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FIVE CENTS

GRANTED DIVORCE

Result of Suit Brought by Mrs. W. E. Corey.

GETS CUSTODY OF CHILD

Attorney for Respondent Submitted Without Any Contest.

Case Submitted Without Argument and Jury Brings in Verdict After Few Minutes—Mrs. Corey Visibly Affected While Telling Her Story on the Stand—Ineffectual Efforts Were Made to Get Mr. Corey to Resume His Place in the Home—Financial Settlement Made, but Its Terms Not Made Public.

Reno, Nev., July 30.—Mrs. William Ellis Corey, wife of the president of the United States Steel Corporation, was awarded a divorce in the second district court of Nevada, sitting at Reno, at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The case was submitted without argument and the jury took but one ballot. The jury was out but a few minutes. Mr. Corey was not present. Mrs. Corey was in tears when told that she had been given a decree, and the custody of her 16 year old son, Allen Corey. She drove at once to her home on Riverside avenue where she will continue to reside. No evidence was submitted by the defense, and there was no argument. The question of alimony was not introduced. Mrs. Corey made an interesting admission, however, stating that in May 1906, several weeks before her petition for divorce was filed, she negotiated through her attorneys a financial settlement with her husband. She was not asked what the nature of this settlement was.

"I am a resident of Reno, Nevada," said Mrs. Corey when placed on the stand "and the wife of William Ellis Corey, the defendant in this action. We were married on December 1, 1885, at Pittsburg, Pa., and lived together until May 1, 1905. At that time my husband deserted me and went to New York. I followed him and had a conversation with him in the Hotel Lorraine. He told me he had decided to live apart. He said that it was impossible for us to live happily together, and that I would never see him again. He stated that he intended going to Europe for several months. There was no scene. I talked with him about the matter and urged him to again resume his place in our home, but he refused. I have never seen him since."

Mrs. Corey stated that she was best suited for the custody of her son and asked the court to place him in her care.

Mrs. Corey was visibly affected while telling her story.

"It is true that newspaper notoriety was the principal factor in your separation from Mr. Corey and is responsible for this divorce proceedings," asked Benjamin Currier, attorney of her attorneys.

"Such is not the case. The stories that have appeared in the press had nothing to do with it," said Mrs. Corey. Miss Addie Corey, sister of the respondent, corroborated Mrs. Corey's statement that Corey had deserted his wife and told how she and her aged mother had made several ineffectual attempts to effect a reconciliation.

"His brother, she said, had lost sight of his home, being absorbed in business and infatuated with the fast life of New York.

"Do you consider Mr. Corey a proper custodian for his son?" she was asked. "I do not," she replied. "He is not a proper person for his son to associate with. He has no home, and his associates are not fit company for a young man of Allan's age. I do not think any New York man is fit to have charge of a boy of his age."

"Do you mean all New York men, Miss Corey?" continued the attorney. "I mean wealthy New York men."

Allan Corey stated that at the time of the parting his father called him to his office and told him that he had decided to part from his mother. "He said I was too young to understand the reasons. He then said that my mother was a good woman and that my place was at her side."

Attorney Summerfield, of Reno, stated that this client, William E. Corey, was as anxious for the decree of divorce as his wife. "If the decree is granted," he said, "Mr. Corey will be entirely satisfied. He has consented to the divorce."

DOWIE WILL TAKE APPEAL

Will Try to Force His Claim of Individual Proprietorship of Zion City.

Chicago, July 30.—John Alexander Dowie will appeal from the decision of Judge Landis of the Federal court declaring Zion City a trust estate, and holding that Dowie has no individual proprietorship in the estate.

Dowie himself made the announcement that action toward an appeal had been taken at a meeting yesterday at Sixth House, Zion City, attended by nearly 100 of his supporters.

In his address Dowie appeared to be more concerned over Judge Landis' denunciation of the "restoration host oath" as treasonable than any other point in the opinion. He declared that the Judge himself in his oath of office was compelled to put God above man and family ties.

With regard to the trust estate finding he declared that he had never received money as a trustee, but that it was always simply a matter of contract, evidenced in writing, showing all payments to be debts, payable in one year on call.

If the election ordered by Judge Landis be carried out, he said, the people of Zion will be violating the theoretic idea, the very foundation stone of the church. He emphasized that the people had not called nor placed him as head of the church, but that he, as God's chosen man, had admitted each individual member into the church.

IN CAMP AT CHICKAMAUGA

Regulars and State Troops to Spend a Week of Instruction Together.

Chattanooga, Tenn., July 30.—The encampment of regulars and national at Chickamauga national park, opened formally today. The troops now there are the twelfth cavalry, seventeenth infantry, third and fourth field batteries of the regular army and the seventy-first Virginia infantry, second Alabama infantry, and third South Carolina infantry of the national guard. The first period of instruction ends on Friday next and on Saturday the militia regiments will leave for home, their places to be taken by commands from other states.

The field hospital equipment has not yet arrived, although it started twelve days ago from Washington. There are surgeons, hospital nurses and non-commissioned officers of the department in sufficient force, but they are without tentage and appliances. The troops are in camp, the regulars in one body and the militia in another a short distance apart near the hill on which General Lytle was killed in the battle of Chickamauga.

FIGHTING AT ASKERAN PASS

Large Forces of Tartars and Armenians in Bloody Conflict.

St. Petersburg, July 31.—Advices received here from Tiflis, dated yesterday, show that a regular campaign is progressing between Armenians and Tartars in that section. Yesterday large forces of Tartars attacked Askeran Pass, which was occupied by Armenians, but were unable to break the Armenian cordon. Fighting is now going on in the villages of Paramurt, Haladad and Karantunkh.

The Tartars are concentrating against Askeran Pass.

On July 27 Kurds attacked the villages of Kalbalkened and Kiermizhan and were endeavoring to force an entrance into Shusha. At the latter place they were repulsed by Russian troops under General Zoloshakov.

News received here from Yelisevopol says that communication between Afram and Shusha has been interrupted for five days. Fighting between Armenians and Tartars continued from July 25 to July 28. The fighting near Shusha increased in severity on July 29 and resulted in the burning of the town. The government has despatched reinforcements to the scene.

PRISONERS BREAK JAIL

Brother of One of Men Charged With Aiding in the Escape.

(Special to The Messenger.)

Fayetteville, N. C., July 30.—Nothing whatever has been heard of Robert Thompson and Hudson, the white men who broke jail here yesterday shortly after noon. There was a sensational sequel to the escape from jail yesterday of Thompson and Hudson this morning when Sheriff Marsh obtained a warrant for and arrested Goring Thompson, a brother of Robt Thompson, one of the escapees, charging him with aiding in the escape. Young Thompson, who is a very prepossessing looking youth, was put on trial before Squire Overby at the court house at noon. The trial proceeded for several hours, and was then adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Sanitation Work Hampered by Rains.

Colon, July 30.—The month of July has witnessed a series of heavy rains on the Isthmus which have hampered the work of sanitation in Colon. The conditions today are worse than ever before. Preparations are being made to pave the principal streets of Colon with brick. Two more cases of smallpox were discovered here yesterday.

Russell Sage Gave \$10,000,000 to His Wife.

New York, July 30.—In connection with the reports of contests of the will of Russell Sage a story was circulated today to the effect that Mr. Sage gave \$10,000,000 to his wife shortly before his death.

MRS. THAW LED FROM THE TOMBS

Pittsburg Detective Forces Her to Leave the Prison.

EXCITING SCENE IN THE CELL

Brought About It is Believed by a Letter Received by Mrs. Harry K. Thaw, Which She Took to the Prison—Mrs. William Thaw Passes Her Son's Wife Without Any Signs of Recognition.

New York, July 30.—There was an excited conversation between Roger O'Mara, the Pittsburg detective, and Mrs. Harry K. Thaw in the Tombs prison today. O'Mara and Mr. Hartledge, Thaw's attorney, started to leave the prison together, but O'Mara returned to Mrs. Thaw who was waiting to see her husband, and asked her to go to her hotel.

"O, I'm going to stay right here," she said, "until visitor's hour comes this afternoon. I don't want to leave with things in the shape they are."

"You must go," O'Mara said.

He took her arm, while she was still protesting and led her to her hansom. As he helped her in O'Mara said to the driver: "You take her to the Lorraine and don't bring her back here again today."

Earlier in the day there had been a scene of excitement in Thaw's cell. While Mrs. William Thaw was still in conference with her son, Mrs. Harry Thaw came hurrying to the warden's office from Thaw's cell. She was evidently greatly disturbed and asked the warden to make an exception to the prison rules and allow her to use the prison telephone to call up Clifford W. Hartledge, Thaw's counsel, and his detective, Roger O'Mara. She declared the matter was very urgent, and the warden consented. Both men responded promptly and had interviews with Harry K. Thaw at his cell before Mrs. William Thaw left the prison. When the elder Mrs. Thaw came down to the warden's office there were traces of tears on her face and she seemed agitated. She did not speak to Mrs. Harry K. Thaw as she passed her in the office. It is believed that the excitement at Thaw's cell was brought about by a letter received by Mrs. Harry K. Thaw, which she took to the cell with her.

Mr. Hartledge said today that there are no detectives working in Pittsburg on behalf of Thaw or in his interest, except such as may be employed or connected with ex-Chief O'Mara.

John Jacob Astor Saves a Man From Drowning.

Windsor, England, July 30.—Second Lieutenant John Jacob Astor, son of William Waldorf Astor, today gallantly rescued a trooper of his regiment, the first life guard, from drowning in the river Thames. Lieutenant Astor's troop were engaged in swimming practice when a trooper's horse got into difficulties in mid-stream, and kicked the rider. The latter sank in deep water and young Astor dived in and brought up the soldier in time to enable the latter to be restored to life.

THE PRESIDENT WITNESSES A BASEBALL GAME.

Oyster, Bay, N. Y., July 30.—President Roosevelt and his sons, Archie and Quentin were the spectators of honor at baseball game on Orchard Lot, Sagamore Hill today between teams representing the deck and engineer forces of the president's yacht Sylph. The game only got as far as the third inning when a terrific down-pour of rain sent the blue jackets and the distinguished audience hurrying for shelter. The score was a tie 3 to 3. There is great rivalry between the two.

Grand Circuit Races Draw Big Crowds.

Cleveland, Ohio, July 30.—The opening day of the local grand circuit races attracted a crowd of over 8,000. The M. and M. stakes of \$10,000, transferred from Detroit, proved the principal attraction. There were twelve starters, Ann Direct being the favorite. Brilliant Girl won the first heat in 2:11 1/4, the fastest heat of the race, but finished lame and Ann Direct won the next two heats and the race in 2:13 and 2:12 1/2. Second money going to Brilliant Girl and third to Kannah Mac.

Oku Appointed Chief of the General Staff.

Tokyo, July 30.—General Oku has been appointed chief of the general staff of the Japanese army in succession to General Baron Kodoma, who died July 22nd. General Oku commanded the left army during the Russo-Japanese war and achieved a series of brilliant victories. The army under his command isolated Port Arthur at a critical stage of the siege.

Investigation of Charges Postponed.

Atlanta, Ga., July 30.—The investigation by the Southern Cotton Association of the charges that certain of its officers hold an interest in well known brokerage concerns and that they have been engaged in cotton speculation, was postponed until Wednesday morning, owing to the unavoidable absence of M. L. Johnson, one of the investigating committee named by President Harvie Jordan.

THE HARTJE DIVORCE TRIAL

Beginning of the Sixth and Probably the Final Week.

HOW LETTERS WERE OBTAINED

Trunk of Madine, the Co-respondent in Case, Was Broken Open by Private Detectives, Who Appear as Witnesses in the Case—Other Developments During the Day.

Pittsburg, Pa., July 30.—Beginning with the sixth week, and what is expected to be the final week of the Hartje divorce trial, today was taken up in the long expected evidence as to the manner in which Augustus Hartje procured the love letters alleged to have been written by Mrs. Mary Scott Hartje to "Tom" Madine, the coachman co-respondent in the case. John B. Staubb, a private detective, swore that he opened Madine's trunk in the house in which Madine roomed, on two occasions. The first time was May 31, and the second time June 18. On the second occasion he said John A. Anderson, another detective was with him. Staubb was subjected to a vigorous cross-examination and the relations of the methods which he and his brother detective used caused much amusement. Staubb was unable to tell what other articles were in the trunk and several times he became tangled under the fire of cross examination.

Anderson corroborated Staubb in regard to the second looting of the trunk. The superintendent of the detective agency also testified as to the directions given his men, and receiving the letters from them.

Objection was made by Mrs. Hartje's attorney to the introduction of the testimony, but the judge admitted it, declaring, however, that the other side would be allowed the fullest latitude in seeking to rebut the evidence.

Andrew Fisher, brother in law of Augustus Hartje, was the last witness of the day. He assumed responsibility for directing the detectives, and said the attorneys for his brother did not know where the letters came from until he told them.

Incidental to the story of the robbery of Madine's trunk it developed that a letter and a telegram signed by John F. Scott, father of Mrs. Hartje, was found in the trunk along with 40 honeyed missives, which the wife of the millionaire charged with writing.

It is alleged that a paragraph in this letter read: "On the advice of Mr. Freeman I am sending you \$600." Neither the telegram nor letter were read in court.

GREATLY DAMAGED BY FIRE

Big Loss to Lee and Broughton, Clothiers in Raleigh.

(Special to The Messenger.)

Raleigh, N. C., July 30.—Fire tonight greatly damaged the stock of men's clothing and furnishings in the store of Lee & Broughton, on Fayetteville street.

The stock was valued at about \$15,000. The insurance approximated \$9,000. The damage is estimated at over fifty per cent. by fire and water. The fire originated in the rear of the store under the clothing counter.

Mus Get Their Appointments Through Civil Service.

Washington, July 30.—The announcement of President Roosevelt of a month ago that he would try the experiment of appointing deputy collectors of internal revenue through the medium of the civil service commission on competitive examination, took form today when the commission issued a statement that the examination will be held at Statesville, Salisbury, Charlotte and Winston, N. C., August 29th for clerk and office deputies, storekeepers gaugers, and aviation deputy collectors. It is the first time in the history of the civil service commission that raiding deputies must secure their appointment under civil service rules.

Commercial Law League of America.

Asheville, N. C., July 30.—The Commercial Law League of America, met in its city today, with 300 delegates in attendance. The executive committee met in the ball room of the Battery Park hotel at 2 o'clock, after which an adjournment was taken until tomorrow morning, when the address of welcome will be made by Mayor Barnwell of Asheville. The response will be made by ex-president L. F. Siddon of the Law League, after which President George Wentworth Carr will speak. Tonight a reception and dance was given at Battery Park hotel which was attended by the delegates, their wives and friends.

Child Labor Bill Passes Georgia Senate.

Atlanta, Ga., July 30.—The Georgia senate today passed the child labor bill. The bill prohibits employing in any manufacturing establishment in the state any child under twelve years of age; the employment of any child under 14 at night work; the employment of any person under 18 years of age, unless such person shall have attended school at least three months during the preceding year.

REPUBLICANS MAY SPLIT

Unusual Condition of Affairs in Iowa, Brought on by the Fight Between the Cummins and Perkins Forces.

Des Moines, Ia., July 30.—The republican state central committee of Iowa, today decided by a vote of 6 to 3 to sustain the action of Chairman Spence, of the committee, informing Governor Cummins that the seats of a number of delegates to the republican state convention, which will begin next Wednesday at Des Moines, were contested. By the same vote the action of Chairman Spence in calling the present meeting of the state central committee was ratified. In both cases the chairman acted on his own responsibility. He received a petition from adherents of George D. Perkins, a candidate for governor, giving notice that the seats of a large number of Cummins' delegates would be contested.

Chairman Spence thereupon sent notice of this fact to Governor Cummins who seeks nomination for reelection. The governor replied in a letter denying the authority of the state central committee to take up contests, asserting that it had no jurisdiction.

The vote of the committee was regarded as an indication that the committee intended to assume jurisdiction of the contest.

There are 1,640 delegates entitled to sit in the convention from the 99 counties of Iowa. An entire state ticket will be named including 13 candidates. There are 26 aspirants for nomination, including four for governor. The main contest is between Cummins and Perkins.

Although Governor Cummins had given notice that he would not be represented before the committee, the chairman of the Cummins delegations whose seats are questioned, appeared and denied the jurisdiction of the state committee which they contended had no authority to go behind the returns.

Such a situation as that is new to the republicans of Iowa. The party is apparently divided into two factions, one known as "Progressives", represented by the friends of Governor Cummins, and the other called the "stand patters", who are adherents of George D. Perkins. The feeling on both sides is bitter and it is not unlikely that there may be two republican tickets in the field in Iowa.

Although the state central committee has as yet taken no action looking to the making up of a temporary roll, Cummins followers say that if the contesting Perkins delegates are authorized to participate in the temporary organization of the convention, the action of the state central committee will be ignored.

ASKS FOR INVESTIGATION

New York Merchants Association Wants Condition of Certain Fire Insurance Companies Looked Into.

New York, July 30.—The Merchants Association of New York, tonight made public a letter which recently was sent by the organization to the State Superintendent of Insurance, Otto Kelsey, at Albany, asking that he make an investigation into the solvency of certain fire insurance companies operating in New York state. Mr. Kelsey's reply, in which he states that the insurance department will endeavor to discharge its full duty under the statutes and as required by its obligation to the people, was also given out.

The letter of the Merchants Association to Mr. Kelsey called attention to current talk in insurance circles affecting a number of whose assets are said to be badly impaired. If indeed the corporations are not bankrupt, mainly because of the San Francisco fire.

The letter declared that from information received by the Merchants Association, it was believed some alleged insolvent western companies continue to do business in the east, and make prompt settlement of small losses, while their adjustors on the Pacific coast are doing everything in their power to scale down claims and defer settlements on the plea of inability to pay in full.

Track Workers in San Francisco on Strike.

San Francisco, July 30.—In order to enforce their demand for a shorter work day and an increased wage scale, 600 track workers employed by the United Railroads went on strike today. This action followed a mass meeting held at the headquarters of the labor council. Union leaders say that full 1,000 more men will quit work by tomorrow. The men are employed on the repair and construction work of the lines that were thrown out of use by the earthquake and fire of April. They have been working ten hours for a daily wage of \$1 and demand an increase of 50 cents for an eight hour day.

Negro Attempts to Murder a Family.

Macon, Ga., July 30.—Joe Morris, a negro 20 years old, today made an attempt to kill George E. Bloodworth, his wife and an infant child at their home near Macon. While the family were at the supper table, Morris stole up to the house, and thrusting the barrel of a shot gun through an opening pulled the trigger. Over sixty shots struck George Bloodworth, and nearly as many struck his wife, who was seated at his side, wounding them seriously. Mrs. Bloodworth had her infant daughter in her arms but none of the shots struck the babe. After firing, Morris dropped his gun and fled. Neighbors organized a posse and are in pursuit of the negro.

It often happens that men who "stand pat" wake up when the procession is too far ahead to be overtaken.—New York Herald.

FOR HIGH TREASON

Proceedings Brought Against Signers of Manifesto.

PENALTY LABOR IN MINES

Arrested Members Will be Admitted to Bail, Pending Trial.

Public Prosecutor Has Started Proceedings—No Arrests Have Yet Been Reported—Reason of Government for Taking Some Action Believed to be the Necessity of Doing Something to Counteract the Effect of the Viborg Address, Which Has Gained an Enormous Circulation.

St. Petersburg, July 30.—The public prosecutor has started proceedings against members of the lower house of parliament who signed the Viborg manifesto.

The charge under which the signers of the manifesto will be brought to trial is violation of article 129 of the criminal code. This is virtually high treason, the maximum penalty for which is hard labor in the mines.

No arrests yet have been reported, and the constitutional democrats do not indicate any fear of approaching punishment of their representatives. It is understood that arrested members will be admitted to bail pending trial. The constitutional democrats are chiefly apprehensive that the possibility of prosecution held over the heads of their leaders will render them ineligible for re-election in the same manner that Professor Milukoff and M. Hessen and others were excluded from the last lower house.

Socialist and radical members of the late house have no desire to cool their heels in cells for a long time, and thus be prevented from continuing the full fledged revolutionary agitation upon which they are now embarked. Many of these ex-members are now living under cover in the houses of friends in St. Petersburg, or have gone into hiding in the provinces.

The modes of the government for abandoning its attitude not to prosecute the signers of the Viborg manifesto, as set forth recently by Premier Stolypin in an interview is not stated, but evidently it was influenced by the need of doing something to counteract the effect of the Viborg address. This has attained an enormous circulation in the provinces, in spite of the greatest efforts on the part of the administration to prevent its publication.

This manifesto further accuses the government of betraying the fatherland by invoking the aid of Germany. The people are therefore urged to remove the local authority everywhere, to replace it with men elected by themselves, and to confiscate all state funds.

The manifesto calls for elections on the basis of universal suffrage and concludes with the words: "Down with the government and the emperor. Long live the dear and free Russian people!"

Remarkable Sensation in Cathedral.

Odessa, July 30.—A common soldier caused a remarkable sensation in the Cathedral here today by arising in the body of the church during service and contradicting certain political statements of the Archbishop uttered from the pulpit. A thanksgiving service for the dissolution of the lower house of parliament was being held in the Cathedral. It was attended by all the local authorities. The Archbishop arose and declared among other things that the members of the opposition were anarchists and enemies of the state. When he had finished a soldier got up and began to make a speech. He said it was not the opposition, but men like the Archbishop, who were the real enemies of the state. A scene of great confusion ensued amid which the soldier was arrested and taken to prison.

Knights' Big Excursion to Columbia.

Thomas H. Knight will run the first, last and only excursion from Wilmington to Columbia Wednesday, August 1st, via the fast and elegant Atlantic Coast Line, when a rare chance is offered to visit one of the most beautiful cities in the south, at a rate that is so remarkably low that everybody can afford to go, being only \$2.50 for the round trip. Knight's excursions are always popular, well conducted and are patronized by the best people. Go to Columbia. See the largest cotton mill in the world and the modern twelve story building. Columbia has the most beautiful Capitol building in the South. There is something to interest you on every block. The service will be first class in every respect. The train leaves the depot at 7:00 a. m. and will leave Columbia Thursday, August 2nd at 9:00 p. m. till Aug. 1.