

SNAGS RISE TO INDICATE DELAY IN OIL HEARING

New Intimidation Charges to Bring Further Inquiry of Case.

BY HERBERT LITTLE
United Press Staff Correspondent
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Complications in the Sinclair-Burns contempt trial today threatened to cause postponement of the next now set for Jan. 16.

New charges that Government attorneys intimidated witnesses—Burns detective jury-trial in this instance—occupied lawyers today as testimony concerning a previous charge of Government intimidation of Juror Edward Kidwell continued.

Kidwell, a juror in the first Fall-Sinclair trial, yesterday reversed himself and admitted his statements to the United States attorney were "true, to the best of my belief."

He persisted in his statement, however, that Assistant United States Attorney James O'Leary put many of the words into his mouth—one the basis of which George P. Hoover, Harry Sinclair's lawyer, charged O'Leary with intimidation.

Justice F. L. Siddons said the intimidation charges must be sifted before the contempt trial continues. The court will adjourn tomorrow until Tuesday, Jan. 3. A hearing on the contempt citation against Harry M. Blackmer, missing witness in the Fall-Sinclair trial, from whom the Government seeks \$100,000 forfeit as the result of his failure to testify, is scheduled for Jan. 6. It will be postponed or transferred to another court.

It is believed unlikely that presentation of evidence will be concluded in the contempt proceedings by Jan. 16.

SUE IN CHURCH CRASH

Six Persons Ask Damages From Trustees and Contractor.

Six persons injured when flooring in the new Negro Tabernacle Baptist Church, North and Blake sts., collapsed during dedication services Nov. 13, filed damage suits aggregating \$7,700 in county Superior Courts Wednesday afternoon.

Members of the trustees board, Fred Ford, Clarence Mayfield and Oscar F. White, and Curtis Q. Patton, contractor, were named defendants.

The complaints charged the flooring was of faulty material, improperly braced.

Plaintiffs and amounts asked by each are: Clarence White, \$1,000; William M. Gill, \$1,000; Fannie Stark, \$2,500; Hettie Lewis, \$500; Elmer Hart, \$2,500, and Lovie White, \$200.

Fifth Avenue's Number 1



(NEA Service, New York Bureau)
Fifth Avenue's starting point, at Washington Square, is now appropriately marked—by a towering new apartment house skyscraper at No. 1. In the foreground, the Washington Square Arch.

Last Line Winners Announced Thursday

Judge Picked These 'Dough Collectors; Big Prize to Be Awarded.

BY LIMERICK LARRY

Municipal Judge Paul C. Wetter, who hears a lot in his court room about "young brides who think they can bake," picked today's "last line" winners. The Limerick—No. 17—and the winning lines:

A young bride who thought she could bake
Made some biscuits that no one could break;
Her hubby's sad moan:
"My bread's turned to stone."

BROUGHT A STORM ABOUT "DOUGH" HE SHOULD MAKE.
This line, written by J. C. Sharpe, 3921 Graceland Ave., won the \$5 first prize.

HER "DOUGH"—"MESS"—"TIC"—"SIGH"—"HENCE"—(DOMESTIC SCIENCE) PROVED FAKE.
This clever last line won \$3 for M. K. Gruman, 873 W. Twenty-Eighth St.

Mrs. Fred G. White, 1011 W. Thirtieth St., won third prize of \$2 for this line:
BRING A CHISEL IN, DEAR, WITH THE CAKE.

Tomorrow, limerickers, we are going to have the winners of the last limerick of the contest. The grand prize of a \$208 Stewart-Warner console radio, given by the National

Furniture Company, 335 W. Washington St., will be given to the author of the best last line submitted during the entire contest.

CONFESS PEPPER PLOT TO FOIL BLOODHOUNDS

Five Young Burglars at Lebanon Planned to Sprinkle Trail.

By Times Special

LEBANON, Ind., Dec. 22.—Five youths, four 16, the other 18, are held here on confessions that they are guilty of seven burglaries in and near here within the last few weeks, one being that of a grocery where they sought cayenne pepper to scatter along their trail to confuse bloodhounds they imagined officers would use.

Those in custody, facing second degree burglary charges, are Delmar Dickerson, Merle Dosssett, Donald Sheets, Russell and Forrest Barrickman, brothers. Russell is 18.

Feathered 'Candy'

PETERSBURG, Ind., Dec. 22.—Lee DeMott, a pigeon raiser, filled a candy bucket with squabs packed in ice for delivery and sat them in his truck. Someone stole them, thinking they were candy.

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CONGRESS SEES REAL BUGABOO ON TAX SLASH

Income Impact Reduction Is Likely to Be Shelved by President.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Possibility of no income tax reduction after a ballyhoo of more than a year today is giving members of Congress serious concern.

Democrats and Republicans alike unofficially are counting noses to determine if a tax bill can be passed over the President's veto.

Threats from the White House that the President will veto the bill if Secretary Mellon's recommendations are disregarded vitally are not taken as a mere political threat.

Congressmen recall that the President vetoed the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill in the face of strong opposition and that Congress failed to pass the bill over his veto.

The President, if he vetoes the measure, is expected to write a strong message asserting that reductions beyond the \$225,000,000 recommended by Secretary Mellon are dangerous and contrary to sound Federal financing.

Such a message, congressional leaders assert, would be difficult to over-ride.

Income tax reductions authorized by the House totaled \$290,000,000. Senator Simmons of North Carolina, Democratic taxation leader, expects the Senate not only to retain the \$290,000,000 of the house, but go even further.

Senate Republican leaders have little hope of reducing the House estimates. They will endeavor to prevent a Democratic-Progressive Republican coalition to boost it higher.

Such increase, Speaker Longworth and Representative Garner, Democratic taxation leader, are agreed, will bring a presidential veto.

SANTA VISITS BLOCK'S

Employees Get Gold From Grab Bag; Music Numbers Given.

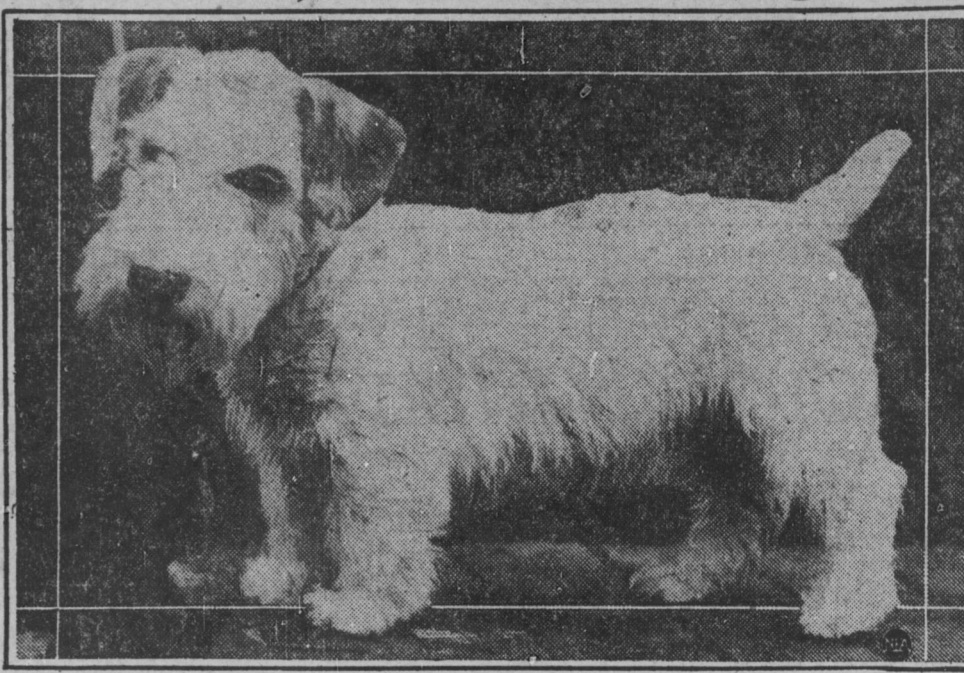
Employees of the William H. Block Company were visited by Santa Claus Wednesday morning. A grab bag containing seven \$5 gold pieces was given. M. S. Walker was master of ceremonies and George M. Binger, advertising manager, was Santa. A musical program included a soprano solo by Miss Evangeline Linelinas, Christmas numbers by an instrumental quartet and singing of several Christmas carols.

He-Pollyanna

By Times Special

COLUMBUS, Ind., Dec. 22.—Willie Perry, 42, local broom maker, is a male Pollyanna. On the way to the State penal farm, where he will serve a thirty-day term for stealing chickens, Willie remarked to officers: "Well, it may not turn out so bad after all. People now are pretty well supplied with brooms. Maybe they'll have 'em worn out by the time I get back and then business will be better."

A Joke? No, Sir! It's Sure-Enough Dog



Just because Lyndygae Dandy is a funny lookin' little feller is no reason to think he's a joke, a rag doll, or somethin' like that. If you do, the joke's on you! For Dandy's a dog's dog, champ Sealyham of the Bristol, England, Kennel Association's Show.

FIGHT TO PROBE UTILITY UNIONS

Committee May Back Walsh in Senate Demand.

By Times Special

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Senator Walsh of Montana may get a chance to investigate public utility mergers, propaganda and financing, after all. His resolution calling for a Senate committee to investigate these subjects will be the subject of a public hearing Jan. 16 by the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee, to which it was referred Monday by a vote of 40 to 39.

The committee voted to hold the hearing, on motion of Senator Wheeler of Montana, who charged before the Senate vote Monday that to send the resolution to this committee was to kill it or so delay it that no action could be obtained at this session.

However, committee conservatives may not be strong enough to kill the resolution. Republicans have ten members on the committee, of which two, Senators Couzens and Howell, will vote to report out the resolution.

With the nine Democrats all present and all favorable to the resolution, the two Republican independents could force it out.

MONSTER WOLF SLAIN

Timber Terror Six and Half Feet Long Is Bagged.

By United Press

ELDING, Mich., Dec. 22.—A giant timber wolf, six and one-half feet long and standing thirty-three inches at the shoulder, was killed by Walter Anderson on a deer hunting expedition. The wolf is said by rangers of the Whitefish Bay territory, where the beast was shot, to be the largest they had ever seen.

EXECUTION OF OHIO YOUTH, 17, SET BY COURT

Boy Must Die Jan. 6 for Murder of Child; Denies Guilt.

By United Press
COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 22.—The State Supreme Court today set Friday, Jan. 6, as the date for the execution of Floyd Hewitt, 17-year-old Conneaut boy convicted of murdering little Fred Brown of Conneaut, last Feb. 14.

Young Hewitt did not know, until informed by a United Press staff correspondent today, that the Supreme Court had refused to review his appeal. The boy is now in "death row" in the State penitentiary.

"I don't know what to do," he said. "I am innocent."

Hewitt will be electrocuted unless Governor Vic Donahey or the State board of clemency intervenes, shortly after sundown Jan. 6, or just before midnight.

Hewitt was indicted for the murder of the boy and his mother. He was tried on charges of killing the boy. Mrs. Brown was beaten to death with a poker after repulsing advances of Hewitt who had gone to the Brown home to listen to the radio, the State charged. Then fearing the boy would inform police of his mother's murder, Hewitt killed him with a baseball bat, it was shown.

BURGLAR IS HUNGRY

Takes 25 Loaves of Bread, and Biscuits From Store.

Charles Connor, grocer, at 221 N. Richland St., reported to police that the "hungriest" burglar came to his store early today and took twenty-five loaves of bread and three pounds of biscuits. The biscuit pans were found in the street about a block from the store.

Antiques

County Pays for Chair Used Two Years by Typist of Probe Papers.

AN "unlawful possession" charge against Miss Elizabeth Schoepel, county prosecutor's stenographer, was dissolved automatically today when her chair, which she has used two years, finally was paid for by county commissioners.

Up to this time the county refused payment of the bill, because it was ordered incorrectly.

"I thought it would make a good Christmas present to myself to let the county pay the bill," she said.

"This chair will have to be paid for because you know I can't sit on the floor," she told Commissioner Charles C. Sutton. He agreed and signed the requisition.

Miss Schoepel has written all indictments brought by the grand jury in the political probe.

Leg Used to Repair Hip

By Times Special

COLUMBUS, Ind., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Norton J. Boyd is recovering at her home here following an operation at Mayo Brothers' clinic, Rochester, Minn., in which part of the bone and tissue of a leg were used in building up a hip joint destroyed by rheumatism.

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