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By Associated Press.
Washington, D. C., Nov. 14.—President Taft met his cabinet today for the first time in three months. Secretary Stimson was the only member present. The head of the war department is in Kansas City, Mo., where today he makes an address on the Panama canal.

The reassembling of the president's official family gave recurrence to the rumors that Secretary Wilson is soon to resign. This is generally believed to be true and in official circles it is stated the secretary of agriculture is only delaying the announcement of his resignation until President Taft decides upon another man for his place. It is said the portfolio has been offered to at least two men, prominent in scientific agricultural work who declined it. Today's meeting was largely devoted to consideration of the president's message to congress and official reports of the cabinet officers.

Recommendations to Congress.

The president's recommendations to congress for supplementary anti-trust legislation probably along the lines of a federal incorporation act will be formed after thorough conference with Attorney-General Wickham.

It is understood the president's advisors today pointed out that the work of the coming congress would center upon two main issues—the tariff and the trusts.

With democratic leaders declaring for some readjustment of the Sherman law and republican insurgents declaring for some affirmative legislation to point out for the legal conduct of big business, the president's closest counselors seem to favor some legislation which will permit business to go ahead and know where it stands.

It became known today that a decision in the First National City bank case will be made known soon by the president, although some steps have been taken to dissolve the relations between the bank and the National City Company.

Aldrich Currency Plan.

Certain powerful western bankers, particularly a Chicago group, are reported to be insisting that the legality of such a corporation as the National Company be fully determined before they will give their full support to the Aldrich plan of currency reform.

It is understood that Attorney-General Wickham has reported to the president that the recent action of the National City Company in disposing of certain of its bank stock holdings does not eliminate all the conditions which he criticized in his investigation.

BAVARIAN DIET DISSOLVED.

By Associated Press.
Munich, Bavaria, Nov. 14.—The Diet was dissolved today as a result of a conflict between the center and radical parties on the one hand and the minister of railways on the other, in which the regent supported the ministry.

International Harvester Com- pany Fined \$50,000 For Violating Anti-Trust Law

By Associated Press.
Jefferson City, Mo., Nov. 14.—The supreme court of the state of Missouri today issued a writ of ouster against the International Harvester Company and assessed a fine of \$50,000 for violation of the anti-trust law.

Supreme Court Doubles Its Pace

By Associated Press.
Washington, Nov. 14.—The staid old supreme court of the United States has the members of the bar on the run. It all results from a reform that is "reshaping."

Instead of hearing arguments in only seventy-five cases before the Christmas holidays as was done last year the court promises to have presented to it before the Christmas recess this year twice that number. Indications now are that the court will dispose of half as many more cases this year as it did last year. Lawyers with cases to be heard are being caught unawares and many are hustling forward briefs now that they expected to submit during the winter.

The change in pace is generally credited to Chief Justice White. His most potent rule in this direction is regarded to be the one recently adopted reducing the time for oral arguments before the court. Instead of four hours for each case as in the past, now only three hours is given to the most complicated cases and those arising under the so-called criminal appeals act, those certified from the circuit courts of appeals and those involving only the point of jurisdiction a mere hour and a half is accorded to the hearing.

It is predicted that memorandum opinions "by the court" rather than extended discussions by a member of the tribunal will become more common as a result of changed conditions.

PRESIDENT TO TACKLE HIGH COST OF LIVING

By Associated Press.
Washington, Nov. 14.—President Taft is planning to take up the high cost of living in a special message to congress which he transmits the report of the tariff boards investigation of the wood and cotton schedules.

It is also said the president will vigorously rene his recommendations for a parcels post. The tariff board's findings will show, it is declared, that much of the high cost of living is due to the middleman rather than the tariff.

Cane Crop Seriously Hurt by Cold Snap

By Associated Press.
New Orleans, La., Nov. 14.—The loss caused by the recent cold weather to the Louisiana cane crop is variously estimated at from five to twelve million dollars.

Many sections report that buds were killed by the freeze and although the worst is thought to be over, it is feared that a sudden rise of temperature will result in the plants rotting in the field during regeneration.



ARTHUR J. BALFOUR.
Arthur J. Balfour of England, who recently resigned his leadership of the opposition. He gave as the reason of his retirement, ill health, increasing age and the desirability of the leadership passing into younger hands. Mr. Balfour will remain in the House of Commons, although he would be elevated to the peerage, if he so desired. While he, as an expatriate, was recognized as the leader of the whole party, the leadership will now be divided, his successor sharing it with Lord Lansdowne. It is thought that the Rt. Hon. Walter Hume Long, who represents the Strand, will be the other successor to Mr. Balfour.

SOME HEADWAY AGAINST HEAPS OF GARBAGE

By Associated Press.
New York, Nov. 14.—Some headway was made today against heaps of garbage and rubbish, which, since the cartmen of the street cleaning department struck last Wednesday night has accumulated at the rate of nearly 10,000 loads a day. By night, the department promised, collections would be going on as usual.

A general teamsters strike, however, is the weapon with which the union organizers now propose to fight the city. But it was evident that no radical steps would be taken until the strikers had exhausted their last means to make the mayor and the street cleaning department negotiate.

Of the 1,800 men on the job yesterday the department this morning added nearly a thousand. Many of these recruits came from Chicago, Pittsburg, Boston, Philadelphia, Providence and Buffalo.

Urges Regulation Of Prices

By Associated Press.
Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 14.—Regulation of prices by a national commission similar to the interstate commerce commission rather than the general dissolution by the government of the so-called trusts was urged by President Van Hise, of the University of Wisconsin, before the students of Harvard University today.

"When great economic advantage can be shown from concentration of industry," he said, "such concentration should not be broken up now prohibited. Nevertheless, the conditions which make possible excessive profits cannot longer be allowed to exist. If existing concentrations are permitted to continue, it is certain that they must be controlled."

Experience with the railroad rate problem points the way to the expansion of state and national commissions having powers with reference to industrial companies similar to, but greater than those of existing railroad rate commissions.

"BEEF TRUST" TO GO ON TRIAL NEXT MONDAY

By Associated Press.
Chicago, Ill., Nov. 14.—With the trial of members of the so-called "Beef Trust" set for next Monday in the United States district court on the charge of criminal violation of the Sherman anti-trust act, it became known today that since the return of the indictments there has been a complete reorganization of the National Packing Company. In the opinion of the government officials this company is the central point of the so-called trust.

Private weekly meetings at which the government charges prices were fixed, territories allotted and amounts of inter-state shipments by each firm decided, have been discontinued and in their place monthly meetings are now held by the directors.

Edward Tilden, president of the company and one of the 10 men under indictment, remains as president and director. J. Ogden Armour, Edward Morris, the Swifts and other defendants have resigned. Nine men instead of 19 now make up the board of directors.

The grand jury, acting on the testimony of Jerome H. Pratt, head of the beef sales department of Armour & Co., regarding the business transacted at these weekly secret meetings, found that they had been in vogue long before 1902, when the government filed its first bill of injunction and had continued regularly up to the time of the indictment.

Pratt testified that the memorandum showing the amounts to be shipped by Armour & Co. were taken by him to Thomas G. Lee, dressed beef manager of Armour & Co. each Tuesday up to the time of his withdrawal; that this information served as Lee's guidance during the week; that he was also informed of the amounts allotted to Swift & Co., Morris & Co., and the G. H. Hammond Company; that written summaries were prepared each week showing the amount of the week's sales to be used as data for the next private meeting; that he had been furnished weekly printed tables showing the margins of difference between cost and selling price at the other three plants and that Lee and other officials had habitually referred to the big packing companies by arbitrary code letters and not by their corporate names in speaking and writing of them in connection with matters of interstate commerce.

Important Session Of Labor Federation

By Associated Press.
Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 14.—The executive council of the American Federation of Labor, now holding its thirty-first annual convention in this city, today recommended that the carpenters and joiners, suspended at the last meeting of the federation in St. Louis, be reinstated. More than 200,000 carpenters and joiners will be affected by the action of the convention on the recommendation.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 14.—Business of interest and importance to organized labor in all parts of the United States is being transacted today by the American Federation of Labor, the 31st annual convention of that order having been called to order here yesterday.

This morning's session which began at 9:30 o'clock, was featured by the introduction of resolutions relating to many subjects.

The afternoon meeting of the Federation was held at 2 o'clock and will continue throughout the day. At this session general business matters are being taken up and discussed by the labor delegates.

Charleston Navy Yard To Be The "Mother" Of All Torpedo Boats in Future

By Associated Press.
Washington, D. C., Nov. 14.—Although it has been the desire of the navy department to abolish a number of the smaller southern navy yards, it now seems possible a new policy of specialization will result in the continuance of the active plants in active service. The idea would be to have each station cover some particular field of naval work or serve as a training station or base of supplies.



THE WEATHER.

By Associated Press.
Washington, Nov. 14.—Forecast:
North and South Carolina and Georgia—Unsettled weather, probably rain tonight or Wednesday, rising temperature, moderate to east winds.



PROBABLE SUCCESSOR TO THE POPE.

Above is the picture of Cardinal Merry del Val, and below Cardinal Rampolla. Both Cardinals are the two dominating figures in Rome today, being the center of discussion as to the probability of either ascending to the high office now held by Pius X. Cardinal Merry del Val is the papal secretary of State. Although the Cardinal occupies the most important position in the Catholic church next to the Pope, a commanding figure stands between him and the steps of that throne to which he is so near. During the last illness of Pius X. the attitude of the Sacred College in case of a conclave has been clearly defined and has resulted in a sort of plebiscite in favor of Cardinal Rampolla. A number of Cardinal Rampolla's supporters are already considering this quiet and dignified cleric as the "Pope-elect."

THREE THOUSAND DELEGATES AT GOOD ROADS CONGRESS

By Associated Press.
Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 14.—With nearly three thousand delegates present from all parts of the United States in the Washington state good roads convention of the American Road Builders Association and the American Good Roads Congress assembled in convention hall today for a four days session.

In connection with the convention there is an exhibit of road building and street paving machinery, materials and appliances.

The session was called to order by President Harold Parker, chairman of the Massachusetts highway commission. The morning program included addresses by Samuel H. Ripley, president of the Washington state good roads association; N. J. Batchelder, master of the national grange, and James P. Hooper, president of the American Automobile Association.

Yacht Alvina Lost.

By Associated Press.
Duluth, Minn., Nov. 14.—The steam yacht Alvina owned by Thomas F. Cole, of Duluth, has not yet reported her whereabouts since the big "blow" of Saturday and early inquiries today failed to give any trace of her.

are a great many of these little vessels in the service now and the plans of naval strategists contemplate quadrupling the number in the course of a few years.

An illustration of what the Charleston navy yard can do was furnished recently when one of the torpedo boats bound for New York to participate in the naval rendezvous, smashed a cylinder and put in there. The Charleston mechanics agreed to replace the cylinder in one-third of the time and at one-sixth of the cost demanded by the builders of the vessel.

Republican Tri- Color Waves Over City Of Amoy

Children Sing as Prelates Depart

By Associated Press.
New York, Nov. 14.—Six thousand children and more sang bon voyage in St. Patrick's cathedral today to Archbishop John Farley, of New York, and the Most Rev. Diomedeo Falconio, apostolic delegate to Washington, who sailed for Rome, where they will be elevated to the college of cardinals.

Large numbers of clergymen and laymen accompanied them to Hoboken where they boarded the Kron Prinzessin Cecelle.

The liner strayed from the beaten path to skirt as closely as she could the Staten Island shore, where thousands watched her steam out to sea.

Stimson And Aldrich At Commercial Congress

By Associated Press.
Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 14.—Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson and former United States Senator Nelson W. Aldrich, chairman of the monetary committee, were the principal speakers at the opening session of the 22nd annual trans-Mississippi commercial congress, which began here today. Secretary Stimson discussed affairs of his department and Senator Aldrich outlined his ideas of currency reform under the head of "Currency Legislation."

Seven hundred delegates were present when Arthur C. Trumbo, of Muskogee, chairman of the executive committee, called the convention to order with the declaration that the "conclusions of the congress should be morally binding on every western congressman and senator at Washington."

LONG AND SHORT HAUL CLAUSE IS CONSTITUTIONAL

By Associated Press.
Washington, D. C., Nov. 14.—In the majority opinion of the commerce court, formally handed down today in the trans-continental rat case, it is held that the long and short haul provision of the interstate commerce act is constitutional. Judge Archibald concurs in the issuance of a temporary injunction of the orders of the interstate commerce commission but his opinion holds the long and short haul provision to be invalid.

TO SAVE THE RIGHTS OF GERMAN EXPORTERS

By Associated Press.
Washington, Nov. 14.—Following the verbal representations previously made to this government in regard to duties on wood pulp and printing paper, the German embassy has sent a note to the state department, formally claiming, under the favored nation clause of the existing treaty, the same privileges enjoyed by Canadian pulp and paper of free entry into America.

The German note is purely formal and is simply intended as explained at the embassy to save the rights of German exporters.

Several countries have already laid claim to exemption from the paper and pulp duties on similar grounds, and it is expected that within a short time every nation that exports pulp or low grade paper will have registered in the state department applications for equal privileges with Canada.

Excitement That Preceded Change of Government Quickly Allayed—General Feeling of Relief—Shops Remain Open.

By Associated Press.
Amoy, China, Nov. 14.—The republican tri-color waves over the city today. There is no disorder, the shops remain open and there is a general feeling of relief.

Early this afternoon crowds began to assemble for a conference with the revolutionary leaders. At 2:30 o'clock the gunboat Quenai, flying the dragon flag, cast off her lines and steamed out of the harbor. Then about 1,000 revolutionists formed in line and marched to the walled city where they raised the republican emblem over the taotai's palace at 2:05 o'clock. Simultaneously a few tri-colors were displayed in other quarters of the city. Many Japanese and white flags also appeared.

Excitement Allayed.
Excitement that preceded the change of government was quickly allayed. Fear of excesses had kept the populace in a nervous state. For several days there had been no local government and the maintenance of public order devolved upon volunteer guards recruited from the best families.

On Sunday representatives of the conservative element who favored the establishment of the temporary independence of the city made a futile attempt to compromise with the radical faction which demanded the surrender of the city to the revolutionists.

Last night it was plain the radicals were in control and, alarmed at the possibility of mob rule, Taotai Chang fled to Hong Kong.

Throughout the night a feeling of uneasiness prevailed and this was increased this morning by a rumor that the wells of the city had been poisoned by Manchus from Foo Chow. Later today quiet prevailed.

The arrival of the American cruiser Saratoga, the monitor Monterey and the gunboat Quires and the British torpedo boat destroyers Janus and Virago this morning helped to restore confidence.

Rodney Diegle Gets New Trial

By Associated Press.
Columbus, O., Nov. 14.—Rodney J. Diegle, former sergeant-at-arms of the state senate, convicted in the common pleas and circuit courts of having aided and abetted in the bribery of state senator L. R. Andrews and sentenced to serve three years in the state penitentiary was today granted leave to file a bill of exceptions to the ruling of the circuit court by the supreme court. The supreme court will review all evidence.

Verdict in Semnole Securities Case Upheld

By Associated Press.
Columbia, S. C., Nov. 14.—Affirming the verdict of the Richland county circuit court, the supreme court of South Carolina upheld the conviction of John Y. Garlington, and J. Stobo Young, president and secretary of the Semnole Securities Company on a charge of breach of trust. Garlington was sentenced to 3 years in the penitentiary and Young to 1 year's imprisonment.

The specific charge on which the conviction was secured in January, 1910, was that Garlington and Young appropriated to themselves \$55,598 belonging to the Semnole Company.

By Associated Press.
Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 14.—J. T. Crawford, general bookkeeper of the Dale County bank at Ozark, Ala., was arrested here yesterday afternoon on a warrant sworn out by state bank examiner E. C. Merdith, charging the embezzlement of approximately \$10,000. The accusation is the result of an examination made October 7 by two bank examiners who discovered the alleged shortage but kept it quiet pending further investigation.

Crawford comes from a prominent family. He was arraigned and upon waiving examination was held to the grand jury on \$1,000 bond.

BOOKKEEPER CHARGED WITH
EMBEZZLING \$10,000.