

TALK OF PROBING ROOSEVELT DEBT

Republican Congressmen Want to Know How Elliott Settled \$200,000 Loan With \$4000 Check Handed Over by Jesse Jones.

WASHINGTON, June 13 (U. P.).—Some Republican members of congress said today there should be an investigation to bring out all the circumstances of Brig. Gen. Elliott Roosevelt's business transaction in which he allegedly settled a \$200,000 loan for \$4000.

Those suggesting such an inquiry, however, did not say they actually would move towards obtaining one.

Caruthers C. Ewing, New York attorney, disclosed the transaction at Danville, Ill., yesterday, stating that John Hartford, president of the Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co., loaned Elliott the \$200,000 in 1939 to expand his radio holdings.

Turned Over to Jones
Ewing is in Danville as an attorney for A. & P. at the chain's federal court trial for alleged violations of anti-trust laws.

Ewing said Jesse Jones, former secretary of commerce and federal loan administrator, told Hartford in 1942 that "the Roosevelt family wanted to compromise the indebtedness." Elliott's note and collateral were turned over to Jones in exchange for a \$4000 check, "and the whole thing was closed," he said.

Ewing said Hartford advanced the \$200,000 when advised that others didn't want to get "involved" because Roosevelt was the son of the President. Hartford talked to the late President before advancing the money, he said.

No Roosevelt Comment
Hartford took the whole thing as a loss and entered it (\$196,000) on his 1942 income tax report as a "bad debt," Ewing said.

Neither Roosevelt, members of his family nor Jones would comment. Rep. Harold Knutson, Minnesota, ranking Republican member of the committee said Ewing's statement "sounds almost unbelievable," but that an investigation should be made if his facts are correct.

It seems to me that the internal revenue bureau should force Hartford to sue young Roosevelt to recover the money before permitting him to write it off as a tax-exempt bad debt," Knutson declared.

Wants Investigation
Rep. Roy O. Woodruff (R. Mich.) said the people were entitled to all the facts and "I hope an investigation will be made."

"The whole thing is more shocking than anything I've ever heard of," he said. "Jones should be called upon to tell the truth about this whole business. If the White House has been used in this way, the people should know about it."

Justice department officials said their department was not involved and that they had nothing to say "one way or the other." The securities and exchange commission adopted a similar "hands off" attitude.

Internal revenue bureau officials could not comment because all tax returns are secret. But a spokesman explained in general terms how uncollectable debts are handled.

Debits Deductible
Customarily, he said, such debts are deductible from income for tax purposes. In disputed cases, final authority rests with Commissioner Joseph D. Nunan. If the bureau decides to look into a case, the taxpayer must show that "reasonable steps" were not necessarily court action—have been taken to collect the amount and prove his case to the satisfaction of the commissioner.

"There are no hard and fast rules as to the evidence the taxpayer must submit," the spokesman said. "He has to be able to show he has made all reasonable attempts to collect."

A graduate of Groton, the school his father and elder brother attended, Elliott entered the financial advertising business in New York City in 1929. He broadened his business into the general advertising field in 1931 and became vice president of Kelly, Nason, and Roosevelt, Inc.

His interest in aviation prompted

RIISING SUN SETS IN BORNEO'S SKIES

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tion which you could not see from the ship.

So you settled down to eating apple pie, without cheese—and listened to the throaty voice on the ship's radio sing, "Blue Skies, from now on—"

"For us," you thought, "but not the Japs."

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MAN BADLY HURT BY FALLING CHIMNEY

Rueben S. Winchester, 45, of 4230 Cornwell ave., received serious head injuries when a chimney on a building at 1401 N. Capitol ave. fell on him this morning.

The building is owned by John Shea, 1928 N. Delaware st., and occupied by Ralph Johnson's Tip Top cafe. The police roped off the area because of danger from three remaining chimneys.

Mr. Winchester was taken to City hospital where he is in serious condition.

Carolina Captain Admits He Was Mad Hunter of Metz

By ROBERT MUSEL

United Press Staff Correspondent

BREMEN, June 13.—The Mad Hunter of Metz, according to the legend, was an American officer who stalked through the battle lines shooting hares and birds during the bitter fighting along the Moselle last November.

He walked through minefields and machine-gun fire with a shotgun across one arm and a brace of partridges and hares dangling in the other hand. Now and then he dropped the game to take a potshot at a bird, oblivious of the battle raging around him.

It might have remained a legend, except that Capt. E. G. Boykin Jr., Camden, S. C., broke down today and admitted he was the hunter.

"I don't like to tell this story, it makes me seem such a damned fool," Boykin said in a Carolina drawl. "But the boys here somehow got wind of it and I had to admit it."

Boykin, in his late forties, is stocky, greying, pleasant. He described himself as a "re-cap," because he also was a captain in

the first world war. His two sons both wear the purple heart.

"Our engineers' outfit was near Thionville after the long push across France," he said, "and I was dead weary. When I am weary I don't like anything better than hunting. So it appeared a natural thing to me—I took an old shotgun and some shells and sauntered around looking for game."

"There was a lot of shooting going on all right, but I figured I wasn't important enough for either side to bother about."

"What about the mine fields?" someone asked. "That place was to worry about," he said. "You see, I just followed fresh cattle tracks. Anyhow, I got a few birds and hares and I came around Hoall hill which brought me near the Orne river."

"I caught sight of a magnificent bird and stalked it—right into the middle of no man's land where an American patrol rushed up and a sergeant gasped, 'Sir, don't you know there's a battle going on?'"

"Sure," I said, "but my bird shots are too light to help you."

So I sent them back and I got my bird. Then I returned to my quarters and that's all."

"Was that your closest call?" another officer asked.

"Nope," said Boykin. "I was supposed to go boar hunting once with some Frenchmen, who drank champagne out in the field waiting for me. I badly needed a shave and when I separated the shrubbery and poked my unshaven face through, some of those champagne-guzzlers thought I was the boar."

SHRINERS' CIRCUS OPENS TOMORROW

The Mills Brothers' big top will go up at Southeastern and Keystone aves. tomorrow under the sponsorship of the Murat Shrine Oriental band.

Performances will be held at 2 and 8 p. m. tomorrow, Friday and Saturday. Featured will be Big Bertha, claimed to be the world's largest performing elephant; the Silverlake aerialists; Kenneth

Walke's clowns; George Lake, trapeze artist; Chief Sugarbrown and his Hollywood Indians; the Great Stanley, wire walker; La Celeste, daredevil thrill artist, and a dog and pony act.

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HOOSIER HAS SAY ON PEACETIME DRAFT

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cleaned things up pretty well. But I've talked to some soldier boys and they tell me they still can get around places they shouldn't be.

"I don't think we ought to put our boys in a peacetime army where they may learn to cuss and drink and all things like that."

"Besides the cost will be too much and we got all the debts we can handle right now."

At the close of his speech, which he had written on yellow paper at the press table in the hearing room, he thanked Chairman Clifford A. Woodrum (D. Va.) for permitting him to appear unscheduled.

"That's the thing I like about this country," the Hoosier farmer concluded. "Everybody has a right to speak his mind and be heard."

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EVENTS TODAY

Tin collection, pickup in area southeast of Meridian and 16th sts.
American Transit association, engineering section, meeting, Hotel Lincoln.
Indiana Coal Merchants association, meeting, Hotel Severn.
Junior Chamber of Commerce, luncheon, 12:15 p. m., Hotel Washington.
Independent Jewelry Workers' union, meeting, 8 p. m., Hotel Washington.

EVENTS TOMORROW

Tin collection, pickup in area southwest of Meridian and 16th sts.
Indiana Coal Merchants' association, meeting, Hotel Severn.
Indianapolis Real Estate Board, luncheon, 12:15 p. m., Hotel Washington.
Indianapolis Speakers' club, meeting, 6:40 p. m., Hotel Washington.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Harold E. Amt, Port McHenry, Baltimore, Md.; Betty Lucille Berry, 1604 Craft.
Ted Emerson Barker, 1640 Pleasant; Lillian Elizabeth Masing, 1808 Singleton.
William Quinn Branson, U. S. Navy; Mary Agnes O'Gara, 321 N. Oaklaid.
Aaron Bray, 644 Blackford; Martha Louise Brown, 604 N. California.
John Robert Droblich, Chicago, Drob; Dorothy Wendell Gilman, 3201 Graceland.
T. B. Eldridge, 2139 Pleasant; Thomas Pounder, 2271 Pleasant.
Samuel Evans Jr., 420 N. California; Johnnie May Parkman, 431 N. California.
Lewis Doyle Fields, U. S. Army; Margaret Ruth Burch, 1404 N. Central.
Marlin Oratt, Port Harrison; Margaret Mary Gentry, 617 S. Missouri.
James Benjamin Haulley, 1417 Yandes; Esther June Harding, 1604 Carroll.
Ernest Edward Haynes, 521 Sanders; Vera Belle Zike, 521 Sanders.
Claude Francis Herrick, 327 Fulton; Norma Jean Knarr, 323 Fulton.
Jack Holt, U. S. Army; Mary Rose Beatty, Indianapolis.
Francis Elmer Jackson, 1148 N. Capitol; Gwendolyn Ardie Buck, 1400 Market.
Herald L. King, U. S. Navy; Joy Lucille Zerkley, Chicago.
John Thomas Kook, Gary; Mary Jane Sutcliffe, New Palestine.
Lavis Thomas McQueen, 1194 Norman; Gladys L. York, 2301 Barrett.
Edward Robert Rosen, U. S. Navy; Anna A. Louise Edda, 1421 Lexington.
Richard Powers, 170 S. Belmont; Lois Mae May, 1118 S. Belmont.
William Bradley Reid Jr., Bloomington; Mae LaVerne Hamilton, 2433 Roosevelt.
Arthur Ross Spalden, U. S. Navy; Betty Louise Hann, 1319 N. Bosart.

Lloyd Stewart, U. S. Navy; Jane F. Harms, 3823 E. Washington.
William Michael Traub, 1542 N. Rural; Florence Marie Casely, 2517 E. 13th.
John Zimko Jr., U. S. Army; Sarah Magdalene Goudy, Anderson.

BIRTHS

Twins
Vivian, Hazel Chapman, boys, at 4135 Fletcher.
Girls
At St. Francis—Chester, Anne Dillon; Lt. Archer Margaret Wildman.
At Methodist—Ola, Deval Haley.
At St. Vincent—Ola, Deval Haley.
Rev. Noble, Pauline Greene, William, Mary Lou Lake, Virgil, Clara Wuerley, Kenneth, Emma Young.
At St. Vincent—George, June Rodenbaugh.
At Home—Howard, Rebecca Ledford, 1913 Hovey; Martin, Viola Price, 3731 S. Keating; John, Janice Smith, 640 Locke.
Boys
At St. Francis—Howard, Kate Day; Frank, Marie Roth.
At Methodist—Ola, Deval Haley.
At St. Vincent—Ola, Deval Haley.
Neal, Betty Sherrill, Donald, Ruth Williams.
At Home—James, Ernestine Capps, 12 N. Jefferson; James, Geneva Rush, 2147 Columbia; Eric, Macy Williams, 2402 Sheridan.

DEATHS

Lucian T. Sacco, 44, at 2011 S. State, carcinoma.
William A. Dougherty, 60, at 2202 E. National, cerebral thrombosis.
Emmer Dayton Bailey, 64, at City, cerebral hemorrhage.
Flora Jenkins, 3 months, at 1136 S. Kenwood, malnutrition.
Caroline E. Stanich, 35, at 765 N. Holmes, carcinoma.
Patsy Thompson, 59, at Coleman, hypernephroma.
Emma Brown, 73, at City, bronchopneumonia.
Patsy Emerson, 71, at 749 N. California, acute cardiac dilatation.
Clara Rhyme, 18, at 230 W. 12th, bronchopneumonia.
Louis Love, 46, at Veterans, carcinoma.
Alvin E. Johnson, 51, at 225 W. 12th, coronary occlusion.
Melvin Mayes, 31, at Flower mission, pulmonary tuberculosis.
Camille L. Williams, 39, at 3043 Martin, carcinoma, occlusion.
Frank Anders, 69, at 426 W. 12th, rario vascular renal.
Louise A. Parr, 51, at Methodist, diabetes mellitus.