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LINDY'S COMPOSURE CRACKS IN TELLING HOW HE KNEW TINY BROKEN BODY OF SON

Recounts Heart-Breaking Failure of Trips
to Sea, Wild Auto Dashes, Sleepless
Nights of Kidnap Hunt.

CURTIS GLUES EYES ON LONE EAGLE
Flier Asserts Boatbuilder, Charged With
Obstructing Justice, Admitted His
Description of Gang False.

By United Press

FLEMINGTON, N. J., June 28.—High drama was enacted in the county courtroom of Hunterdon county today, is a suave prosecutor drew from Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh the heart-breaking details of the kidnaping and murder of his infant son.

Testifying against John Hughes Curtis, who is charged with obstructing justice, the famous aviator maintained superb poise in the face of a detailed recounting of a tragedy that would have broken a weaker man. Only once was there the slightest sign of emotion. He had told of fruitless days of following Curtis' allegedly false leads.

On the evening of May 12 I was informed of the finding of the body," Lindbergh said. He told of rushing to his Hopewell home.

"Did you see the body of your son?" Prosecutor Anthony Hauck asked.

"I did." The courtroom became tense. Hauck's questions, in contrast to absolute silence, seemed explosive.

"Where did you see the body of your son?"

"In the morgue at Trenton."

"Did you see the doctor that performed the post mortem?"

"I did."

His Poise Weakens

Here, for the first time, Lindbergh's poise weakened. He shifted nervously in his chair.

"Did you identify the body of your son?"

"Yes."

"By what means?"

"By some of the clothes and the teeth."

Lindbergh moistened his lips. His body became rigid. He stared straight ahead. It lasted but a few seconds and soon he was the cool and calm Lindbergh again.

He had detailed his activities with Curtis—expedition after expedition—tales of telephonic conversations with the kidnapers, radio messages, details of the actual crime in which Curtis told him a member of his own household (first, Curtis said it was a man, then, later, a girl) had instigated the crime. He told how his confidence in Curtis had grown until, finally, it was dissolved by the finding of the body.

"Reputated Everything"

Lindbergh was led into a resume of Curtis' final statement, confessing that all of his stories had been false.

"In general, Mr. Curtis practically reputated everything that he had told me in the past. I can't begin to tell you everything that he said. It was about 15 or 20 pages long."

"In fact almost all the important information he had given us, he denied was true."

Lloyd Fisher of defense counsel revealed marked deference to Colonel Lindbergh. While the prosecutor was bringing out the tragic details of identifying the body, the defense repeatedly objected, offering to concede anything "to spare Colonel Lindbergh."

In parts of his testimony, Lindbergh revealed the intensity of his purpose during the weary weeks he sought some trace of his baby. He clutched at anything and everything; he listened to anyone who claimed the power to aid him.

Slept But Little

He slept little; he drove himself furiously through adventure that would have been, had Curtis' stories been accurate, filled with personal danger. On one of his sea trips, the one off Block Island, he told of taking a machine gun lent by the state police.

Time after time, Lindbergh seemed to be stretching a point to be more than fair in his testimony. When Hauck asked a question that obviously was intended to be particularly damaging, Lindbergh hesitated before answering. At one point Hauck asked:

"Did Curtis express any sympathy to you for what he had done?"

Lindbergh thought for at least thirty seconds before he said:

"He did in his statements."

Fisher attempted to get into the record that when Curtis confessed the hoax, he was a guest in Lindbergh's Hopewell home, but Lindbergh denied that his status was that of a guest.

"Was he under arrest?"

"He was there to help on the case and I believed him to be there voluntarily," Lindbergh replied.

Needed at Norfolk

Fisher then tried to bring out that Curtis had been kept at the Lindbergh home when the financial condition of his Norfolk family demanded his presence there. Lindbergh, however, confessed himself ignorant of happenings that precluded Curtis' admission of the hoax.

Curtis sat alert and attentive, his eyes on Lindbergh's lips as the colonel made his first public statement of the tragedy that dominated his life for three months.

Curtis told Lindbergh the gangsters had been kept informed by "John," one of the kidnapers Curtis had described and later admitted

Demand Growing for Blunt Repeal Plank at Democrat Parley

Still Joking

By United Press
CHICAGO, June 28.—Al Smith and Mayor Walker of New York, sitting together with the New York delegation, became bored and left when Senator Albert Barkley of Kentucky got going with the key-not speech.

"Pay my respect to George Washington and Thomas Jefferson," wise-cracked Walker to John F. Curry, Tammany leader, as he left.

AIMEE'S MATE WANTS TO TELL 'ALL' TO JURY

Pretty Nurse Has Only One
More Witness to Put
on Stand.

By United Press

LOS ANGELES, June 28.—Attorneys for David L. Hutton were prepared to launch the corputent choirister's defense today to the \$200,000 breach of promise suit of Myrtle Hazel Joan St. Pierre, comely therapeutic nurse.

Only one witness remained to testify in Mrs. St. Pierre's suit to compel the baritone husband of Aimee Semple McPherson to make adequate restitution for her broken heart.

Though Hutton has announced he would "get up there and tell the world what this is all about," it was undecided if the adipose crooner would take the stand in his own defense.

Lindbergh described the passage of a week in Norfolk, occupied by daily trips to sea, by constant exploration flights of naval planes—all without once seeing the boat of the kidnapers.

"Did you ever sight the fishing boat?" Hauck asked.

"I did not." Lindbergh raised his voice a trifle and emphasized each word to make his statement positive.

"Did you ever make contact with the kidnapers?"

"I did not," Lindbergh repeated in the same emphatic tone.

SIAM'S KING TO RETAIN THRONE

**Power Will Be Limited;
Pledges Constitution.**

By United Press

BANGKOK, Siam, June 28.—King Prajadhipok, retaining his throne with limited powers instead of his former absolute monarchy, issued a proclamation today promising the people a constitution. It was enthusiastically received by the populace.

The proclamation recognized the existence of the People's party, which engineered last week's revolution. It stressed that Siam is only country in the world changing its form of government without disorder or bloodshed.

"For a long time," the king's proclamation said, "we have desired to institute a constitutional monarchy. We willingly agree to accept the People's party suggestion that we reign as a constitutional monarch."

Students Investigator OUSTED BY KENTUCKY

Came to Study Labor Conditions,
Escorted Out of State.

By United Press

CUMBERLAND GAP, Tenn., June 28.—Aron Gilmarin, 22-year-old divinity student of Chicago, was here today, escorted from Kentucky where he had gone to investigate labor conditions.

F. E. Keller, University of Chicago graduate student, and Ina White, church worker, who had accompanied him to Kentucky, were expected to join him.

Gilmartin disappeared after getting into a car with Constable Dillard Middleton at Everts, Ky. He said on his arrival here that he had not been harmed, but had been told to leave Kentucky.

MERGER 'THE BERRIES'

Kansas City Man Crosses Two
Brands; Get Both in One Dish.

By United Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 28.—All in one serving, Harry J. Lacy can dish up strawberries and raspberries to his guests. He crossed the two, and is calling the product raspberry-strawberries.

They look more like strawberries, but the raspberry flavor predominates.

CO-OPERATE IN TUMBLE

Twin Babies Fall. From Window
Together; Neither Hurt.

NEW YORK, June 28.—Helen and Gathering Gray, 21 months old each, and twins, have co-operated since birth.

Monday they tumbled together out of a second-floor window and landed sitting up in a grassy plot, unharmed.

"It's a miracle," their mother said.

ASKS RELIEF STORES

Evans' Bill Provides for
'Poor' Commissaries.

By United Press
HILLINGTON, June 28.—A bill providing for creation of county commissioners for administration of poor relief, is the latest added to the ladder set up for the special session by Representative H. H. Evans (Rep.) Newcastle.

He brought the bill to the office of Governor Harry G. Leslie today, where he already has presented one for classification of property for taxation.

His plan will permit wholesale buying of foods and their distribution without labor payments under a "made work" arrangement.

Evans said on his arrival here that he had not been harmed, but had been told to leave Kentucky.

CALL HIGHWAY SESSION

Commission to Hold Meeting at East
Chicago Thursday.

By United Press

INDIANAPOLIS, June 28.—When Ben Lyon and his wife, Bebe Daniels, applied for a passport, announcing they would vacation in Europe, they started something.

Monday, Rod La Rocque and his wife, Vilma Bandy, added their names to the list of Hollywood notables who plan the voyage across the Atlantic. Raymond Griffith, star of the silent picture days, and Bertha Mann Griffith also joined the movement and sought passports.

2-POUND BABY TO LIVE

Tiny Child, Wee Old Today, Has
Excellent Chance, Say Doctors.

By United Press

SHANGHAI, June 28.—The president of the Dollar steamship lines crashed into the line's wharf here today while attempting to berth without a pilot.

The huge passenger liner penetrated the wharf thirty feet, stoving a hole in her bow above the water line.

No one was reported injured.

Hourly Temperatures

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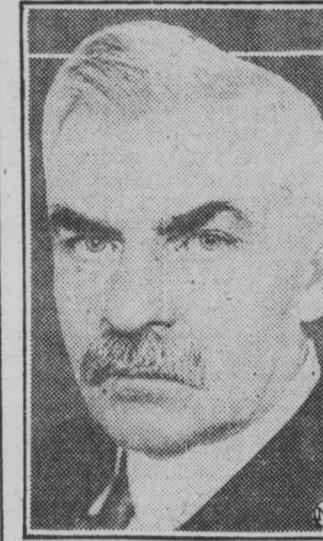
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ROOSEVELT FORCES GIVE UP COMPLETELY IN BATTLE TO CHANGE TWO-THIRDS RULE

Ready for 'Finish Battle'



Substitute Plan to Have Majority Nominate
After Sixth Ballot Is Withdrawn Before
Opening of Second Day's Session.

SHOUSE, WALSH ROW IS UP NEXT
New York Governor's Machine in Confusion
After Sudden End to Attempt to Shift
Procedure of Vote on Candidates.

By RAYMOND CLAPPER
United Press Staff Correspondent

CHICAGO, June 28.—Roosevelt forces surrendered 100 per cent today in their fight to break the two-thirds rule.

Just one hour before the Democratic national convention met for its second session today, Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt's manager, James A. Farley, announced that no man who could not get two-thirds of the convention should be nominated.

Shortly thereafter J. Bruce Kremer, the pro-Roosevelt chairman of the rules committee, announced his committee would withdraw its report favoring a plan whereby the convention could have a majority nominate after the sixth ballot. He called his committee to meet on the convention floor and reconsidered its report.

The committee then adopted a revised report to place the convention under the rules of the 1928 convention.

This means that the rule requiring two-thirds vote to nominate a presidential candidate will govern the convention.

The rules committee session to consider the rules was brief. The report also provides that the platform be adopted before candidates are nominated—a reversal of the plan originally drawn by the Roosevelt forces.

These developments left the Roosevelt forces badly confused, and knocked out one of the major battles scheduled for today's session.

The big issue remaining to be decided today was the contest between Jouett Shouse and Senator Thomas Walsh for the permanent chairmanship.

RITCHIE, BAKER TALK GROWS

On paper, the victory seemed most likely to rest upon Walsh with the support of the Franklin D. Roosevelt forces.

Shouse, favorite of the anti-Roosevelt men, however, was not giving up, and the situation was as time for voting approached.

The confusion in the Roosevelt camp gave rise to more talk of growing Ritchie strength and the shadow of Newton D. Baker, former secretary of war, as a possible final choice for the presidential nomination, became larger over the convention gathering.

Under the rules, nominating speeches will be limited to twenty minutes and seconding speeches to five minutes. Delegates on the floor will be limited to thirty-minute speeches.

The convention switched its program of order of business and took up the report of the credentials committee first.

This action brought to the floor the spirited contests to unseat the Huey Long delegation from Louisiana and the Hoidal delegation from Minnesota.

WHITE DEMONSTRATION FAILS
Governor George White of Ohio was discovered sitting in the Ohio delegation. White is a favorite son candidate for President. He is also a former chairman of the Democratic national committee, and as such is entitled to sit on the platform.

Temporary Chairman Barkley, advised of White's presence, invited him to take a seat on the platform. He was cheered briefly when he appeared.

The Ohio delegation attempted a demonstration, but after a few brief cheers the applause subsided.

A resolution of regret at the death of Frank C. Niles of Kansas City, a Missouri delegate, was adopted on the motion of Judge W. T. Raglan of Jefferson City.

Governor Ritchie of Maryland received an ovation when the organ began to play "My Maryland," before the convention opened.

AL SMITH IS CHEERED
Ritchie stood on a chair and waved his hat to the cheering throng. A Maryland delegate jerked the state standard from its base, and waved it high above the crowd.

The Ritchie cheering was cut short, however, when the organist played no favorites and swept into the "Sidewalks