

COULDN'T FEEL THE PROBE FOR HE WAS ENJOYING HIS NAP

Senator Lorimer Found Investigation Proceedings Dry and Fell Asleep

QUESTION OF LIQUOR INJECTED SOME LIFE Lorimer's Lawyers Endeavoring In Every Way to Refute Testimony of White

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Senator Lorimer's lawyers today began laying the foundations of his defense before the senate committee which is investigating his election by introducing witnesses to refute the testimony of Chas. White, a former Illinois legislator, who made a so-called confession of having accepted a bribe to vote for Mr. Lorimer for United States senator.

Under questions by Judge Haney, Senator Lorimer's counsel, both witnesses repeated their testimony given at the previous investigation that White had announced to them "that the Lorimer crowd and my old pal Browne will have to come across when I say the word."

The witnesses testified that they both drew the inference that White intended to extort money from Browne or Lorimer.

Question of Sobriety. Both Zentnor and Sturmer testified that they and White had been drinking on the night of the alleged conversation and the question was raised as to how much they drank.

Under questions by Senator Kern the testimony as to high balls and how to make them, how much whiskey makes one drunk and how many drinks will make one drunk.

"How many drinks had you had?" asked Senator Kern of Sturmer.

"That depends on how much you think makes a drink," replied the witness.

"Well, about two inches and a quarter," replied the senator.

"Was it part of your business to go around your hotel buying drinks for guests?"

"No, it was not a business," said Sturmer. "It was a pleasure."

Zentnor took the stand and corroborated Sturmer's testimony. He and the investigators had a lengthy controversy without result as to how much one must drink to become intoxicated. He testified that White had declared:

"You know I'm a democrat and voted for Lorimer and I'll make that bunch come across. I'm going to get a lot of money without working."

The hearing dragged until the discussion of sobriety entered it. At one time Senator Lorimer tilted his head on the back of his chair and dozed off into a nap.

NO ANNOUNCEMENT MADE OF ANYTHING DONE BY DEMOCRATIC MEMBERS

Ways and Means Committee Members of Democratic Faith Meet

AWAITING MESSAGE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The first meeting of the democratic members of the house committee on ways and means since adjournment of congress last August was held today.

Chairman Underwood and his colleagues discussed the general tariff situation and considered the plan of action for the session.

Following the meeting no announcement was made. Probably none will be made until after President Taft sends to congress the report of the tariff board on wool and cotton.

The committee, however, will begin at once the preliminary work of revising schedules. Included in the program for tariff revision will be wool, cotton, iron and steel, sugar, agricultural implements and foodstuffs.

A scheme to link some of the schedules already passed at the extra session but vetoed by the president to one omnibus tariff bill has been discussed by some of the leaders in congress, but it was insisted today that the committee idea of revision schedule by schedule would be carried out.

REVOLUTIONARIES MORE DETERMINED THAN EVER BEFORE

Will Efface Manchu Administration Even to Child Emperor as Only Basis of Settlement—Terms of Peace Will be Discussed.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 6.—The southern revolutionaries apparently are more than ever determined upon effacement of the Manchu administration even to the child emperor, as the only terms upon which peace can be made. The abdication of the regent is regarded with suspicion, according to revolutionary leaders seen tonight and the guardianship is unsatisfactory.

Notwithstanding the peace negotiations at Wu Chang and Shanghai those at the head of the republic movement at a meeting tonight decided to float the first issue of republican war bonds covering a patriotic and sympathetic loan amounting to ten million taels.

Hope was expressed that Americans could be induced to subscribe. One speaker said the United States was the only country to which China looked for sympathetic assistance because the United States was the only disinterested friend of China's millions of starving and oppressed people.

Arrangements practically have been completed for a meeting of delegates representing the Shanghai republicans and Yuan Shi Kai to discuss terms of peace.

Wu Ting Fang, secretary of foreign affairs on the republican side, has been invited to go to Wu Chang to join in the peace negotiations there, but has declined. He considers the negotiations at Wu Chang unofficial as the center of republican government has been transferred to Shanghai.

Resignation of Regent. PEKING, Dec. 6.—An edict announcing the resignation of the Regent Prince Chung was issued today by the empress dowager. It is signed by members of the cabinet, and points out that the administration has been unpopular and that a constitutional government has not yet been established.

Explaining this by the fact that complications arose, the people's hearts were broken and the country was thrown into turmoil. The regent regrets that his repentance came too late and feels that if he continued in power his commands would soon be disregarded.

The edict continues: (Continued on Page Six)

STATUTE PROVIDING FOR MANUAL TRAINING SCHOOL DECLARED CONSTITUTIONAL

State Supreme Court Hands Down Regular Weekly Batch of Opinions

TWELVE DECISIONS

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 6.—The constitutionality of the act of the general assembly establishing the Stonewell Jackson Manual Training and Industrial School is sustained by the supreme court in the decision of court in re Richard Watson from Mecklenburg county in which efforts were made to effect the release of Richard Watson from the institution where he had been committed by the recorder of Charlotte for vagrancy while his father was in jail and declared to be an unfit person to have the care of the boy.

The question of the constitutionality of the training school act was raised because it provides for imprisonment as punishment for crime in excess of that fixed by statutes for vagrancy and for such length of time as is "usual or unusual" and under the court's decision the youth was deprived of liberty without due process of law and his detention under the statute amounts to involuntary servitude. After sustaining the reformatory act the opinion holds: It is advisable for notice to be given to the parent before an order of detention is made, when this can be done, and for the order to include a finding as to notice and of age of child and that it is made after investigation and because it is for the best interests of the child and of community in which he is convicted. The supreme court delivered the following opinions this weekly delivery day: John Church vs Dawson, Beaufort, affirmed. Aberdeen and Asheboro Railroad vs Seaboard Air Line, Moore, new trial. May vs Telegraph Co., Guilford, no error. Earnhardt vs Southern Railway Co., Rowan, no error. Carry vs Southern Power Co., Davidson, no error. Ex Parte vs Watson, Mecklenburg, affirmed. Culver vs Jennings, Watauga, affirmed. Southwest National Bank vs Justice Mitchell, affirmed. Caldwell Land and Lumber Co. vs Hayes, Caldwell, modified and affirmed. The costs against each party. Bowman vs Blankenship, Catawba, no error. Stout vs Turnpike Co., Watauga, no error. State vs Blake, Henderson, no error.

TEN CHICAGO PACKERS MUST AT LAST ANSWER CHARGE OF RESTRAINT

No Time Was Lost in Getting Down to Work of Examining Jury Panels

LITTLE MORE DELAY

CHICAGO, Dec. 6.—After eight years devious travel in the ways of grand juries and special pleas, the cases of ten Chicago meat packers, indicted for alleged violation of the criminal provisions of the Sherman anti-trust law, reached trial today. Indications were that the early stages of the trial at least would be rapid for the government's examination of the first panel of jurors was brief.

By agreement each side is entitled to 30 peremptory challenges and by night the government had exercised ten of these. None of the veniremen had been questioned by the defense. Questions of Attorney Sheehan for the government indicated that the acceptability of a juror chiefly on his willingness to accept as part of the government's function the regulation of affairs of private business. All of the defendants were in court immediately after the case was called. Personal pleas of not guilty were entered and the examination of veniremen begun. Veniremen who expressed doubt of the propriety of the government exercising control of business conduct peremptorily were challenged.

Attorneys here are of the opinion that the trial will proceed without any further attempts of counsel for the packers to cause delay. The only action now pending which would bring a stop to the proceedings is an appeal to the United States Supreme Court for a ruling on the constitutionality of the criminal provisions of the law. This appeal was filed a week ago together with a plea for a stay of proceedings pending the decision. The stay was refused in a verbal decision. The packers, it was said, were resting their hope that the high court would declare the law contrary to the constitution and bring the trial to an abrupt end. The twelve jurors who had been passed by the government were ordered locked up tonight and the rest of the venire ordered in court tomorrow.

NAVY FOOTBALL CAPTAIN

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 6.—Midshipman Peter Powell Rodes, of Kentucky, was tonight elected captain of the naval academy football team for next year. Rodes is full back on the team, a position which he has filled satisfactorily for two seasons.



CONDITIONS APPROACHING PEONAGE IN COLORADO BEET SUGAR FIELDS

Testimony to This Effect Offered to Sugar "Trust" Investigating Committee of the House—First Filibuster of Present Session Comes up Over Acceptance of Bequest For Hubbard Collection of Etchings.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Depicting conditions in the sugar beet fields of Colorado approaching peonage, James Bodkin, of Meade, Col., today told the so-called sugar trust investigating committee of the house that city derelicts recruited from the slums were kept practically in a state of bondage. His statement caused a mild sensation.

Mr. Bodkin described a system of contract labor in the Colorado fields and detailed the hardships he charged were inflicted on working people recruited by the Great Western Sugar company. He said that a man, his wife and several children ranging from eight years upward, would put in from ten to sixteen hours a day at "back breaking work," which an American would scorn to do.

With farm logic, Mr. Bodkin expressed his contempt for the "city chaps," who were sent by the sugar company to oversee his operations. The committee took great interest in his description of the "slum labor." Democrats, led by Representative Banger, of California, sought to show by the witness that the tariff protection

TRIPLE WRECK RESULTS IN SIX DEAD; FIVE HURT

Two Freights and Fast Express Collide, Twenty Horses Killed

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 6.—Six men were killed and five injured today in a triple wreck of two freights and a fast express train on the Pennsylvania railroad at Devil's Bend near Manor, Pa., 25 miles east of here.

One freight train became stalled and a second crashed into it. Before warning could be given, the express train, carrying nothing but express, west bound, smashed into the freight wreck. There were twenty horses being transported west on the express train and all were killed. It is estimated that the total value of the horses killed was between \$50,000 and \$60,000.

BROKE DOWN, CONFESSED

ALBANY, Ga., Dec. 6.—B. M. Ramsey, a baggage-master on the Atlantic Coast Line railroad, who was arrested last night on the charge of stealing a package containing \$500 from an express company safe, today it is said, broke down and confessed. The theft was committed September 3 and since that time express Messenger Bradford, who occupied the car jointly with Ramsey, has been paying back the money lost in monthly installments.

COMMON FLY GIVEN ATTENTION

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Dec. 6.—Addresses on "Milk and Meat Inspection," by Dr. Louis A. Klein, dean of the department of animal husbandry of the University of Pennsylvania; the most dangerous animal in the world—the house fly, by Dr. Ennion G. Williams, state commissioner of health, Richmond, Va., and "Municipal Hygiene," by Dr. A. C. Abbott, professor of bacteriology and hygiene at the University of Pennsylvania, featured the meeting tonight of the Seaboard Medical Association of Virginia and North Carolina in annual session here. The morning and afternoon business sessions today were taken up chiefly by the reading and discussion of papers on various diseases and their treatment and unusual observations. About 150 physicians and surgeons representing nearly every state in the east and south as well as representatives from the federal health bureau and army and navy surgeons were present and participated in the discussions. The convention will adjourn tomorrow following the election of officers.

EVERY MOVE THAT GOMPERS MAKES CLOSELY WATCHED

United States Attorney Miller Springs Surprise by Telling of Conference

IRON WORKERS' UNION SENDS OUT LETTERS

Asking Whether It Is Advisable to Meet and Discuss Outcome of Trial

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 6.—That the federal government has been watching closely the movements of Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was made known here tonight when United States Attorney Miller told of a secret Washington conference held between the labor head and Prosecutor Baker of this county. The visit was made about the time the county officials were attempting to prevent the federal authorities from gaining possession of the books and records obtained in a raid at the offices of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron and Steel workers when J. J. McNamara was arrested.

Prosecutor Baker admits that he conferred with Gompers and says he intends to make a second visit next January.

In reply to Mr. Gompers who said the district attorney was impertinent, Mr. Miller said:

"Mr. Gompers insists that his position is secure and his attitude consistent, but he is very tender and touchy about his 'credibility' was imposed upon by the statements made by the McNamara brothers.

"Because I was quoted as saying that, in my opinion, 'Gompers is an unsafe leader,' he very passionately exclaims that he is not afraid of being prosecuted.

"Mr. Gompers and the prosecuting attorney of Marion county can if they will inform the people just what took place at their Washington conference about six weeks ago. A full statement made by these gentlemen would make it necessary for the Marion county prosecutor again to go to Washington to get Gompers' advice as to how the laws of Indiana are not to be enforced.

"Mr. Gompers can be assured that the United States attorney in this jurisdiction will not hesitate to prosecute any man if the facts and the law clearly justify the prosecution."

Letters were sent out today from the headquarters of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers here to the members of the executive board in various parts of the state.

EARLY COMPLETION OF PANAMA CANAL TREATED IN NEARLY EVERY TALK

National Rivers and Harbors Congress Holding Eighth Annual Session

MANY DELEGATES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The early completion of the Panama canal and its probable effect on transportation in the United States featured the addresses of nearly every speaker at the eighth annual session of the national rivers and harbors congress here today.

Secretary of War Stimson welcomed the delegates and spoke on the relation of the canal to the foreign trade. In the afternoon President Taft received the members of the Atlantic Deepwaterways who are delegates to the convention. Every section of the country was represented in the delegates in attendance and Representative Ransdell of Louisiana, president of the organization in his annual report expressed the belief that congress would pay early attention to the demands for waterway legislation. Representative Parkman of Florida, said that by 1925 the government will have expended more than a billion dollars for waterway improvement. Representative St. Louis, president of the Pennsylvania, urged the widening and deepening of all canals along the Atlantic coast, and Jos. N. Teal, of Portland, Oregon, spoke on the probable effect of the Panama canal on the lumber trade of the country. Other speakers were Dr. David Kinley, director of the University of Illinois; John A. Fox, special director of the congress; Edgar C. Ellis, Kansas City; M. W. Peabody, Detroit; C. S. E. Holland, Victoria, W. G. Kavanagh, St. Louis, president of the Lakes to the Gulf Deepwaterways Association, and Edward S. Savage of New York.

Speakers on the program for tomorrow include Secretary of the Interior Fisher; Senators Jones of Washington and Fletcher of Florida, General Birby, chief army engineer, Judge W. F. Bland, of Kansas City, and Mayor Gaynor and August Belmont of New York.

NEW YORK DOG WON

WAYNESBORO, Ga., Dec. 6.—The annual trials of the Georgia Field Trials club closed here today with the announcement of awards in the all-age stake, which began here yesterday with sixteen starters. The English setter, Happy Day, owned by U. M. Fleischmann of New York, was named the winner the setter Uncle Dave, owned by M. C. Parson of New York, second, and the setter, Miss Bettie, owned by F. R. Edwards of Cleveland, Ohio, third. All the dogs placed are well known winners and have been on the circuit several years.



WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Forecast: North Carolina, fair Thursday and Friday; light to moderate northeast to east winds.