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THE SWORD ABOUT TO FALL

DISPENSARY PEOPLE READY. Judge Pritchard Given Notice That the Winding-Up Committee of the South Carolina Dispensary is Ready For Any Contempt Proceedings—Judge Buchanan Dies of the Wound He Received While on Train—One Killed Drowned in Tub and Boy Dropped Dead.

Observer Bureau. 1422 Main Street, Columbia, S. C., March 17. The dispensary situation is looking a bit warlike to-day. The State's attorneys have notified Judge Pritchard that the commission is ready to stand for attachment proceedings and have asked him to come to Columbia for a hearing on this matter. Also near a motion to vacate his orders in view of the State Supreme Court's decision rendered last Saturday. Judge Pritchard replied, asking a reference to the State Supreme Court, saying that in any attachment proceedings were applied for he would act, "after giving all parties timely notice." The three members of the commission who have been out of the jurisdiction of the Federal Court for several days are now back at home ready for action. Judge Pritchard is in Asheville. The line of battle is now clearly defined. Both sides have expressed the hope of coming to a settlement without an "unseemly clash," but the State is as determined as ever.

In the second primary to-day to decide between William S. Reamer and Judge P. Stiglitz for the majority of the nearly 500 votes. Mr. Reamer is a successful business man of large experience. Mr. Stiglitz was voted for by the blue-law Sunday element. A convention of Reamer's friends to elect a committee to secure the Federal Court for several days are now back at home ready for action. Judge Pritchard is in Asheville. The line of battle is now clearly defined. Both sides have expressed the hope of coming to a settlement without an "unseemly clash," but the State is as determined as ever.

Mr. Aldrich said the most earnest objection to this bill was made by the National City Bank, of New York, and that Mr. Vanderbilt, vice president of that bank, has opposed the measure.

"It is," he added, "not only opposed by that bank but by all the banks of New York. I know of no bank or banking man in favor of this bill. The fact is the banks throughout the country are against it."

MR. MORGAN'S POSITION.

"I will inquire," retorted Mr. LaFollette, "what the position of Mr. Morgan is?" "I do not know," replied Mr. Aldrich, "but I know Mr. Morgan is a man of wide experience and wise judgment and has patriotism, and I should feel gratified if he approved this bill."

"Perhaps," replied Mr. LaFollette, "in some way the chairman of the finance committee will be able to find out what Mr. Morgan stands on this bill." Mr. Morgan, standing in the gallery of this chamber while the Senator from Rhode Island spoke on this measure, rather indicated that he was in the hands of one of these great groups, was not entirely adverse to the propositions embraced in the bill.

ONE DROWNED, ANOTHER DROPS DEAD.

A message to the bureau from Anderson to-night says that yesterday afternoon in the Toney Creek section of Dunklin township, Greenville county, the year-old child of Joe Sayle was drowned in a tub of water and a white and negro child came in to see the body, among them the 18-year-old son of J. B. Jordan, named Joe, who dropped dead at the sight. "I suppose," said Mr. Aldrich, "the boy killed himself had a narrow escape from drowning at about the same age."

"NIGER IN THE WOODPILE"

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"There were no commercial reasons for a panic," said Mr. LaFollette. "There were speculative, legislative and political reasons why a panic might serve special interests. There were business scores to settle. There was legislation to be blocked, and a currency measure suited to the system to be secured. There was a third term to be disposed of, and policies to be discredited."

A PLANNED PANIC.

"A panic came. I believe that it needs only to be followed step by step and accepted in so far as such a proceeding is subject to control, after once in motion."

He recounted in vivid language his views of the events of October 24th when Wall Street was assailed by the currency stringency of the Morgan and Standard Oil banks. He said, pursued in that critical moment the course of the speculating bankers.

ARTIFICIAL METHODS.

"Speaking of the great masses of money in New York in connection with various industrial institutions, Mr. LaFollette said: "With this enormous concentration of business it is possible to create artificial periods of prosperity and periods of panic."

"Subject to differences which may arise between powerful individuals of these different groups, resulting in occasional collision," he continued, "they are practically a monopoly and as far as the public is concerned, practically one group. The business partner of the head of the Morgan group is found on the directorate of the chief financial institution which heads the Standard Oil group. And one of the leading directors of the National City Bank (Standard Oil) is a member of the board of directors of the principal financial institution in the Morgan group. The directors of the leading organization comprising the two principal groups are effectively eliminated as danger."

THE LIE PUT UP TO LILLEY

HOBBSON FLATLY CONTRADICTED. Lawrence Spear, the Former Naval Officer Who the Alabama Representative Declared Had Offered to Secure Him a Place on the Naval Affairs Committee For His Influence, Denies Point Blank Hobson's Charge—Newspaper Writer Says Lilley Told 'Entrust When He Denied Authority of Interview Making Charges Against Sherman, Griggs and Others—The Committee Takes a Recess Until To-morrow.

Washington, March 17.—The statement of Representative Richmond P. Hobson, of Alabama, before the special committee of the House investigating the charges made by Representative George Lilley, of Connecticut, that he had been approached by a representative of the Electric Boat Company, who offered to use his influence with the Speaker to have Mr. Hobson placed on the naval affairs committee if he "stood right on submarines" was contradicted before that committee to-day by Lawrence Spear, the former naval officer who Mr. Hobson said had spoken to him. Mr. Spear said he had not made any promises to secure the influence of Speaker Cannon or any one else and that he never had tried to influence the Speaker. He said he did not know the Speaker. Mr. Spear claimed that his company had never endeavored to suppress competition; had never received any legislative or departmental favors and had never received from the Navy Department except as the result of successful competition.

NEWSPAPER MEN TESTIFY.

The other two witnesses of the day were A. E. Ely and Frank B. Lord, two of the newspaper men who Lilley charged he had been warned against in the pay of the Electric Boat Company. They both denied that they were ever in the pay of the company although said they had done special work for it. Ely's charges were made against the company in the way of getting out some "feature stories" on submarines, for which they had been paid. Both witnesses testified that they had lost their positions as the result of Lilley's charges. Mr. Lord characterized the reputation by Mr. Lilley, of an interview he claimed to have had with him as "unqualifiedly, absolutely and deliberately untrue."

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Regarding an interview which he said he had had with Mr. Lilley, in which charges were made against Representatives Sherman, Griggs and others and which Mr. Lilley had repudiated, Mr. Lord said the interview was absolutely correct. "In that detail," continued Mr. Lord, "Mr. Lilley said what was absolutely, positively, deliberately untrue, for he uttered every word that was printed."

SPEAR'S TESTIMONY.

Lawrence Spear, who said he was one of the vice presidents and naval constructor of the Electric Boat Company, was called as the first witness. He is a graduate of the Naval Academy, having served in the construction corps and relieved Mr. Hobson in charge of the board of naval architecture. He resigned from the naval service July 1st, 1902, and entered the service of the Submarine Boat Company in 1903.

Mr. Spear said that the last time he had seen Mr. Hobson was at the Capitol, a month or six weeks ago. He had gone to see him, he said, at the instance of Vice President Frost to give him a friendly warning against another man who was trying to influence submarine boat legislation. Mr. Spear said that in their conversation Mr. Hobson had expressed the opinion that there should be twice as many submarine boats as the four recommended by the Secretary of the Navy.

UNLESS THE COMPANY BACKS DOWN AND ACCEPTS UNION'S PROPOSALS, A GENERAL STRIKE WILL FOLLOW.

Salisbury, March 17.—An important communication received here to-day from a representative of the men in the Southern Railway case says in part: "At meeting before the inter-industry commerce commission Saturday afternoon the proposition of arbitration presented and was flatly turned down by all organizations." This practically means that unless the company backs down and accepts the union's proposition there will be a general strike all over the system. Mr. Ely here are not excited over the prospect, still hoping that some way may be found out of the difficulty. They consider their demands just and the offer made to the company absolutely fair.

STRIKE TALK MERELY TALK, IT IS SAID AT SPOONER.

Spencer, March 17.—The employees of the Southern Railway Company here who were thrown out of work a week ago by the closing of several departments in the Spooner shops are growing extremely anxious to hear a report from the inter-State commerce commission now in session in Washington, which it is believed will settle the differences between the company and employees. There has been considerable talk to-day of a general strike being ordered on the entire system, including road men and all departments. This, however, is considered mere talk, as it is believed that an adjustment will be reached in a few days. Meanwhile the train records show a marked increase in business on all lines from day to day. The employees were advised to-night that they are still considered as in the service of the company and passes will be issued as usual. Many of the 600 men now on the payroll at Spooner are working regular times and over time. The officials have promised to arrange for those out of duty to work a part of the time.

NEGRO TEACHERS FIGHT DUEL; ONE FATALLY WOUNDED.

Rosnoke, Va., March 17.—Prof. A. B. White, colored, principal of an avenue colored public school, was shot and fatally wounded by Thomas C. Cooper, also colored, in a pistol duel fought on the school grounds to-day. Cooper alleges that White had indignantly criticized a sister of Cooper's, who is a teacher in the school. Cooper is in jail. White stood high with both races.

THEIR RELATIONS FRIENDLY.

Mr. Spear said he had met Mr. Hobson since this conversation but that reference had been made to and that their relations were still friendly.

BRYAN BOOSTED IN HOUSE

JAMES SCORES THE OPPOSITION. Kentucky Member Attacks the Record of the Party in Power For Its Shortcomings, Declaring That But For the Corruption in the National Election the Nebraska Would Have Been President—Touches Up the Republicans on the Tariff Revision Ghost and Charges That They Have Offered the American People the Shadow and Not the Substance—Administration Legislation in Favor of the Corporations.

HOUSE SUMMARY.

Praise of President Roosevelt, Secretary Taft and William J. Bryan was heard in the House of Representatives yesterday during general debate on the pension appropriation bill. The first speaker was Mr. Kennedy, of Ohio, who lauded the President and his politics, as well as Secretary Taft, who, he said, would bring glory and prestige to the country as President. The commendation of Mr. Bryan came from Mr. Ollie James, of Kentucky, who predicted that the Nebraska would be elected President next November. An exhaustive speech in advocacy of the power financial bill was made by Mr. Prince of Illinois. The other speakers were Messrs. Brundidge, of Arkansas, who criticized the inaction of the present Congress, and Mr. Floyd, his colleague, who urged legislation to further regulate the trusts.

ERLY WROTE ARTICLES.

A. Ely, one of the newspaper men whom Mr. Lilley said he had been warned against, denied that he had ever been in the employ of the company, but stated that last summer he had distributed some articles on submarine boats among newspaper men. Mr. McNeil, for which he had been paid \$26 to cover expenses. He said he had never received any further money from any one connected with the Electric Boat Company. He also said he had no knowledge of a newspaper lobby here, as charged by Mr. Lilley. He said that as a result of Mr. Lilley's charges he had lost his place with the press association, by which he was employed.

Frank E. Lord, member of the newspaper men, against whom Mr. Lilley said he had been warned, also denied that he had ever been in the employ of the Electric Boat Company, although he had, he said, prepared some "feature" stories about submarine boats for Mr. McNeil, which had been furnished to newspaper correspondents and published. None of the papers represented by him. "These articles," he said, were not written with the view of influencing legislation, but were prepared to meet the requests of newspaper men for stories on submarines. He said he belonged to a newspaper lobby.

SHADOW, NOT SUBSTANCE.

"It was a surprising thing, he said, to hear that the Republicans 'last proposed to revise the tariff.' 'You have come to the Democratic position on everything in the world,' he said, 'and almost tried to imitate it. You have offered to the American people the shadow and not the substance.' Mr. James provoked laughter by referring to the free list of the Dingley tariff. He quoted nux vomica, old junk, dragons blood, cuttlefish bone and leeches. As to the latter he said he was in favor of taxing them as high as heaven itself 'because we have enough leeches and blood-suckers here now.' The record of the Republican party, however, he declared, had been written and it could not be changed.

APPLAUSE FOR BRYAN.

Loud Democratic applause greeted Mr. James when he asserted his belief that in the last two campaigns against Mr. Bryan 'but for the corruption brought by the Republicans upon the monopolies and trusts of the country Bryan would have been elected President of the United States.' Mr. Bryan, he said, stood for something and had convictions and the courage to express them. 'He has never profited by the payments for money,' he said. 'He has sold the love of the American people for corporation gold.' The people of the country, he said, would 'in just time do proper heed and credit to the man who draws the naked sword in their defense and in their rights,' and he believed that these people 'are going to elect for President that grand, that splendid, that noble, that Democratic—William J. Bryan.'

ARSON AND RAPE CHARGED.

A father and his son now in jail on charges of Capital Crimes—Negro Girl Was Ravished. Greenville, S. C., March 17.—William and Earle Payne, father and son, respectively, are lodged in the county jail, both charged with capital offenses of a different nature. The elder Payne, who is 45 years of age, is charged with arson, and the younger one is charged with having ravished a young negro girl. Earle Payne, the younger man, was arrested yesterday morning on a warrant sworn out by the girl's parents, and while the latter were in this jail to-night. The father, Earle Payne, burned their house. The evidence against both of them is said to be strong.

TILMAN GOES TO CLEMSON.

He Says That Roosevelt Would Like to Have Him in Fort Leavenworth Prison, He Guesses. Gaffney, S. C., March 17.—Senator Tilman was at Gaffney for a short while to-day. He said he was on his way to Clemson, where he would be for two days and then go to Columbia, from where he would return to Washington. When asked if the President had put him in jail yet, he answered, "No, but he has threatened to have me in Fort Leavenworth military prison. The Senator evidently left his pitchfork in Washington, as he was in fine humor."

FORSYTH PROHIBITIONISTS TO LAUNCH A Campaign.

Winston-Salem, March 17.—The prohibitionists of Forsyth county are making arrangements for launching a campaign in the interest of the May election. A meeting of the temperance forces was held here this afternoon and was addressed by Mr. Heriot Clarkson, of Charlotte. A permanent organization was effected by the election of Dr. R. H. Jones, chairman, and T. J. Wilson, secretary. An executive committee composed of members of the city and two from each of the other townships in the county was named to make arrangements for the campaign. The names of the committee will not be announced until the officers ascertain whether or not they will agree. The plan is to have ex-Governor Asa Carter, Judge Pritchard and others to speak here.