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WITH \$101,000,000 DEPOSITS FIRST NATIONAL BANK HAS SWAY IN 88 CORPORATIONS

George F. Baker, Himself a Director in 50, Throws Light on Interlocking System.

CAN LEND \$74,000,000.

Combined Interests With Morgan Told at Money Inquiry—Balks at Questions.

CAPT. AMUNDSEN, FAMOUS EXPLORER, WHO ARRIVED TO-DAY



WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The millions which the First National Bank of New York has available for investment were disclosed at today's hearing of George F. Baker, Chairman of the bank's board, before the House Money Trust Investigating Committee.

Mr. Baker, popularly referred to as "the biggest man in the street," testified that the bank had \$74,000,000 available for investment, of which \$31,000,000 was out in demand loans and \$25,000,000 in time loans and discounts. The bank holds \$43,466,000 in securities and has gross deposits of about \$110,000,000.

Special Undersecretary for the committee, Mr. Baker through a line of questions which was intended to bring out his close relations with the railroads in the anthracite fields, usually referred to as the hard coal trust, without developing more than is generally known. Twice when Mr. Undersecretary wanted information of the bank's connection with the First Securities Company, the question was held in abeyance until Mr. Baker could confer with his counsel.

During the luncheon recess Mr. Baker consulted his counsel about furnishing a committee a list of the transactions of floating securities in which he and other directors had been interested. Mr. Morgan had acted jointly with J. P. Morgan and other concerns. When the hearing resumed Mr. Baker announced he had determined to furnish that and other data to the committee, if the board of directors of the First National Bank decided that it might be made public. The committee gave him until Wednesday to submit the information.

When Mr. Baker resumed the stand at the opening of today's inquiry he asked permission to make a statement.

"You made me out such a great holder of directorships yesterday," he said to Mr. Undersecretary, "that I wish to say that I never became a director of any voting trustee of any company at my own solicitation."

"We have just begun to ask you about your directorships," said Mr. Undersecretary. He added that a list furnished by Mr. Baker's bank showed that directors in the First National Bank were directors in 88 other corporations. In thirty-seven corporations members of J. P. Morgan & Co. and directors of the First National Bank were common directors.

BAKER A DIRECTOR IN FIFTY CORPORATIONS.

Mr. Baker agreed to furnish a list of the corporations in which he himself was a director. He thought he held about fifty such places.

Mr. Undersecretary asked Mr. Baker if he could supply a statement of the ac-

'VERY WARM HERE,' SAYS SOUTH POLE'S FINDER ON ARRIVAL

Capt. Amundsen Complains of Heat as New York Shivers at 34 Degrees.

Capt. Roald Amundsen, discoverer of the South Pole, arrived overcast in New York today on board the St. Paul of the American line, and with the temperature at 34 degrees above zero, acted much like one who had suddenly found himself, fully-dressed, in the steam room at a Turkish bath. He complained at once and at length of the heat of "tropic New York," but he refrained from demanding a fan and a cooling drink.

As the St. Paul came into the harbor the tug Henry Lee, chartered by the Norwegian National League and carrying a committee of the explorer's proud fellow-countrymen, cleared the Battery and steamed toward the booming liner. On the sides of the tug were displayed banners announcing that Capt. Amundsen was welcome to the United States and above floated the flags of the Norwegian and the Yankee.

Just after the doctor's boat had slipped back toward Quantico, the Henry Lee came close under the liner's side and some one tossed a hawser from the deck of the tug. It was the intention of the Norwegian committee, which was headed by Frederick Werne, G. A. Roberg, Ivelle Bie and Christopher Ravn, the Norwegian Consul-General, to take Capt. Amundsen in triumph to the city and board the specially chartered Henry Lee, but the American Line and the United States Customs arose to interfere with the plan being carried out. A hoarse command came from the bridge of the St. Paul and a sailor, ex-

DRESSED AS A MAN, HUBBY SAID; NOW SHE ASKS DIVORCE

Wife's Friends Peeped Into Rhinow's Shop to Get Evidence for Her.

WOMAN MAKES DENIAL.

Mrs. Rhinow Had Won Separation Suit Despite "Coochee Coochee" Evidence.

Mrs. Leona Rhinow, a prepossessing young Brooklyn matron, who had to answer charges that she danced the coochee-coochee with an actor and posed for her photograph while wearing male attire, when she obtained a separation from her husband, William C. Rhinow, a fashionable Brooklyn tailor, three years ago, is in court again.

When Mrs. Rhinow asked Justice Scudder for the separation she said Rhinow had been cruel to her. Now she wants a divorce and charges the tailor with infidelity.

Justice Kapper heard the case today. Mrs. Rhinow, who had been awarded \$5 a week, now wants allowance of \$30 a week and \$500 for counsel fees. She says Rhinow's business on the Williamsburg Bridge plaza is bringing him an income of \$5,000 a year.

Mrs. Rhinow named a Mrs. Goodwin, who is said to live at No. 194 South Eighth street, Brooklyn, as co-respondent. She, her brother, William J. Marion, of No. 1659 New York avenue, with whom she now resides, Peter Lennon and Harry Weil offered affidavits regarding five different occasions when they had peeped through a rear window of Rhinow's shop. They said they had seen sights which convinced them Mrs. Rhinow was entitled to a divorce. They named five dates between Oct. 15 and Nov. 25 last when, they asserted, they had seen Mrs. Goodwin and Rhinow together in the place.

But Marion had more to offer in his affidavit. He asserted that he had seen Rhinow carrying Mrs. Goodwin's baby, "which, by the way, is named William C.," according to the affidavit, and asserted that on one occasion he had heard Mrs. Goodwin say to the baby as Rhinow approached:

"Here comes your papa."

WOMAN MAKES AFFIDAVIT DENYING WIFE'S CHARGES.

Rhinow denied all the charges. He also introduced an affidavit from Mrs. Martin Goodwin, twenty-six years old, the wife of Edwin G. Goodwin of No. 1672 New York avenue, where Rhinow also has apartments. She denied that she was the woman with whom Mrs. Rhinow and others had said they had seen Rhinow in his shop.

She also said she had been the mother of five children, three of whom were dead. One of the children, who died recently at the age of six months, she said, had been named "William C." Mrs. Rhinow's witnesses had charged the Mrs. Goodwin they named as co-respondent with having a baby named "William C."

No other Mrs. Goodwin appeared or offered an affidavit, and Justice Kapper reserved decision.

"COOCHEE COOCHEE" EVIDENCE IN HER FIRST SUIT.

Mrs. Rhinow's suit for a separation attracted much attention in Flatbush, where both she and her husband were well known. The incident about which most of the gossip attached to the case was aroused, was a dance said to have been given by Mrs. Rhinow and William C. Rhinow, an actor, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. William Pettit, in East Thirty-seventh street, Flatbush, on New Year's Day, 1907.

Then it was that Mrs. Rhinow was said to have lifted her skirts high enough to disclose her ankles and to have danced what some called the "coochee coochee," and others an exaggerated version of the then popular "Merry Widow Waltz." Mrs. Rhinow insisted she did nothing more than dance a two-step with the actor.

Other evidence that Rhinow presented included a photo of his wife in men's attire, hanging in his means to cast reflection upon her character.

Russals to Shoot Aviators.

CAPT. PETERSEN, JR., Jan. 10.—The cabinet has issued an order prohibiting foreign balloons and aviators from crossing the western frontier for six months. Any one violating this order, it is announced, is liable to be shot down.

Girl for Whom West Pointer Gave Up His Army Career



FLORENCE E. DAVIS

TURN TABLES ON POLICE WHO TRIED TO INDICT SIPP

Grand Jury Starts on Trail of "Higher Up" in Alleged "Frame-Up."

GAMBLERS TO TESTIFY.

Whitman Gets Testimony That Hits at Five Inspectors and Five Captains.

The January Grand Jury, deeming itself imposed upon by the police charges against George A. Sipp, the Harlem hotel keeper who accuses police officers of extortion, has decided to investigate what appears to be a police "frame-up" of evidence. The investigation is to begin at once and is not to confine itself to the actions of subordinate officers of the department.

After Sipp was arrested at Atlantic City on a warrant issued by Chief Magistrate McAuliffe, charging him with a felony under the laws of this State, evidence furnished by two prominent women, Deputy Commissioner Douglas sent to the District Attorney, affidavits made by these women. The District Attorney submitted the affidavits to the Grand Jury and summoned the women as witnesses.

Both women testified that the affidavits had been handed to them by Detective Morris Grossman, a plain-clothesman on the staff of Inspector Sweeney, and that two other plainclothesmen had asked them to sign them. They had not read the affidavits, and one of the women pointedly repudiated the document bearing her signature. The charges against Sipp were dropped.

WHO STARTED SWEENEY'S MEN FOR WOMEN.

Members of the Grand Jury were indignant at what they consider an attempt to deceive them. They talked the matter over and it was discovered today that they were unfortunate in designating an investigation of the whole affair.

STEAMER ALCAZAR SAFE BUT LEAKING BADLY AS SHE REACHES PORT.

Vessel With Twenty-three Men Aboard Had Flashing Wireless Call for Help.

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 10.—The British steamer Alcazar, with a crew of twenty-three, which had severe times off the North Carolina coast for two weeks and which was reported last night leaking and calling for quick assistance, arrived here today, passed in the Virginia Channel under her own steam today, with a bad list to the port, but appeared in fairly good condition.

MORGAN PARTNER, GREAT-GRANDSON OF GEORGE IV, DIES

Joseph P. Ord Was in the Direct Line of the Kings of England.

PRINCE WED SECRETLY.

Legitimacy of Descendants Revealed by Morganatic Wife's Papers.

A number of men prominent in banking and business circles in New York left for Albany today to attend the funeral of Joseph P. Ord, great-grandson of George IV, through a morganatic marriage and a former partner in the firm of J. Pierpont Morgan & Co. Services will be held at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Albany tomorrow. Bishop William Doane of the diocese of Albany will conduct the services.

Mr. Ord died at the St. Regis Hotel in this city early yesterday after an illness of several weeks, due to a chronic affliction of the throat. He was only forty-four years old when Mr. Morgan took him from the vice-presidency of the General Electric Company at Albany to be a partner in the Morgan banking house.

He was chosen as the man best fitted to represent the Morgan interests in the newly formed United States Steel Corporation. After a brief experience in this capacity he returned to Switzerland to act in an advisory capacity for the electric works.

FACTS REVEALED BY MRS. FITZ-HERBERT'S PAPERS.

At the time Mr. Ord joined the Morgan firm nothing was known of his royal descent to the general public. Through there was nothing dishonorable in the relationship of George IV, and his great-grandmother, the famous Mrs. Fitzherbert, the American branch of the family was not given to exploiting its derivation from the ruling house of England.

The facts were made known in 1905 by the unsealing of the papers of Mrs. Fitzherbert. In them she told of her marriage to King George IV, and of the birth of their son. According to those documents and a marriage certificate later found at Coutt's Bank in London, where it had been deposited by the Duke of Wellington nearly eighty years ago, King George violated the laws of his country and contracted an illegal marriage. Mrs. Fitzherbert was a Catholic and the laws of England forbade the royal family who married a Catholic.

The consanguinity of George, when as Prince of Wales he contracted the marriage, took the view that inasmuch as the union was illegal it was null and void before it was performed, and therefore was a mere ceremony not affecting his right to his title, they let him have his own way.

The son of this union was Joseph Ord, who is recorded in the books of Georgetown University as "son of George IV, and his lawful wife, Mrs. Fitzherbert," and as entering that institution of learning in 1860.

MADE SPORT OF HIS ROYAL BLOOD BY ISSUING "DECREES."

The oldest son of Joseph Ord was Judge Pauline Ord. The Joseph P. Ord who was a member of J. P. Morgan & Co. was the son of Judge Ord, and was therefore in the direct line of descent of the kings of England save for the fact that, among his closest friends, was sometimes given to making fun of himself by issuing "royal decrees."

Mr. Ord was a graduate of Yale in the class of 1875. He began his business career in the accounting department of the West Shore Railroad, from which he went to the Erie Railroad in 1893, married Miss Susan Vanderpool, daughter of Mrs. Isaac Vanderpool of Albany.

FIFTY BLAZES SET BY BAND OF FIREBUGS, ITS CHIEF CONFESSES

Insurance Agents, Adjusters and Professional Incendiary Involved in a Conspiracy Through Which \$50,000 Was Collected.

ONE BROKER HELD TO-DAY UNDER BAIL OF \$5,000.

Samuel Gold, Who Makes the Confession, Tells How Big "Losses" Were Collected on Worthless Furniture.

The confession of Samuel Gold, who pleaded guilty to arson in the Court of General Sessions Tuesday night, has opened the way to exposure and punishment of a gang of firebugs as powerful and daring as the gang that was broken up sixteen years ago. The net spread by Fire Marshal Prial and Assistant District Attorney Weller, woven out of facts given up in the past three days by Gold, is slowly enveloping a host of fire insurance agents and brokers and so-called "independent" adjusters and professional firebugs.

George Grutz, a fire insurance broker and notary with an office at No. 62 East One Hundred and Second street, was arraigned in Harlem Police Court today and held in \$5,000 bail on a charge of arson preferred by Fire Marshal Prial. Grutz is said to be a member of the Firebug Syndicate in which Gold and Izzy Stein, known as "Izzy the Painter" were prominent workers.

Grutz placed the insurance on a far exceeded by Gold. He wrote a policy for \$1,000 in the German American Insurance Company on household goods worth not more than \$100. Then the flat was fired by "Izzy the Painter" after nearly all the goods had been removed and the insurance company was misled for a loss of \$800.

CONFESSION REVEALS THE PLOT IN DETAIL.

This fire occurred at No. 574 East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street. The insurance was placed on Dec. 1, 1910. Gold described the plot of this particular fire in detail in his confession.

Inasmuch as the plan was about the same in all fires manipulated by the alleged gang, the description is interesting. It applies in general, Gold says, to between fifty and sixty fires set in eight months, which netted the conspirators more than \$25,000 in fake losses collected from fire insurance companies.

Gold, with his wife and child, rented a flat. Grutz insured the furniture, elaborate as it was, "Izzy the Painter" adjusted, setting the furniture in the place with banister, set fire to it. When the Golds got back their place was a wreck and great were their lamentations. But they had the fire insurance policy securely hidden and they dragged it forth. Then appeared an "independent" adjuster, acting for Gold, and with his aid Gold collected \$800. The money was divided up among the conspirators and plans were made to set another fire.

AGENTS AND ADJUSTERS TAKE PART IN CONSPIRACY.

According to Fire Marshal Prial, Gold has made an amazing statement covering a long succession of incendiary fires. In the firebug gang broken up in 1896 and 1898 Bremen and police officers were implicated. In the gang now exposed by Gold there are no men except fire insurance agents and adjusters and the men who rented places and got insurance for the purpose of suffering fake losses by fire.

Of course the game could not be worked with any great degree of success without the connivance of dishonest insurance agents and brokers, but blame attaches to the fire insurance companies for not sending trustworthy men to inspect the property insured by their agents. No inspections were ever made. A collection of a few chairs, a table, a broom, a piece of carpet, a broken down

WOUNDED BY CUPID, CADET SACRIFICED CAREER TO ELOPE

Second-Year Man at West Point Must Leave Academy Because He's Married.

Uncle Samuel is a cruel and unrelenting relative when one of his boys of West Point runs off and gets married. Consequently, however, the bride's parents may greet their new son-in-law, Cadet Elmer E. Addler, who was secretly married at Tarrytown, to Miss Florence E. Davis of Buffalo and will have to pursue his double destiny now in civil life.

Our Uncle Samuel will not permit even his second lieutenants to wed when they are fledglings just out of "the Point." The paternal old gentleman thinks a second lieutenant—much less a second-year man in his military school—is in no position to support a wife. Consequently, when he took a bride in Tarrytown yesterday, young Mr. Addler of Billings, Mont., lost a profession.

The undermining of Cadet Addler's constancy to his Government had its inception at the Yale-West Point football game at West Point in October, 1911, when Addler was just a "plover." The next vacation saw an engagement with Miss Davis, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Davis of Buffalo, was the envied of all the girls at Miss Mason's Castle School in Tarrytown.

They just couldn't wait until Elmer was through "the Point" and had a first lieutenant's commission in the army. So on Wednesday the young cadet got a leave and joined his sweet-heart in Tarrytown. She didn't say a word of her intentions at school that day, but yesterday she and the cadet went to the Florence Inn, where they found the Rev. G. H. Hegeman of the Second Reformed Church toying with a salad at one of the tables.

"Are you a clergyman?" asked Cadet Addler.

"I am," replied Dr. Hegeman.

It was all over in fifteen minutes then.

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