

WOOD CASE TO BE HEARD.

Charges of Perjury Against Miss Mae Wood Will Be Laid Before the Grand Jury This Week...

New York, May 24.—Another chapter in one of the most remarkable legal actions that has been heard in New York courts in a long time will probably begin this week when the charges of perjury against Mae C. Wood, the former newspaper woman and lawyer of Omaha, who sued United States Senator Thomas C. Platt for divorce, will be laid before a grand jury.

Unusual public interest has centered in the Wood-Platt case, chiefly on account of the prominence of the aged senator. Few men are more widely known than the veteran leader of the Republican party in this State.

Miss Wood's suit involved many sensational charges and it was fortified by documentary evidence until Justice O'Grady declared there was evidence of forgery and that he believed Miss Wood had committed perjury in order to sustain her charges.

Miss Wood was taken to the Tombs prison on Thursday. During her stay there she has manifested cheerfulness unusual in a woman committed under so serious charges, and has endeavored to comfort herself by her own conclusions, which she expressed at the time of her arrest, that burden of proof now rests upon those who are prosecuting her and that it will be more difficult to convict her than to overthrow her action for divorce.

For several days it appeared that the woman was without friends but this was disproven on Saturday when bail to the extent of \$5,000 was offered by a surety company. This offer could not be accepted owing to the lateness of the hour when the tender was made but it probably will be repeated tomorrow.

Rumors that Miss Wood is supported by friends who are possessed of strong resources were revived by the offer of bail but her counsel declined to discuss their identity and Miss Wood has made no public mention of such friends if she has them.

It is Tenth Ballot to-Day. The Methodist Conference Will Result in the Election of Two Bishops—Many Attacks Have Been Made Upon the Candidates For the Bishops.

Baltimore, May 24.—The Methodist Episcopal General Conference now current will doubtless be long remembered for the number and peculiar characters of the attacks that have been made upon candidates for the bishoprics to be filled. Thus far four men have suffered more or less by reason of the circulation among the delegates of stories of their unfitness, very vague and not all of them told with their proper and just explanations.

THREE KILLED IN COLLISION.

Crowded Trolley Jumps Track and Is Hit by a Southbound Car, Killing Three and Injuring Half a Hundred.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 24.—Three persons were instantly killed and at least five others were so badly injured that there is no hope for their recovery, and 45 were seriously hurt in a collision between trolley cars on Germantown avenue, near Chestnut Hill, a suburb in the northern section of the city late to-night.

The only body thus far identified is that of Mrs. George D. Wagner, aged 65 years, of Cornwell, Pa. The bodies of an unidentified woman about 40 years of age, and an unidentified man, about 45 years of age, are in a hospital.

Forty-five persons were taken to the Chestnut Hill and Germantown hospitals, each of which is several miles from the scene of the accident, and many were taken in automobiles by the wealthy residents of the Chestnut Hill district. They are treated by private physicians and in consequence details as to the injured cannot be obtained.

Among those who were dangerously injured were George Wagner, whose wife was killed; Alexander McKay, aged 45 years, who has a wooden leg. The artificial member was jammed up into his body and he cannot live, it is said.

The accident was caused by a car running north jumping a track while going down a steep grade not far from Chestnut Hill. The car swung across the southbound track and was struck by a car on that track. Both cars were filled with passengers.

Murderer of Young Girl Shoots Himself. New York, May 24.—Returning to the neighborhood from which he had fled after killing Miss Nina E. Doane by shooting her, in her grandmother's home in Brooklyn last night because she had rejected him, Lipman Kessler made away with himself on Fulton street by shooting himself in the breast early to-day. His body was found lying in the street by the police who had been searching for him for several hours after he had killed Miss Doane and wounded her intended husband, Thomas Faulkner.

American Car Is Again Landing. Paris, May 25.—A dispatch to The Matin dated May 24, Nikolai, Russia, says: "The American car in the New York-to-Paris automobile race is again in the lead, arriving here after two days of ploughing the muddiest of roads. It overtook the German car a few miles out of Vladivostok and at times the two cars were almost hopelessly stalled in the mire, the crews having great difficulty in extricating themselves." Nikolai is about 100 miles from Vladivostok.

Airship Injured Are Recovering. Oakland, Cal., May 24.—The seven men seriously injured in an airship accident of yesterday are all doing well to-day at the Roosevelt Hospital in Berkeley. None of them will die. L. V. Rodgers, an assistant engineer in the crew, who was believed to be fatally injured, will recover. Captain Penfold, an Australian aviator, who stowed away in the air craft after he had been ordered off, and suffered both legs broken and internal hurts, is much improved.

GIANT TREE MAKES VENEERS.

Thirty-Eight Logs Taken From Big Black Walnut Tree in Maryland Make 300,000 Feet of Stalwartly Figured Veneers For Charles M. Stieff House.



The accompanying illustration shows a remarkably large black walnut log recently secured by the Charles M. Stieff house in this city, and the tree it was taken from made 300,000 feet of finely figured veneer. This log was cut from a mammoth moth walnut tree on the farm of E. Pettibone, at the junction of Whitehall creek and the Chesapeake bay.

The trunk was cut into sections and the latter were loaded on a scow for transportation to Baltimore. In all, there were thirty-eight logs averaging eight feet in length. Struck by the unusual beauty of the wood, a representative of the Stieff house bought the logs, and they were sent to Virginia to be cut into veneers. This operation, on account of the size of the logs, was a delicate one, but it was done without accident. Counting out all rejected and inferior pieces, the result was about 300,000 feet of figured veneer.

In former times there were many stately black walnut trees on the adjacent plantations along the Chesapeake bay, but in these few new remains. The Pettibone tree, standing so near to the water, was a familiar landmark to bay navigators. It was of great height as well as of enormous trunk.

The base log is said to have been the largest log ever landed at the port of Baltimore. To load it upon a flat car, the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad officials had to order up a special crane. The thirty-eight logs made heavy loads for two large cranes. The veneering was cut so as to bring out the full beauty of the wood, and those pieces which have been polished show truly remarkable effects.

Mr. Archibald Johnson Spoke on Twentieth Century Childhood. Statesville, May 24.—The closing exercises of the Statesville graded school took place Friday morning from 10 to 12 o'clock in the auditorium in the new annex to the school. After the class exercises Professor Thompson, the efficient and veteran superintendent of the school, presented the speaker, Mr. Archibald Johnson, of Thomasville, editor of Charity and Children, the Baptist orphanage paper. Mr. Johnson delivered a very interesting, logical and very sensible address on "The Childhood of the Twentieth Century." He held the closest attention of his audience from beginning to end, and his address was heard at the school on such an occasion.

Jews Will Translate the Bible. Philadelphia, Pa., May 24.—The Jewish Publication Society of America at its twentieth annual meeting held here to-day made the announcement that arrangements have been made for the translation of the Bible. This is regarded as one of the most important works ever undertaken by the society. The translation will be made with the co-operation of the central conference of Jewish Rabbis and the book will be adopted as the official version of that body. A Bible fund of \$50,000 will be raised for the purpose. Edwin Wolfe, of this city, was chosen president, and Dr. Henry Lippinger, of New York, vice president of the society.

ARMED PROPERTY SOLD FOR \$8,000.

Mr. R. B. Redwine Candidate For Lieutenant Governor. Special to the Observer. Monroe, May 24.—At the auction sale of Messrs. Armfield brothers' property, consisting of 50 lots in the southern part of town on the church street extension, all the lots were disposed of and the sum realized was about \$8,000. Messrs. Penny brothers, the "twin auctioneers," of Greensboro, conducted the sale and did it in lightning style.

On the official ballot for the Democratic State primary election to be held in this county Tuesday, May 26th, appears the name of Mr. R. B. Redwine, of Monroe, as candidate for Lieutenant Governor.

Both sides are claiming the vote of Union county in the prohibition election. The prohibitionists have, however, been thoroughly organized from the start and have sent speakers to every part of the county to arouse the voters, while the anti have had no organization and furnished no oratory. The prohibition demonstration at Monroe last Thursday, when an address was made by Mr. Seaborn Wright of Georgia, and a large number of children paraded in gala array to the court house square, where the speaking took place, was enthusiastic enough to please the most ardent pros. The last gun will be fired Monday night by Rev. J. G. Adams, the Texas prohibition evangelist, who will speak in the court house. Averaging the opinions of men from different parts of the county as to the result of the election, it looks as if prohibition will win by a small majority. If reliance is to be placed on the statements of certain ones who claim to know, and they seem to be in a position to know, at least one township is pretty sure to go "wet."

Thousands Hear Pritchard and Aycock in Fayetteville. Special to the Observer. Kingston, May 24.—A big prohibition rally was held in Fayetteville this afternoon. Judge Jeter C. Pritchard and ex-Governor Aycock made fine speeches for the cause, which were received with enthusiasm. The rally was held in the largest tobacco warehouse here. There were probably five thousand people present. Excursions were run from Snow Hill and Pink Hill and quite a large crowd came in from LaGrange and Dover. The rally is the culmination of an active campaign for prohibition and Lenoir will give a good majority.

Crew of Wrecked Steamer Brought In. New York, May 24.—The steamer Vigilance, which arrived to-day from Tampa and Nassau, brought as passengers Captain Mandacus and 21 members of the crew of the Greek steamer Syclades, which they were obliged to abandon in a sinking condition on May 13th off the Bahamas. The entire crew and three passengers landed at Nassau in the steamer's life boat.

Choked to Death by Husband. Newark, O., May 24.—Mrs. Ernest Terzinger was found dead in her room to-day. She had been choked to death. Her husband was arrested and he confessed to the crime. To-night a large crowd gathered about the prison that police reserves were called out.

Coal Mines Resume Work. Huntington, W. Va., May 24.—In the Elk Horn and Pheasant coal fields more than two thousand miners, who have been idle owing to slack business, will resume work to-morrow. On thousand will be put to work in the Tucker and Maters field, after an idleness of five months.

Fielder Throws Runner Out at Plate and Drops Dead. St. Louis, Mo., May 24.—Anxious to make up for an error previously committed John R. Parry, an amateur baseball player, to-day put forth such effort in a long throw from deep left field to the home plate during a game between two local baseball teams that he tore a blood vessel and fell dead as the ball reached the catcher and put out the player who was trying to steal home.

Tornado in Iowa. Council Bluffs, Iowa, May 24.—A tornado swept over the western part of Council Bluffs this afternoon, demolishing barns, fences and outbuildings, uprooting trees and breaking down telegraph, telephone and electric railway poles. The tornado was accompanied by a terrific rain. No one was injured.

Paper Mills Resume Operation. Winchester, Va., May 24.—The Old Dominion paper mills, owned and operated by the American Strawboard Company, which have been closed since November last, will resume operation to-morrow with a full force. The mills will operate both day and night shifts.

Trolley Cars Collide. San Francisco, May 24.—Two crowded trolley cars collided to-day at the foot of steep hill, killing Henry Baer, a traveling salesman, and injuring twenty other passengers, one probably fatally, and several others seriously. The cars were out of control of the motorman and dashed down the hill with terrific speed, striking a Sacramento street car just as it rounded a curve.

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