

GOVERNMENT RESTS IN CASE OF DR. BROOKER

Defense Calls Physicians to Testify in Behalf of Doctor Accused Under Harrison Act.

SAYS DRUG VICTIMS ARE LIARS

Dr. Hall Paves Way for Defense to Attack Credibility of Government Witnesses—Latter Say Dr. Brooker Did Not Decrease Dose.

With the government resting its case shortly after court reconvened for the afternoon session, the trial of Dr. Brooker is looked for along the lines of the Harrison anti-narcotic act was featured yesterday by the introduction of expert testimony by the defense intended to prove that the accused physician was not only within his rights in prescribing narcotics for drug habits, but that the evidence of these "fortunates" against Dr. Brooker must be discredited for the reason that their mental and physical condition incapacitated them for telling the truth.

Attorneys Justis and Cohen in introducing as witnesses several prominent Richmond physicians who have had more or less experience in treating patients addicted to the use of habit-forming drugs, attempted to discredit allegations of the government that in failing to inquire minutely into the physical condition of the applicant for drug prescriptions and in issuing them without regard to number, Dr. Brooker was not prescribing narcotics in the course of his professional practice only.

GOVERNMENT CLAIMS PHYSICIAN DID NOT DECREASE DOSES

The government, on the other hand, stressed the point through cross-examination that had the physician been striving only to alleviate suffering and perform his duty as a minister to human ills, he would have written prescriptions for smaller quantities and brought his influence to bear upon the "dope" victims in taking the cure prescribed in hospitals and sanatoriums.

Dr. H. K. Smith brought the admission from Dr. G. K. Sims, of witnesses for the defense, that although John Parker, a former patient of Dr. Brooker, cannot be held in the same shape as he refused to write a prescription for more than thirty grains of the drug he wanted, and told him that he need not apply for another.

WITNESSES SAY DR. BROOKER MADE NO EXAMINATION

Dr. J. K. Hall, of the Westbrook Sanatorium, who was for a number of years connected with an institute in North Carolina, was not sure that a physician can so easily tell by examination whether or not a person was addicted to the use of drugs. The witness testified that the case of a man given to taking "dope" is usually sufficient to distinguish him, but this is not always an infallible guide.

On being questioned by Attorneys Justis and Cohen as to the result of the sudden withdrawal of drugs from those addicted to their use, Dr. Hall said that the victim usually became totally unfit for any duty, irresponsible for his actions, and in some cases, life is seriously endangered. Nervousness, weakness, pains over the entire body, tendency to sneeze almost continually, and mental disability, he said, characterize the drug habitue who has been suddenly separated from his morphine. He said that he knew less of the effects of cocaine, but was inclined to believe that there is no such thing as the cocaine habit. Certainly the physical discomforts accruing from the withdrawal of cocaine are less marked, he said, than those which appear when the morphine is suddenly stopped.

PAVES WAY TO ATTACK ON GOVERNMENT WITNESSES

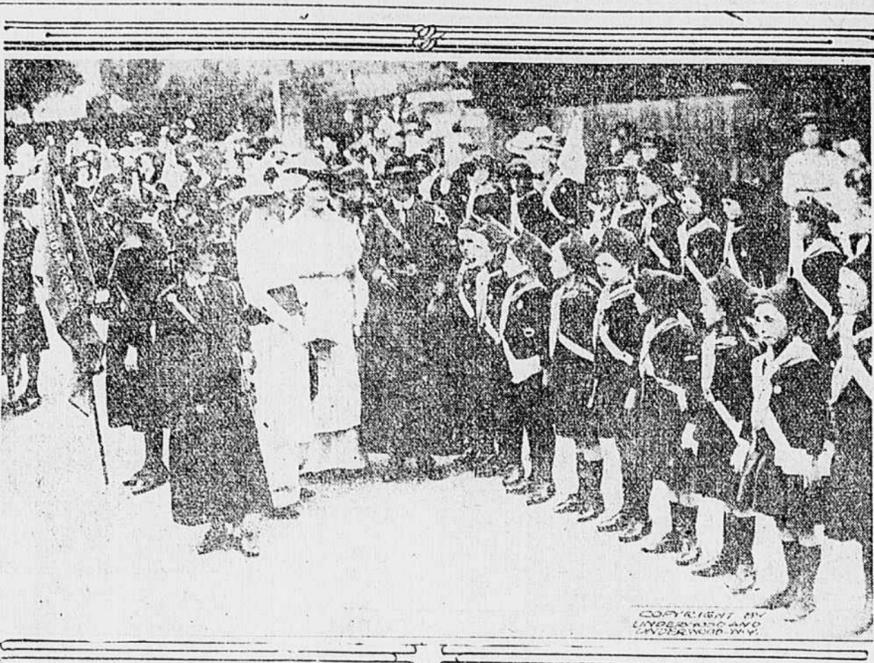
In testifying that the habitual use of morphine often makes liars out of men who were truthful previous to that time, Dr. Hall paved the way for attorneys for the defense to attack the competency of the part of witnesses for the prosecution. Earlier in the day, before the government had closed its case, John Parker, a government witness, had admitted that he was under the influence of a narcotic while on the witness stand. It is thought that his contention will prove a feature of the Brooker defense.

James Hill, introduced at the morning session as a witness for the prosecution, testified that he heard of Dr. Brooker in connection with drug prescriptions through a woman named Mrs. Ford. He immediately applied to the physician he saw for relief and secured a prescription for a certain amount of morphine. Dr. Brooker, he said, only asked him how long he had been using the drug, and made no suggestion that he should go to a hospital for treatment. Hill testified that the physician never refused to grant him a prescription and did not cut down the amount. On cross-examination by Mr. Justis, however, he admitted that Dr. Brooker told him that he ought to stop using drugs.

ADDED TO MORPHINE FOR THIRTY-THREE YEARS

Mrs. Emily Bunn, who said she had been addicted to the morphine habit for thirty-three years, was the first witness for the defense to take the stand. Dr. Brooker, she said, had been treating her for the habit since February, and had helped her more than any one to whom she had ever applied. When she went to the physician through the office of Dr. C. B. Brien, she was, according to her testimony, consuming a gram of the drug a week whereas the same amount now suffices for from fifteen to eighteen days. Despite long use of the drug, she said, she works every day.

DUCHESS OF MARLBOROUGH INSPECTS GIRL GUARDS COMPANY AT HARROW ENGLAND



Following suit of the Boy Scouts, the girlhood of England is organizing into companies, known as Girl Guards. These little women are taught rudimentary household and social welfare facts, which will be of use to them and their country when they grow up. The instruction includes cooking, sewing, first-aid work, nursing and signaling. The picture shows the Duchess of Marlborough (in white at left), who is the daughter of Mrs. D. H. P. Belmont, inspecting the Guard of Honor of the First Harrow Company at Harrow, England.

HIGH SCHOOL CADETS WILL PARADE FOR EDUCATORS

First Public Appearance of Corps in Uniform to Be During School Convocation in November. When the Virginia State Educational Association meets here next month, the cadet battalion of the John Marshall High School, organized in new splendor, will parade for the first time. By that time the organization of more than 250 members will have been organized into companies, and permanent commanders, selected from among the corps, appointed.

Major E. P. Conquest, commandant of the battalion, has been busy since the beginning of the session teaching the boys the manual of arms and the rudiments of drill formation. Rapid progress has been made during the first month, and Major Conquest expects his battalion to make a very creditable showing at the initial exhibition drill. Exercises, patterned after those worn at the Virginia Military Institute, are expected to arrive on November 1, and the guns, furnished by the United States government, will be here about the same time.

In addition to the parade for the school association, which will be in session two days, beginning November 23, John Marshall students will provide an entertainment—the opera entitled "A Nautical Knot," presented twice last year to packed houses. The actors in the play will all be high school students.

Tobacco Market Opens

The Richmond tobacco market opened yesterday with a few sales, mainly of sundried tobacco. Prices were good, several of the dealers stating that the quotations had surpassed their expectations.

LeRoy Lectures to Large Audiences

Meritt LeRoy, lecturer and cartoonist, who has filled engagements at the Central Young Men's Christian Association building and at many of the churches of the city during the last four days, will speak to-night at 8 o'clock at Leigh Street Baptist Church. Tomorrow night at the same hour he will wind up his Richmond engagement at Fulton Baptist Church, leaving Friday to deliver a lecture at the Laurel Industrial school.

FAIRMOUNT WANTS OLD RACE COURSE FOR PARK

Would Construct Athletic Field for Northeastern Section of City.

CHANGE MAY LEAD TO LAWSUIT

Agents Contend City Has Already Obligated Itself to Buy Elsewhere. Fulton Citizens Oppose Acquisition of Phillips Property for Park.

Out of the Fairmount Park wrangle promises to sprout a difficulty which may result ultimately in a law suit against the city. Several months ago the Council passed a resolution authorizing the Finance Committee to include in the budget of 1916 an appropriation of \$10,000 to be used in purchasing a playground site in Fairmount, near T Street and the old corporate limits.

On the strength of this resolution, regarded by the sellers as a legal obligation on the part of the city to buy the tract, Green & Redd, agents for the owners, withdrew the property from the market and are waiting now for the deal to be consummated as soon as the money is made available in the new budget.

But since the selection of this tract by the Finance Committee upon the strong recommendation of residents of Fairmount, that section of the city has undergone a change of spirit and, pooling their interests with other sections of Jefferson Ward, have cast their eyes longingly upon a 56-acre tract embraced by the old Fairmount race course, which they are now asking the city to acquire instead of the Green & Redd tract.

LOCATION NOW FAVORED

WILL COST ABOUT \$50,000.

The new location, according to speakers who addressed the Finance Committee last night, is the unanimous choice of Fairmount and of the federated athletic associations of Jefferson Ward. It can be bought for \$50,000. The tract, it was pointed out, is large enough for a park and a large athletic field. Enough property could be sliced off and sold as residence lots by the city. It was suggested to reimburse it for most of the purchase price.

In order to further the new plan the Finance Committee was asked last night by Councilman Rogers, of Jefferson Ward, to recommend the repeal of the resolution appropriating \$10,000 in the next budget for the playground site already selected. The Assistant City Attorney, he said, has informed him that no binding obligation rests upon the city to acquire the property. Members of the Finance Committee, however, were doubtful about the legality of such an act and were more dubious about the city's moral and legal right to repeal the \$10,000 appropriation.

AGENTS CONTEND CITY IS BOUND BY AGREEMENT

In the meantime Green & Redd, sales agents for the T Street tract, have addressed to the Public Utilities Committee a letter protesting against the passage of the Rogers resolution. The contract with the city, they write, was entered into by them in good faith and on the strength of it the property was withdrawn from the market. Chairman Jefferson C. Powers, of a

RELIEF HAS BEEN PERMANENT

Says Cardui B.ilt Up System When Other Medicines Failed. Believes It Saved Her Life.

Hendersonville, N. C.—Mrs. M. A. Redmon, of R. F. D. 1, this place, writes: "I wish to state that before having taken Cardui, my condition of health was all run-down, and had been that way ever since my marriage two years ago last May. I only weighed 107 pounds. My average weight is 135 pounds. I had such awful pains at times I could hardly go. I had severe pains in my back and abdomen, and could scarcely do my work. I could not lift anything heavy.

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MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT

Societies of Clapton Street Baptist Church to Entertain at Robben's Hall.

Under the direction of Ritten Bacon, organist of Meade Memorial Episcopal Church, a musical entertainment will be given to-night beginning at 8:20 at Robben's Hall, Swansboro, under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society of Clapton Street Baptist Church. The program will be as follows: 1. Character songs, Guy H. Corbitt. 2. Comic songs, Miss Lina Manning. 3. Solo, selected, Ralph Ludwig. 4. Character songs, Al Schradler. 5. Cornet solo, Archie Wrenn. 6. Reading, Mrs. Edith B. Crouch. 7. Quartet selections, Messrs. Albert Tillery, Stephen Chaisa, Meredith Owens and William Holt. 8. Solo, selected, Colin Burnett. 9. "The Colored Parson," Billie Burke.

The Ladies Aid Society

Of Centenary Methodist Church will give a dinner at 923 East Main Street, on October 26, 27 and 28. Dinner will be served from 12 M. to 3 P. M. The location of the dining-room places it in easy reach of business offices and gentlemen down town for the day.



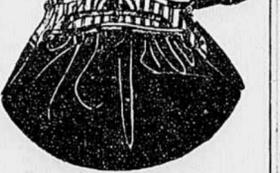
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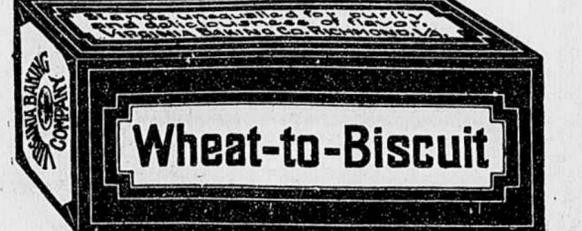
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