

MR. BAILEY IS PETULANT

Special dispatch to the Chicago Tribune: Washington, D. C., July 27.—Senator Bailey of Texas, the chief defender of Lorimer in the previous investigation of the Illinois senatorial scandal, resigned today from the committee on privileges and elections.

With Lorimer whitewash behind him and the investigation of the Stephenson senatorial scandal facing him, Bailey suddenly and effectually wafted himself out of the danger zone.

This is regarded one of the most sensational developments in the history of the events preceding and following the whitewash of William Lorimer by the senate in the last congress. As the champion of Lorimer the Texas senator has borne a large share of the burden of odium which the country has bestowed upon the senators who voted to keep the Illinois boss in the seat procured by bribery.

In Texas, where he will be a candidate for re-election next year, Bailey has suffered a merciless excoriation from press and public.

Chairman Dillingham of the committee on privileges and elections recently appointed Bailey a member of a subcommittee of five to examine the charges of corruption in the election of Senator Stephenson of Wisconsin and report whether an investigation is warranted by the evidence. The other democrat on the subcommittee is Paynter of Kentucky, who was defeated for renomination recently largely by his defense of Lorimer.

Senator Bailey handed in his resignation this morning and at a late hour tonight he had not retracted it so far as could be learned. Whether he will stay resigned or will change his mind and decide that he never resigned at all as he did when severing his connection with the senate on March 4 last remains to be seen.

Mr. Bailey says he is too busy to give any of his time to the work of the committee. That is what he says in his formal official statement given out for publication. But it appears from the reasons he has given his friends that he is extremely peevish as a result of his experiences with the previous Lorimer investigation and with the prospect of the approaching Stephenson inquiry.

The democratic organization in the senate will be called upon to fill the vacancy in the committee caused by the resignation of Mr. Bailey, that is, in the event the Texas senator does not renege.

WATCH IT GROW

Mr. Bryan has given instructions that every new subscriber shall receive The Commoner for a period of two years (which will carry it beyond the presidential election of 1912) for the sum of one dollar. Every Commoner reader is asked to secure at least one new subscriber. Many will be able to secure more than one. Everyone, however, may render some aid in this work.

The following named readers have sent in new subscribers:

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“ASK THE CANDIDATE”

Commoner readers everywhere are advised to submit to the various presidential candidates questions something like the following:

- 1 Question—Do you favor tariff for revenue only?
- 1 Answer
- 2 Q—Do you favor free raw material and the placing of a revenue duty only on manufactured goods?
- 2 A.....
- 3 Q—Do you believe that in the revision of the tariff the element of protection should be given consideration?
- 3 A.....
- 4 Q—Do you believe that the three branches of government are co-ordinate and that each one should keep within its constitutional sphere?
- 4 A.....
- 5 Q—Do you approve the recent Standard Oil decision wherein the United States supreme court legislated the word “unreasonable” into the Sherman anti-trust act?
- 5 A.....
- 6 Q—Do you favor the repeal of the criminal clause of the anti-trust law or do you believe that in view of supreme court legislation congress should make it clear that all restraint of trade is unreasonable?
- 6 A.....
- 7 Q—Do you favor the election of senators by the people?
- 7 A.....
- 8 Q—Do you favor the income tax?
- 8 A.....
- 9 Q—Do you believe that it is the duty of the American people to promise independence to the Filipinos immediately and to give it in the same way in which they gave independence to the Cubans?
- 9 A.....
- 10 Q—Do you believe in the publicity of campaign contributions and expenditures both before and after election day in order that the people may know in advance the

character of support each party and candidate receives?

- 10 A.....
- 11 Q—Are you willing that the source of every dollar of contribution made to your campaign fund either after your nomination or during the contest for the nomination shall be made public prior to election day?
- 11 A.....
- 12 Q—Do you believe in the support of the state governments in all their rights?
- 12 A.....
- 13 Q—Do you indorse the labor planks of the 1908 platform?
- 13 A.....
- 14 Q—Do you believe in the strict regulation of railroads?
- 14 A.....
- 15 Q—Do you indorse the democratic platform of 1908 respecting trusts wherein it declares that “a private monopoly is indefensible and intolerable” and presents a remedy?
- 15 A.....
- 16 Q—Do you approve the plan known as the Aldrich currency scheme?
- 16 A.....
- 17 Q—Do you favor asset currency in any form?
- 17 A.....
- 18 Q—Do you believe in the establishment of what is known as a central bank?
- 18 A.....
- 19 Q—Do you favor legislation compelling banks to insure depositors?
- 19 A.....

Let democrats everywhere ask questions and secure answers, thus finding out just what every candidate stands for. In this way democrats may be able to determine with some degree of intelligence as to the available candidate.

The Commoner will be glad to print the replies made to these questions by gentlemen whose names have been mentioned in connection with the democratic presidential nomination.

- Enoth Baker, W. Va., 8; R. C. Anderson, Ore., 7; I. F. Morrisey, Cal., 11; Abram Burket, Pa., 9; F. B. Niles Kan., 6; Martin Olson Ia., 5; W. H. Howard, Fla., 6; W. H. Bradley, Ill., 5; L. N. Spencer, Pa., 5; H. C. Liggett, Ia., 5; M. A. Hoyt, Ia., 6; Wm. M. McNutt, Ind., 5; S. J. Euerly, Ill., 5; O. O. Chrisman, Tex., 5; J. F. Kent, Ia., 5; H. H. Poindexter, Mo., 5; T. J. Emmett, Mo., 5; G. Frick, O., 5; David Lowry, Ida., 10; J. B. Stanley, Ind., 5; Clyde D. Hawkins, Kan., 5; Wm. Dent, W. Va., 12; W. S. McClain, Kan., 5; H. M. Purdy, Neb., 5; N. P. Eisemayer, Cal., 5; Geo. Reid, N. J., 5; C. A. Carne, N. Y., 5; W. H. Barlow, Ill., 6; A. Pursell, Pa., 6; T. C. Bagg, Ind., 5; W. Canaday, Cal., 5; Arne Swennes, Minn., 5; A. W. Scott, Colo., 11; G. B. Flicklin, Mo., 6; J. A. Reinbold, Pa., 7; F. W. Lorey, Tex., 5; Saml. Devine, Ore., 6; Col. W. H. Conrad, O., 5; Jno. H. Hinton, Okla., 6; A. J. McBride, N. J., 10; J. P. Smith, S. D., 5; O. P. Carswell, Tex., 5; C. W. Dilley, Pa., 6; J. F. Gereke, Neb., 4; H. N. Neireiter, Ind., 5; E. J. Cantwell, Mo., 5; J. M. Blakely, Cal., 5; Henry A. Parsons, Kan., 5; F. Broughton, Wis., 12; W. C. Heaston, Mo., 6; McEldin Dun, O., 12; Dr. J. W. Wells, Ky., 8; T. W. Huston, Mo., 5; D. W. Knight, W. Va., 5; J. H. Birch, N. J., 10; D. J. Gates, Neb., 6; L. E. Larson, Ia., 5; Jno. H. Eckles, Ind., 5; J. H. Vance, Ind., 5; W. H. Mackey, Mo., 5; L. G. Moyers, Ariz., 6; S. F. Lane, N. M., 5; N. M. Thompson, S. D., 5; J. R. Armor, Pa., 5; R. A. Laurin, Cal., 10; A. T. Flint, P. L., 5; J. A. Thomas, Mo., 16; C. D. Ames, N.

- Y., 5; S. F. McMillan, Tex., 5; E. Garrison, Mich., 5; J. M. Head, Mass., 5; W. A. Kelley, Ark., 5; Wm. Dolin, Mo., 5; Jake M. Coates, Ia., 6; Geo. H. Shelton Mo., 6; J. B. Wilson, Ind., 8; Jno. R. Boddie, Mo., 23; Jno. Hawthorne, Ill., 5; J. F. Walker, Kan., 11; Raphael Sims, N. Y., 11; A. M. Garrett, Ia., 35; C. L. Douglass, Pa., 14; W. W. Alward, Cal., 5; Wm. Armbruster, O., 6; M. P. McCraws, W. Va., 5; Jack Smith, O., 5; J. H. McMullan, Jr., N. C., 5; E. A. Brown, S. D., 5; J. H. Redenius, Wis., 12; L. S. Luthy, Mo., 10; W. B. Nicklin, Mo., 6; J. E. Alexander, Wash., 10; Col. Brackett, O., 11; C. H. Wintersteen, Mo., 6; J. K. Montgomery, Ia., 6; S. C. Wilkins, Ia., 7; Eliza Beal, Ind., 6; L. H. Howe, Ia., 5; P. J. Sheridan, Pa., 15; Ross F. Stout, W. Va., 5; W. J. Scates, Tenn., 11; Mark. H. Fennelly, Mass., 5.

THE BREWERS' TRUST

To the editor of the New York World: Of the many organizations which operate in “violation of the Sherman anti-trust law,” of the many “corporations in restraint of trade” and the combinations guilty of “conscious wrong-doing,” is there any equal to the united brewers and distillers and their allied corporations? Why, then, is it that no attempt is made to deal with them? In Manhattan alone there were 163 known violations of the excise laws in one day of May. Its entire product is lawlessness, vice, crime, insanity, poverty and restraint of legitimate trade.

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