

BAKER DISPUTES RUNCIE EVIDENCE

Witness in the General Wood Investigation

HE DENIES THAT WOOD HAD KNOWLEDGE

Magazine Article Attacking General Brooke

MELVILLE E. STONE, GENERAL MANAGER OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS, GIVES EVIDENCE REGARDING HAVANA CORRESPONDENT

Washington, Dec. 3.—The first witness in the investigation in the conduct of General Leonard Wood while military governor of Cuba, was Melville Stone, general manager of the Associated Press. Mr. Stone submitted a letter written by Major Dunne to Colonel Charles S. Diehle, assistant general manager of the Associated Press, in which the writer on behalf of General Wood requested the retention at Havana of E. G. Bellair as the Associated Press correspondent. The request was made on the ground that it was desirable that the Associated Press be represented by some one having the confidence of the governor general. Bellair's record, Mr. Stone testified, was not known to the Associated Press at that time and later he was discharged. Ray Staurud Baker, the man whom Major Runcie said was at the dinner with General Wood and himself when the proposed magazine article criticizing General Brooke was discussed, was the next witness called.

LOOKS LIKE MORE TROUBLE IN BREATHITT

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 3.—Troops arrived here today from Jackson, Ky., under orders of withdrawal by Governor Beekham, after being on duty there as provost guard since the feud trouble began there last May. Many sensational charges are made as to the situation in Breathitt county. The most serious is that a letter, purporting to be from Judge Redwine to Governor Beekham, asking for withdrawal of soldiers is a forgery for the purpose of getting troops away in order to start the feud again. Another is that an attempt was made on Judge Hargis' life by a man thrusting a pistol in his face which was knocked out of the man's hand. Soldiers fear trouble will be renewed.

N. C. PRESS ASSOCIATION DENOUNCES "BURNING" OF DANIELS

Washington, D. C., Dec. 3.—The refusal of the trustees of Trinity college at Durham, N. C., to accept the resignation of Dr. Bassett, which had been offered on account of public criticism of his statements that Booker T. Washington marked next to Robert E. Lee in the South, was the chief subject of discussion at today's meeting of the North Carolina Press association. The association finally decided that it had no authority to condemn the trustees for refusing to accept the resignation. Three men, however, fought to the last to have a stinging resolution denouncing the statement of Bassett adopted, and deprecating the action of the trustees.

COUNTRESS, WHO MARRIED HER COACHMAN WANTS DIVORCE

London, Dec. 3.—The Sun, of this city says that it understands on reliable authority that former Countess Mabel Russell, is instituting divorce proceedings against her husband, William Brown, a former coachman, who married here in December, 1892, under the title of Prince Approbald Stuart De Modens, alleging that he was a Bavarian nobleman. The reported grounds for the suit are cruelty and misconduct. Countess Mabel Russell was divorced from her husband, Earl Russell March 28, 1901, who subsequently married Mrs. Mollie Somerville of Nevada and was tried before the House of Lords July 1902 on the charge of bigamy. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to three months imprisonment as a first class misdemeanant, the offense being merely technical, the English law not allowing him to remarry while the Nevada laws permitted him to do so. The Earl and Mrs. Somerville were re-married October 31, 1901.

Texas D. of C. Endorse Roosevelt's Panama Policy

Houston, Texas, Dec. 3.—The Texas chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy today adopted the following resolutions: "Whereas, the President of the United States by his recent course towards the Republic of Panama, has shown to the world his endorsement of the principle of right of secession, and "Whereas, the people of the Northern states by their acceptance and approval of his course, have shown that they have been led by him, of the fog of ignorance to the bright realms of truth, attained by the Southern statesmen so many years ago. "Be it resolved, that we extend to the President the hearty thanks of the Daughters of the Confederacy of the State of Texas in convention assembled, for his endorsement of the principles and his vindication of the cause for which the Southern people fought so gloriously but so disastrously in the war between the states, and "Be it resolved, further, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the President by the corresponding secretary of the Texas state division, United Daughters of the Confederacy."

SECRETS OF DOWIE TO BE REVEALED

High Priest of Zion City on the Stand

WILL BE COMPELLED FULLY TO UNFOLD

The Various Ways and Means by Which

HE SUCCESSFULLY EXTRACTED FROM FOLLOWERS THE GREAT PILE OF WEALTH WHICH NOW SEEMS TO HAVE FAILED HIM

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 3.—John Alexander Dowie will be put on the witness stand before Bankruptcy Referee Sidney E. Eastman, and under oath will be required to answer all questions regarding the financial affairs of Zion City. While the date for the inquiry has not yet been set, Judge Kohlsaat this evening entered the order which requires the overseer of the Christian Catholic church to submit to an examination. This action was taken on motion of Attorney Samuel Etleson, who filed the original petition in bankruptcy against Dowie. "This application was not made for the purpose of harassing Dr. Dowie," said Attorney Etleson. "The receivers are now making an investigation of Dowie's accounts and they undoubtedly will need his testimony to get a correct knowledge of his financial condition."

NATIONALISTS WILL FIGHT DREYFUS

Paris, Dec. 3.—The Nationalist members of the chamber of deputies held a meeting today at which they adopted resolutions criticizing the government's action in the revision of the Dreyfus case, saying they regarded it as a political move preliminary to a judicial step, which "only the enemies of the country could make," and affirming that the Nationalists' purpose to continue the struggle against Dreyfus.

BAKING POWDER GRAFT

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 3.—State Senator Jesse Jewel, charged with soliciting a bribe in connection with the baking powder legislation at Jefferson City, voluntarily pleaded not guilty in the county court here today and his bond was fixed at \$10,000. His case was set for hearing February 9, next.

MAYBE HE NEEDS IT.

New York, Dec. 3.—President Roosevelt is to receive \$20,000 and his children, Kermit and Ethel, \$5,000 each from the estate of the late James King Gracie, an uncle by marriage of the President. The will has been admitted to probate in the Nassau county surrogate's court.

JAMES L. BLAIR FOUND GUILTY

Indicted by Grand Jury For Forgery

FORMER EMPLOYE TIPPED OFF THE GAME

Blair Juggled the Finances of Various Estates

WHICH WERE ENTRUSTED TO HIS CHARGE—BLAIR WAS GENERAL COUNSEL FOR WORLD'S FAIR ASSOCIATION

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 3.—James L. Blair, the attorney, has been indicted by the grand jury on the charge of forgery. Mr. Blair was formerly general counsel for the World's Fair association. The indictment is the result of charges filed by Thomas T. Roberts, an attorney, at one time employed in Blair's law office. Roberts saw certain papers and records on which he afterwards based his charge that Blair was juggling the finances of large estates committed to his trust. That was more than three years ago. The story, however, did not become public until the present grand jury began an investigation. Roberts publicly charged among other things that Blair had forged deeds of trust and mortgages on which \$50,000 was obtained from the estate of the late Peter Blow, of St. Louis, and that he counterfeited and used the notarial seals of the recorder of deeds of St. Louis and frequently employed "Walter F. Jenkins," a purely fictitious personage, to attest the documents. Blair acted as a sort of fiscal and investment agent for the firm of Dick Brothers, of Philadelphia, and New York, of which Evans R. Dick, a relative, is head. In the Blow estate he was co-trustee with Edward S. Roberts. The grand jury requested the Dicks their attorney, George B. Graham, and others to come to St. Louis to testify but the communications were ignored. Owing to his reported serious illness, Blair was removed from his home to Mullany hospital one month ago. Varying reports of his condition have been given from time to time to the public, but he is now reported to have almost fully recovered. A bench warrant will be issued for Blair's arrest and he will be required to give bond. The maximum penalty for the offense with which Blair is charged is life imprisonment, the minimum ten years in the penitentiary. Blair gave bond in the sum of \$10,000 this evening to answer to the tax indictments against him. Before the deputy sheriffs started for the hospital with the capias word was received that Blair would appear personally before Judge Taylor.

INJUNCTION SERVED.

Binghamton, N. Y., Dec. 3.—An injunction was served on Charles J. Cook, who represents the Zion City interests in Binghamton, restraining him from turning over to Dowie a trust fund now held by him for his daughter, Pearl Cook. The action was brought by Charles H. Carmen, one of the bondsmen for Cook, as general guardian for Pearl Cook. Carmen seeks to be relieved of the responsibility of his bond, and asks that Cook be restrained from disposing of a \$1,200 mortgage which he holds as guardian of his daughter.

NEBRASKAN GRAFTS INVESTIGATED

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 3.—Ex-Lieutenant Governor Calvin E. Steel, was a witness before the grand jury in its investigation of Nebraska postoffice appointments.

GOVERNOR BLISS WILL GIVE UP PENSION

Washington, Dec. 3.—Commissioner of Pensions Warren has received the following letter from Governor Bliss of Michigan, voluntarily relinquishing his pension:

Laurens, Mich., December 1, 1903. Commissioner of Pensions, Washington, D. C. "Sir: I have the honor to ask you to discontinue after this date the pension granted to me by the United States government for disability. I feel that I have won what I should have on the pension rolls, with my comrades of the war of rebellion, and relinquish the pension only because I doubt the propriety of continuing as a pensioner when I am not in need. I was placed after two examinations on the rolls at twelve dollars a month. My intention was to donate this money to the work of the Grand Army of the Republic, and this I have done. "Thanking you for the honor you have done me, I remain, "Your obedient servant, "A. T. BLISS."

HOW GRAFTERS BLED POOR WIDOW

Chicago, Dec. 3.—Mrs. John C. Howard, widow of a police sergeant testified today before the committee of aldermen, investigating municipal "graft" that she paid \$1,200 to secure what she is entitled to under the law—a pension of \$50 a month—the sole means of support for herself and children. She also testified that Mrs. John Walsh, a widow of a police officer had paid \$700 to get on the police pension roll.

ALLEGED "BARON" GETS HIS DUE REWARD

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 3.—A suit has been filed in the Anniston branch of the federal court by the trustees in bankruptcy for the Southern Car and Foundry company against J. M. Elliott, Jr., to recover \$150,000. Mr. Elliott was for many years president of the company and the suit is to be entered to recover money said to be due the company.

FLOWERS OF PERPETUAL BLOOM

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 2.—Dr. R. W. Gregory, the noted surgeon, chemist and inventor of this city, has recently added another important and valuable discovery to his long list of practical inventions. His latest is a preservative fluid which keeps out flowers in bloom or bud, without change or injury, for an indefinite period, when submerged in it. On December 2 Dr. Gregory had on exhibition fall blown pinks and roses in bud, which were submerged in the fluid October 2, and they were as fresh and perfect as on the day they were out; the perfume, color and fragrance had remained unchanged. Exposure to the atmosphere seemed to make no difference. Dr. Gregory says that in former tests with the fluid-preserved flowers, he has found that they keep fresh and fragrant longer than the fresh cut flower, not withering or dropping their petals and leaves as soon as those just out and exposed to the atmosphere in vases in plain water, for the reason that they absorb a sufficient quantity of the preservative agents to prolong life in the bud. Asked as to the nature and expense of the fluid, Dr. Gregory replied that it was "clean, clear water, impregnated with a combination of chemicals, which are abundant and cheap, and can be made for twenty-five cents a gallon, a gallon of the fluid being sufficient to keep \$20 worth of cut blooms indefinitely." Dr. Gregory has had much experience with making other preservative agents, physical germ destroyers, etc., in his experiments his attention was directed to a vegetable germ destroyer, and out of this was evolved his latest discovery of a flower preservative. The far-reaching importance and value, commercially and scientifically of this discovery, can best be realized by a consideration of its value to botanists. Its serious effect on the hot house flower merchants. A rare bloom from the tropics, or the polar regions, can be cut, submerged in the fluid, transported to New York, and examined by a scientist, with the same degree of accuracy, as if he were at the spot where the flower grew. With this fluid cut flowers, loose or made into designs could be shipped (Continued on Page 6.)

GREENSBORO DOCTOR HAS WONDERFUL FLUID

Which Will Enable Rarest Floral Beauties

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ONLY TWO MORE DAYS REMAIN IN CITIZEN'S VOTING CONTEST

Two more days—and The Citizen's voting contest will close. Several bets have been laid, it is said, on the success of each of the two leading candidates, but what of the dark horse? A prominent citizen stated yesterday that any one putting his ear to the ground could hear the hoof-beats of the winner thundering down the track. Is it a railroad track, and is the name of the horse "R. P.?" The vote stands: Dr. Sawyer, 21,263; Dr. A. M. Ballard, 15,550; R. P. Foster, 9,437; Dr. L. B. McBrayer, 2,960; Dr. Battle, 2,272; Harmon Miller, 1,453; Dr. M. H. Fletcher, 1,344; J. E. Rankin, 1,143; W. C. Frank, 1,120; A. Blomberg, 887; Dr. F. T. Mariwether, 739; Dr. Hilliard, 683; Dr. A. M. Ballard, 706; Dr. Chas. L. Minor, 550; Dr. Chas. Jordan, 541; Dr. M. M. Millender, 537; A. Whitlock, 532; Dr. J. T. Sevier, 513; J. J. Yates, 402; John A. Nichols, 322; Chas. G. Lee, 360; Penrose Baldwin, 283; W. B. Gwyn, 260; Dr. Linn, 242; Dr. Paul Paquin, 235; Dr. Pringleau, 208; T. A. Jones, 201; Jas. H. Loughran, 191; Rev. W. M. Vines, 193; Wm. Kroger, 137; Hiram Lindsey, 137; W. C. Scarborough, 124; O. C. Mills, 123.

CITIZEN VOTING COUPON.

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