

HUNTING CLUB TO HAVE MAGNIFICENT BILTMORE COVERTS

Final Arrangements For Formation of Organizations Have Been Made

WEALTHY CHICAGO MEN ARE BEHIND SCHEME

Mr. H. F. Adickes Who Has Promoted Project, Reserves Right For Local People.

The greatest hunting and fishing preserve in America is to be that secured by Mr. Frederick Adickes, Jr., of this city by leave from George W. Vanderbilt and a big timber company, and which is to be used by a club promoted by several Chicago men and including in its membership prominent men in New York, New England and Western states.

The preserve includes eighty thousand acres of Mr. Vanderbilt's Pisgah forest and an adjoining tract which embraces about sixty thousand acres or more, taking in mountain and virgin forests and scores of miles of trout streams which flow from the Chestnut ridge to the French Broad river, an expanse of 140,000 acres of marvelous beauty, stocked with game and abounding in mountain and California trout of marvelous size.

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ABDUL HAMID SEES WILL OF "ALLAH" IN DETHRONEMENT

Brother, Full of Years, Will Sit As Sultan on The Throne of Empire—Deposed Ruler Pleads For Himself And "Family."

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 27.—The reign of Abdul Hamid II ended today with his deposition and the accession of his brother, Mehmed V, a variation of "Mohammed." It being considered inappropriate to assume the prophetic name of the prophet, Mehmed V is the thirty-fifth sovereign of Turkey in male descent of the house of Osman, the founder of empire, and is the twenty-ninth sultan since the conquest of Constantinople.

The two houses of parliament, meeting as a national assembly in the forenoon, approved the decree of deposition which was read by the Sheik-ul-Islam, chief of the Ulema and supreme judge on ecclesiastical questions. The document recited that Abdul Hamid's acts were contrary to the sacred law, and set forth a long list of crimes, the whole making a terrible indictment. The assembly chose Mehmed-Reischad as sultan and appointed committees to notify the dethroned sovereign and his successor of its action. The firing of 101 guns announced to the waiting people that a new sultan had been proclaimed.

New Sultan Takes Oath. The ceremonies connected with the transfer of the power were simple. The newly chosen ruler came from his palace in GGalata through streets lined with troops and cheering thousands, and took the oath at the war office. He then proceeded to the parliament and later went to the Dolmabahatche palace as head of the empire, where for so many years he had practically been a prisoner. Martial law was relaxed tonight and the people gave themselves over to celebrating the victory of the Young Turk party and the end of Abdul Hamid's reign. Many buildings were illuminated, and thousands of rounds were fired by the soldiers for joy. General good humor prevails everywhere.

The question of the new cabinet has not yet been settled but it is thought that Ahmed Riza will be grand vizier, while some of his associates will probably be Hilma Pasha, the former premier, as minister of the interior; Djavid Bey as minister of finance, and Rifat Pasha as minister of foreign affairs.

"Dethrone Him." The Sheik-ul-Islam, supported by all the principal personages of the higher church administration, issued the fetva, as the decree of deposition is called. It informed Mehmed Reischad Effendi that he was chosen sultan by the will of the church, the will of the parliament, the will of the army, and the will of the people. It admonished him to serve God and keep the sacred law as communicated by the prophet. This Reischad humbly promised to do.

The fetva was prepared last night, both Abdul Hamid and his brother, Prince Reischad being informed at an early hour this morning. The Sheik-ul-Islam, it is said, personally visited the sultan and read him the decree. He informed his majesty that the question having been put in canonical form before the sheik and his associates as to whether Abdul Hamid had not forfeited the right to rule over the faithful they had decided "Yes."

Abdul bowed his head, saying: "It is the will of Allah." At a secret sitting of the national assembly in the morning the decree was read. It declared that Abdul Hamid II must abdicate or be dethroned. The assembly unhesitatingly shouted: "Dethrone him."

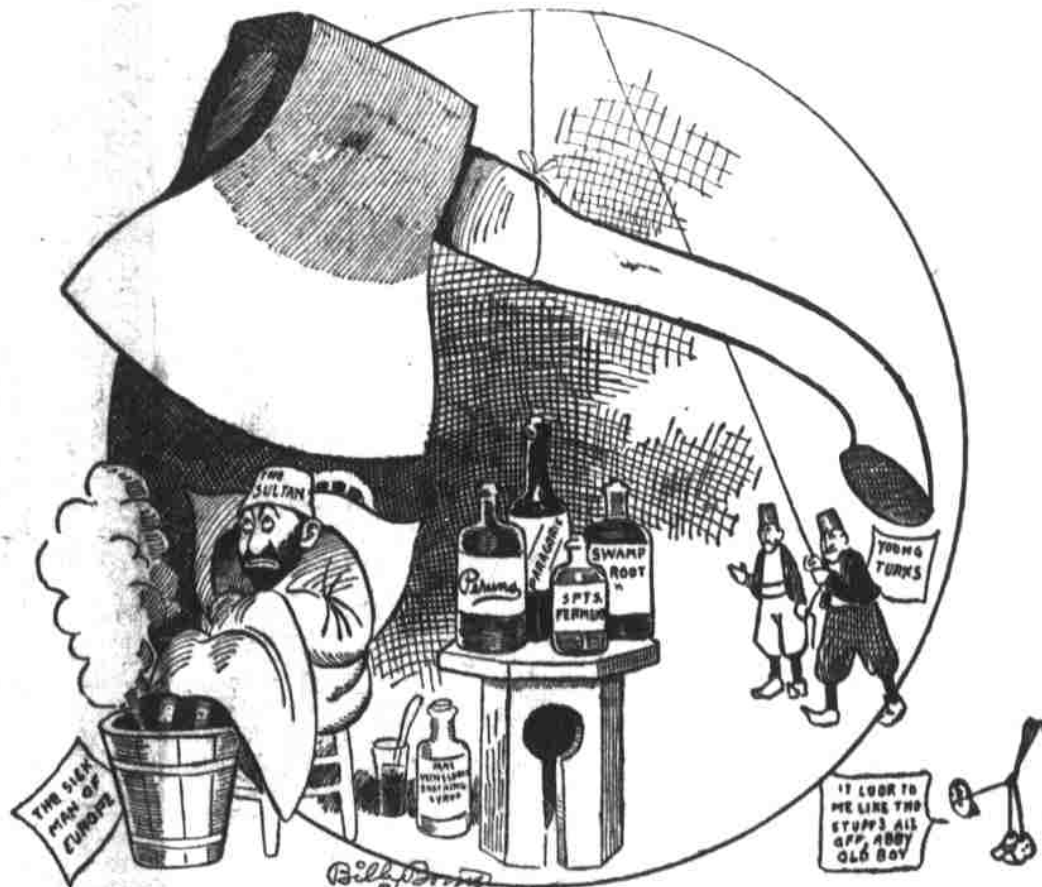
A deputation of two senators and two deputies thereupon visited the palace at Yildiz and communicated to the sultan the assembly's resolution. Abdul Hamid replied:

"I expected this; it is fate. My only wish is that the lives of myself and my family may be safeguarded and that I may reside at the palace of Cheraqan, as I wish to die where I was born."

A similar deputation proceeded to the Dolmabahatche palace in Galata, and informed Mehmed Reischad Effendi of the nation's will. The newly proclaimed sultan replied that he bowed to the will of the people.

Discuss Future. Later the assembly debated the momentous question of Abdul Hamid's future residence. The suggestion that he be allowed to travel abroad was strongly opposed on the ground that (Continued on page four.)

Heavy, Heavy, Hangs Over Your Head.



FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS IN REAL MONEY FADED AWAY AT TOUCH

When Kenilworth Inn Safe Was Opened Contents Found Burned and Scorched till It Was Impossible to Save Anything.—Mrs. Martin Suffers a Further Loss.

Five hundred dollars in bills so utterly charred that they dissolved into ashes when touched, record books so incinerated as to be unrecognizable, and coins almost fused, were the spectacles which met the eyes of those who witnessed the opening of one of the Kenilworth Inn safes yesterday morning.

The other safe will be opened Thursday, but as its exterior condition is far worse than that of the opened safe, its door showing yawning to show a great crack, no hope is entertained that the hotel and personal records of Mrs. Annie D. Martin will be more than cinders.

The safes were found under a great pile of brick from a fallen chimney and being dug out, expert Marsteller spent three days in working on the combination of the smaller one, an alleged fire proof receptacle about four feet in height and 36 inches square, the safe locks responding yesterday morning when attaches of the hotel were notified and came to take out the contents.

In Bad Condition. Those interested knew that the safes had been exposed to the fierce heat engendered by the great fire di-

rectly as well as that caused by the slowly cooling white hot brick which entombed it, but they were hopeful that the contents would be substantially intact. The door was swung open and the contents of the iron box showed fire scorched, the boxes blackened by the heat and the wood work of the compartments consumed. But in an iron compartment a stack of bills amounting to \$500 seemed reasonably unharmed, the print of the government showing clear.

Money Faded Away. But this was a delusion, a fantasy like that seen when a printed paper is cast on red hot embers and burns, leaving behind readable characters on that faint remnant which a breath can destroy. At a touch the brittle residue of the bills fell in fragments, it being impossible to handle them by any device of care or cunning.

However, what was left was taken to the American National bank and although President J. H. Carter expressed the opinion that the government will not redeem the ashes with new bills because the denominations cannot be told, they will be sent to

the treasury department in the hope that they may be duplicated.

The record books were in hardly better plight, and it is hardly possible that anything of their contents can ever be deciphered. The intensity of the heat within the safe was shown by the fact that coins of different denominations to the amount of several dollars were blackened just as if they had been directly exposed to hot coals.

It was the custom at the Inn to make daily deposits at the bank, but by ill fortune it happened that the evening before the fire many guests paid their bills and, by still worse fortune, in bills and not in checks or coin.

Valuable Records Gone. The unopened safe contains, or did contain at the time of the fire, many books containing the records of the hotel, of Mrs. Martin's affairs and probably some of the hotel itself but it is hardly possible to hope that they will be in as good condition as those in the safe which was opened because the door shows a wide crack where the metal sheathing has been warped. Both safes are of good make, in fact are high class safes of their type.

TURPENTINE CASE IS FAIRLY ON ROAD TO ITS FINAL DISPOSITION

The Jury Box Was Yesterday Filled In Space of Fifteen Minutes.

MANY WITNESSES.

(By Associated Press.) SAVANNAH, Ga., April 27.—With a jury ready, the prosecution and defense having outlined their contentions, and the first of a mass of documentary evidence having been introduced, the "turpentine trust" case at the adjournment of today's session of the United States court here, had reached the testimony stage and it is expected that the first of several score witnesses will be placed on the stand tomorrow.

Despite that the case will contain much that is technical and that the questions asked prospective jurors in the eligibility test were searching to the last extreme yet fifteen minutes sufficed to fill the jury box.

The defendants are the American Naval Stores company, the National Transportation and Terminal company of New Jersey and six officers of the former company, who are charged with conspiracy in restraint of trade, and other charges of bribery, fraudulent grading of Naval stores and the diverting of naval stores from its natural port to another.

ENDORSE BRYAN AS REBU KE OCLARK

(By Associated Press.) TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 27.—The Florida house of representatives today adopted a resolution endorsing "the democracy of the matchless and peerless leader of the democratic party, William Jennings Bryan." This in the nature of a rebuke to Congressman Clark of Florida, who recently criticized Mr. Bryan in a speech in congress.

Governor Gilchrist will entertain Mr. Bryan on the occasion of the Nebraska's visit to Florida to make answer to the criticisms of Representative Clark.

HAINS JURY SELECTED AFTER EFFORT LASTING FOR THE ENTIRE WEEK

Opinion Now Dominant that Lunacy Commission Will Sit on Prisoner's Sanity.

INSANITY THE PLEA

(By Associated Press.) FISHKING, N. Y., April 27.—The jury that is to try Captain Peter C. Hains for the murder of William E. Annis, his one-time friend, was finally completed today. It took just seven days to select the twelve men and in that time 450 talesmen were called and examined. The state will present its case, beginning tomorrow, and from that time on the case will move expeditiously.

All of the jurymen are married with the exception of Otto J. Nicholas, who is twenty-seven years of age and the youngest man in the jury box. Hains' lawyers contended that he is insane now, as he was in their opinion for months before he killed Annis. The idea that a lunacy commission will be appointed to pass upon the captain's present mental condition is dominant in the minds of those who have followed the case. If this be done, it will come as soon as the first evidence of insanity is presented by the defense. Otherwise the trial is likely to last four or five weeks and thirty or forty witnesses, including the insanity experts, will be called by both sides.

There will be a tinge of military color at the trial in the presence of several army officers, witnesses for the defense, who were attached to the post where Captain Hains was stationed during his army career. They will testify as to irrational acts of the defendant.

TO RATIFY AGREEMENT.

SCRANTON, Pa., April 27.—The tri-district convention of the Anthracite Mine Workers, which will tomorrow ratify the proposed agreement that it is expected to be signed by the representatives of the men and the mine operators in Philadelphia on Thursday met this afternoon, and adjourned until 4 o'clock tomorrow morning when the report of the committee of seven will lay the agreement before the delegates.

TAX ON INCOMES IS NOT INQUISITORIAL SAYS SEN. BAILEY OF TEXAS

United States Is Not Yet a Nation of Liars He Declares.

PROVES HIS THEORY

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, April 27.—Senator Bailey today resumed his speech begun in the senate yesterday, carefully reviewing incidents connected with the framing of the constitution with the purpose of laying a foundation for his argument upon the income tax. He discussed the nature of direct taxation and said that the question had never been satisfactorily settled by the continental congress, by the federal convention that followed nor by the constitutional convention. He said it was a matter of regret that framers of the constitution did not satisfactorily define what a direct tax is.

Reviewing one case after another, Mr. Bailey quoted from court opinions and other authorities to substantiate his contention respecting the constitutionality of an income tax. He then departed for a time from his purely legal argument and launched into a denunciation of men who he said, resist the income tax as inquisitorial and calculated to make the United States a "nation of liars." "That this tax is inquisitorial," said Mr. Bailey, "is true, but not more so than any other tax. To compel me to tell the source of my income, as is done in the state in which I live, is as inquisitorial as to compel me to tell the amount of my income."

KILLED HER LOVER.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., April 27.—Isaac Morse, a well known young business man of this city was shot and almost instantly killed today by Gertrude Douglas in the office of the American Dry Cleaning company. At police headquarters, Miss Douglas said: "Ike Morse has betrayed me. He has been going with me for the last nine years. He could not throw me over and live."

JUDGE OVER-RULES THE MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL

Case of the Coopers, Convicted of Murder, Goes to State Supreme Court.

(By Associated Press.) NASHVILLE, Tenn., April 27.—Judge William H. Hart today overruled the motion for a new trial in the case of Colonel Duncan B. Cooper and Robin J. Cooper, his son, both convicted of the murder of former United States Senator Carmack. The court's opinion was that there was no ground for setting aside the verdict of the jury. The defense at once gave notice of an appeal to the Tennessee Supreme court. The appeal was granted.

COSTLY BLAZE IN CRESCENT CITY

(By Associated Press.) NEW ORLEANS, April 27.—Fire early tonight which threatened for a time to extend throughout an entire block in the center of the whole-male district, and which brought out the whole fire department of the city, was confined to the building at 527 Tchoupitoulas street, occupied by the Importers Coffee company. The loss is about \$50,000 covered by insurance.



WASHINGTON, April 27.—Forecast for North Carolina: Cloudy, followed by rain in Western section.

MIGHTY HUNTERS ARE ON THE TRAIL AGAIN

Roosevelt and Son After Brief Rest are Once More in the Hunting Field.

(By Associated Press.) NAIROBI, British East Africa, April 27.—Theodore Roosevelt and his son Kermit had sufficiently recovered from the fatigue connected with their shooting trips and their journey from Kapiti Plains station to the ranch of Sir Alfred Pease, on the Athi river, to go out shooting this morning for small game. They secured a grants gazelle and a hart-beest.

Part of the Roosevelt camp already has been established at the Pease ranch and the remainder of the caravan will move over to that point tomorrow morning.

NEGRO THREATENED BY LYNCHING MOB

(By Associated Press.) SAVANNAH, Ga., April 27.—Driven by reports that friends of Clifford Rutherford of Lenox, Ga., were marching on the Valdosta jail to lynch Rutherford's slayer, Marshal Lewis, colored, officers today brought the negro to Savannah for safe-keeping. Lewis has been in three jails in twenty-four hours. It was stated that the fears of the officers were well founded, and a number of men are said to have gathered prepared to punish the slayer.

BABCOCK IS DEAD.

(By Sheldon S. Cline.) WASHINGTON, April 27.—Former Representative Joseph W. Babcock, of Wisconsin, member of the lower house of congress for fourteen years and for many years chairman of the national republican congressional committee, died here today at his home. He was fifty-nine years old.

BARTON PLEADS GUILTY AND GETS FIVE YEARS

Man Captured in Asheville Receives Penitentiary Sentence and Heavy Fine.

(By Associated Press.) GREENVILLE, S. C., April 27.—George Barton was sentenced to five years imprisonment in the federal prison at Atlanta, Ga., and to pay a fine of \$1,000 for his connection in several postoffice robberies in this State sprang a surprise today by his plea of guilty, and brought his trial to a sudden close.

NECKTIE PARTY IS DUE IN FLORIDA

(By Associated Press.) BARTOW, Fla., April 27.—At a late hour last night Charles Carboro, a negro, attempted a criminal assault on Mrs. Taylor Frierson, a prominent lady of Fort Myers, who is visiting the family of Dr. F. M. Wilson here. The negro made good his escape after having been frightened away by Mrs. Frierson's screams. A posse was at once formed and have been in search of the negro all day and if he is captured he will undoubtedly be lynched.

PRESIDENT TAFT AT QUAKER CITY

PHILADELPHIA, April 27.—President Taft tonight was the principal speaker at the Grant birthday of the Union league in this city tonight. The president was met at Broad street by an immense throng. Entering an audience hall, he was escorted to the Union League club house by the first city troop of cavalry. The way to the Union League club was lined with thousands who cheered Mr. Taft vociferously.

PETERS DROPPED DEAD.

BRISTOL, Tenn., April 27.—Col. L. B. Peters, general manager of the Bristol board of trade, dropped dead this afternoon at five o'clock, while engaged at a meeting of the executive committee of that body. Heart failure is given as the cause of his death. He was seventy-one years of age.

PRINCE OF "CON" GAME TELLS MOST REMARKABLE TALE

Van Vlissinger, Who Forged Mortgages For Cool Million, on Stand

MADE CONFESSION FOUR YEARS BACK

Men Whom He Duped Kept Quiet In Effort to Recover Money.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, April 27.—Peter Van Vlissinger, who last winter confessed that he had forged mortgages to the extent of \$1,000,000 thereby causing a great sensation in Chicago where he had been known for twenty years as a leading real estate man, exploded a bombshell in the bankruptcy court here today when he stated that his confession a few months ago was antedated by four years by a confession made privately to men who held \$400,000 of his spurious paper.

Van Vlissinger was brought back to Chicago from prison today to testify before Referee in bankruptcy L. Wean, who is attempting to locate the valid assets of the prisoner. Van Vlissinger declared that in 1904 he was compelled to confess to Maurice Rosenfeld, at that time a director of the now defunct Chicago National Bank and Bernard Rosenburg, a real estate dealer, that the mortgages held by them and valued at \$400,000 had been forged.

Admitted Fraud. "They discovered some irregularities in the paper in that year," said the witness, "and came to my office for a conference. I admitted the forgeries and said: 'I will go before the state's attorney, tell him just what I have related to you gentlemen about those wholesale forgeries, plead guilty and go to prison like a man.'"

"We want our money," they said. "I can get it," I told them, "but I must dupe others as I have duped you men."

"We had another conference soon after," continued the witness, "finally I proposed to settle with them. I promised to pay them \$1,000 to \$5,000 a week. Altogether I paid them approximately \$250,000."

Further conferences were held from time to time. At one of these Van Vlissinger said they said: "We want our money." He replied he was getting it as fast as he could raise it.

"We don't want to know how you get the money," they told me at one conference held in December, 1904."

Operated Twenty Years. Bernhard Rosenburg likewise has been prominent in the real estate business and in Jewish society circles for many years.

Van Vlissinger's face was pale and his hands trembling as he told his story. His eyes were bloodshot and his lips twitched as he faced counsel and recognized former friends among the spectators.

The witness stated that his forgeries had continued for twenty years but that he did not know the exact extent of them.

"Will they aggregate a million dollars?"

"Surely."

"And may be more?"

"Yes."

"Have you any property or other assets not accounted for at present?" Van Vlissinger was asked.

"No, except my clothing. I had about \$150 dollars when I reached the prison at Joliet but I sent that back to my wife."

"I told Rosenfeld at least twenty five times and Rosenberg half as often," said Van Vlissinger, "that I could reimburse them only through illegal business operations."

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CROWDS FLOCK TO THE FUNERAL OF EDITOR

Man Who Shot Him Waives Preliminary Hearing.—Bond Is Increased.

(By Associated Press.) WARENTON, Va., April 27.—Preliminary hearing was waived today in the case of J. D. Harris, principal of the high school here, who shot W. A. Thompson, associate editor of The Warrenton Virginian, Saturday last, on the main street here. Thompson dying in Washington the following day, Harris was held for the regular grand jury which begins its sessions May 24 next. His bail, first fixed at \$20,000 was increased today to \$30,000, two extra bondsmen being readily found.