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GENERAL WOOD AND THE "WAR SCARE."

There is much truth in what Major-General Wood, chief of staff of the United States army, says about the recent "war scare" resulting from the so-called confidential report of the secretary of war to congress.

The general resents the idea that the army is indulging in a "war scare" and calls such talk silly. He says he sees no prospect of war, nor does he fear such a contingency.

"The army isn't afraid of war, nor is it flayed by the valor of ignorance," says the general. Then he goes on to say that the work of the army at present is to do the best it can in developing the country's military resources.

If this is the attitude of the war department there surely is in it no excuse for a war scare, nor has the country any reason for complaining that the administration is trying to saddle militarism upon the people.

This "skeleton" cannot be effective unless the surplus of officers is provided.

SCHOLAR POLITICIAN "MAKING GOOD."

Woodrow Wilson, the scholar, is proving himself to be quite a politician of a rather unusual type. He is taking the war into the enemy's own country in most uncompromising fashion, and his determination to be the real leading Democratic leader of New Jersey is keeping the eyes of the country upon that State and upon Dr. Wilson.

Of Dr. Wilson's attitude, the Norfolk Landmark says:

Woodrow Wilson has so far gone back on no promise which he made during his campaign for the governorship of New Jersey. He refrained from saying again that if elected he would continue the election to mean that he had been selected as the Democratic leader of the State, and that he would assume that position as all as the governorship. He advised that he would object to him as such.

Woodrow Wilson is "making good" and he is becoming larger and every day as a Presidential

NOTHING SESSION.

That the present short session would be a do-nothing session is a possibility that is being considered by many.

body will get before the time for adjournment rolls around.

President Taft's program will have to go over to the next session. Mr. Taft expected that the greater portion of his program would get no attention at this session, consequently his last message was written with the view of having his recommendations considered by a Democratic house.

DRUNKEN MAN SETS FIRE TO HIS BED; IS ARRESTED

E. E. Erickson Has To Be Dragged From Smoke-Filled Room. Small Damage.

After he had set fire to his bed and been dragged from the burning room down a long hall and two flights of steps by civilians, E. E. Erickson, an aged man, who lives at 3019 Washington avenue, was arrested about 5:30 o'clock yesterday morning by Sergeant Webb and Patrolman Boswell in the police court yesterday morning. Brown fined him \$3.50 and he went to jail in default.

Thanks to the heroic efforts of a woman in the house, the blaze was kept down with water until an alarm could be sent in to the department. The Central company responded and the blaze was extinguished with the use of chemicals.

Occupants of the house were awakened by dense smoke arising from the burning bed in which the drunken man had been smoking. The women began throwing water on the fire with buckets, while one of the men occupants turned in an alarm. Two men, one of whom was passing by the building at the time, rushed to the burning room and dragged Erickson out of it and down to the street.

BARRED FROM OWN HOME.

North Carolina Farmer Finds Intruder in Home and Shoots Him.

GREENSBORO, N. C., Dec. 21.—Upbraided for attempting to gain admission to his own home, James Cooper, a farmer, of Randolph county, went to the home of a neighbor, secured a shotgun and, returning, emptied its contents into the body of the intruder, who proved to be James Campbell, a neighbor, who had entered Cooper's home and gone to bed. Campbell was brought here and tonight physicians state that he has an even chance for recovery.

The family of Cooper was away from home and Campbell was seen to enter the house. About 9 o'clock the owner arrived, only to find all entrances securely fastened. His calls were answered by abusive words and, thinking the intruder was a burglar, Cooper left, soon returning and firing point blank at Campbell, who lay across his own bed.

MINISTER IS INDICTED.

Boston Preacher Is Charged With Using Mails to Defraud.

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 21.—The Rev. Norman K. Plass, former president of the Redeemable Investment Company, Charles H. Brooks, manager, and John F. Trappan, treasurer of the company, were indicted today by the federal grand jury for using the mails in a scheme to defraud.

Plass and Brooks were arrested after the company was raided by the federal authorities. Trappan was taken into custody today. He was later released on \$3,000 bail.

SON TO MAKE APPEAL.

Will Ask For Special Term of Court To Try Accused Murderer.

DURHAM, N. C., Dec. 21.—W. B. Sanders, son of J. L. Sanders, who was turned to a crip with the bodies of his daughter, Mary, and his 4-year-old granddaughter yesterday, at Hester, near here, arrived today with attorneys from Oxford and announced that Governor Kitchin would be appealed to on Saturday to call a special term of court to try Nathan Montague, the negro accused of the murder.

COMPAY UNDER QUARANTINE.

Epidemic of Mumps Breaks Out at St. Helena Naval Station.

NORFOLK, VA., Dec. 21.—An epidemic of mumps has broken out at the St. Helena naval station and an invitation to the enlisted men there from the local Methodist preacher to attend Christmas services at his church Sunday had to be declined. One entire company of 120 men is under strict quarantine.

STEAMER HORNET SAILS.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Dec. 21.—After weighing anchor and starting down the river, the steamer Hornet, whose mysterious movement of the past few days have given rise to rumors that she is to be used in a filibustering expedition, dropped anchor again just after noon today near Algiers, in the Mississippi river.

Cow Breaks Butter Record.

STACUNE, N. Y., Dec. 21.—Clothilde B. Kol, record, a Holstein-Friesian cow, owned by Stevens Brothers, of Liverpool, has broken the world's weekly butter record, producing 52.23 pounds. Since 1908 the record has been 55.55, held by Grace Fin, second, of Homestead.

Langdon Wine Bout.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 21.—Tommy Langdon and Palmoriel Moore, both of this city, fought a fast six-round bout before the National Athletic Club tonight and the honors went all Langdon's. The latter, though out-weighted by about five pounds, kept Moore's head rocking from the first to the last round, and it was only the lack of steam that kept Moore from going into breakdown.

COOK WITH GAS.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 21.—A man who was cooking with gas in his kitchen tonight, was nearly asphyxiated by the gas.

DEAD BODY OF MAN FOUND IN A BARREL

Discovery in Cold Storage Warehouse at Montreal Furnishes Mystery.

MONTREAL, QUE., Dec. 21.—The finding of the body of an elderly man, packed in a barrel, at a cold storage warehouse here today, has furnished a mystery which up to a late hour tonight the police had been unable to solve. The body, clothed only in a pair of woolen socks, evidently had been placed in the barrel not long after death and before rigor mortis set in. There were no outward marks of violence, and until the body thaws out, which will take forty-eight hours, the coroner's jury will be unable to determine the cause of death. The barrel was marked for shipment to "Janitor, Bishop's College, Montreal."

According to the police, the barrel was originally shipped from Jarvis, Ont., where the records are said to show the name of the shipper to have been McSorley. It was consigned to J. House Field, St. Lawrence Market, Toronto, according to the officials. After an interview with House Field at Toronto tonight, Chief Rogers, of the Provincial staff, said: "Boursfield has satisfied me that he had nothing to do with the shipment of the barrel. Someone, unknown at present, has been using his name."

Unable to make delivery, the railroad today opened the barrel to dispose of the pultrity it was supposed to contain, in order to cover freight charges. JARVIS, ONT., Dec. 21.—John McSorley said tonight that when the barrel was consigned to Toronto it contained turkeys. He denied that he had anything to do with its reshipment from Toronto to Montreal.

SHE DIDN'T REGISTER IN BALDWIN'S NAME

Mrs. Lillian Turnbull Again Undergoes Cross-Examination in Will Case.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Dec. 21.—Three hours today Mrs. Lillian Turnbull again experienced a "cross-examination" while being cross-examined in the will contest to obtain for her daughter a \$250,000 share of the "Lucky" Baldwin estate. Reviewing her previous testimony, Attorney McNab caused Mrs. Turnbull to repeat former declarations that there had been a contract to marry, but that no one but herself and Baldwin had ever seen it. Then he demanded to know whether she had ever been introduced by the turkman as his wife or whether she had been recognized by any one as Mrs. Baldwin.

McNab drew from the witness the admission that Baldwin had referred to her as Mrs. Baldwin before only five persons. Three of these were negro servants and two were white men. These registers of hotels here and in San Diego were introduced to show that Mrs. Turnbull had registered herself as Lillian Ashley after the alleged marriage to Baldwin.

After she had reiterated her former testimony that she regarded herself as the turkman's wife, the cross-examiner suddenly asked: "While you were at Baldwin's home at Santa Anita, did you not ask the manager there, Mr. Lawrence, how often Mrs. Lillie Bennett Baldwin came to visit her husband's ranch home?"

"I did not," disclaimed the witness. "I did not know she was Baldwin's wife until some months later."

Mrs. Turnbull testified that besides ex-Governor Long, of Massachusetts, she had told Olin Wellborn, now a federal judge in Los Angeles, but one of her attorneys in the former suit, of the marriage contract.

MAN ROASTED IN OVEN.

Pennsylvania Brick Yard Employee Meets Horrible Death.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 21.—Baked almost beyond recognition, the body of William Polkes, aged 28 years, was discovered today in an oven in the Tansy brick yard, Frankford, where he was employed. He had been missing since Monday. It is supposed that he crawled into the oven to sleep and when the fire was ignited he was roasted to death.

GAVNOR IS DISPLEASED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Mayor Gavnor is displeased at the clamor over the subway situation here. Since the public service commission recommended yesterday the acceptance of an offer of the Inerborough Rapid Transit Company to extend the subway system, acute difference of opinion has arisen among city officials and a clash seems probable at the board of estimate meeting tomorrow when the matter is considered.

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Mer Evidence.

"I had a colored woman before me as a complaining witness," said a criminal court judge. "She had a man held for trial by a city magistrate on the charge that he had attacked her with a pair of scissors. 'He mout' near gouge my eye out, judge,' she said to me. 'Jes' come at me lak a lion, he did, a-rarin' 'uh. He poke me in de face wif de scissors, judge, not once, but for four or five times. He jes' cut up my face lak it was a ynd of ribbon, judge.' The magistrate what held him to dis trial court says he nevah did hear tell of no 'more dangerous man.'

"Well, I looked her over. She had a wide, smooth, yellow face that didn't have a mark on it. I told her to repeat her story, and she went all over it again, telling how the man had slashed her face with that pair of scissors.

"'But, madam, I said, 'there isn't a mark on your face.' " 'Marks,' said she indignantly. 'Marks! What I care for marks, lem me ask you dat? - I got witnesses, I tell you.' -New York Times, Cincinnati Times-Star.

She Had Courage.

A self-possessed young woman who knew no French strolled into one of the larger downtown cafes. She spoke to the waiter in that decisive tone which distinguishes the initiated and glanced over the French bill of fare with the nonchalant air of a Parisienne.

"'I'll have,' she began firmly as she plunged into the sea of French dishes - 'I'll have—let me see. Oh, yes, I'll have some bisque tortoni, a sultana roll, pommes de terre and a little of that fromage. And, garcon, you might as well bring me a cup of coffee.'"

The waiter gasped. He started to speak, but the young woman froze him with one of those leg stares peculiar to the thoroughly sophisticated. And the order arrived—two kinds of ice, boiled potatoes and a piece of cheese. But she ate it as if she had been used to that sort of diet all her life.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Stories on Doctors.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle told several good stories of old-fashioned practitioners he knew. There was one man, he said, who never used to wash out the bait emptied bottles returned to him, but emptied them into one huge jar, from which he dispensed this mixture of medicines to his more obscure patients. "It is like grapesot," he said; "one of them is sure to hit." There was another man who used to say, "When my patients are alive I don't know what is the matter with 'em and when they die I don't know whether they are dead." That was like the medical man who said to a lady whose husband he had been attending, "Madam, I have a very strong belief that your husband is dead, but if it is your wish I have no objection to a consultation."

Cute Little Girl.

One day while Katherine's mother was ill a cup of beef tea was prepared for her, but Katherine fancied it and drank almost all of it. Her father was about to scold her when her mother said: "Never mind; it does me just as much good to see her drink it."

Shortly after this a dose of castor oil was prepared for Katherine, and she poured it into her doll's mouth. "Why Katherine," said her astonished mother, "what did you do that for?"

"That's all right," Katherine replied. "It will do me just as much good if she drinks it."—Boston Herald.

The Danger of Criticism.

If you simply cannot help criticizing at least be careful in selecting your victim. A magazine editor to whom O. Henry had promised a story many times without delivering it sat down one day and wrote him thus: "My Dear O. Henry—If I do not receive that story from you by noon today I am going to put on my No. 11 shoes and come down and kick you down your own stairs. I never fail to keep my promises."

Whereupon O. Henry replied:

"I, too, would keep my promises if I could do all my work with my feet."—Chicago Tribune.

The Battle of a Week.

The battle of a week was the great contest at Tours in which Charles Martel overthrew the Saracens. A. D. 732. The members of the Saracen army are variously estimated at from 400,000 to 700,000, and the historians say that 375,000 were killed on the field. It is suspected that these figures are a gross exaggeration, but it is certain that few battles of history have been either so bloody or so decisive.

In the Mining Business.

"I think you said, Ravatos, that you had a brother in the mining business in the west?" "Yeh, boss, that's right."

"What kind of mining—gold mining, silver mining, or 'n' mining?" "No, sah, nat'ion; those, calculating."—Every.

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DEAD BODY IS FOUND.

Man Believed Burned to Death Near Norfolk Naval Hospital.

NORFOLK, VA., Dec. 21.—The body of an unknown man was found on the beach near the naval hospital today. The body was partly burned, and it is believed the man started a fire, fell into it and was burned to death.

There were several cans of beans and a bottle partly filled with whiskey found near the body. A pawn ticket found in a coat pocket bore the name of "Wilson."

SENT ON TO GRAND JURY.

Roanoke Young Man Held On Charge of Rifling Mail Bags.

ROANOKE, VA., Dec. 21.—Harry Willis, the young railway mail clerk arrested here Monday for rifling mail sacks on trains between Roanoke and Hicks, was today sent on to the United States grand jury by Commissioner White.

Willis was caught by a decoy letter placed in the mail by government inspectors. He is a member of a splendid family in Culpeper county. His bail bond of \$2,000 was renewed with his brother as surety.

New England Women Most Beautiful.

The most beautiful women on the stage come from New England, Mary Shaw told the Society of New England Women at the Waldorf-Astoria. It was a delicate subject to handle, and she would not commit herself to making a list of them. "If I should leave one beauty out," she said, with exclamation marks, but she mentioned a few, beginning with the opera stage—Lillian Nordica, Emma Eames Story, and, for the stage, Maxine Elliott and the late Georgia Cuyvas.

"The New England play is always moral," she said. "No dramatist would ever dare to make it anything else. It makes more money from the improper play. Doesn't that demand a round of applause?" The women clapped.

"But I think we are all tired of the characters we are given as New England types—the women with cork-screw curls in search of a husband, and the rattle-headed woman who is always away from home gossiping. The actresses, even those who are not New England women, do not like those parts. They know, as every one must who makes a study of human nature, that they are not true. They have to dress them as caricatures, and they are caricatures. They would rather have something less amusing and more truthful. We have yet to have the drama that will depict the subtle character of the New England woman."—New York Times.

Massachusetts at the Pic Counter.

"Are any Massachusetts men candidates for the Court of Commerce?" Secretary Norton was asked. The president will this week begin considering filing the court. "Not that I know of," replied the secretary. "But, hold, I will take that back. There are 400 candidates for the places on that court, and, of course, Massachusetts must be represented on that list. Massachusetts would not be Massachusetts if she did not have a candidate for everything going, but I cannot recall who the candidates are, assuming the state is represented on the list, which she no doubt is."—Washington Dispatch to Boston Advertiser.

Pointed Paragraph.

The man who uses all the knowledge he has has all the knowledge he can use.

When the bills come in the first of the month a man resolves to practice economy.

A woman's fingers are all thumbs when she attempts to get money out of her purse for the purpose of paying another woman's car fare.—Chicago News.

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