PROBE OF NAVY OIL LEASES IS ORDERED

La Follette's Attack on Change in Conservation Policy Leads to Senate Action

SAY SUPPLY SEEPED AWAY.

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Washington, April 29. - Investiga tion of the change in policy by which the naval oil reserves have been leased for exploitation was ordered today by the Senate, following Senator La Fol-lette's speech yesterday attacking the

change.

The policy of putting aside certain Government lands containing oil, adopted in the heyday of the conservation movement, which reached its climax under President Roosevelt, has been abandoned. The idea was to have a reserve of oil for the national defense when the stocks in the United States became exhausted, which, it is said, will take place in twenty years.

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The Navy Depurtment had three large reserves, two in California and one in Oregon. The California reserves were leased some time ago. The reason which led to their leasing was that conservation did not conserve. Other Wells Took the Oil

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The Navy Department held reserves which did not constitute the whole of the basin containing oil. Around the navy lands were other lands ceptaining oil and the drilling of this private land sucked oil out of the navy lands. Gradually by seepage most of the oil in the navy lands would have been pumped out through wells bored around the edges of the reserve by oil producers. In this way is is said that \$8,000,000 worth of the navy oil in the California reserves had been drawn out before the leasing.

of those reserves was permitted.

No one seems to dispute the situation in California. If what seems to be generally admitted is true, the Government had no choice. It could not conserve its California oil no matter how much it wished to do so. If it excluded its lands from development in the end it would have little or no oil and the Government would have lost what it might have made through royalties by a system of leasing.

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The Wyoming case presents another question. In this case the Government owned the whole basin, and the geological formation was supposed to be such that the boring of wells near the Navy field would not tap that field. The reason for leasing the California lands did not, it was supposed until recently, control in the case of the Wyoming or Teapot Dome reserve, as it was called.

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Senator La Foliette quotes various authorities to the effect that conservation was possible at Teapot Dome and that the boring of oil wells near the reserve there would not tap the Navy oil. Among others he has letters from the Governor of Wyoming, the State geologist of Wyoming and the Mayor of a town near the Navy field all saying that the Teapot Dome was a distinct basin of oil with no connection with outside fields.

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On the other hand Government geolo-On the other hand Government geologists say that there has been discovered in the last few months a geologic fault connecting Teapot Dome with the oil seld at Sincline and that oils drilled in the latter place were impairing the value of the Nevy field. Gas pressure in the Teapot Dome was being reduced by these outside drilling, as gas passed along the fault to the Sincline wells.

Geologic Fault Is Crux The whole question seems to turn on the existence of this geologic fault retried to shoot the lieutenant. All the defendants will be tried again on the women Win All defendants will be tried again on the defendants will be tried again on the women Win All had upon Teapot Dome reserves. If the fault existed, the Wyoming field was exposed to the same loss of value as the California fields.

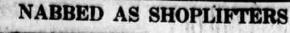
as the California fields.

The changed policy with regard to these Navy oil lands marks the beginning of the end of the conservation policy over which so many bitter fights were fought from the days of President Roosevelt to the present. If what is now said of Teapot Dome is true, the conservation of oil for the national defense was impossible when it was undertaken.

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Public interest in conservation has everywhere fallen off. The Government has not been able to develop lands it has held out from exploitation. The Mavy never had the money to develop its own oil lands nor did there seem any good reason to develop them at present, the real object of holding being to secure a future supply.

Moreover, conservation has checked enterprise. Alaska, under conservation, has declined in population. The present Administration has less sympathy with conservation than had any of its immediate predecessors, and unless the investigation which Senator La Follette has probably started with regard to Teapot Dome reveals a scandal, the bars are likely to be let down everywhere and what has happened to the Navy oil reserves is likely to happen to the other Government reserves. the other Government reserves.





Works Bluff on Three Lads

A bluff with an unloaded "horse pis-

had changed their clothing.

Bonner approached the boys with the old horse pistol he hastily found, and arrested them. He took them to the Media County jail, where young West attempted to run away, but stopped when Bonner threatened to shoot him. When the boys were searched, the revolver was found on West, who was greatly chagrined when he learned the squire's pistol was unloaded.

JURY UNABLE TO AGREE

Discharged After Deliberating Since Yesterday Afternoon

A jury in Judge Davis' court trying three men accused of trying to break into a fur store at 1317 Arch street. failed to reach a complete verdict and was discharged this morning. The jury had the case since 4:40 P. M. yester-

The defendants were William Morris, Samuel Snyder and William Carroll, alias Michael Latore. Carrol also was charged with carrying a concealed dead-

ATE POISON FOR CANDY

Child Takes Tablets From Bureau Continued from Page One and Almost Loses Her Life

Three-year-old Edith Pastore, of 47
North Fifty-fifth street, almost lost her life through eating some "candy" to make a long-desired visit.

The second prize of \$50 was won by Mrs. Lidie Patterson with this line:
"Wrapped in patience, Job's nude, 'side of me."

The child climbed to the of me."

At 7:30, the night the jury met, Mrs.

The sheendid, Mr. Barth's interest at dinner. The child climbed to the top of a bureau where she got a package of poison tablets.

She told her parents about eating the "candy," and was rushed to the West Philadelphia Homeopathic Hospital, where physicians worked for an hour to save her life. She was pronounced out of danger today.

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The third and last prize of \$25 went to Mrs. Cacilly During April the Mint coined the follows:

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REVENGE SEEN IN MURDER

Girl's Body Found in Powder House Smothered With Turpentine

Ontonagon, Mich., April 29.—(By . P.)—Investigation into the death of Frances Pennin resulted in findings by a coroner's jury that she had been murdered. The body of the girl was found in a powder house at North Lake yesterday, smothered in turpen-

Find Cheap Way to Get Silk Shirts

By smashing a front office window in the silk shirt esablishment of Mrs.

Lesser Cohn, 2802 Germantown avenue, early this morning, thieves got a dozen silk shirts.

tine.

Officers at Painesdale and Houghton were ordered to detain George Stimac, who was discharged by the girl's father, for whom he had worked. Witnesses at the inquest declared Stimae had threatened revenge. Stimae was last seen while on his way to Painesdale, near Houghton.

WINNERS OF CONSOLATION LIM'RICK



USES EMPTY HORSE PISTOL NAB GIRLS AS SHOPLIFTERS TO LAND BOY FUGITIVES AFTER CHESTNUT ST. CHASE

Squire Bonner, Victoria Plush Mills, May Duffin and Dorothy Martin Much Disgusted When Held in Ball

Two smartly dressed eighteen-yearold girls were brought before Magistrate Renshaw in Central Station this
morning on a charge of shoplifting and,

They gave store detectives an exciting chase before they were arrested at Chestnut and Thirteenth streets, when an alleged stolen dress was taken from them.

The girls, with their brief skirts, which afforded a generous display of fancy silk stockings, their stylish frocks, furs, neat hats and rosy tinted to "pull," saying he'd be back in a cheeks, entirely out of accord with the

cheeks, entirely out of accord with the minute.
ordinary police court prisoners, created a new interest in the proceedings. new interest in the proceedings.

It was testified that the girls were Kautchman, "and I'd like awfully well

Child is Uninjured

Physicians at the West Philadelphia
Homeopathic Hospital marveled at the escape from death of Nicholas Mazino, nine years old, 6409 Vine street, who took a thirty-five-foot fall into a quarry at Sixty-fifth and Callowhill streets yesterday afternoon.

The boy except for slight cuts about the learn whether he could be be could be seen the learn whether he could be seen the learn whether he could be seen to learn whether he could be seen the learn w

charged with carrying a concealed deadly weapon and with trying to shoot Police Lieutenant Carlin, who, with detectives, captured the men early last
month.

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concealed deadly weapon, but the jury
failed to agree on the charge that he
failed to shoot the lieutenant. All the

3 Lim'rick Prizes

which is to take her home to California

to Mrs. Cecilia Dunseath for—"I'll feel lost now my nights are all

And indeed she declares that to be no idle dream. Until 12 o'clock, some nights later, she has sat doping out last lines to be sent in and she finds there is nothing to do with herself now, and the hours drag.

The other seven lines submitted by

honorable "mentioners" are—
"And to those who 'Ha Ha'ed,' you'll
'Hee hee." Submitted by George A. Black, 3833

airmount avenue.
With sad hearts now we write, 'J'ai
fini.' Submitted by William Muench, Jr.

5221 Chester avenue.
"If you start, there's no cure, you'll agree."
Submitted by Raymond Hazlitt, 639

Belgrade street.
"It's the only disease that brings glee."
Submitted by Bernard Shane, Repub-

lie Trust Company. "Oh tin in thy flight, light on me." Submitted by J. H. Young, 2462

North Twenty-ninth street. "The first hundred's the hardest. B'Gee." Submitted by Frank Hinch, 5419

Merion avenue. "Wild and wooly, hopes end in debris." Submitted by C. H. Brearley. Swarthmore, Pa. The jury began collecting in the Public Ledger Building about 7:15.

on the night chosen and several of the poor souls got lost. They turned cor-ners, went in and out of offices until finally we found them and turned their feet in the right direction.

They all sat about and chatted friendly like until the last and ninth one arrived. He'd been here a long while but was the most hopelessly lost of them all and it took him many min-utes to get his bearings.

Well, anyhow, we got them all set and they began yoting, even as so many and they began voting, even as so many others had voted upon their fate. Those who served on the jury are: Charles Stahl, 4630 North Ella street: Staunton Massey, 130 South Forty-eighth street: E. Claire Powell, Media, Pa.: Mrs. Irene Barakat, 6137 Washington avenue; Mrs. Laura Walden, 30 Cedar street, Camden, N. J.; Leon Yarnall, 6027 Hazelhurst road, Overbrook; Dan Killion, 2502 Meredith street; Harry Beale, 321 Lyceum avenue, Roxborough, and Grace Staag, 1723 South Front street.

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students. Samuel Kautchman, caretaker of the

vited Kautchman.

Barth pulled out his watch.

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Christopher Barth, of the Fifteenth and Vine streets station, who lives in a comfortable apartment with his wife at 1833 Arch street, develops during Artists' Week in Philadelphia, with all its displays in shop windows, its meetings and addresses and its conferences on art, as a modest patron and collector of art. As such he has come to the attention of the Philadelphia Water Color Club, the Pennsylvania Academy, the Philadelphia Sketch Club and of Hugh Henry Breckenridge, artist and gold-medaler of this city.

Barth saw a sign and poster on the front of the building at 1834 Arch street a day or two ago when patrolling his beat, and the splash of color caught his eye. He stopped and looked up. It was an announcement of the Fellowship Exhibit within, where are being displayed the works of promising Academy students. MRS. CHARLES SBROMLEY A New York rug dealer is held in Atlantic City on suspicion of steal-ing the jewelry from Mrs. Brom-ley, who lives in Germantown

MANUFACTURER ARRESTED IN BROMLEY GEM THEFT

\$10,000 in Jewelry at Shore Hotel Samuel Le Savoy, a rug dealer and hosiery manufacturer, 910 Riverside drive, New York, is being held by At-Intic City police on suspicion of having stolen \$10,000 in jewels from Mrs. Charles S. Bromley, 625 Upsal street. Germantown, while she and her husband were stopping at a beachfront hotel in Atlantic City. Le Savoy was held in \$10,000 beil samuel Kautchman, caretaker of the exhibit, was on the doorstep, and Barth passed the time of day with him, as patrolmen have a friendly way of doing. "So you've got an art exhibit inside there," said Barth.
"Yes, and it's an interesting one. Step in a minute and take a look," in-\$10,000 bail.
Mrs. Bromley said she placed the

jewels in a trunk in her rooms while she was at the hotel, April 17, and the she was at the note; April 17, and the following day they were missing. Earrings, several diamond rings, a lavaliere and other jewels were in the collection. None of it has been recovered.

Testimony of Bertie Kennedy, a maid at the hotel, caused the arrest of Le under \$1000 bail.

The girls gave their names as May Duffin and Dorothy Martin, of North Fifty-fifth street. It was a dreamy sort of still life with a vase containing lilies on a table and another they gave store detectives an exciting chase before they were arrested at Chestnut and Thirteenth streets.

Senator Pepper Presides at Memorial Exercises

Senator Pepper presided at a me morial meeting this afternoon in the University Museum for Mrs. Sara Yorke Stevenson, who was Peggy Shippen of the PUBLIC LEDGER. There were short culogies of Mrs. Stevenson's life and work by Hampton L. Carson, of the American Philosophi-

It was testified that the girls were seen going from a department store with an unpaid for dress tucked under their clothing. Detectives of the store said May slipped the dress to Dorothy as they fied.

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Physicians Marvel That Vine Street Child is Uninjured

Physicians at the West Philadelphia

Kautchman, "and I'd like awfully well to own it. It is cheerful and bright and it would be like having flowers all the own it. It is cheerful and bright and it would be like having flowers all the time. The wife and I would both and I would both and I would both the time. The wife and I would both the time.

sophical Society, the Archaeological Institute of America, the Civic Club of Philadelphia, the Contemporary Club, the Emergency Aid of Pennsylvania, the French War Relief Committee, the Oriental Club of Philadelphia, the

T. B. Roberts, forty years old, was found dead from gas asphyxiation, in his room in a lodging house near Eleventh and Arch streets, late yester-

"This does me more good than any-thing I've heard during Artists' Week," he said. "Let him have it at half the he said. "Let him have it at half the price, if necessary, and some of us will make up the difference."

So Barth got his picture, though it which is to take her home to California o make a long-desired visit.

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