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CONTEMPT CASE TO THE HIGHEST COURT

GREAT METROPOLITAN NEWSPAPERS DECLARE THAT TRUTH IS DEFENSE

Edict of State Supreme Court Which Muzzles Press Arouses Wide Interest in every Section of the United States.

All the great newspapers of the United States have actively interested themselves in the Dale contempt case.

Correspondents and staff artists from the metropolitan papers visit Muncie almost daily. A heart man from New York spent two days here this week securing pictures and data for a page story. The New York World will feature the story Sunday with many illustrations.

The Post-Democrat receives letters and telegrams from every state in the union. The New York Herald-Tribune writes that every newspaper in New York is solidly behind the defense for "all it is worth."

Thursday the editor of the Post-Democrat received a telegram from the New York World advising that the World will publish editorial Friday in your behalf."

Aided the Cause

When Judge Dearth refused to permit George R. Dale to offer any defense in the contempt cases he started a fire that all the hair splitting lawyers in America will be unable to quench.

Four weeks ago the Post-Democrat prophesied that every newspaper prophesied that every newspaper using the slogan "The Truth is a Defense."

We underestimated the situation. Like a restless tide every newspaper in America has taken up the fight.

Muncie is the storm center of the greatest question now before the American public and the spotlight is being turned on the sordid crew of traitors who used the Ku Klux Klan to destroy an editor who stood his ground and fought to defend constitutional government.

Even the Klan Relented

Unintentionally Judge Dearth performed a great service for humanity when he rushed the editor of this newspaper to jail and to the penal farm without permitting him to make any defense or even call a lawyer to represent him in court.

Out Boosted Liberty

If a judge can do such a high handed thing as this and get away with it, then human liberty is at an end, is the conclusion of the millions who are now reading and studying this case.

People are touchy about the question of free speech. Every fellow down in his heart wants to free speech to his piece, stand on his hind legs and tell everybody to go to hell, if he thinks that's where he belongs.

Carl Magee, an editor out in New Mexico, was rammed and jammed by the courts for libel and contempt, but his case did not become a nation-wide issue because of the fact that the governor pardoned him every time the sheriff's officers could even get to the jail with make for democracy.

We had done nothing to be pardoned for. We had told the truth and the highest court in the state said the truth was not a defense. It was our duty to humanity to carry this to the highest court. All knowledge is based upon truth. Truth is the one thing in the world upon which the hope of democracy depends. If truth is to be suppressed, anarchy will follow.

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U. S. COURT RUM

CASES INCREASE

DESPITE LAWS

Most of Time Occupied by Liquor Prosecutions; Convictions Mount.

Indianapolis, July 22.—Prosecution of liquor law cases have occupied most of the time of the United States District court during the past few years, despite the stringent Indiana prohibition law and the Federal statutes according to the annual report of Albert Ward, United States district attorney for Indiana, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926. The report lists 147 cases started and 137 closed in that period.

In the preceding year the court started 148 cases and closed 105, and during the last fiscal year conducted fifty-six abatement cases as

compared to twenty-eight for 1925. A gradual increase has been noted since 1921, and there also has been an increase in the number of convictions and pleas of guilty. In the year ending June 30, 1922, the court terminated 134 cases of which only eighty-five were convictions; in 1923 seventy-two cases were terminated with thirty-two convictions, and in 1924, 122 cases were terminated with 107 convictions.

Only six acquittals have been recorded over a five-year period with one in 1922, two in 1925, and three in 1926. Ten cases reached a jury in 1922, four in 1923, eight in 1924, twenty-six in 1925, and nineteen in 1926.

The outstanding liquor prosecution cases this year were the Squibb conspiracy, involving twenty-six persons, including a former collector of internal revenue at St. Louis, Mo., and the Vincennes conspiracy in which the Knox county prosecutor and the sheriff were implicated, the prosecutor being acquitted and the sheriff convicted.

The report commends state and local officers for their co-operation in enforcing the liquor law. It shows an increase in narcotic convictions, although not the steady

Chesterfield Opens

Anderson, Ind., July 19.—The thirty-sixth annual camp meeting of the Indiana Association of Spiritualists opened Saturday at the Chesterfield camp of the association, five miles east of Anderson, and will continue through August 29. All the camp cottages were occupied and the two hotels, which have a capacity of 225 persons, were receiving persons who will be there during the meetings.

The American Bar Association meeting in Denver elected Charles S. Whitman, former governor of New York, as president of the association to succeed Chester L. Long of Kansas City.

FATHER OF THE MOVEMENT

Vincennes, Indiana.
July 21, 1926.

George R. Dale, Muncie, Ind.

Dear Mr. Dale:

When you met me, a stranger, at a country home of a mutual friend in Wayne County, on the afternoon of Sunday, June 20, 1926, I was shocked at your story of wrongs heaped on you and could hardly believe the story. I made up my mind that I would act in some way that would reach out and get relief. I appealed to the powerful metropolitan press and urged Mr. Evans of the Chicago Tribune, to go at once to you and study the situation. They sent Mr. Dwyer. I also made a strong appeal to the Chicago Herald-Examiner. In all common sense I appealed for an interpretation of real liberty in a democracy of helpless people. The response was instantaneous and the question is now a national one. You are protected now in your opportunity that was denied you in Delaware county when you were in jeopardy. I am anxious that the last analysis of the case may be made and the U. S. Supreme Court appeal result in an adjustment of all the issues in this case which I deem as far more debatable than any other case I have ever known. The response moral and financial of the great people is most gratifying to me.

I append herewith, Editorial in my paper of July 17, which emphasized my position.

With kind regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

THOMAS H. ADAMS.



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Are Planning To Take Pistols From Gunmen In U. S.

New York.—The gunman's open sesame, the revolver, is the target of a formidable combination of officials who administer the laws of America and those who make the weapons, about to be brought together by the national crime commission.

These groups, whose representatives held a preliminary session in Denver, July 12, and will hold a business meeting in New York, on

July 24, plan to wrench the small arms and penal institutions," Representative Black of Brooklyn (New York, Democrat) said in explaining a bill he recently introduced to create a United States board of alienists. "I believe a conference by leading experts of the country under Federal auspices would mean a great scientific advance in this tremendous problem," he added.

"The cost of treating nervous disorders in private sanatoriums is almost prohibitive. I believe a form of insurance can be devised by which a person can insure himself proper treatment and support for dependents in case of breakdown.

Insurance companies could provide sanatoriums or pay for treatment in private sanatoriums."

URGES U. S. CONFERENCE ON MENTAL DISORDERS

Washington.—"Lack of comprehensive study of mental disorders is costing the nation and the states

and wealth in the upkeep of in-

BIG HEARTED CHICAGOAN STARTS DALE DEFENSE FUND.



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EMMET CAVANAUGH.

Emmet Cavanaugh, well known Chicago wholesale meat dealer, has taken the lead in Chicago in raising funds to meet the expense of taking our big contempt case through the United States Supreme Court.

Mr. Cavanaugh last Saturday at Chicago handed the editor of the Post-Democrat a cashier's check for \$500, this being the first advance contribution of a total of \$5,000 which he expects to secure with ease from patriotic Chicago people as their contribution towards the great cause of free speech and a free press.

Al Baensinger of the Chicago American and a staff photographer from that paper were on hand and a snap shot of the Chicago man handing the editor the contribution to liberty, was featured in the next edition of the American.

Mr. Cavanaugh and another Chicagoan, Judge Francis Houlihan, have organized the "Dale Defense Committee" and appeals for contributions are being made to the citizens of Chicago. Circular letters have been sent out, each ward has been supplied with subscription blanks with appropriate headings. These are being liberally signed and Mr. Cavanaugh was confident that his committee would have but little difficulty in "going over the top" in a very few days.

One of the features of the Chicago drive for funds was the distribution of large circulars containing the inscription, in large, black type: "No Jail for Dale."

The day after the first Orville Dwyer story appeared in the Chicago Tribune, Mr. Cavanaugh wired at length to the editor of the Post-Democrat asking him to come to Chicago at once.

Mrs. Dale went at once and was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Cavanaugh and daughter over Sunday, returning home a day or so later. Mr. Cavanaugh and Judge Houlihan explained their purpose and then proceeded to put in execution.

It is simply impossible for the editor of the Post-Democrat to express in cold type how it feels to be treated the way we have been by strangers in every part of the county who didn't know us from Adam's off-ox, two weeks ago.

Overwhelmed by letters containing offers of assistance, financial and legal, telegrams of congratulation over our appeal to the highest court and letters containing contributions to the cause arrive in such profusion that answering them all promptly is simply out of the question.

I am going to send a marked copy of the Post-Democrat to every one of them this week so when they see this they will know why they have not been answered. One of these days I am going to take a day off and answer every one of them, God bless 'em.

GRAND JURY DISBANDED, HOLADAY'S SCALP SAVED

Supreme Court of the United States Will Review Decision By State Court—Ultimate Decision Will Affect Every Publication in America.

Monday was a red letter day for the Post-Democrat.

On that day, to use the words of my beloved friend, Jim Doherty of the Chicago Tribune, I "packed up my troubles and carried them to the supreme court of the United States."

That morning in the office of William V. Rooker, in Indianapolis, I was handed a document by my lawyer, signed by Chief Justice David A. Myers of the Supreme court of Indiana, which automatically transferred my contempt case to the highest tribunal in the land, the supreme court of the United States.

I had spent Saturday and Sunday in Chicago conferring with newspaper men and with Emmet Cavanaugh, a prominent wholesale meat dealer who has generously and patriotically undertaken the task of raising a fund in Chicago to be devoted to the defense of the greatest question before the American people today—free speech and a free press.

The grand jury adjourned Thursday noon, effectively preventing a continuation of the investigation of Alpha Holaday, arch swindler.

Slimy Ryman, the long nosed, bald headed kleagle, who was left by Prosecutor Ogle to prevent the Holaday exposure and all that goes with it, took his first long breath for a week when the grand jurors filed in and presented their final report.

The members of the grand jury are mad clear through. The two witnesses examined last week had told them enough, it is said, to blow the town up. They wanted to go on but Judge Dearth put up the stop sign and told them to quit, although the term lasts another week.

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Protected Chapman Here.

Jacksonville, Florida.
July 19, 1926.

Mr. George R. Dale,
Muncie, Indiana.

Dear George:

Yesterday morning gave me quite a surprise when I saw your picture on the front page of the Times Union. Of course I have thought of you a great deal in the past but neglected to write.

Now George, I hope that you will continue the fight for a free press, for God knows that if the press can not publish the truth about public officials, we might as well put the constitution in the trash heap. If possible send me some information so that I can be of some intelligent assistance to you, as the article in the paper, which I enclose, did not go into any detail whatever.

What ever you said must have been true as there can be but one reason for a man of the type of Gerald Chapman to seek refuge in the Muncie district, but we who have been away from Indiana for some time can judge conditions only by such facts.

Hoping this will find you and your family well and my sister, Dr. Julia Larmoyeur Kline wants to be remembered to you and your family.

Your friend as of old,
PIERRE J. O. LARMOYEUX.

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GEORGE R. DALE, Owner and Publisher.

Muncie, Indiana, Thursday, July 22, 1926.

What About It, Governor?

Durward Sharp, so-called state policeman, is a sample of Governor Jackson's Ku Klux state administration.

For a time we thought the governor was going to outlive his Klux leanings, but every time we see Sharp slouching around Muncie in his wrinkled-up uniform and a small canon strapped to his side, it turns our stomach inside out.

Governor Jackson knows all about Durward Sharp. The Governor knows about Sharp's drunken escapade at Alexandria which landed him in jail. Sharp ought to be on the state penal farm along with Howard Bennett, another former Klux state policeman, who was named by D. C. Stephenson.

After being convicted in the Alexandria city court for drunkenness and a violation of the liquor law Sharp was merely suspended from duty thirty days and was then put back on the state payroll as a highway policeman.

Anyone whom such a drunken bum as Sharp attempts to arrest would be justified in taking his gun away from him and knocking his ears down with it. Either that or filing the sight off and what goes with it.

Governor Jackson personally told the editor of the Post-Democrat that he would see to it that this fellow, who is disgracing the Jackson state administration, would be fired from the service.

The governor has not made his word good. County Chairman Harry Hoffman must have told Jackson the same thing that he told the mayor of Alexandria—that it would ruin the republican party if Sharp wasn't taken care of.

When the Alexandria policeman arrested Sharp he was vomiting on his uniform and on the sidewalk and was so drunk that he had to be dragged to jail. A gallon of booze was found in his car, which he was driving while drunk. He was guilty of a felony, under the Wright law and should now be in the penitentiary instead of slouching around in the uniform of a state policeman.

Isn't it funny that a prosecutor with a leaky heart should be able to drive half way across the continent and still not be physically able to conduct a grand jury investigation? Van's trick heart seems to be as well trained as a pet monkey. Getting out from under and using Kleagle Ryman as the goat wasn't a half bad idea.

Alpha Holaday must be laughing up his sleeve. He has it on so many of these birds around here that he merely grins when his victims plead in vain for the law to get after him. Alpha expects to go to the penitentiary again sooner or later, but when he goes he will probably take with him Ryman and some of the other crooks who are moving heaven and earth to keep the law off Alpha's back.

Judge Dearth, stern and unflinching, told a bunch of Chicago newsmen that as soon as the remittitur from the state supreme court came down he would hand it to the sheriff and instruct him to take the editor of the Post-Democrat to the penal farm. Thanks to Judge Dearth we spent two days at that delightful health resort for telling the truth. Sad to relate the judge will not hand us over to the red-eyed law until the supreme court of the United States says the word, and when that time comes, if it ever does, Judge Dearth may not be on the bench to do the handing. The voters of Delaware county are all getting ready to elect another judge.

Brother Shumaker may never have thought of it, but many have wondered why he hasn't fined the supreme court for contempt of the Anti-Saloon League.

Investigations.

The republican party was swept into control of the United States government in 1920 on the plea that the democratic party had squandered millions of the people's money needlessly and wantonly. Immediately on taking charge they began investigating. Millions were spent investigating war appropriations but nothing was uncovered. Attorney General Harry Daugherty was given \$500,000 to prosecute war grafters, but not a single conviction was secured. Not satisfied with these results, or afraid to acknowledge that they had lied to the voters, republican officials employed an expert accountant at a salary of \$18,000 per year, fifty dollars per day, to investigate 200,000 war time contracts. After working four years, at the largest salary the government ever paid an employee, this expert accountant has caused to be returned to the government about \$10,000,000 which had been illegally taken. But, shades of Lucifer, every dollar of this grafted money was taken from the government after a savage republican majority had tied the hands of the democratic president. All their investigation has uncovered has been their own crookedness.

On the other hand the democratic minority in congress compelled the investigation of Secretary Fall and his lease of Teapot Dome and uncovered so much that republican officials dare not allow prosecution to come up. The same minority investigated Secretary Denby and uncovered such absolute indifference and utter incompetency that he was compelled to retire to private life. This safe minority investigated Daugherty and uncovered so much that Pres. Coolidge was compelled to tell his attorney general that the government service would improve in his absence. Again the democratic minority compelled the investigation of "auction block" methods as pursued by republican candidates in primary elections and are uncovering so much that it has become a national scandal and a senatorial disgrace. Oh yes, and this same democratic minority compelled the investigation of the Mellon Aluminum Trust, but, great guns, to a republican investigating anything with which Andy Mellon is associated is like a man investigating the chastity of his own mother, if he found anything wrong he would hide the fact from the public. That is just what the republican party did for Andy Mellon when they pigeon-holed the report on the activities of the Aluminum trust.

The Woman's Vote.

Much disturbance is apparently being created in the republican party about where Mrs. Vivian Wheatcraft will throw the woman's vote in the November election, also to whom she will throw that vote in the primary election of 1928 in the gubernatorial race. Great guns, are republican women so ignorant, so supinely obedient, so politically subservient, that their vote can be delivered in a body by this one woman? It was claimed when women asked for enfranchisement that they would not be so easily controlled as men and would be a stabilizing influence in politics yet here in a few short years it is being tacitly agreed that Mrs. Wheatcraft

can deliver the republican women in a body to what ever candidate secures her services. Senator Jim apparently believes she can deliver the goods as he has gone out of his way to insist that his state committee place her on the pay roll of the republican organization.

Politics were crooked enough when it was strictly a male affair but if the women, the republican women at least, of the great state of Indiana, have so soon abdicated their right as American citizens, with all of a citizens duties and obligations, to a political boss of their own sex, what can be expected in the next few years? Will the Pennsylvania auction block be repeated among the lady voters of this state? Wake up, ladies, a political leader who plays politics all the time is not doing so for the glory of womanhood, she has other objects in view you can be assured.

Bert Thurman.

While drawing salary from the federal government as collector of internal revenue M. Bert Thurman stole time from his official duties to organize the machine which crowded Watson down the throat of the republican party by two-thirds of one-half the republican vote. Now he is an avowed candidate for the republican nomination for governor of this state in 1928 and it is said he will have the backing of the Watson organization and also of Mrs. Vivian Wheatcraft. If the Watson organization can do as well by Thurman as it did by Watson and get him two-thirds of one-half the republican vote and Vivian can continue to hold the republican ladies in her pocket, as it is claimed she now has them, Thurman will be a real contender for the nomination. If Jim, Bert and Vivian really have the power they profess to have they are a dangerous triumvirate, but some times people like this get into a mutual admiration society and actually believe they are the whole thing when in fact they are only fooling themselves. It might be well for Bert to watch results in November, particularly as to how much of the woman's vote Mrs. Wheatcraft can actually deliver as she would geese to the packing plant. Mrs. Wheatcraft is sure of a very profitable summer's work whether Watson and Thurman are sure of her ability to deliver the republican ladies of the state or not.

The Record.

The first session of the 69th congress has just adjourned. The members have returned to their home states to give an accounting of what they accomplished for the benefit of the country. President Coolidge claims to be not only satisfied, but well pleased with their work. Here is a short list of what that congress really did:

They talked economy but practiced extravagance by increasing government expenses \$89,000,000, not to mention \$350,000 to be spent this summer making repairs and remodeling the White House.

They reduced taxes to some extent on large incomes, but left a surplus of \$350,000,000 in the treasury which, had it been taken from the tariff, would have reduced taxes for all of us.

They talked themselves hoarse on the wet and dry issue and did nothing but talk.

They spent weeks of time and hundreds of thousands of dollars making long and lurid speeches about the awful plight of the farmer and the necessity of relief and then adjourned without reducing the tariff on a single thing the farmer must buy in a protected market, which is the one and only way of giving the farmer any permanent relief.

On yes, they did appropriate \$250,000 to aid in establishing co-operative markets but, as this will about all be spent in salaries for officials of that department under the direction of Secretary of Agriculture Jardine, the farmer may expect to get his share by radio.

Can You Remember.

When republicans come around bragging about the present administration having paid the state debt, does it cause your mind to turn backward and view state affairs for the past few years? Does it cause you to remember how the great cry of the republicans only a few years ago was the inequality of taxes and how that party foisted the Goodrich tax law on the state? And how that law has made inequality more unequal? How the state constantly went deeper and deeper in debt until it was almost a bankrupt, like one of its governors, until the scheme of levying a special and extraordinary tax, known as the gasoline tax, on part of its citizens pulled the party in control and the state out of debt?

Take a calm review of the affairs of the state of Indiana since the end of the Ralston administration and see what you can find of which you can feel a real pride. It is a history of mismanagement, inefficiency, corruption and a constant vain seeking for some avenue of escape from responsibility until the happy thought of a special tax on the users of the automobile occurred and now that party brags of paying the state debt which they themselves created. The republican party did not pay the debt, the users of the automobile paid the debt and already plans are being made to compel these same citizens to build a capital de luxe as they have been compelled to build the prison. That may be what puts the "fishy" in republican efficiency, any way the bragging sounds "fishy."

The Golden Egg.

In childhood we were told of the man who owned a goose which laid golden eggs and of his avarice in attempting to get more gold quickly by killing the goose and cutting her up to find the source of supply. The foolish action of this man was supposed to teach us the lesson of patience and forbearance but that lesson seems to have been absolutely wasted on the republicans of this state. In the users of the automobile they found the "goose" which has been willingly contributing golden eggs to pay the state debt and retrieve the lost prestige of the republican party. Not content with the harvest of golden eggs this "goose" has already contributed the state administration is making preparations for greatly increasing the expenses of the state government and will, apparently, slaughter the "goose" to find the source of supply. There should be a limit to all things and the loading of the pleasure car of poor people with unnecessary expense for the glorification of the republican party has about gone the limit. Don't you think so?

The other republican candidates can trade off their lady candidate if they wish but we democrats have two lady candidates on our ticket and are going to elect both of them. Not for Sale or Trade is our motto.

A candidate who accepts the nomination for any office on a party ticket is in honor bound to stand by the ticket and not attempt to trade the other candidates off for his own success. We know of one republican candidate for county office who is trying to make such trades and will have more to say about the circumstances at the proper time.

When your radio acts up this summer it will not always be static that is to blame. It may be the Jar of arabin trying to convince the American farmer that he is being lied to by the great republican myth, the protective tariff.

Case of Press Restriction

(From the Vincennes Commercial.)

If courts or lawyers are getting squeamish of newspapers, the newspapers might work it tit for tat and become squeamish of courts and lawyers! At South Bend the Indiana Bar Association spent much time debating court procedure and reforms needed.

Take the case of George Dale, the Muncie editor. He was detained by alleged officials and it appears the court did not give him his chance. Dale was poor and not able to rush to lawyers for assistance. He defied the court, presumably, whom he had charged with persecuting him. Dale was then held and arraigned for "contempt," not given an opportunity to cleanly protect himself.

In almost any other community than Muncie, Dale would have fared better. But in Muncie he had fayed political grafters alive and the Ku Klux influence as well. He spoke plainly about the court. The court instead of being big and broad and ignoring criticism, challenged it and held Dale in jail.

The whole country has taken up the case. The Supreme Court of Indiana denied Dale a new hearing because Dale had overstepped his rights by criticizing the court, while in proceedings and because of that fact the court declared "the truth is no defense."

The decree that "the truth is no defense" is described as the case of a man going to court and striking the judge or insulting him in process of the court's duty or session. That is "contempt." They claim Dale used his paper to demean the court while in session. If, however, it is said the judge is personally assaulted in the press, outside the session itself, that might be libel and not contempt, and the "truth" would then be a defense.

It is related that "contempt" was levied by a justice of the peace on an editor who called the justice of the peace a "damn fool," and so in the trial it was proved that the justice of the peace might be an officer and a "damn fool" too. So in the argument of the issues both sides averred the seriousness of the case, and narrow margin as it was, it was concluded on the ground that the party MIGHT be BOTH—that is a justice of the peace and a "damn fool"; and, reviewing the evidence the court concluded he WAS "BOTH" and the editor was vindicated.

In the Dale case we have however, a critical case. Dale was surrounded by bad elements. He fought bravely to defend the community IN HIS WAY. He denounced the frauds going on. He denounced the officers as he had a right to do, and then it is plainly shown the local gang just conspired to "Shanghai" him and they did. That Dale was incensed is apparent and he spoke plain. But the judge went beyond his bailiwick to prosecute him, because Dale committed no overt act on anybody, except to protest with great vigor at the local outrage perpetrated on him.

The Chicago News, an extremely conservative paper, speaks of it as follows, editorially:

"It is highly desirable that the United States Supreme Court should be given an opportunity to review the issue in the case of George R. Dale, editor of a weekly newspaper at Muncie, Ind., who was adjudged guilty of contempt by Judge Dearth of the Circuit Court. Mr. Dale's defense was and is that his comments were true and were sustained by well-known facts. Unfortunately, in affirming the sentence on appeal the Supreme Court of Indiana took the definite and blunt position that in a contempt case "the truth is no defense."

"This issue has challenged wide attention and is to be carried in an appeal to the Federal Supreme Court, if the latter possesses jurisdiction.

"In contempt cases, no doubt it will be argued, the formal processes of justice may be obstructed even by truthful charges publicly made against courts at certain times or in certain circumstances, but common sense revolts against such a plea. Where the truth is told about an individual judge, without malice, and in the public interest, the cause of law and justice does not suffer, though the reputation of the judge may be destroyed.

"At any rate, the question raised by the Muncie case is worthy of the consideration of the highest judicial tribunal in the land."

This is just as we feel about it. We must protect the great dignity of the court, of course. Not a newspaper in the land feels otherwise, and courts and the press must stand shoulder to shoulder defending the constitutional rights of our citizenship, else we fail in a national sense in our civilization.

How different was Judge Coulter's attitude in the Rhoades case. The prisoner was a killer and society's worst enemy. Yet Judge Coulter, when Rhoades plead "guilty" at his bar, said to the prisoner: "Do you realize what you are saying?" In your plea of guilty you waive any further rights in this court. You are entitled to an attorney to represent you. If you suspend your plea the state will send an attorney to you as you are in jeopardy of your life." And that is an outcast and outlaw!

This is based on common law and on constitutional rights and is wonderful in its wisdom.

But Dale, an editor, making a zealous fight for clean citizenship, was wronged of his liberty without due process by an outrageous clique and denied even bail or a bond for a time. One judge said the "state will furnish you a lawyer if you do not want to plead guilty"; the other judge forced an editor prisoner to punishment without his clean chance. The editor was given his chance. The editor was not.

If ever there was an attack on democracy that was an instance! Senator Borah shouted in that imperial senate body the other day that if there was any doubt at all about the survival of our national life, it came in the over-crowded population, too large to function and carry on, so large and ponderous as to become unmanageable and hence decay and collapse was inevitable.

If there is an oath of church or society or class that is SUPER to our precious national pledge, then our people are in a hazardous position indeed. The king can do no wrong. Feudal lordism can dictate with imperious power. Courts and potentates can emphasize their assertive force, but democracy perishes forever and that democracy was the big thing we Americans gladly spent fifty billions for, and financed every nation on earth about.

What of Dale, an editor? He possessed the old-fashioned democratic spirit of liberty. Maybe he was too strident, or emphatic, or forceful; but these days of the utterly reckless abandon of the lawless he was striking a fierce blow for the people. Muncie has been submerged with wrong and graft. She ought to blush for shame. All the people of the state know it.

The judge, perhaps aggrieved, could easily have counseled with this editor, and it was his duty to do so. In our opinion Dale is but the type that won for real democracy. He is fashioned in heart and purpose like Alvin York, who stalked the trenches and captured singly and alone a whole company of German prisoners; or Ace Rickenbacker who conquered the sky; or Patrick Henry who shouted in the king's face, "Give me liberty or give me death."

Grant that some of Dale's free speech was needless, or too severe, he was desperately at work in a good cause and knew it.

his cause is the cause of all the press of the land and all the people. Without the press, unshackled and unafraid, the democracy of this time is a misnomer and a reproach. No judge or prosecutor is capable to occupy the editor's place in his zeal for the betterment and protection of the people.

The mass is a helpless, forlorn population, pleading for justice and liberty all the time. Already the press has grown weak and wobbly and spineless. There are too few outspoken writers and since the World War less than ever! They are too apt to function the "easiest way" in the line of the least resistance, counting the profits at the expense of the people's honor.

There are too few Greeleys, Wattersons, Danas. The press must have character and strength or the very laws themselves will be a dead letter, worse than they are now.

Hence why object to the zealous guard that the honorable profession of journalism surrounds itself with when it exhorts for a freedom and liberty that should not be denied.

Surplus--Surplus.

Republicans of both the national and the state of Indiana administrations are holding up the fact that each has a surplus in the treasury as proof of the ability of that party to govern. Did you ever stop to think where these two gigantic surpluses, \$350,000,000 in the national and \$16,000,000 in the state, came from? Do you suppose they are the profits of the ef-fish-ency of the republican officials? Not by a darn sight, every penny in both these great funds was taken directly from your pockets, by direct or indirect taxes. That money does not belong to the republican party nor to republican officials, it is your money, and had republican officials been honest in levying taxes, it would be in your pockets or in circulation instead of being tied up by the national and state governments.

A surplus in the treasury is just like the food that is left on the plate of the glutton after he has eaten all he could get into his stomach. It is a sure sign of the hoggish disposition of the person who wants everything in sight. Instead of bragging about the surplus in the treasury the republicans, who have taxed you far beyond what was required should hang their heads in shame for being caught in such high-handed thievery, for thievery that is. But they reduced taxes, first by the democratic Simmons bill and then by the Mellon bill with a Simmons amendment. No wonder Coolidge waited until he was ready to hide in the woods before saying he was proud of the republican congressional record.

The Personal Touch.

Some surprise has been created by the fact that Albert Stump in his race for the long term United States senatorship, whenever he has the time, goes out alone in whatever town or city he may be and meets the people personally in their homes. Why should this cause surprise? It is not to represent these private citizens and their home that Mr. Stump is asking the election? Could there be any better or more accurate way in which he could learn their sentiments? Could he depend on the leaders of a political machine for as correct an outline of public sentiment?

The candidate who gets his ideas of public sentiment from a machine and its leaders is getting political machine ideas and the public does not always approve those ideas. Take the Watson machine in Indiana for example. They asserted that Jim was the one and only candidate possible yet in the primary he only received two-thirds of one-half the republican vote. The candidate who is led around to meet the dear pea-pul by a bunch of political fixers only gets ideas the fixers wish him to receive, that is those of advantage to the machine.

HORSESHOE MEET AT STATE FAIR IN SEPTEMBER

Contests for State Championship in Several Classes Are Planned.

This contest will be for the purpose of determining the state championship team and the individual champion.

County contests should be promoted and held for the purpose of selecting the two men who will constitute the county team and two alternate to represent each county in the contest. No county can be represented by more than one team. The county contests should be held prior to Sept. 1st, and the names of the winning team and alternates should be sent to the Secretary of the Indiana Board of Agriculture, State House, Indianapolis, not later than Sept. 1st or W. W. Wilson, Muncie, Indiana, who is director in charge of the Horseshoe Pitching contest.

The State Fair Horseshoe Pitching meet will start Monday morning, September 6, at 8 o'clock and will be continued each day from 8 to 12 until finished.

Each team entered shall pitch each other team one game. The team with the highest percentage of points shall be declared the winner. The following cash prizes will be awarded to the tight teams in the order they finish in the tournaments:

Cash Prizes for County Teams	
First	\$75.00
Second	\$65.00
Third	\$50.00
Fourth	\$40.00
Fifth	\$35.00
Sixth	\$25.00
Seventh	\$20.00
Eighth	\$15.00

Individual Contests	
Men's Class	
First	\$25.00 and gold medals
Second	\$15.00 and silver medal
Third	\$10.00 and bronze medal

Boys' Class	
Any boy under 18 years of age is eligible for this class:	
First	\$10.00 and gold medal
Second	\$10.00 and silver medal
Third	\$5.00 and bronze medal

Men 60 Years Old or Over

A gold medal will be awarded the winner in this class.

Other special prizes will be offered in this horseshoe pitching contest.

IOWA G.O.P. NOW FOR BROOKHART

Allegiance Sworn to Ex-Outcast at State Convention — Coolidge Praised.

Des Moines, Ia., July 22.—Iowa Republicans in their state convention yesterday, buried all their hatchets, voiced approval of all candidates chosen at the June primary, took to their bosoms Smith W. Brookhart, unseated United States senator, once termed a party outcast, and again their senatorial nominee; demanded equality for agriculture, and commended the national and state administrations.

At least two hard fights were waged before the resolutions committee, but in the open all was tranquil, and but or two interruptions the gathering outwardly would have been an old-time love feast.

During the afternoon session various Republican leaders were called to the platform for brief addresses while the convention awaited the report of the resolutions committee.

Is Howled Down.
Sheriff F. Myers of Anita, Ia., sought to gain the floor to speak against Mr. Brookhart, but was howled down. He got in one thrust at the senatorial nominee, however, with a shouted remark that he wanted to know "how many Democrats are in this convention" and that "they are the fellows that nominated Brookhart."

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR COUNTY SUPPLIES.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Delaware, in the State of Indiana, will receive sealed proposals and bids at the office of the Auditor in the court house in the city of Muncie, said county, and state, until the hour of 10:00 o'clock A. M., on Saturday the 24th day of July, 1926, for the following supplies for said county:

Coal for the Children's Home and County Infirmary.

Bids for said coal shall be made on the basis of car load lots, prices f. o. b. Muncie, Indiana, for Children's Home, and f. o. b. Selma, Indiana, for County Infirmary, delivery to be made in car load lots as required by the Board.

Bids to be made on estimated amount of six hundred (600) tons, more or less.

One Road Grader, ten (10) foot blade, for use on county highways.

Each bidder on coal is required to file a bond with his bid as required by law; each bidder on road grader shall accompany his bid with certified check for 5% of the amount of his bid guaranteeing the faithful performance of the contract should his bid be accepted. Proper affidavits of non-contamination shall accompany all bids.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Done this 7th day of July, 1926.
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July 16.

NOTICE OF SALE OF DRAINAGE BONDS.

State of Indiana,
Delaware County.

Before the Board of Commissioners of the County of Delaware, in the State of Indiana.

In the matter of the proceedings for drainage by Mary E. Hedgebrand et al.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Auditor of Delaware County, Indiana, that pursuant to an act of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana of the 1919 session, at pages 775 to 781, inclusive of the Acts of 1919, that at the hour of ten o'clock A. M., on the 14th day of August, 1926, in the office of the Treasurer of Delaware County, Indiana, in the court house in the City of Muncie, in Delaware County, State of Indiana, the Treasurer of Delaware County, Indiana, will proceed to sell to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at not less than the face value certain drainage bonds of the face or par value of \$6,887.20, bearing interest from and after the 8th day of June, 1926, at the rate of six per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, on the 15th day of May and the 15th day of November of each year for a period of five years. Said bonds have been issued in strict compliance with the laws of the State of Indiana and pursuant to and with an order of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Delaware, in the State of Indiana, authorizing and ordering the issue and sale of said bonds for the purpose of providing funds for the construction and the costs and expense incident hereto of the drainage reported in the above entitled proceedings and known as the Mary E. Hedgebrand et al. Drainage, which drainage was petitioned for by Mary E. Hedgebrand and others in the Delaware Commissioners' court of the County of Delaware in the State of Indiana, and established by the said Delaware Commissioners' Court of Indiana, and which proceeding is now pending in said court. Said bonds will be ten in number, dated June 8, 1926, each being for the sum of \$688.72. The first of said bonds will be due and payable on the 15th day of May, 1927, and two each year thereafter until all of said bonds shall have been paid.

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ORGANIZE WORLD MOVEMENT FOR AID OF HISTORY

American Association Announces Program to Assist Scholars in Research.

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Describes Blast At Navy Arsenal

New York, July 22.—A rear-admiral and three navy captains rose from their judicial chairs Wednesday as a hospital orderly pushed a wheelchair into a room at the Brooklyn naval hospital where the court of inquiry was hearing testimony on the Lake Denmark naval ammunition depot disaster.

In the wheelchair was a man, his head swathed in bandages, a large gauze patch over his right eye, powder pocks on his seated face, forehead and temple and a long burn on the left side of his face from the cheek bone to the corner of his mouth.

He was Captain Otto C. Downing, commander of the Lake Denmark arsenal, who had come to the court the day before.

The story was told by Samuel Dorer of Dewart, Pa., representative of Ohio, Wisconsin, Michigan and Indiana dairies, at the trial of William H. Kehoe, former assistant corporation

RESEARCH NEARS CAUSE OF CANCER

Scientists Find Sarcoma Cells Escape from Blood and Cause Disease.

Baltimore.—Discoveries in cancer research made in John Hopkins university medical school, it was said, are expected to prove of great value in finding the cause of the disease.

According to Dr. Warren H. Lewis, professor of physiological anatomy, it has been found that the cells of sarcoma, one of the two forms of cancer, are cells which have escaped from the blood stream and which have been altered in form by unknown forces playing upon them.

Two Theories Proven

Sarcoma has been caused by injecting a normal blood cell from a chicken suffering from sarcoma into a healthy chicken. It also has been caused by injecting the plasma, the watery part of the blood, from a chicken suffering from sarcoma, into a healthy chicken.

Dr. Lewis believes that thus a fence has been built up around the cause of a cancer, and that research workers may work inside that fence with more hope of eventually finding the cause than has been possible in the past.

Rat Experiment Made

Dr. Warren Lewis is now working on rats with the purpose of proving that what can be done with the chicken can be done with the rat. Tumors have been caused in healthy rats by injecting into them parts of the tumors formed of blood cells. But the production of a tumor in a healthy rat from the normal blood cell of a rat suffering from a sarcoma tumor has not been accomplished to parallel the like experiment on the chicken. That now is being attempted.

All this applies only to sarcoma, the cancer of connective tissues. Dr. Lewis says that carcinoma, the cancer which attacks the skin, the membranes of the mouth and the throat, is undoubtedly caused by another form of cell. But he believes that any study which pushes the research worker nearer to the discovery of the cause of sarcoma inevitably pushes him nearer to the discovery of the cause of carcinoma.

INVESTIGATE THE PETTING CRAZE

World Wide Survey Conducted By Y. W. C. A. On Subject.

To pet or not to pet—is a question which is being investigated. The national council of the Y. W. C. A. has conducted a world-wide survey of the attitude of boys on the matter of petting. The general consensus of opinion among the boys is that petting is not a wise course of conduct for girls. The investigation brought out the fact that when young fellows come to choose wives, they prefer to take for their hepinettes girls whom "everyone has not pawed over." The opinion among the boys is that they like girls to whom they have to look up and whom they can respect. Smoking, profanity and drinking intoxicating liquors on the part of young women are generally regarded by the boys as the expression of a disposition to "show off." Indulgence in petting—if the impression it makes upon the boys is to be accepted—is detrimental to character. It would appear from the facts gathered by the association that there is urgent need of the exercise of a greater amount of self-control both on the part of girls and boys in the matter of petting. Perhaps it might be said with regard to petting, as with many other things that it is something to be discreetly indulged in, if indulged in at all. Its promiscuous indulgence is not only an indication of weakness but a serious reflection upon the character of the individuals who practice it. We suspect that the cutting out of the altogether too free and general disposition to indulge in petting in these days of automobiles, beach parties and other diversions would conduce to a large measure of self-respect and safety for our young people.

Mellon Replies To Debt Critics

Washington, July 17.—America has given France more generous debt terms than has England or any other creditor, Secretary Mellon told the world yesterday in a formal statement issued just before he departed on a vacation trip to southern Europe.

In effect, Mr. Mellon declared, the United States has cancelled all of France's obligations for advances made during the war and is actually getting a return, under its agreement with France, of only those loans made after the Armistice.

Indiana's summer capital will be in the dunes along Lake Michigan again this year. Governor E. G. Jackson and his family will arrive in Dunes state park, fifteen miles east of Gary, Ind., on August 15 for a two weeks' outing.

The Yellowstone National Park jail has not held a prisoner in its thirty-two years of existence and so the officers have had it torn down as being entirely unnecessary.

Photo Illustrates Dale's Fight With Klan Assassins, Dale And His Family



THE ATTACK

Editor George R. Dale, Klan foe, is re-enacting the assault with his son.

THE REPULSE.

The editor, covered, grabbed the weapon of his assailant and killed the attacker.

VICTOR AND FAMILY.

Left to right is the family: Martha Ellen, 12; Elizabeth, 18; George Jr., 22; Mary, 24; Virginia, 9; Mr. Dale, holding Jack, 2 and Dan, 7.

EDITOR AND JACK.

George R. Dale, Muncie's fighting editor, who battled the Klan tooth and nail, is shown with his son, Jack.

CONTEMPT

(Continued from Page One.)

My attorney, Mr. Rooker, a profound student of law, and nationally recognized as an authority on the interpretation of the constitution, is preparing to write a brief, which I hope will so clarify many of these things which now disturb and distress those who fear we are drifting away from democracy, that it will become the contempt law of the land.

The purity of the bench cannot be smirched by uncalled for attack. Such attacks upon an honest judiciary must inevitably react upon those who make them. But the hope of democracy rests upon the right of the people to freely discuss the merits or demerits of their public servants and what, in the name of God, is there about a judge which should exempt him and shield him from just criticism?

When this case is decided it will at once become "the latest decision of the United States supreme court on contempt." I believe it is the most vital question which has been presented to the court in a half century.

We said it then and we repeat it now. To a group of distinguished metropolitan newspapermen Judge Dearth denied most emphatically that he is now or ever had been a member of the Ku Klux Klan.

The Post-Democrat knows personally that he did join the Klan and thousands of klansmen know it. I have talked to many former klansmen who have attended meetings with him and who have heard him address secret Klan meetings.

We don't blame him much for denying it. It may be that he finds an excuse for his denial in the fantastic alibi fabricated by one of the gobblins to the effect that during the moment the denial is being made, membership is momentarily suspended, but instantly resumed after the words are spoken.

After being arrested on what I termed a framed up indictment brought by a Klan grand jury, the Post-Democrat made the serious charge that the judge, prosecutor, sheriff, grand jury, jury commissioners and police force were members of the Klan and charged that it was a Klan frame up.

Cited for contempt my offer to prove in open court every charge made, was refused, and sentence and imprisonment followed. I appealed and the state supreme court affirmed the judgment, declaring that the truth or falsity of the charges was immaterial; that the truth was no defense; that even if everything I said was true in every respect I was still guilty of contempt if the publication held the court up to the contempt and ridicule of the public.

Even, therefore, if the indictment was framed up, as charged, and the entire court house crowd from the judge down were, as charged, members of an organization sworn to do the bidding of an imperial wizard, the one to be punished was myself, alone, because I had held the court up to the contempt and ridicule of the public by calling the court a bunch of frauds and kluckers!

Suppose I had called them thieves, firebugs, burglars, pickpockets and had the evidence to prove it; under the opinion written by Mr. Justice Travis, the outfit would have had the right to send me to jail, for such a charge, if truthful, would certainly, and most justifiably, have held the court up to the contempt of the public.

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The apple crop is forecast at 3,030,000 bushels, 12 per cent greater than last year and the peach season is well along with a crop of 888,000 bushels forecast. This is the largest since 1916. Pears promise a crop of 316,000 bushels and a grape production 99 per cent greater than last year is indicated.

It is also said that judges have the "inherent" power to punish summarily for contempt. If this is true, it places a terrible weapon in the hands of any judge who may be small enough to use this super power to strike at an enemy.

It is an especially dangerous power to be entrusted to a judge, who has taken the bloody oath of the Klan, which imposes upon the one who takes it, abject obedience to the dunces who call themselves the wizard, sitting in lordly opulence on the tinsel throne of the invisible

A kind of fly imported from Europe to help fight the gypsy and brown-tail moths is found to attack ninety-two different species of insects.

CALLS CHARGE OF DR. NORRIS, SILLY

Fort Worth (Tex.) Mayor Says Pastor's Victim Innocent of Slaying Plan.

Fort Worth, Tex., July 22.—Charges that there existed a conspiracy against the life of the Rev. J. Frank Norris, were made and denied yesterday, while the county

grand jury continued its investigation of the slaying of D. E. Chipp, wealthy lumberman, by the minister here last Saturday.

Dr. Norris asserted that further evidence had come to light that the visit of Chipp to his office in the First Baptist Church, where the slaying occurred was part of a "deep-laid conspiracy" to take his life.

Mayor H. C. Meacham, object of many attacks by Dr. Norris and friends of the slain man, answered, however, that the pastor's conspiratorial charges were "silly."

There had been no conference in his office about an attack on Dr. Norris, as charged in an article in

the *Searchlight*, a publication directed by the minister. Mayor Meacham said.

Meacham declared that Chipp was "an innocent, unarmed man, and had no intention of attacking Dr. Norris."

In Great Britain's exertion to improve her industrial and economic condition, and thereby to re-establish her political and social life upon a solid basis, it is altogether likely that one of her most distinguished public men may be called upon to take the lead again. It is none other than David Lloyd George.

BLACKS TO GOBLE NEW YORK IN 2676

French Scientist Says They Will Devour Europe and Then Cross Atlantic.

Paris, July 21.—Disappearance of the white and yellow races from the earth, under a wave of cannibalism is pictured by Professor Jacques Barty, French student of birth statistic and multiplied totals.

A dark picture for future generations of mankind is drawn by this Paris professor, who predicts that

the splendid efforts of my friends from Africa, cross the Atlantic to eat up New York and then digest its way to the Pacific.

Instead of being worried about its rapidly declining population and falling birth rate, France should be happy to escape the cannibalistic ending of civilization, Professor Barty believes.

"It is only a question of years—not so many years after all, he says, "until civilization rushes into catastrophe."

"The day is on the calendar when the world will be too small for its population and the people will be forced by hunger to kill each other. The globe today counts 1,800,000,000 people. Each day sees 50,000 children born. In 750 years' time, there would be 14,000,000,000 people on the earth."

In the year 276, or 750 years from now, Professor Barty believes that if anyone remains upon this earth, it will be a race of negroes. The white races, he estimates, as comprising 550 millions occupying four tenths of the surface of the world. He predicts that the white population will double in the next eighty years.

"Meanwhile the yellow race will double in population in only 60 years and the black in 40 years," he said. "Logically, eventually the black race will dominate and it will be the blacks who will turn back to cannibalism to solve the question of food. This will be the greatest problem facing the future generations in the next century."

Representatives of farm organizations from eleven states are assembling at Des Moines, Iowa, for another session to consider the farm relief situation. They are determined to continue the congressional fight until success attains their efforts.

Former Senator Smith W. Brookhart, who was unseated in the senate shortly before the vote was taken on the proposed McNary-Haugen bill, defeated in Congress, is present at the conference and is taking an active part.

Mr. Brookhart is the nominee of the Republican party for the seat held by Senator A. B. Cummings, when he defeated in the primary election.

Inadvertently the announcement of the prize winners was not published in last week's issue. The winners of the cash prizes follow:

Mrs. Daisy Miller, \$300; Mrs. Byron Wingate, \$100; Mrs. Joe Walling, \$100; Mrs. Fred Burns, \$75; Jacob Frey, \$75.

The campaign was remarkably successful, over twenty-five hundred new names being added to the Post-Democrat subscription list.

The most interesting feature of the congress of the Women's International League of Peace and Freedom, which has just concluded its sessions at Dublin, Ireland, was the passage of a resolution advocating complete sex equality, with the right of women to equal opportunity and recognition in the industrial field.

The Associated Advertising clubs of the world have announced a project for a world-wide campaign in behalf of religion, to employ radio, newspapers, billboards and posters. The Rev. Charles Stetzel of New York, who has been employed to direct the campaign, says that the purpose will be to demonstrate that religion is the biggest factor in human life and that those who believe in it should line up definitely with a church.

CITIZENS OF NEW YORK CITY ARE AIDING IN FIGHT

Money Sent N. Y. World To Carry Dale Case To U. S. Supreme Court.

This is an object lesson in the evolution of a movement.

On Wednesday The World published the story of George R. Dale, anti-Klan editor of the Muncie (Ind.) Post-Democrat. Mr. Dale started to fight the Klan four years ago.

Now he has lost his home, his newspaper and \$15,000 in cash. He is penniless and under sentence of ninety days in jail for contempt of court.

Mr. Dale was arrested on a liquor charge which he charged was a frameup. He accused a Judge, who was friendly with the Klan. The contempt sentence followed. The World told how Mr. Dale plans to take his fight to the Supreme Court in Washington if he can raise the required \$5,000.

Appeal Brings Response

The next day Alfred S. Field, of No. 2341 Andrews Avenue, the Bronx, sent to the World \$1 with this letter:

Until there is enacted a Federal law making it possible to appeal their cases to the highest court in the land, citizens with little or no funds will be at the mercy of such bodies at the Klan.

The case of Editor George Dale of Indiana, is an outrage and needs only hearing before a fair-minded jury. I do not know what brand of politics or religion Mr. Dale espouses, but if only part of his statement is true the funds necessary to finance his appeal should be forthcoming without delay. If you will make it clear that you will receive such funds for Mr. Dale, the response, I am sure, will follow. I inclose \$1 for the same.

Mr. Field's letter was published Friday and it brought this in the next mail:

The letter published in The World this morning, about aiding Editor Dale in his fight for free speech and against the persecution of the Klan, hits the nail on the head. When are you going to start the fund and what is the proper address to mail remittances to? Print this (I mean the information, not this note) and the free-speechers should do the rest.

A. E. M'NAUGHTON.

By all ordinary calculations this information would have had to be printed before any fund could have started. But a movement is an inexplicable thing and yesterday's mail brought five letters and \$25.

List of Donations

The donations were as follows:

P. Charles Murphy, No. 2542 Marion Avenue, the Bronx, \$10.

David Jacobson, No. 239 Nelson Road, Scarsdale, \$5.

Louis M. Feinberg, No. 44 Court Street, Brooklyn, \$2.

John H. Taylor, Jr., Mamaroneck, L. I., \$5.

J. S. Murray, Penn-Post Hotel, New York, \$1.

With Mr. Field's original dollar the Dale fund now stands at \$24.

In his letter accompanying his contribution Mr. Feinberg said in part:

"If he is guilty of any offense, particularly that of contempt of court, he should be properly punished. But in a matter of this kind, where the question of free press and free speech is involved, every assistance of fair minded men should be lent toward giving Mr. Dale the opportunity of having his case passed upon by not less than the highest court in the United States. I am not moved by the fact, as it appears, that he is an anti-Klan editor, or any other kind of an editor."

Miss Carrie Jordan Wins Hudson Auto

Miss Carrie Jordan, daughter of Webb Jordan of Perry, township, won the new Hudson coach offered by the Post-Democrat for the contest securing the greatest number of subscriptions.

The Rev. J. Frank Norris, pastor of the big Baptist church at Fort Worth, Texas, preached to overflow audiences Sunday after having shot and killed a wealthy lumberman, who came to his study to remonstrate with the preacher about some of his utterances in attacking the Mayor and the city council. He used as his text, "There is no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus." How we do like to fortify ourselves in the deeds we do behind some text of scripture. If we are right we quote scripture and if we are wrong we quote scripture to make it appear right.

The National League for Defense of Religious Freedom at Mexico City has