxable."

In order to avoid administrative difficulties with small sales, the bill provides for an exemption of all sales of less than \$6,000 during one year. This will exclude about one per cent of the manufactured goods in the country, according to the census manufacturers, it will practically exempt all agricultural products.

Conservation has been exercised throughout this estimate. The yield will undoubtedly be close to \$1,000,000,000 but the figure given is more than ample to provide the revenue which will be lost by the repeal of which I propose."

Pecans are Plentiful In Provence Section

Pecans have begun to fall in some sections of the county and indications are that the crop will be as heavy as that of last year, according to Will Owens of Provence, who was in the city Friday morning.

Mr. Owens has already sold 50 pounds of pecans from one tree at 20 cents per pound. He expects to gather several hundred pounds of pecans on his place this year from trees that are on uncultivated soil.

Mr. Owens says the grapes have been plentiful in the woods around Provence, but that birds and small animals have been devouring them rapidly. This year he sold all the grapes he could gather at \$1.50 per bushel.

Cupid Plays Safe at the Courthouse

There isn't much chance for an about-to-be-married couple getting out of the courthouse without service these days.

Marriage licenses are issued at the court clerk's office on the third floor; in connecting offices Judges Champion and Winfrey are ready to tie the knot.

Coming down stairs Justice of the Peace Butcher and County Surveyor Charles W. Clay, who is a minister, watches the front door. Thursday Mr. Clay and Judge Butcher broke even on a pair of couples. Henry Deatherage and Miss Delphia Thompson, both of Ardmore were married by Justice Butcher, and Robert A. Tender and Miss Ina Batts, both of Enville, were married by Mr. Clay.

HUSBAND IS KILLED IN WRECK; WIDOW SUES FOR DAMAGES

ARDMORE WOMAN ASKS \$15,000 OF RINGLING ROAD FOLLOWING DERAILMENT AT RINGLING LAST JULY.

Damage in the amount of \$15,000 is asked by Mrs. Emma I. Bridges in the death of her husband, James Darrell Bridges, railway conductor who was killed at Ringling on July 9, 1921, in a suit filed by Mrs. Bridges in district court against the Oklahoma, New Mexico and Pacific Railway company.

The petition states Bridges had been conducting on that line for 32 months and when killed he was riding on a tank car preceding the engine. At Ringling Junction the car was derailed because of bad track, it is stated.

Bridges was 24 years of age and at the time of his death was drawing a salary of \$1,950 a year from the company. The sum of \$15,000 is asked for benefits for the widow and three children, Bessie, age 4; Charles, age 2 years and James, age 1 month.

Trial of Gustafson Advanced on Docket

Oklahoma City, Sept. 30.—An agreement whereby the appeal of John A. Gustafson, deposed chief of the Tulsa police department, would be advanced on the supreme court docket was announced today at the attorney general's office.

Gustafson requested an early hearing on the grounds that he had been suspended from office and is unable to collect his salary. His term would not expire until May, 1922, and in the natural course of assignment on the regular docket it is probable the case would not be decided before that time, the appeal get forth.

Gustafson was convicted July 21, on two counts, alleged failure to take proper precautions for the safety of life and property in the Tulsa race riot, and alleged conspiracy to free automobile thieves and collect the rewards.

Officer Killed While Hunting Burglars In His Home at McPherson

McPherson, Kan., Sept. 30.—Fred E. Ellis, colonel of the Fourth Kansas infantry, and a major during the world war died here early this morning when he fell over a rug in his home while hunting for burglars, and his own .45 automatic pistol was discharged, the bullet penetrating his heart.

Colonel Ellis was awakened about three o'clock by a noise as of some one trying to open a window. Taking his revolver, he went downstairs, without turning on any lights. A moment later his wife, Mrs. Millie Ellis, heard a pistol shot and rushed downstairs. Her husband lay dying on the dining room floor. He gasped out the story of the accident and died a few minutes later. No inquest is planned.

A son, 13 years old and a daughter 15, were sleeping in the house.

A MURDER CHARGE FOLLOWS DEATH REFORMINMATE

Military Instructor in Texas Boys' School Is Charged With Murder of a 14 Year Old Boy

ACCUSED REFUSES TO MAKE A STATEMENT

REPRESENTATIVE OF THE STATE BOARD OF CONTROL AND GOVERNOR ARE WORKING QUIETLY IN THE MATTER

Gatesville, Texas, Sept. 30.—H. T. Twyman, military instructor at the state juvenile training school here, was to be given a preliminary hearing today on a formal charge of murder in connection with the death of Dell Thames, a 14-year old boy last Sunday. Twyman was arrested on complaint of C. E. King, superintendent of the school, after he had received reports that the boy's death resulted from cruel treatment at the hands of the military instructor.

Twyman, who has refused to make a statement concerning his alleged punishment of Young Thames because the latter would not drill in the military class, has employed counsel, J. H. Eldson, district attorney came here from Hamilton today to take personal charge of the prosecution.

A special investigation in behalf of Gov. Pat Neff, and the state board of control also was under way today. A. R. Johnson, represents the board and Judge H. E. Bellis the governor's special representative, in this inquiry. Both were working quietly and without publicity. T. M. Thames, of Beaumont, father of the dead boy, also is here.

TEXAS COUNTY HAS WELL ESTABLISHED PAYING CREAMERY

Timely matter relative to the proposed creamery for this city contained in an article in this weeks Farm and Ranch published at Dallas, Texas, by Mrs. R. E. Pennington, telling of the development of the dairy livestock business in Washington county Texas, through the aid of a co-operative creamery.

The establishment of the creamery at Brenham, Texas, was the result of co-operation between business men of that city and farmers, it was established and incorporated in 1907 under the laws of Texas with an initial capital of \$1,000, this capital stock has been increased to \$16,000.

The creamery was established primarily to supply a ready market for dairy products and to encourage the farmer to raise standard bred milk cows.

Stock in the Brenham creamery is very desirable and quoted well above par.

The creamery is the source of a steady income for the farmer and dairyman of that locality, and relieves them of the burden of finding individual markets for their products.

The same plan with modifications is proposed for the establishment of a creamery in Ardmore, the plan has the solid backing of bankers who are willing to finance farmers toward becoming dairymen as well as tillers of the soil, and in the estimation of those most interested a plant will be in operation in this city within the next year.

CONSOLIDATION OF THE NEW YORK LINES IS RECOMMENDED

New York, Sept. 30.—Consolidation of all of the city's subway elevated and surface lines under municipal ownership, with a continued five cent fare for the first year of operation was recommended by the state transit committee in its plan of operation, published today.

The commission concluded that until there has been ample demonstration of the general results of operation of the new plan and until its changes and economies have been tested fully there should be no change in the present rate.

Ardmore Men Hunt On Kansas Prairies

John A. Heenan and Ross W. Coe have returned from a visit with Will Heenan at Cane, Kansas, who is a brother to Mr. Heenan of this city. These men were not so much interested in visiting as they were in a hunt for prairie chickens on the prairies of Kansas. Kansas has an open season on these wild fowls from September 29 to October 1, and the bag of each hunter is limited. The two Ardmore men enjoyed the hunt thoroughly and while they will not state just how many they bagged, the presumption is that they took all the Kansas birds would allow.

"Old Pal, Why Don't You Answer Me?" Wanderer Sings on Gallows

Chicago, Sept. 30.—Singing a popular song, Carl Wanderer, convicted of the murder of his wife, her unborn babe and a "ragged stranger" whom he hired to stage a fake hold-up, was hanged at the county jail at 7:15 o'clock this morning.

Wanderer walked to the gallows with a firm step and as he took his place on the scaffold, repeated a short prayer after a minister. Asked if he had anything to say, he replied in the affirmative and as a shroud was adjusted, in a clear voice, started the song, "Old Pal, Why Don't You Answer Me?"

He was singing when the trap dropped. The chorus to the song Wanderer chose is as follows: "The long night through, I wait for you,

"Old pal, why don't you answer me? My arms embrace an empty space. The arms that held you tenderly; If you can hear my prayer away up there.

"Old pal, why don't you answer me?" The crime for which Carl Wanderer was hanged was the murder of Edward J. Ryan, the "poor boob," a West Madison Street vagrant, whom he had hired for \$5 to stage a fake hold-up and then killed. Wanderer was also convicted of the murder of his bride of less than a year and her unborn child, but the jury in that case fixed his punishment at 25 years imprisonment.

Mrs. Wanderer and the "poor boob" were murdered in the hallway of the Wanderer apartment house in June, 1920. Mrs. Wanderer's mother, attracted by the shots, found her daughter dying and Wanderer seated astride



the body of the "poor boob," methodically beating his face with a gun. Wanderer said the stranger had attempted to hold up his wife and him in the dark hallway and that when he drew his gun the stranger shot Mrs. Wanderer, and that he, in turn, killed the holdup man. Police believed his story and praised his aim. Quietly, however, they began tracing the stranger's gun in an effort to fix his identity. From the makers factory, the trail led to a Chicago hardware store to a customer and from him to Wanderer's cousin. The cousin, arrested, admitted lending the gun to Wanderer on the day of the shooting. Wanderer was arrested and confronted with evidence that he had carried both guns used in the shooting. After days of grilling he signed one of the most remarkable confessions in police annals. Growing tired of family life, he said, he decided to get rid of his

wife and her expected child, so he could return to the army, in which he had held a lieutenant's commission during the war. On West Madison Street he hired a vagrant to accost him and Mrs. Wanderer in the hallway, explaining he wanted to play a practical joke on his wife. When the vagrant approached, Wanderer with his own gun in one hand and his cousin's in the other, shot both the "poor boob" and his wife. Later, Wanderer repudiated this confession and it was barred from his trial for the murder of his wife. The jury found him guilty, but fixed the punishment at 25 years imprisonment. When he was subsequently brought to trial for the death of the "poor boob" the court admitted the confession and the death penalty was assessed. The execution was postponed several times by insanity hearings and other legal maneuvers.