

POPULAR WELCOME FOR ROOSEVELT

Steps Have Already Been Taken in New York With This End in View.

WILL NOT BE HOME, HOWEVER, UNTIL THE MIDDLE OF JUNE

President Stewart, of League of Republican Clubs, Discusses Subject With the President.

New York, Feb. 11.—Ex-President Roosevelt will not be back until after the middle of June, but already preparations have been begun in this city to welcome him home. It is the purpose of those who are beginning to think out the plans to make the event not a local but national one. No attempt has been made yet to consider details, but it has been determined that delegations from republican organizations and clubs from all parts of the country shall be asked to join in the celebration.

Robert C. Morris, president of the Republican club of this city, says that a communication was sent to Mr. Roosevelt relating to the proposed celebration and that a cable reply had been received authorizing the club to take the initiative in the matter. Mr. Morris said that he would shortly appoint a committee to arrange the details for the reception to Mr. Roosevelt, and he added that the makeup of this committee would be national.

John E. Stewart, president of the New York State League of Republican clubs, who will assist Mr. Morris in selecting the committee, went to Washington for the purpose of conferring with President Taft. Mr. Stewart will not only represent the league but the Republican club, and he will meet the president by appointment today. It is understood that President Taft has already been told of the intention to celebrate the home-coming of Mr. Roosevelt and that he is heartily in accord with the proposal. It is understood further that the president will give his hearty support to the carrying out of the scheme to make the reception a nationwide one.

It was said last night that Mr. Roosevelt would probably be asked to make a tour of some of the big centers of the country, but Mr. Morris said he had heard nothing of this proposition, because no details had as yet been considered and that every plan suggested would necessarily be sent to the committee.

It is doubtful if President Taft will be able to take part in the affair. He has promised to go to Alaska in the latter part of May should congress have adjourned by that time, and the schedule which has been arranged for him would not bring him back east until the early part of July.

Stewart at White House. Washington, Feb. 11.—John A. Stewart, president of the League of Republican Clubs of New York, called at the White House.

Mr. Stewart explained that he had exchanged cablegrams with Mr. Roosevelt and consulted with some of the friends of the ex-president in New York and had learned that it would be agreeable to him to be received provided it could be arranged on the day of his arrival in New York.

"Before Col. Roosevelt sailed for Africa," said Mr. Stewart, "and while aboard ship, he was asked to permit arrangements to be made for his homecoming in the way of something like a popular welcome. The former president did not refuse the invitation, but said that he preferred to keep the matter in abeyance for a while.

"About five weeks ago I called at the White House to tell President Taft that, acting for a proposed committee from the Republican Club, which committee is about to be appointed by President Robert C. Morris of the club, as well as for those who aboard ship had asked ex-President Roosevelt to accept a reception being given, a telegram was about to be sent to the former president asking him to permit us to arrange for a national reception to take place on his return.

"President Taft was the only person to whom it was made known that a favorable reply had been received. Upon the occasion of my first visit to the president he told me to go ahead by all means, and to 'count me in.' Just before calling, I received a letter (Continued on page 4.)

HE BEAT THEM WITH HIS FISTS

Alexander Peacock, One of Carnegie's Rich Young Men, Takes Another Leap Into Fame.

SOME DISCHARGED EMPLOYEES GIVEN A GOOD LICKING

He Found They Were Stealing from Him, and Spending Money in Riotous Living.

Washington, Feb. 11.—A Pittsburgh special to the Post says that Alexander R. Peacock, one of Andrew Carnegie's 30 "young partners," has again astonished Pittsburgh. Finding that some of his employees had squandered about \$250,000 of his money, he locked himself in a room with each of these men, one at a time, and, it is alleged, beat them soundly with his fists. Then he drove them from his office. He declines to prosecute them. Before chasing them, however, Mr. Peacock, who has about \$15,000,000 left, made the employees sign over to him the real estate and other property that they owned.

The discharged employees of Peacock for a year have been living extravagantly. Some months ago Mr. Peacock became fearful that something was wrong, and he employed detectives to trail his employees, instructing that daily reports be made to him. In the first report Mr. Peacock was told that two of his most trusted men had "bought wine" for chorus girls and men about town at the Hotel Lincoln until far in the morning.

Girls in Poker Game. Peacock refused to believe this. He ordered that the hotel be watched again. The next report was that not only were there two employees "buying wine" at the hotel, but one of them appeared in public places with a woman, who was showing a coin given to her by this man, which, she boasted, had cost \$400.

After midnight one of the men, who was being watched, started a poker game with only chorus girls and himself for players. He gave each girl \$25 with which to play against him. With \$500 in front of him he was overcome with the wine and had to be carried off to bed, while a male friend of one of the chorus girls took the vacant seat and lost the money to the women.

It required only a few days of investigation by Mr. Peacock to find that from the particular branch of his business, in which these men were employed, there had been taken \$250,000 in profits in the last year which he had never seen.

Knocked Down Nine Times. One of these employees, on his escape from Peacock's office, declared he had been knocked down nine times by the infuriated man.

Mr. Peacock some years ago was the principal referred to in a magazine article entitled "The Curse of Too Much Money."

He paid \$25,000 for a special train from Los Angeles to Pittsburgh in order to vote.

He telephoned for \$14,000 worth of additional automobiles before breakfast one morning recently.

Salomons Young Men. The very rich younger set of Pittsburgh went to bed about daybreak and rose late this afternoon with a dark brown taste. It was the mask ball at the very fashionable Pittsburgh Golf club that did it. Stories from that mask ball will be leaking out for many months to come, but there are enough loose now to keep Pittsburgh gasping for some time. It was perhaps the "warmest" thing in the way of mask balls that has even been in Pittsburgh. Men who can write their checks in seven figures had spent weeks figuring out costumes, and there were some startling combinations.

A pair of Salomons dancers, true to life, having not more clothes than the law allows, caused much interest during the early hours by mingling with the crowds in their beautiful pink bare feet. They were each masked heavily, and kept timorously near each other all evening, as if fearing some approach by a rude man.

Shortly after midnight the shapely Salomons dancers were set upon by several male maskers, who, with loud cries, tore the masks from the shrinking Salomons, revealing Harry Darlington, Jr., one of the richest and shapeliest young men of millions in Pittsburgh, and Grant McKimney, another very young man, whose sense of honor is keen.

against the saloons in Chicago, between now and the election in April, according to Chairman Shields, of the anti-saloon organization.

that a 300 per cent. "melon" would be cut, leaving certain stockholders out of their holdings, will be laid before the interstate commerce commission.

He Tells of Bribing Legislators Of New York With "Cold" Cash



JOTHAM P. ALLDS. MARTIN W. LITTLETON. JAMES W. OSBORNE. PHOTO BY PAUL THOMPSON.

Duncan in a church and as mild mannered as a woman, a little man named Hiram G. Moe under oath declared that he paid \$6000 in cold cash to members of the legislature of New York in 1901 to prevent the passage of bills which would have injured the business of Senator Conger, with whom he was associated.

One thousand of this, he declared, was given by him personally to Jotham P. Allds, republican leader of the New York senate, then a member of the assembly.

Four thousand, he asserted, was given to another member of the assembly rules committee and another to still another member. Both these names were withheld, though they were several times on the tongue of Mr. Moe, and the listening crowd which filled the floor and the galleries was waiting breathlessly for the mention of the names.

As Mr. Moe made his sensational declaration amid almost oppressive silence his glance met that of Senator Allds, who glared at him half in wonder and half in awe.

Martin W. Littleton and James W. Osborne are acting as counsel to Senators Allds and Conger, respectively.

IMMEDIATE TRIAL IS NOW PROMISED

Negro Who Assaulted Mrs. Ellerbe Near Tampa Has a Narrow Escape from Being Lynched.

Tampa, Fla., Feb. 11.—In an effort to prevent an outbreak against Rowland Flower, the negro convict who escaped from a turpentine camp yesterday, after assaulting Mrs. Jane Ellerbe, aged 50 years, and who fired on a posse before being captured, the case today was placed before the grand jury. The indictment and trial is expected immediately. The fact that Flower fell into the hands of a posse headed by deputy sheriffs was the only thing that saved him from lynching.

Mrs. Ellerbe, after the assault ran two miles to a neighbors, without shoes and scantily clothed and gave the alarm. When captured Flower was brought into Tampa. Notwithstanding the report that Mrs. Ellerbe is heading the posse to come to Tampa to lynch the prisoner, no further trouble is feared.

ALLEGED LUNATIC HELD FOR MURDER

And a Legal Tangle Over Extradition Is Likely to Be the Outcome of It.

Augusta, Feb. 11.—William E. Stone, an alleged lunatic of Baltimore, is under arrest at Aiken, S. C., on a technical charge, but in reality is suspected of being the murderer of Dr. Charles W. Bickman, who was killed here last week.

A warrant was sworn out for Stone last night by a lieutenant of police. Stone is said to answer the description of the man wanted. An officer from Baltimore is on the way to Aiken, and a legal tangle as to extradition is expected.

His 77th Birthday. Washington, Feb. 11.—This is the seventy-seventh birthday anniversary of Chief Justice Melville W. Fuller of the Supreme Court of the United States. He has served almost 32 years as chief justice.

TO BE NO DECISION FOR TWO WEEKS

Justice Wright of the District of Columbia Supreme Court Granted an Adjournment in Case Which Has Resulted in Conflict Between Congress and Courts.

Washington, Feb. 11.—Whether the joint congressional committee on printing is an executive branch of the government, outside the jurisdiction of the courts, will not be decided for two weeks.

Justice Wright today, in the Supreme court of the District of Columbia, granted a two week adjournment in the mandamus proceedings against the committee, instituted by the Valley Paper company, of Holyoke, Mass. Attorneys representing Congressman Cooper, Sturgis and Finley asked time to familiarize themselves with the case. The senators of the committee, Messrs. Bourne, Fletcher and Smoot, were not represented, the senate having refused permission for their appearance.

Justice Wright told the attorneys representing the congressmen that their presence in the court today would not be considered a waiver of any prerogatives which the committee might claim as being exempt from the jurisdiction of the court.

A Night Session. Washington, Feb. 11.—A night session of the house followed the usual convening of that body yesterday. It was the first time during this session of congress that either branch has found it necessary to meet after midnight and this resulted from the inability to decide during the three hours the matter was before the house yesterday afternoon whether or not the house members of the joint committee on printing should obey the summons of the Supreme court of the District of Columbia to appear before it today to answer mandamus proceedings brought by the Valley Paper company of Holyoke, Mass., which is dissatisfied with certain paper awards made by the committee.

The senate was prompt in its action in denying the right of the courts to interfere with its legislative function and instructed its members of the committee to ignore the summons. The secretary was instructed to inform the District court that the senate took the view that the court was without jurisdiction to summon a congressional committee before it. A feature of the senate's session was a set speech by Senator Borah, in which he took issue with Governor Hughes of New York in his contention that the proposed income tax amendment to the constitution would not affect a tax on state securities.

After receiving from its judiciary committee a majority report recommending that its members of the printing committee respond to the Supreme court's summons, the house engaged in a long general debate on the proposition. Three members of the judiciary committee, including Chairman Parker took the view adopted by the senate, and presented a minority report advising the printing committee not to respond to the summons.

The senate gave positive instructions to Senators Reed, Smoot, Jonathan the judiciary committee was correct, Bourne and Duncan Fletcher, not to respond to the order issued by Justice Wright of the Supreme court of the District of Columbia directing them to appear before him.

The refusal of the senate was based upon the plea of the constitutional prerogatives of members of congress. The senate took the position that as it was a co-ordinate branch of the government the court had no right to interfere with its business affairs. Incidentally the question was raised as to whether Justice Wright was in contempt of the senate or whether the senate was in contempt of Justice Wright.

Sensor Nelson sought to have the resolution adopted by the senate so amended as to permit the senators to appear only for the purpose of testifying the court's jurisdiction and in doing so said that if the recommendation of the judiciary committee was correct, Justice Wright might be called before the senate for contempt.

Sensor Nelson of Georgia declared that the exercise by the court of such power as it claimed would result in the overthrow of the powers of the legislative department.

The Nelson amendment was voted down 14 to 45, the original resolution being adopted without division as was another resolution directing the secretary of the senate to communicate the views of the senate to the court.

In the house there was division of opinion as to whether in this particular case the court was authorized to summon its members. The judiciary committee brought in two reports. The majority report recommends a compliance with the summons of the court on the ground that the committee was not summoned as members of congress but while acting under the authority of a statute enacted by congress. The majority, therefore, recommended that Messrs. Cooper of Pennsylvania, Sturgis of West Virginia and Finley of South Carolina be instructed to appear in court. The minority report in which Chairman Parker joined Mr. Clayton of Alabama, and Mr. Henry of Texas took the opposite view, claiming that the joint committee was acting in a legislative capacity. They recommended either that the committee be instructed not to respond to the summons, or that the resolution recommended by the majority be amended so as to instruct the members of the printing committee "if necessary, to prosecute an appeal or writ of error from any judgment therein."

In addition to joining in the minority report, Representative Calhoun of Alabama offered a resolution declaring that the District Supreme court "had unlawfully invaded the constitution privileges of the house" that it was without jurisdiction to hale into court members of the house, and instructing such members to ignore the summons of the court.

FATAL EXPLOSION IN MADISON CO.

Accident Occurred at Shelton's Mill. One Man Being Killed and Two Injured.

Special to The Gazette-News. Marshall, Feb. 11.—An explosion occurred yesterday at the Crittenden-Shelton mill, on Laurel creek, 25 miles from here, with fatal result. Gideon Cutshall was killed, a man of the name of Ramsey, from Tennessee, was seriously injured, his nose being blown off, while Mr. Shelton was also seriously injured, one arm being broken.

Noted Men at Lincoln Banquet. Grand Rapids, Mich., Feb. 11.—The greatest array of public speakers ever heard in Grand Rapids is scheduled to appear at the annual banquet of the Lincoln Club here tomorrow night. Included in the list are Vice President Sherman, Commander Peary, Gen. Frederick D. Grant, Senator Julius C. Burrows and Bourke Cockran. Covers will be laid for nearly 2,000 guests.

Met in Secret. Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 11.—The senate committee named to investigate the alleged insinuations of Senator Watkins, that four of the upper branch of the Kentucky assembly were bought by the liquor interests, met again this morning in secret.

Will Fly Today. New Orleans, Feb. 11.—Louis Paulham, the French aviator, is expected to resume his aeroplane flights at City Park race track today. The flights will be concluded Sunday.

Opposed the Bill. Washington, Feb. 11.—Robert S. Walker, general counsel of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroad, vigorously opposed the administration bill today in a hearing given to the senate committee on interstate commerce.

Gustave is Doing Nicely. Stockholm, Feb. 11.—King Gustave's progress toward recovery from the operation for appendicitis continues.

The "Drys" Will Spend A Hundred Thousand

Chicago, Feb. 11.—One hundred thousand dollars is the amount which the "drys" will spend in the campaign

Insiders, Knowing of Melon, Tricked the Stockholders

New York, Feb. 11.—Charges that certain "insiders" in the Wells-Fargo Express company, knowing in advance

that a 300 per cent. "melon" would be cut, leaving certain stockholders out of their holdings, will be laid before the interstate commerce commission.

THE COMMITTEE IS AT WORK AGAIN

Ballinger-Pinchot Investigating Committee Resumes Consideration of the Controversy.

Washington, Feb. 11.—After a week's adjournment the Ballinger-Pinchot congressional investigation committee met today to continue consideration of the controversy which has waged practically since the day Ballinger took the oath of office, and has resulted in several dismissals from the government service.

BREVARD ISSUES BONDS FOR WATER

Amount is \$20,000, and Charles A. Webb is Successful Bidder for Them.

Gazette-News Bureau. The Franklin, Brevard, Feb. 11.—A bond issue of \$20,000 has been authorized in Brevard for the purpose of buying a complete water system and lighting facilities.

The present water supply is not sufficient for the town and the commission propose buying an entire water system and building a new reservoir. Since Brevard has had electric light the property has been owned by private individuals. In a short while present system, much improved, new one, will be under the control of the city authorities. Five the dollars' worth of bonds issued used in purchasing the power.

As soon as the bonds were sold persons were on the scene to whom Charles A. Webb of Asheville was the successful bidder. His bids for \$191 and per cent.

printing.