

GETTING INTO LINE

Almost All the Local Ball Players Arrive in Town

WOODCOCK MAY REPORT TO-DAY

Local Amateur Athletes Have an Interesting Entertainment

EX-EMPIRE ZACHARIAH KILLED BY CAR

It is expected that all the local ball players signed to play here will be in the city to-day, including Pitcher Woodcock.

It looked like the height of the baseball season yesterday afternoon at headquarters, on Wood street, and many an old story was told and many a prediction made, of course.

Many of the players are anxious to know who are going to be kept and who are going to be released. It is certain that 19 men are not going to be retained, and probably five of that number will have to go specifically.

Many conjectures have been and are still being made as to who will be released, but the management decline to say what guess is right and what is wrong.

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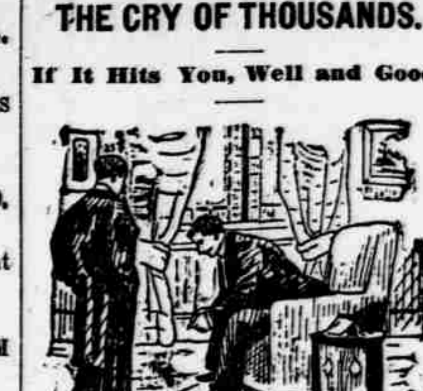
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Mr. Raun's Vague Ideas of What is Meant by a Muzzled Press

RAUM DENIES IT ALL

The Pension Commissioner Has Lots of Negatives to Questions

NOT A SINGLE HINT ADMITTED

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DISCHARGES CAUSED BY CRITICISM

WASHINGTON, March 30.—The examination of Pension Commissioner Raun was resumed to-day by the Special Pension Office Investigating Committee of the House.

Mr. Raun denied the reasons for the discharge of the pension officer. The Commissioner read three letters, in two of which he asked the dismissal of Renaud from the Pension office.

In these letters Mr. Raun called attention to articles which had appeared in the New York Tribune criticizing the conduct of pension officials and commenting particularly upon one case.

The Commissioner wrote that Mr. Renaud admitted having the papers in the case on his desk, but gave no explanation as to why he had not the papers on his desk.

Mr. Renaud's duties did not require him to examine the papers, and he had no right to take the papers from the files. The articles could not have been written without these papers and while Mr. Renaud denied having written the article, he admitted that he had written a writer for the Tribune.

The article was a misstatement of the case. Mr. Raun, in his letter, further stated that the discharge of Renaud was not the result of official hostility, but was the result of a "physical wreck" article, and Mr. Raun demanded his dismissal on the ground that no clerk in the department should be permitted to attack the head of the bureau in which he served.

Renaud still in the Census Office. Renaud was dismissed from the Pension Office. Subsequently he was employed in the Census Office, and witnessed there a third letter to the Secretary of the Pension Office, in which attention was called to Renaud's employment. Renaud was still in the Census Office.

Mr. Raun's Commissioner said he had never heard that Secretary Noble had said the article in the article was not really a "physical wreck" article, and Mr. Raun had refused to assist witness in ascertaining the name of the author. Renaud had written the papers were put on his desk by mistake.

Mr. Enloe asked the Commissioner how long it was since the New York Tribune had ceased to make any upon his administration. The Commissioner said he could not tell. He was not usually a reader of the Tribune.

"Did you?" Mr. Enloe asked, "send anybody to see Mr. Russell Harrison, or did you go to see him to ask him to use his influence with the manager or the controlling powers of the Tribune to stop this attack upon your administration?"

"Did not," Mr. Enloe said.

"Do you know of anybody being to see him for that purpose?"

"Do not know anything about it."

"Do you know of Mr. Lemmon having performed such a service?"

"I have no knowledge or information on the subject."

"Do you know of anybody having spoken to Mr. Whitehead Reid to get him to stop this correspondence attacking your administration?"

"I have no knowledge of it."

"Have you ever heard of such a thing?"

"I understood that one of the principal men of the Tribune office was in the city here, and that he had some conversation, probably at the Secretary's office, with the man who was in charge of the Tribune, probably with General Bussey. I did not see the gentleman and had no conversation with him."

"Do you know what the conversation with General Bussey was?"

"I do not. I learned that the gentleman seemed to be laboring under the impression that the Department was very much dissatisfied with my management of the Pension office, and that they informed him quite to the contrary; that they thought I was giving to the country a good administration of the Pension Office."

"As it General Bussey who told you so?"

"What General Bussey Comes In. He informed me of something of that kind. I suppose that this gentleman also saw Secretary Harrison, but I have had no conversation with Mr. Noble about it. I did have with General Bussey. He volunteered to make the statement."

"Did General Bussey state that that matter had been arranged?"

"I do not know. I was surprised at being informed that the Department thought that my administration was good, and that the criticisms upon it were not just."

"Did General Bussey tell you that Mr. Russell Harrison and Mr. Lemmon and other gentlemen had interfered with this matter?"

"No, sir; that is entirely new to me."

"You have not heard what it was that brought this man here from New York?"

"No, sir."

"What was his name?"

"I cannot recall his name. I was not acquainted with him."

"Do you not understand that the influence of the administration was brought to bear on Mr. Whitehead Reid to stop these attacks?"

"I have no direct information on the subject."

"Do not suppose you have any direct information, but has not that been your understanding?"

"One way to have the Press Muzzled. I cannot state that I have any information on the subject. Persons have spoken to me with some indignation about the manner in which the Tribune was conducting itself in the matter, and said that Mr. Reid ought to be spoken to."

"Did the President ever express himself to you in that way?"

"No, sir. I never talked with the President about it."

"Did Mr. Russell Harrison?"