

KOKOMO MAN'S PRISON VISITS ARE REVEALED

Former G. O. P. Leader Denies He Aid Pierpont in Break.

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Omer Brown, Kokomo, former Howard county sheriff and one time Republican state chairman, visited Harry Pierpont at the Indiana state prison six times before Pierpont led the escape of ten prisoners there Sept. 26, 1933, it was learned by The Times today.

During the period the visits were made by Brown, he was attempting to obtain a parole for Pierpont from the state clemency board.

Brown was named by Prosecutor Ernest Botkin, of Lima, O., as the "finger man" in the delivery of John Dillinger from the Lima jails. The charge against Brown was brought out by the prosecutor in closing arguments at the trial of Russell Clark, one of the Dillinger gangsters, for the murder of Sheriff Jess Sarber, who was shot to death when Dillinger was delivered.

Pierpont and Charley Makley already had been condemned for their part in the murder.

Admits Lima Visit

Three days before his name was mentioned by the Ohio prosecutor, Brown gave a lengthy interview regarding his connections with Dillinger and Pierpont to a Kokomo newspaper.

He admitted visiting Dillinger in the Lima jail a few days before the delivery, but said he went there from Kokomo to obtain an order for \$50 which Dillinger had promised as aid in obtaining a parole for a fellow prisoner who still remained at the Indiana state prison.

En route to Lima, he again visited the parents of Pierpont at Lepis, O., Brown was quoted as saying. He had been there before and the prison records show that the Pierponts were with Brown when he visited Harry Pierpont at the prison Aug. 4. Other visits of Brown to see Pierpont at the prison were June 22 and 28, July 12 and 24, Aug. 4 and 25.

Parole Is Denied

Pierpont's petition for parole was denied by the state clemency board Aug. 24. All dates are 1933.

Governor Paul V. McNutt has charged in speeches that officials expect to prove a "payoff" in connection with the prison break. Reports of various amounts have been current.

State police admit that they are looking for Pearl Elliott of Kokomo as a possible key witness in connection with the case. Last trace of her was when she was reported renting apartments for the Dillinger gangsters during their stay in Chicago, it was said.

In his statement to the Kokomo paper, Brown did not disclose the name of the prisoner on whose behalf he was getting \$50 from Dillinger. He said an order was given him on "an Indianapolis relative" whose name he would not care to bring into the affair.

Pay Tribute to Sarber

His conference in Lima was the first time he had ever met Dillinger, Brown explained.

Although his explanation was published on Thursday of last week and his name was not mentioned by Prosecutor Botkin until Saturday, it contained the following.

"It was inevitable, I suppose, that my name would be brought into the prosecutions over there at Lima, not only because of my visit to Dillinger, but because I had represented Harry Pierpont in his attempt early last summer to obtain a parole."

High tribute was paid by Brown to Sheriff Jess Sarber and his kindly reception at the Lima jail.

Brown also stated that after Pierpont escaped from prison he visited his relatives and wanted them to try to get in touch with him and urge him to return.

MUNCIE MAN NAMED TO STATE FARM POST

New Assistant Clerk Appointed by Superintendent Miles.

By United Press
PENDLETON, Ind., March 29.—Appointment of C. B. Robertson, Muncie, as assistant clerk in the office of the Indiana state reformatory, has been announced by Superintendent A. F. Miles.

Mr. Robertson will succeed the Rev. Herbert Taska, an employee for fifteen years, who resigned. No reason for the resignation was given.

Superintendent Miles also announced that machinery for a flour mill to be constructed outside the reformatory wall has arrived. The mill will be ready for use next summer. All wheat raised at the reformatory will be converted into flour at the mill.

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EASTER PARADE ON IN GOTHAM

FIRST SLEEPER PLANES GO IN SERVICE SOON

American Airways' Crafts to Be Put in Use Within Three Weeks.

By Times Special
ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 29.—The world's first sleeper planes, with berths one inch longer than those of the standard American sleeping car, will go into service within three weeks on routes of American Airways, it was announced today by Lester D. Seymour, airways president.

The planes, manufactured by the Curtiss-Wright Airplane Company here, are an improved type of the Condor biplane, have a top speed of 190 miles an hour, a cruising speed of 160 miles an hour and carry twelve passengers, two pilots and a steward.

The first of the fleet of six sleeper planes which the airline has purchased is being test flown here and will be delivered to American Airways within two weeks, factory officials said. The others will be delivered at the rate of one a week. First installation of this equipment will be made on the company's Dallas, Ft. Worth, Los Angeles route. This route will be flown in approximately ten hours, Mr. Seymour said, which compares with fastest rail time of forty-four hours.

Berths in the new sleeper planes are convertible in flight or on the ground into wide, comfortable lounge seats. The passengers may sit up until ready to return to sleeping like the interior of a railroad sleeping car, each section contains an upper and lower. Each berth is as fully equipped with individual heating and cooling vents, reading lights on the head and foot of each berth, a clothes net and hanger and a wide luggage rack at the foot for the passenger's baggage.

Air conditioning of the plane in flight is accomplished by two large suction type ventilators set in the cabin ceiling which effect a complete change of air every three minutes. While on the ground portable blowers will force cool or warm air into the cabin to assure an even temperature while the planes are being serviced at stops.

TAX EXEMPTION FOR FIREMEN ANNOUNCED

Smoke Eaters Can Deduct \$500 From Property Levy.

Another reason for singing "Oh! For the Life of a Fireman" was found by Attorney-General Philip Lutz Jr. today.

He set out in an opinion to Clem Smith, head of the fire marshal's division of the state safety department, that all active firemen are entitled to \$500 property tax exemption.

Mr. Smith wants the opinion to instruct firemen how the exemption can be obtained. He is an officer of the Indiana Fire Chiefs' Association.

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