

ELIJAH DOWIE MAY YET ESCAPE

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NOT INSOLVENT AND THEY BELIEVE THAT HE MAY YET COME UP SMILING WITH SOME DOUGH.

Chicago, Ills., Dec. 4.—Stronger proof of the fact that all John Alexander Dowie's creditors are not a unit in the desire to have his estate administered by the bankruptcy court was given this morning. Seven creditors, representing claims of more than \$10,000, filed a paper in the United States District court, in which they asked Judge Kohlsaat to inquire into the question of Dowie's solvency at once. They declared that the head of Zion is in insolvency or was in that condition when the bankruptcy proceedings were begun against him. The lawyers who represent these seven creditors, declare that additional claims amounting to close to \$100,000 will be filed in the contest against the bankruptcy proceedings.

Simultaneously with the filing of these objections attorneys representing the \$100,000 claim of Samuel Stevenson, Dowie's brother-in-law, announced today that they would appeal to the Federal court tomorrow morning to ask that the original petitioners be required to identify the \$100,000, the sum of \$200,000. This request will be made, it is said, for the purpose of having something to hold those who had brought the bankruptcy petition and make them responsible in the event that the case is dismissed on showing of Dowie's solvency.

At the same time Dowie's representative will ask Judge Kohlsaat to order the receivers to vacate the face factory of a corporation and as Dowie is not the sole stockholder it will be argued that this concern should not be controlled by the bankruptcy court.

Attorney Frank Helmer, who represents clients having claims of about \$100,000 against Dowie, said tonight: "As nearly as I can determine from an examination of Dowie's accounts, he has assets worth at least \$100,000 while the claims against him do not exceed \$100,000. If such is the case it is wrong to continue the receivership."

MARTIAL LAW IS IN CONTROL AT DENVER

Denver, Colo., Dec. 4.—Governor Peabody today declared martial law in the Cripple Creek district. After mentioning acts of lawlessness, said to have been committed in Cripple Creek, the proclamation concluded as follows: "Whereas, I have reason to believe that similar outrages may occur at any time, and believing the civil authorities of said county of Teller are utterly unable, unwilling and are making no

Attempt to preserve order and to protect life and property. "Now, therefore, I, James H. Peabody, governor of the State of Colorado, by virtue of the authority in me vested, do hereby proclaim and declare the said county of Teller, in the State of Colorado, to be in a state of insurrection and rebellion."

Governor Peabody bases his action on the decision of the Idaho Supreme court, which declared that the act of the governor of Idaho in putting into force to a limit extent martial law in the Coeur D'Alene was in thorough harmony with the constitution of that state. The constitutional provision relating to the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus in this state is similar to that of the Idaho constitution.

Wholesale arrests of strikers suspected of implication in the Vindicator explosion and other cases of violence will be made tomorrow. The "Bull pen" will be enlarged so as to accommodate several hundred prisoners.

JAMES L. BLAIR IS SERIOUSLY SICK

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 4.—James L. Blair, who yesterday was indicted by the grand jury on two counts, charging forgery, is in a very depressed condition, according to what little can be learned at the hospital. The attending physician said he feared the shock of yesterday's experience on Mr. Blair. He would make no further statement.

NEW RAILROAD

Guthrie, Okla., Dec. 4.—The Colorado, Oklahoma and Southwestern railroad was today incorporated by Oklahoma capitalists with \$1,000,000 capital stock. The new line is to be 100 miles long passing through Woodward, Day, Dewey, Custer, Wichita, and Comanche, connecting with the Santa Fe in Woodward county and the Cherokee and Gulf at Weatherford.

WILL BALTIMORE POSTAL CROOKS ESCAPE?

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 4.—Planning confidence in their belief that the prosecution has failed to make a prima facie case against former Postal Clerk Thomas W. McGregor and Columbus E. Epton, counsel for the defense in the trial for alleged conspiracy to defraud the government by selling leather pouches at exorbitant prices, decided to close the case without putting a single witness on the stand to testify for the clients.

When United States Attorney John C. Rose announced to Judge Morris and the jury in the United States Circuit court that the government had produced all its testimony, it was generally thought that witnesses for the defense would be called immediately. William S. Bryan, of counsel for the accused, sprung a decided surprise when he arose and said:

"We do not think the government has made out a prima facie case and therefore we will offer no witnesses." Mr. Bryan then announced that prayers will be prepared tomorrow and exchanged between counsel. Argument on the prayers will be offered Monday. Court will not sit on the case tomorrow. General argument on the entire case will be made after prayers are argued.

THEY MAY TRY TO SAVE MACEDONIA

Negotiations in London Strengthen on Belief

THAT REIGN OF BLOODSHED IS OVER

Russia and America Make Proposal to Powers

THAT INTERNATIONAL ADMINISTRATION BE INSTITUTED IN STRICKEN COUNTRY—ASSOCIATED PRESS GIVES COMFORTING NEWS

London, Dec. 4.—Negotiations begun today by the powers may result in an international administration for Macedonia along the lines observed in the present government of the island of Crete.

The Associated Press, learns that in order to prevent another Macedonian uprising in the spring, attended by unspeakable horrors, and the danger of a war between Turkey and Bulgaria, as a consequence, Russia and Austria have proposed to the other powers that immediate steps be taken to put into operation a plan which in its general outline resembles that now enforced in Crete. This proposal is the result of the acceptance in principle by the sultan three days ago, of the Russian-Austrian note concerning reforms in Macedonia, submitted after the recent conference between Czar Nicholas and Emperor Francis Joseph.

To what extent each power will participate in the organization of an international gendarmerie to be formed for the preservation of order and which power will be placed in supreme command of the gendarmerie, as well as other details, must be settled by the negotiations between the powers, this proposal of the two powers dispenses the apprehension which has prevailed in diplomatic circles on the continent that Russia and Austria were arranging a settlement of the Macedonian question in a way to insure only their own interest.

COMPRESSED AIR CO. GETS PUNCTURED

New York, Dec. 4.—Judge Lecombe of the United States circuit court today heard arguments of some of the stockholders of the Compressed Air company, on an application for a receiver for the company. Counsel representing the defendants, the compressed air company, the Rome locomotive and machine works, and the individual members of the boards of directors protested against the appointment of any receiver.

The Rome company, it was contended, was the only asset possessed by the Compressed Air company at present earning a revenue, and that it was

not only solvent, but money-making concern. Counsel representing the Merton Trust company, the trustee of the first mortgage bonds of the Compressed Air company, asked the court to modify its injunction in order to allow it, if it so desired, to institute future proceedings on the coupons, and it was so ordered.

HUBERT SPENCER SICK

London, Dec. 4.—A bulletin issued here this evening announces that the condition of Herbert Spencer, the famous writer, who has been ill for some time is causing grave anxiety.

COSTLY BLAZE

Gainesville, Texas, Dec. 4.—The dry goods store of C. L. McVown in this city together with the large stock of goods was destroyed by fire today. Loss, \$0,000; insurance, \$30,000.

MAJ. RUNCIE WILL TESTIFY ONCE AGAIN

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—The first witness to be heard on Monday by the senate military affairs committee, which is investigating the nomination of General Leonard Wood to be a major general, will be Colonel Charles S. DeWitt, assistant manager of the Associated Press. Major James E. Runcie has been recalled and will be here Monday. He will be examined concerning the contradiction of some of his testimony by Ray Stannard Baker, the magazine writer.

The committee has under consideration the question of summoning several witnesses to testify as to the condition of General Wood's Santiago accounts of 1898. For this purpose it is likely that General Tasker H. Bliss, of the general staff of the army, will be called and that subpoenas will be issued also for Nathan W. H. Lamb, captain, and Lieutenant Brooks, all of whom are said to have had a hand in auditing the accounts.

BISHOP BURGESS DENOUNCES A PLAY

New York, Dec. 4.—Right Rev. Frederick Burgess, D. D., bishop of Long Island, preached a sermon in St. Paul's chapel, New York, today, in which he protested against the forthcoming production of "Parasitism" in this city. He did not mention the play by name, but he left no doubt as to his meaning, when he said:

"The last supper, with its sacred feeling and associations, is to be played before our eyes. We cannot be blinded to the blasphemy of this by all the grand harmony and fine language that even a great artist can give us. Let them laugh at us, sneer at us, even if they must get the plot from the Bible, but let that story of our Lord remain sacred. At all odds let this man, our Savior, so through time as the one whose being was too holy to profane before our eyes." "The first performance of 'Parasitism' is to be given on Christmas eve.

BOODLERS ADMIT TAKING BRIBES

Unworthy Grand Rapids Officials Confess

THAT THEY ACCEPTED SUMS OF MONEY

For the Faithful Discharge of Duties

CAUGHT IN THEIR SIN, THESE IL-LUSTRIOUS SERVANTS OF THE PUBLIC WILL PLEAD GUILTY

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 4.—The features in the water boodle scandal today were the confessions of ex-Aldermen Abraham S. Gysels and Corey P. Bissell, former members of the board of public works, that they accepted the bribes mentioned by Salisbury in his confession. Later this evening ex-Alderman Ghyssels went to Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Ward's office and acknowledged that he accepted an envelope from Salisbury containing \$300. This confession was followed a few minutes later by the appearance of Mr. Bissell, who also made a statement that he had accepted \$500 and otherwise corroborating Salisbury's statement that he approached members of the council with the boodling proposition. Both Ghyssels and Bissell informed the prosecuting attorney that they will plead guilty in the Superior court tomorrow.

No additional warrants were issued today, but there may be one arrest tomorrow if the prosecution can get the warrant served.

Assistant Prosecutor Ward, however, declines to give the name of the man who is wanted.

ANOTHER POSTAL CASE

Gadsden, Ala., Dec. 4.—W. B. Riddick, a white man, of Clay county, is under arrest, having been indicted at Anniston on the charge of violating the postal laws. It is alleged that through the mails he sent a demand for the payment of a bill, written on the outside of an envelope.

FINLEY WANTED TO HUNT RABBITS

A. L. Finley was somewhat improved this morning compared with his condition yesterday morning, but the ultimate result of the wounds inflicted by Bob Lee is still in doubt. Thursday morning early he became delirious and insisted on getting out of bed. The hospital nurses telephoned to police headquarters and as no suitable help could be secured at that hour, Officer C. H. Barrett went to the hospital and restrained Finley. Finley wanted to get up to hunt rabbits, or go to his store as the mood seized him. Before this delirium he was so greatly

Improved that the nurses thought his chances for recovery very bright.

QUESTION OF FREIGHT RATES

Washington, Dec. 4.—In the case of R. M. Martens, against the Louisville & Nashville railroad, involving the long and short haul question, the Interstate Commerce commission today held that the lumber rate of ten cents for the shorter haul from intermediate points to Louisville, as against eight cents for the longer haul from the same points to Nashville was unduly discriminating. The commission decides that a difference in circumstances and conditions between the two points and that any greater difference is in violation of the interstate commerce law.

ADJOURNMENT IS THE PUZZLING QUESTION

Washington, Dec. 4.—Unless there is an agreement by both houses of congress to adjourn the present session before noon Monday when the regular session begins, all nominations must fall and if the present special session ends by limitation, thus preventing the president from sending recess appointments to the senate, all pending recess appointments must terminate with the convening of congress in its regular session.

These considerations today furnished the incentive for a number of conferences looking to an agreement to adjourn on Monday or even tomorrow in order to permit the president to send in recess appointments. Friends of General Wood are virtually adjourned and will try to bring about adjournment by concurrent action. Failure of action would mean General Wood's reversion to the rank of brigadier general, and have similar effect on the appointments of 167 army officers, advanced by reason of General Wood's appointments of 167 army officers, at the ranks and pay of their new appointments in the same manner as though their nominations had been confirmed by the senate.

The situation also has been canvassed at the War department and considerable alarm is felt over the disturbance that will occur regarding officers who were promoted in recess and whose rank depends on the confirmation of General Wood and other officers. In view of this situation, it is possible that the administration will suggest sine die adjournment. One reason given by the leaders of the house for not passing a resolution of adjournment was that it would be a disrepute to the president to adjourn a called session without completing the work for which it was convened. Members of the senate say they were ready to adjourn ten days ago and a resolution of adjournment probably would have been sent to the house if it had not been reported and not denied that the house would not give consideration to a resolution for adjournment.

The situation is said to be without precedent in the house. It has been argued in the senate that if the nomination of General Wood failed of confirmation through the failure of the senate committee on military affairs to complete its hearing of charges

THEY HAD NICE FRIENDLY CHAT

Roosevelt and Hanna Meet at White House

REPORTERS FOUND NOTHING DOING

And the Gentlemen of the Press Went Hungry

HANNA ADMITS THAT HE AND TEDDY ARE REAL GOOD FRIENDS AND HE HAD A "LOVELY TIME"

Washington, Dec. 4.—An important conference was held at the White House tonight between the President and Senator Hanna of Ohio. It occurred on the initiative of Mr. Hanna and to both participants the conference was a pleasant one. Mr. Hanna went to the White House at 9 and remained with the President until 11 o'clock. At the conclusion of the conference which it can be said, was marked by distinct evidence of sincere friendship and cordiality on both sides, neither the President nor Senator Hanna cared to discuss for publication the details. It was announced that the reports recently circulated that there had been, or that there was likely to be any break in the existing pleasant relations between the President and the senator amounted to a "preposterous absurdity."

The President himself desires to be understood that hereafter he will not take occasion to refer to these reports or to dignify them with any attention. It may be said that the relations between the two are those of cordial and appreciative friendship.

The conference tonight dealt principally with pending and prospective legislation before congress, particularly with that relating to the Isthmian canal and with general political conditions. Both before and since he became chairman of the Inter-Oceanic canal committee of the senate, Mr. Hanna has manifested deep interest in all that relates to the waterway. Agreement on the subject was absolute. Both, it may be said, are confident that the position taken by the administration will be approved by the American people.

The contested confirmation of General Wood was not considered, though incidental reference to it was made. It is known that the President and Senator Hanna differ on the subject, both fully realize that that difference is honest and sincere, and it is believed by friends of both that it cannot possibly interrupt their pleasant relations. It can be said also that no discussion took place concerning the chairmanship of the Republican national committee. It is known that President Roosevelt has expressed to Mr. Hanna his desire that he should retain the chairmanship. The senator has not announced yet his final decision regarding the matter. It may be said that the state of Mr. Hanna's health is involved in the decision, and

ONLY TWO MORE DAYS REMAIN IN CITIZEN'S VOTING CONTEST

Table listing names and vote counts for the Citizen's Voting Contest. Includes names like Clarence Clapp, E. P. Gilkie, A. L. Stockton, etc.

CITIZEN VOTING COUPON. This Coupon is Good for One Vote for As the Most Popular Man in Asheville. DECEMBER 5. Cut out and deposit in the ballot box at The Daily Citizen office



COTTON OUTPUT OF MILLS MUST BE LARGELY CURTAILED

Boston, Mass., Dec. 4.—That a widespread curtailment of production by cotton mills in the United States will be found necessary during the next few months on account of the great cost of the raw material, is the opinion of leading mill men in this city, from which the policy of many cotton mills in the North is directed. The market

Brave Officer Swam Hundred Yards to Save Ship

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 4.—The naval tug Peoria, towing the submarine torpedo boat Adder, has arrived at the navy yard here. The Adder was saved by the heroism of Boatswain Derry, who responded to a call for volunteers and swam one hundred yards with a line from the tug and pulled

Two Asheville Boys Are Reported Drowned at Knoxville

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 4.—Luther and Mitchell Carter, aged 14 and 19, were drowned in the French Broad river, near Danbridge, Tenn., at noon today. They were crossing the river in a canoe, when Luther fell from the boat. In trying to save his brother Mitchell was pulled into the river and both were drowned. The boys lived at Asheville, N. C. Their mother, Mrs. Cordelia Carter, is a widow.

Not Known Here. Strict inquiry in various parts of the city last night failed to locate the "Cordelia Carter" referred to in the above dispatch. The name is not given in the city directory, and it is likely that the boys belonged to this city.