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NEWSPAPERMAN ON STAND REFUSES TO ANSWER QUESTIONS

Editor of the Chicago Record Herald Will Not Violate Confidence Shown

INVESTIGATION INTO LORIMER'S ELECTION

Illinois Senate Committee Will Make Another Effort After Information

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 29.—H. H. Kohlsaat, publisher of The Chicago Record-Herald, told the senate investigating committee today that he knew $100,000 had been used to procure the election of Wm. Lorimer to the United States senate. He refused to give the committe the source of his information, notwithstanding the committee has the power to imprison him because of his refusal.

When Mr. Kohlsaat was first called to the stand he was asked where he obtained his information on which he wrote an editorial saying, "$100,000 had been raised to elect Lorimer."

Declined to Answer.

Mr. Kohlsaat declined to answer a number of questions. He said he could not violate a confidence. Attorney Healy put direct questions to him asking if his informant had said he was asked for $10,000.

"I decline to answer," he said.

"Did he say that nine other men had been asked for $10,000 each?"

"I refuse to answer."

"Is he a resident of Chicago?"

"I decline to answer."

"Is he alive now?"

"He is."

"Would you denounce any citizen who takes the stand you have taken here?" asked Senator Burton.

Would Not Violate Confidence.

"Any man who will violate a confidence is not worth a snap. I would not let my court reporter violate a confidence. No newspaper man can violate a confidence. That is my code of morals."

"You have been demanding this investigation and now you refuse to aid us?"

"I appreciate the position but I will not violate this confidence," concluded Mr. Kohlsaat.

The committee then went into executive conference. Every one except Mr. Kohlsaat, Attorney Healy and members of the committee were ordered out of the room.

The questions were again put to Mr. Kohlsaat in this secret session. Again he refused absolutely to answer.

The doors were then reopened and Mr. Kohlsaat was given a third opportunity to answer the questions of the committee. This he again refused to do. Mr. Kohlsaat was excused until 10 o'clock Thursday morning, April 6. He was informed by the committee that its members here agreed that he must answer the questions regarding the money.

NEW YORK CAPITOL PARTIALLY BURNED IN EARLY MORNING

Priceless State Documents Destroyed and Beautiful Building Badly Damaged.—Damage About Six Million Dollars.

ALBANY, N. Y., Mar. 29—Five million dollars probably could repair the damage done by fire in the state capitol today, but money cannot restore the historic records which were the pride of its state library. After examining the exterior walls with a transit, State Architect Ware declared tonight that the massive pile of granite was as plumb and true as ever. The flames licked up the state library, the court of claims, the assembly library and document rooms, most of the offices of the excise department and the quarters of the senate finance committee, and water and smoke took up the work that the flames laid down and the damage from this cause extends to every part of the building. The fire was still burning tonight in the ruins beneath what was once the beautiful cloud-painted ceiling of the state library reading room and the water kept pouring in from seven lines of hose. Water still dripped through the ceilings in nearly all parts of the west wing and cascaded down the stone stairs but the fire was subdued and the work of repair had already began. A hundred national guardsmen stood guard in the deserted corridors tonight and fifty policemen patrolled the streets outside to protect the dismantled end of the building.

Will Delay Government.

Next to the financial loss the chief effect of the fire will be inevitable delay in the machinery of state government. Although the senate chamber stands practically untouched and a few thousand dollars can restore the meeting place of the lower house to its former beauty, a week or longer may intervene before legislative business can proceed in its accustomed channels. There was talk tonight of a recess and only the constitutional requirement of taking a daily ballot until a United States senator is chosen keeps the legislators here. Such a recess was expected if the senatorship tangle could be unravelled tomorrow.

Today both houses met in the city hall across a short stretch of park from the capitol building, the senate in the common council chamber and the assembly in the county court court house, where the joint session also was held and the same arrangement will be followed tomorrow. The burned out department forces found temporary quarters where they could.

Five or Six Million Loss.

Discussing the fire loss, State Architect Ware said tonight:

"Based upon the original cost of the capitol the extent of the damage would be between five and six million dollars, but in view of more economical methods of construction which can be employed in the restoration this amount can be materially reduced."

Mr. Ware will recommend that when the burned out portion is restored the interior be remodeled to suit the other departments which will occupy it. The state architect official description of the fire damage follows:

"It would appear that the entire state library located on the third and fourth floors, including the northwest and southwest pavillions are completely destroyed. This includes also the court of claims and some of the committee rooms of the senate and assembly. The ceiling of the senate appears to be intact and apparently no damage, except slight water damage, has occurred at this point. The western side of the assembly hall including the ceiling, has suffered a slight fire damage and considerable water damage. Many departments on the first and second floors in the western portion of the capitol have suffered more from water damage than from actual fire. On account of the dangerous condition of some of the interior walls and firmers throughout the western section it would be inadvisable to use the offices immediately under them. The state carried no insurance as the capitol building had been regarded as absolutely fire proof. It was, in fact, not the building that burned, but its contents, the fourth floor space in the west wing did nearly four times the service it was originally intended for."

Was Like Rabbit Warren.

In places this part of the building was like a rabbit warren, with the employes of the library and the pupils of the library school working in box-like apartments surrounded by wooden shelves loaded with books and pamphlets. When the fire starting among the papers in the assembly library, reached this portion of the building it swept ahead with a fury that fused like wax, sandstone, granite and marble.

Most precious, from the historian's standpoint, of the fuel the flames found in their path were the 23 manuscript folio volumes of the famous official records of the governor's of the city of New Amsterdam covering a period from 1630 to 1674. These were in course of translation by A. J. F. Van Laer and his translations were burned with the orginal Dutch documents. In addition to these the state lost the correspondence of Governor George Clinton, 5,000 pieces in all and the original letters of Sir Wm. Johnston and Daniel D. Tompkins. In the office of the regents examiners 30,000 examination papers received from the high schools of the state were destroyed but the priceless colonial and Washington and Lincoln relics in the custody of the education department were in the big safe on the ground floor and were uninjured. These include the original manuscript of Washington's farewell address, the original of Lincoln's emancipation proclamation; all the original copies of the state constitution and the Major Andre papers.

Scenes of New York's Horror.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Fire Marshal Beers has begun at Fire hall a formal investigation into the fire in the Asch building, at Washington place and Greene street, in which about 150 persons, employes of the Triangle Shirt Waist company, mostly girls, lost their lives. District Attorney Whitman expressed the belief that there is material for a sweeping investigation by the grand jury to determine who is responsible for the conditions that prevailed in the building—conditions that are said to be common to most of the tall fireproof factory buildings in Manhattan. The grand jury will inspect the scene of the fire. Fire Commissioner Waldo and Chief Edward Croker have publicly expressed their indignation at what they term the laxity of factory inspection in this city. Mayor Gaynor has issued an appeal for help for the families of the victims. These were some of the results o fthe deep feelings of horror and sympathy aroused by the worst disaster New York has had since the General Slocum steamboat fire. The accompanying photos show views of the scene of the fire. The hole in the pavement was caused by the impact of falling bodies, revealing the force of their fall. The elevator door shown was pushed aside by frantic girls, and sixty of them plunged down the shaft over 100 feet to their death. Fire Chief Edward Croker did not hesitate to express the alarming opinion that there were many buildings in the city every bit as dangerous as the Asch building. "There are buildings rated as fireproof, there are office buildings," he said, "that are likely to stir the people any day over a big loss of life. I predicted this loss of life, and I predict an even greater loss of life unless fire escapes are put on all buildings in which there are a great number of persons, such as this one."

WAR BETWEEN ENGLISH SPEAKING PEOPLE IS A CRIME SAYS ASQUITH

Solemn Pact of Peace Should be Sealed Between America and England.—Everything Between Nations are in Common.—Premier of Great Britain Eulogizes Taft.--Suffragettes Create Disorder.

LONDON, Mar. 29.—At a great meeting of churchmen and statesmen in Albert hall this evening to celebrate the tercentennary of the revision of the England translation of the bible by a commission which completed the so-called King James version in 1611, Premier Asquith and Whitelaw Reid, the American ambassador, who were the principal speakers, seized the opportunity to eulogize the arbitration movement.

Suffragettes interfered with the proceedings and when the prime minister rose they unfurled banners bearing the inscription 'votes for women."

The banners were torn up after a free fight.

War Is a Crime.

In his address Mr. Asquith said the English bible belongs not only to the subjects of King George but to the whole English speaking world. One of the truths which has been slowly realized and which now it is believed is firmly rooted in the faith of Christian men and women on both sides of the Atlantic is that war between English speaking people would be not only a crime against civilization but an unforgivable breach of these few commandments which are enshrined in the New Testament on which nations have been bred.

Should Seal Solemn Pact.

"There surely could not be a more worthy, more appropriate, a more splendid monument of this tercentennary year than that it should witness the sealing of a solemn pact between us, which would put an end once for all to the hideous and unthinkable possibilities of fratricidal strife."

Speaking of how the Bible furnished the strongest and most indestructible bond for present practical unity in the aims and aspirations of the English speaking family, Ambassador Reid said:

Community of Aspirations.

"While that community of aims and aspirations endures, starting as it does from our common possession and use of this book and supported by the same language, the same common law, the same parliamentary institutions, the same civil rights and largely the same blood it is the greatest single guarantee for the

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GUDGER OPPOSED TO RECIPROCITY AS NOW OUTLINED

Tenth District Congressman Says He is Open to Argument, However

IS INDEPENDENT AND WILL DO OWN THINKING

Many Congressmen are Arriving for Convening of the Extra Session

Citizen Bureau,
Congress Hall,
(By H. E. C. Bryant).

WASHINGTON, March 29.—Representative Gudger blew in like a summer breeze yesterday and settled in his office, room 116, the House office building ,and went right to work. He had been to Panama to see the canal and his brother, Hezkiah Gudger, who still retains his position, although he has not been re-appointed. Mr. Gudger is very enthusiastic over the work on the canal and says it will be completed two years earlier than expected.

"What about reciprocity. It is reported here that you are not in favor of the treaty with Canada; is that true?" he was asked.

"I have not made up my mind finally," said he, "but I am inclined to oppose it.

"It is this way : They would put wheat on the free list but leave a duty on flour and put cattle on the free list and leave a duty on beef. The farmer is the loser and the manufacturer the gainer. That is the way I see it. They tell us that the cost of living will be reduced by this reciprocity treaty. Why? Do you eat wheat and cattle or flour and beef?"

Mr. Gudger admitted, however, that he is open to argument.

"One thing certain," he added, "I am going to be independent. I will do my own thinking."

Representative Small passed through the city yesterday, tarrying for a moment only, and Representative Kitchin and Fox returned home last night.

Mr. Kitchin said today that the country could rely on the house, democratic as it is, to do the proper thing by the people. He said that the consumer was going to have his turn.

Many of the congressmen are arriving daily. All of the democrats will be here for the caucus Saturday night.

FUNERAL PROCESSION OF VICTIMS OF FIRE HORROR WILL BE IMPOSING SCENE

Bodies of Majority Will be Carried in Great Procession Through Streets

RELIEF FUND ADDED

NEW YORK, March 29.—Thirty women, unstrung by recitals of Saturday's fire horror, were removed late tonight from a memorial mass meeting for the victims of the Washington place fire in Grand Central Palace, suffering so terribly from hysteria that ambulance surgeons were called to attend them, and to remove some to the hospital. Over 3,000 persons were present at the meeting. The meeting was under the auspices of the Shirt Waits and Dressmakers' Union.

Arrangements for a funeral demonstration in which 150,000 sympathizers will be asked to join; identification of four more bodies, leaving but 16 now unknown; the swelling of the relief fund to nearly $50,000 and the effort of the district attorney's office and the fire marshal to fix the blame for the calastrophe were activities which followed Saturday's fire horror today.

It is proposed to take the bodies of most of the 143 victims through the streets of the city Monday in a great funeral procession headed by a chorous of seventy singers from the Jewish choiristers union, followed by the surviving employes of the Triangle Waist company and as many sympathizing workers as can be induced to join. It is suggested that the procession pass from the morgue by the Washington place building where the fire occurred.

Twenty-fice survivors told their stories of the catastrophe to assistant district attorneys today and appeared before the first marshal. Dinah Luffschitz told the district attorney that when the fire alarm was first given she signalled "fire, fire-escape," by a writing machine to the girls on the ninth floor and followed this with a telephone message. Laughter greeted her at the other end of the receiver, she said, in a moment more she ran and made her escape.

AGGIES WERE EASY

CLINTON, Miss., Mar. 29.—The last game of the series between A. & M. and Mississippi college resulted in an easy victory for Mississippi, score 5 to 2.

CARNIVAL OF SPEED NOW IN FULL SWING AND GOOD RECORDS ARE BEING MADE

Ten Thousand People See Automobile Races on Jacksonville Beach

NUMEROUS ENTRIES

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Mar. 29.—More than ten thousand spectators lined the Atlantic-Pablo beach today to witness the second day's automobile speed carnival. Close and exciting finishes characterized the events, especially the ten mile free-for-all handicap, in which the leaders crossed the wire well bunched, with only a few seconds separating them.

In the five mile open national championship, Tower and Evans in Warren-Detroits, captured first and second places, respectively. In the ten mile open class B, Herbert Wilson, of Jacksonville, driving a Cole, defeated Hughie Hughes in his Mercer.

In the ten mile open race for cars of 301-450 cubic inches Merz and Wilson in a National fought it out for first honors and Merz won by four seconds. The ten mile open free for all furnished keen excitement. Although Burman in a Buick suffered clutch trouble after making the turn at the five mile opst when leading, he managed to finish second to Wilcox, with a National nine seconds ahead of Disbrow's Pope Hartford.

In the two ten mile free for all handicaps, nine cars started. Hughes in his Mercer won the first event, while Wilcox in a National fighting it out desperately with Disbrow in a Pope-Hartford crossed the wire a fraction of a second ahead of him in the second event.

SUBSTITUTED SHODDY IN THE PLACE OF STANDARD GOODS FOR THE INDIANS

Took Inspected Cases From Government Warehouse Is Charge Made

ARREST FOLLOWED

NEW YORK, Mar. 29.—Charged with conspiracy to defraud the United States Indian service of the interior department by substitution of shoddy trousers for those of standard quality, Arthur Rose, a wealthy clothing manufacturer of Newark, N. J., was arrested today on a federal warrant. Rose held a sub-contract for furnishing clothing to the Indian service and it is alleged that with Charles H. Furman, chief clerk in the United States Indian warehouse in this city, he conspired to remove from the warehouse several cases of standard goods which had passed inspection and substituting for them cases of shoddy goods.

The arrest follows the recent indictment of the firm of Weinstein and Maher of this city on similar charges. They are on bail and Rose also was released on bonds of $2,000 tonight.

It is said that the looting of the warehouse has been systematic and that several contractors have been involved in the alleged conspiracy. Chief Clerk Furman has turned a government witness in the cases.

OLD MAN GUILTY OF MURDER

INDEPENDENCE, Kan., March 29.—A. A. Turskett, 70 years old, a wealthy business man of Caney, Kansas, tonight was found guilty of murdering J. D. S. Neeley, a millionaire oil operator of Lima, Ohio. The jury was out about 27 hours. The verdict was second degree murder.

BASEBALL MAGNATE DRAWN INTO INVESTIGATION BY CINCINNATI GRAND JURY

Kilgore May be in Contempt for Telling Herrmann Jury Secrets

GRAND JURY REPORT

CINCINNATI, O., Mar. 29.—The name of August Herrmann, grand exalted ruler of the Elks and chairman of the National Baseball commission, was drawn into the grand jury investigation today when that mody made a report to Judge Frank Gorman of the Common Pleas court, asking whether Bayard Kilgour, general manager of the Cincinnati and Suburban Bell Telephone company, was in contempt of court.

Both Hermann and Kilgour have been before the grand jury. On the occasion of Kilgour's last attendance, he stated, according to the report today, that his father was in poor health and he asked to be excused in order that he might "acquaint his parent with the circumstances of his testimony and to prepare his mind for what might follow."

Kilgour is said to have promised to return on March 1, but has not appeared since. The report then continues:

"The said Bayard Kilgour in violation of the grand jury to him given, did repair to the office of August Herrmann, who at that time had been summoned to appear before us in reference to the same matters.

"And Bayard Kilgour did further intimate to August Herrmann a certain fact, on which the said August Herrmann would probably be questioned by the grand jury; to-wit, the fact that August Herrmann was then and there and theretofore in the enjoyment of gratuitous service from Telephone company of which Bayard Kilgour was general manager."

SPECIAL INVESTIGATION OF FOREIGN CONDITIONS

Trade Conditions in Foreign Countries Will be Given to Manufacturers

WASHINGTON, Mar. 29.—For the benefit of American manufacturers and exporters the bureau of manufactures is extending its special investigations of trade conditions in foreign countries and today announced the appointments of three new commercial agents. R. M. Odell, of New Concord, N. C., an expert on cotton textiles and one of the new appointees left today for Spain and Portugal and will attend the eighth international cotton congress of the Master cotton spinners and manufacturers association at Barcelona in May, after which he will travel in Northern Africa, the Balkan states rand C. Alexander jr., of New York, will leave San rancisco in a fortnight for China, Japan, Australia and India to investigate the export trade in machinery, machine tools and other similar products. J. M. Hause of Greensboro, N. C., already has started for Manchester, England, to investigate cotton textiles manufactures.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—Forecast for North Carolina: Generally fair Thursday and Friday; diminishing west winds.

NEW YORK DEMOCRATS IN A CONTINUED DEADLOCK

Caucus Meets Just Long Enough to Adjourn Till Ten This Morning

ALBANY, N. Y., Mar. 29.—The third session of the reconvened democratic senatorial caucus lasted tonight just long enough to permit Senator Cullen to move for an adjournment until 10.30 o'clock tomorrow morning. The expectation of many that an over night agreement would be reached whereby the insurgents would be made to feel their way clear to attending in a body was not realized. None of the out and out insurgents attended.

One of the rumors afloat tonight was that Chas. Murphy favored Judge D. Cady Herrick who was said to have figured on the list of ten submitted last night by the insurgents. It was said, however, that several of the insurgents would not pledge themselves to Herrick but prefer John D. Kernan. There were persistent reports that overtures have been made by them to the republicans with a view to electing Mr. Kernan unless the regulars accede to their proposals tomorrow.

WESTERN UNION CHANGES

ATLANTA, Ga., Mar. 29.—Announcement was made today that I. J. Maxwell will succeed B. P. Hancock as district superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph company at Jacksonville, Fla. Mr. Hancock is move to Atlanta as traffic specialist under the division commercial superintendent. S. L. Burts, for the past six years local manager at Atlanta is promoted to commercial superintendent of the third district with headquarters at Jacksonville.

MONETARY COMMISSION COMPLETES CONFERENCES

After Two Days' Session With Bankers Committee Adjourns for Present

WASHINGTON, Mar. 29.—After a conference of two days with the currency commission of the American Bankers' association, the monetary committee adjourned today to meet at the call of Chairman Aldrich. The conference has been devoted to a general analysis of the Aldrich currency bill. In the main the provisions of the plan outlined by Mr. Aldrich have been found to be acceptable to the bankers, but they have suggested changes in phaseology in other portions of the measure and considerable attention has been given to a few of the features of the bill. The plans of the commission embrace an active campaign for the summer with the view of having the measure completed by the beginning of the first regular session of the 62nd congress on the first Monday of next December. To this end the country will be canvassed and much literature will be distributed. No definite day, however, has been fixed for the further consideration of the subject but it is understood that Senator Aldrich will state the case quite fully in a speech which he is preparing to make in Boston early in April. He and other members of the commission probably will visit many of the large cities during the spring, summer and fall.

COTTON MILLS SOLD

RANDLEMAN, N. C., Mar. 29.—The properties of the Randleman Manufacturing company and the Naomi Falls Manufacturing company, both bankrupts, were sold under the hammer by orders of the court yesterday. Both plants were purchased by J. E. Gilmer of Winston-Salem; the price aggregated $215,500.