

Sensation Caused at Lorimer Hearing By Edward Hines

Testifying Before Lorimer Committee He Startled Members by Declaring That President Taft Approved Lorimer's Candidacy.

Says the President Said as Much to Representative Boutwell, of Illinois Adding That He Was Anxious to See Him Elected.

Washington, July 24.—Edward Hines, of Chicago, caused a sensation today by testifying before the Senate Lorimer committee that Representative Henry S. Boutwell, of Illinois, now American minister to Switzerland, told him that President Taft regarded Lorimer as an acceptable senatorial candidate and was anxious to have him elected and would be very glad to assist in his election.

Today's session of the committee began with Attorney Haneey, counsel for Senator Lorimer, questioning Hines.

Suddenly, at the instance of his counsel, Mr. Hines produced a sheet of paper, without letter head and without signature or date, but which Mr. Hines said was in Mr. Boutwell's handwriting. This little sheet contains the following words:

"I should like to have the senator know who was the only man in Washington who went to the president in his behalf and being out of the goods."

"Mr. Boutwell said that after he told the President of Lorimer's capabilities and of the ability of the factions to unite on him, he (the president) said that he was very anxious to have a senator elected from Illinois and that Mr. Lorimer was very acceptable to him and that he would do all he could to assist in electing him."

"When did you find this supposed letter?" asked Senator Kern, of Indiana.

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Costro Looking for A Friendly Port

By Associated Press. Washington, July 24.—Cipriano Castro, in the opinion of a diplomatic officer who has given some study to the problem of locating the Venezuelan, is now a sort of a "flying Dutchman" making a desperate effort to reach a friendly port in his native country. Apparently just as he nears his goal, he is turned back, not by storms, but by watchful guardians of the Venezuelan coast or warships of other nations which seek to prevent a renewal of his activity in his own country.

According to this official, the basis for stories that Castro had landed in western Venezuela was the appearance of the little Dutch island of Aruba of the yacht Coronet flying the American flag. She sent a boat ashore under the pretense of buying supplies, but so limited were the purchases that it was evident the ship stood in no great need of food. The inhabitants reported the facts to the Dutch governor, but the vessel disappeared.

The Coronet next appeared well up the Gulf of Maracaibo at a port well suited for landing a party. The governor of the province started an investigation but again the vessel disappeared. However, it was reported that ample opportunity had been had for Castro, if abroad, to have communicated with some of his lieutenants ashore, or if ashore himself, to have gotten word to the ship. Now a careful search has been made of the entire Guajira peninsula, the Venezuelans have satisfied themselves that Castro is not there and the belief prevails that he is still afloat somewhere.

This Man Never Wore Clothes

Atlanta, July 24.—Word comes to Atlanta, via the North Georgia mountains of a strange man named John Castellow, who has grown to be 61 years old, hale, hearty and happy with out ever wearing a stitch of clothing and without ever using a single word but the monosyllable, "Gee."

Says a traveler from Young Harris, describing the marvelous person:

"He lives four miles east of Windsor, in Bertie county, N. C., and his health is perfect, not having missed a meal in fifty years. When I visited him he was entirely nude. He is the strongest man I ever saw. His body is normal and well shaped, but his strength is prodigious. He can break a double plow-line as easily as if it were a cotton cord. He is gentle and has never been known to hurt a living soul intentionally. He cannot speak a word except the one monosyllable, "Gee," which has uses, in varied intonations to express all his desires and emotions."

No New Cases Of Cholera

By Associated Press. New York, July 24.—With the discovery of no new cases of cholera here since Saturday, New York health officials believe the stringent measures they employed to stay the epidemic has resulted effectively.

Reports from Hoffman Island this morning stated there were no further suspicious cases of sickness among the detained passengers of the steamship Moltke and that these passengers would be released soon from quarantine.

THE ANTIS STILL LEAD IN TEXAS

By Associated Press. Dallas, Texas, July 24.—Texas defeated state-wide prohibition in Saturday's election, according to the admission today of the "dry" campaign the returns early today.

After 26 hours of ballot counting the "wets" maintain a slender lead of barely more than 5,000 in unofficial returns. Unless the vote yet to come is different in tenor from that up to the present time, the remaining few thousands of ballots can not swing the election to the "drys."

This morning's returns, while meagre, showed a slight continued advantage for the liquor supporters.

The boxes yet to be heard from are mostly in sparsely settled sections, remote from wire, rail or even automobile communication. They are in both prohibition and anti-prohibition territory.

The hope of the prohibitionists that these missing returns would wipe out the anti-prohibition lead was almost gone by 11 o'clock today, and only a bolder surprise in their favor has yet occurred in the long count can revive their predictions of success.



TWO MEN ARE CONTESTING FOR GOVERNOR

Atlanta, July 24.—The gubernatorial campaign is on in Georgia—between two men. Pope Brown has spoken, at Waycross, and Judge Richard Russell is announced to speak, at Dublin, this Wednesday. Strictly speaking that's all there is to the gubernatorial campaign now, for these two men are the only avowed candidates, though other names are mentioned as practically certain to be in it.

The hesitancy of others in announcing is principally due to the uncertainty as to when the vacancy will occur and when the primary will take place. It all depends, of course on when Hoke Smith resigns, and nobody knows whether it will be soon after the legislature adjourns or not until December, though the latter view is inclined to.

When Governor Smith does resign, President J. M. Slaton, of the senate, automatically succeeds to the governor's chair as acting governor. Then, according to the law, Governor Slaton must call a primary election, not sooner than thirty days and not more than sixty days after he is elevated to the office. It is a general state election that he calls. When he announces that date then the state democratic executive committee, of which W. C. Wright is chairman, calls a primary and sets the date prior to that of the general election. At this primary, of course, the real fight occurs.

Negro Lynched In Louisiana

By Associated Press. New Orleans, July 24.—Reports which remain unconfirmed today, reached here last night if the lynching in Claiborne parish, near the Arkansas state line, of Niles Taylor, a negro, who on Saturday shot five white men at a saw mill in that parish. Taylor had trouble with whites in the community and is said to have become enraged at a remark made to him Saturday by one of a group of white farmers and immediately opened fire on them with two revolvers.

John Thompson was probably fatally shot and Joe Harrell, Robert L. Thurman and Will Johnson received less serious wounds. The farmers were taken by surprise and when the negro had emptied his revolvers he fled. A posse located him in his father's cabin but he emptied a sixteen shot rifle at them and made a getaway.

Near-Riot Cost Fan Fifty Bucks

By Associated Press. Charleston, S. C., July 24.—Thomas A. Burchfield, an elderly baseball fan, was fined fifty dollars in the police court today as a result of a near riot at the baseball park on Saturday afternoon.

Burchfield struck umpire Kelly viciously and also interfered with the pitcher. Some were protecting the arbiter. Some time ago Burchfield struck Manager Clark, of Columbia, simply because the latter's good pitching was too much for the Charleston team. Two other fans were fined lesser amounts and the case of a third continued.

Copy of Steel Agreement Offered

By Associated Press. Washington, July 24.—When the house steel trust committee resumed its session today Chairman Stanley put in the record a copy of the ironclad agreement by which the steel plate association of the United States was entered into November 9, 1900. Eleven great steel companies entered into the agreement and apportioned among themselves all shipments of steel plates.

This steel company that dared violate the agreement laid itself liable to heavy penalties and it is said fines of \$1,000 frequently were imposed on members of the combination when complaints were filed with the executive committee.

Each firm was required to make monthly sworn statements relating to shipments, rolling production, etc., and any member who shipped more than his apportioned amount was required to pay a penalty on each pound of such excess, the money thus collected being apportioned among the members who did not ship up to their allotted shares.

The agreement showed the following apportionment of shipments allowable by the various companies party to the agreement:

Carnegie Steel Company, 46.25 per cent.  
Jones and Laughlin, Limited, 4.75.  
Illinois Steel Company, 11.00.  
Crucible Steel Company of America, 4.50.

Otis Steel Company, 2.50.  
Tulwater Steel Company, 3.00.  
Ludens Iron and Steel Company, 7.50.  
Worth Bros. Company, 7.00.  
Central Iron and Steel Company, 8.00.

American Steel and Wire Company, 5.50.  
Glasgow Iron Company to the extent of sales and up to 40,000 tons, should they be able to accomplish them prior to December 31, 1901.

The agreement included exemption provisions and at the end of each year the commissioner of the association balanced the pool among the members but any member unable to produce his full allotment at the end of the year forfeited such unproduced tonnage which was divided pro rata among other members of the pool.

Wickersham Brands Statement "False"

By Associated Press. Washington, July 24.—Attorney General Wickersham today branded as false charges that the attorney general had shielded Alaskan criminals and had allowed the statute of limitations to run in an alleged coal contract fraud case.

These and other emphatic disclaimers were made before the house committee on the judiciary as an answer to the delegates' allegations.

The attorney general said that the "proof" which the delegate had given him in the coal case, consisted of an affidavit by H. J. Douglas, formerly an auditor of the Alaskan syndicate. This purported to show that a conspiracy had been entered into by the Northwestern Commercial Company and the John J. Sessler Company to get contracts for supplying coal to government forts in Alaska.

The attorney general said that Special Assistant Attorney General McNamara, who was sent to Alaska to investigate, found no affidavits referred to in the Douglas affidavits as made by Captain Jarvis, head of the Alaska syndicate company, who recent committed suicide in Seattle, and by John H. Bullock, who was president of the Sessler Company.

The attorney general said the statute of limitations in the coal contracts would not run until March, 1912.

AIRMEN MAKE RECORDS IN SCOTCH RACE

By Associated Press. Edinburgh, Scotland, July 24.—J. Vedrines, the French aviator, in a Morans-Borel monoplane, maintains the lead in the circuit of Great Britain aviation race for the Daily Mail's prize. He covered the distance of 343 miles from Hendon to Edinburgh this morning in less than six hours flying time.

Beaumont followed Vedrines closely. Weyman, still experiencing bad luck, was held up at Hendon awaiting the arrival of a new propeller.

It was noon before Weyman had equipped his machine with a new propeller. Then he started on a trial flight in a fickle wind. His biplane bucked like a broncho but he made a safe landing. Later word was received here that the American had again started for this city, going with the speed of a pigeon.

A great crowd assembled at the aerodrome at Hendon at 4 o'clock this morning to witness the getaway on the second stage from Hendon to Edinburgh, with intermediate stops at Harrogate and Newcastle. Through a mistake of the timekeeper, Beaumont, who should have started second, got away first. Vedrines, after a few excited gestures, sallied away a few seconds later. Thousands witnessed a splendid spectacle as the two airmen sped across the aerodrome at such a pace that they were soon lost to sight. Beaumont, who was flying higher, was quickly overtaken and when Harrogate, 182 miles from Hendon, was reached, Vedrines had gained another few minutes. This was repeated on the stages from Harrogate to Newcastle, 68 miles, and from Newcastle to Edinburgh, 93 miles.

Valentine, the Englishman who is making a bid for the prize against the Frenchman, was third to arrive at Harrogate. He won the prize of silver plate offered for the first Englishman to complete this stage. He was delayed for an hour at Harrogate and made a slow trip to Newcastle, having by mistake landed outside the town instead of at Gostoth Park, the official landing place.

Captain Cody also reached Harrogate. Of the 13 others who completed the first stage from Brooklands to Hendon on Saturday, C. C. Patterson, in a "baby" Grahame-White biplane, and Lieutenant Reynolds, retired; E. Audemars, withdrew after making three false starts at Hendon and the rest either failed to get away or descended before making Harrogate. C. P. Piton came down three miles north of Harrogate and smashed his machine, which probably has put him out of the race.

The others met with minor accidents but will continue.

The official time between Hendon and Harrogate were: Vedrines, 3 hours, 3 minutes and 4 seconds. Beaumont, 3 hours, 7 minutes and 54 seconds. Valentine, 3 hours, 39 minutes and 28 seconds.

By Associated Press. Geneva, Switzerland, July 24.—The body of Homer Diman, the 18-year-old youth of Arlington, Mass., who was lost on the Dent du Midi in the Alps on July 6th, was found today embedded in the ice in a crevice of a glacier on the side of Dent du Midi. It was brought to Silvan, where the young man had been living with his mother.

The Franco-German Situation Rapidly Becoming Serious

WILD SCENES IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

By Associated Press. London, July 24.—Scenes of wild disorder marked the session of the house of commons today. Half a dozen times Premier Asquith rose to move consideration of the Lord's amendments to the parliamentary bill and each time he was howled down by a din so terrific that the speaker had difficulty in making himself heard as he appealed to both sides to observe parliamentary decorum.

Asquith Under Threat. After trying vainly for three-quarters of an hour to get a hearing, Premier Asquith cut short his projected speech and amid a hubbub, declared that if the Lords would not consent to restore the veto bill even with reasonable amendments, to substantially its original form, the government would be compelled to invoke the exercise of the royal prerogative for the creation of new peers.

No parliamentary event of modern times has so quickened the public pulse as the present political crisis arising from the veto bill. Anxiety to know the exact terms of Premier Asquith's ultimatum to the peers is crowding the house and its galleries in a way not seen for many years.

The members of the lower chamber gave vent to their feelings by rising and cheering frantically and waving handkerchiefs as their respective leaders entered. There were some groans from the unionist benches intermingled with an occasional shout of "traitor" when Asquith made his appearance.

The opening scene of the historic session were among the stormiest ever witnessed in the house. As he rose to speak, the premier was encouraged by a roar of applause from the radicals, Irish and labor benches, but an answering volley of cheers came from the opposition, while a small group of standpatters chanted "traitor, traitor, traitor," until Speaker Lowther warned them to control themselves.

Premier Asquith stood at the table waiting a lull in the storm. His word, however, was a signal for another cyclone, and for 20 minutes the premier stood, unable to get in a word.

Cries of "Hurrah for Redmond, the real leader," suddenly broke out from the conservative benches.

"We will listen to Redmond," they added.

"The British aristocracy," was the scornful reply of the radicals, "look at 'em."

A strong appeal by the speaker finally caused a momentary cessation of the verbal tornado and Asquith got out a couple of sentences, asserting that the principle of his parliamentary bill was affirmed as far back as 1907, and afterward was confirmed at the general election.

Interruptions followed, the unionists shouting "Cannot we hear the dictator," "can not we hear the dictator?"

Asquith went on: "The house of commons carried a resolution in favor of the bill in 1910, by a large majority, and but for the death of King Edward..."

"Keep the king out of politics," "Who killed him—you did," resounded in the opposition benches.

The premier added: "A situation has been created (cries of 'Redmond'), from which there is only one constitutional escape. That is unless the lords consent to restore this bill with, if you like, reasonable amendments, consistent with its principal and purpose, we shall be compelled to invoke the prerogative of the crown."

Three "Jiggers" of Whiskey. Alton, Ill., July 24.—The farmers across the Mississippi river from Alton, known as Missouri Point, abolished the rule this year that every harvest hand and every thresher is entitled to three "jiggers" of whiskey each day besides his wages.

CLEAR WEATHER IS WANTED FOR BENEFIT GAME

By Associated Press. Cleveland, O., July 24.—Only clear weather is necessary this evening to make the Joss memorial and benefit ball game a big financial success. The proceeds of the game go to the widow and children of the late "Addie" Joss, pitcher of the Cleveland club.

Many of the players and club owners and officials of the American League and not a few of the National have contributed sums ranging from \$25 to \$100.

The game this afternoon will be between the Cleveland Club and the All Stars of the American League, managed by Manager James McAteer, of the Washington Club.

Opinion in France is That Time has Come For Germany to Say What She Wants—International Relations Involved.

Nothing Official Given Out but All Signs Point to "Triple Entente" Which Will Be a Powerful Force Against the Germans.

By Associated Press. Paris, July 24.—Opinion in France is that the time has arrived for Germany to say what she really wants, since the present situation of uncertainty is now entering upon a stage which may disturb international relations.

Officially the foreign office had nothing to say today concerning the pessimistic talk except that conversations continue between Baron von Kiderlin-Waechter, the German secretary of state for foreign affairs and Jules Cambon, the French ambassador at Berlin, upon possible solutions. Unofficially hints appear in the press that the time is arriving when the fullness of the conversations are obvious.

Meantime the speech of British Chancellor David Lloyd-George before the London banks, to which Germany is interpreted as a direct warning to Germany and is considered as having enormously strengthened the attitude of France, which will not accept any German proposal for a wholesale turning over of French colonial territory.

The press is unanimous in its opinion that Lloyd-George's words signify that the British-French entente is really an alliance with which Germany must reckon. Russia naturally is expected to throw her influence with the other two members of the "triple entente."

Although the press remains calm, there is a distinct tendency to re-emphasize as "brutal" Germany's manner of forcing negotiations and the Temps which is in close relations with the government, declares emphatically that Germany has lost the confidence of the other European powers.

More Secrets of Sugar Trust Expected

By Associated Press. New York, July 24.—More secret history of the war between the American Sugar Refining Company and its rivals was expected to be revealed today when a subcommittee of the congressional committee investigating the alleged sugar trust, went to New York, N. Y., to take the testimony of Mr. Arbutle, for many years a rival of the Havemeyers.

Mr. Arbutle is an old and able man. His physicians said he could not stand a trip to New York to give testimony. The committee is anxious to discover from Mr. Arbutle whether both sides by tacit consent decided to let each other alone.

Meanwhile other members of the congressional committee will continue the investigation of the sugar matters in this city, with Claus Spreckles, president of the Federal Sugar Refining Company, of Yonkers, ready to continue his testimony, which he began last week.

When Mr. Spreckles took the stand today he told of shipping from 35,000 to 40,000 barrels of sugar to the Pacific coast when the price in San Francisco was 60 to 70 points higher than in New York. A firm of wholesale grocers wanted to buy the entire shipment but Spreckles refused. Other wholesalers, he said, declined to buy the sugar even 15 points under the market because they were afraid "the interests" on the coast would not let them have goods in the future.

The sugar was finally sold to the retailers, he said, and the market broke from \$5.60 to \$5.70 per hundred pounds, the retailers benefitting during the three months the sale continued.

Bloodhounds Aid Detectives in Search

By Associated Press. New York, July 24.—Bloodhounds are aiding detectives searching today for the highwaymen who attempted to wreck a Long Island railroad train near Valley Stream, L. I., last night. A 15-car passenger train crowded with pleasure-seekers was speeding toward the city when Engineer Whitford saw an obstruction on the track. He threw on his brakes and brought the train to a stop within 15 feet of the obstruction.

A tie had been planted in a hole dug out between the rails, the end tilted toward the approaching locomotive. It had been firmly spiked down between two ties and then securely tied by ropes.

EIGHT HURT IN EXPLOSION. By Associated Press. Cary, Ind., July 24.—Eight persons were injured in an explosion which wrecked a three story building here today. Police say leaking gas caused the explosion but others believe it was a bomb.