

THE WEATHER. Fair Sunday and Monday, moderate west and northwest winds.

THE EVENING STAR FOUNDED 1867

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS. Mr. Dooley says it occasionally smashes in the door—take a look over the Business Local columns of today's paper.

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WILMINGTON, N. C., SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 13, 1910.

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ISSUED AN ORDER AGAINST SOUTHERN RAILROAD Prevents Road From Withdrawing Tariffs From Tennessee Central. SIMILAR ACTION IN CHICAGO Injunction Against Illinois Central, Also Parties to the Litigation—Claims Tariffs Would Disrupt Business.

TAFT HITS AT BRIBERY CASE. Reference to Allis-Congor Conspiracy in New York Senate. Joint Conference With Republican State Leaders.

FIFTY PERISHED IN WRECK AT SEA. Pacific Steamer Lima Foundered on Island of Haumbulin Passage. 205 PASSENGERS ARE SAVED. Forced to Leave Part of Passengers Aboard—British Steamer Came to Rescue—Bound to Peruvian Ports.

SLAYER OF HOLT CONVICTED. Solomon Shepard Sentenced to 30 Years in Prison—Defendant Claims He Killed Engineer by Accident—Second Degree.

TAFT UPHOLDING PARTY'S PLEDGES. President Speaks For The Administration at Lincoln Day Dinner. LAW ENFORCEMENT IS SLOGAN. Answers Wall Street and Its Cry of Panic—Declares for the Payne Tariff—Discussed Administration Attacks.

TUG AND CREW ARE MISSING. Diligent Search for Naval Tug Nina Overdue Between Norfolk and Boston—Cutters and Cruisers on the Alert.

CANNON PRAISES LIFE OF LINCOLN. Addresses Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce at Memorial Dinner. WAS FOREMOST REPUBLICAN. Speaker Recites Features of Career of First Leader of His Party—Associated With Lincoln in Life.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 12.—Based on complaint of the Tennessee Central Railroad, Judge Edmund Waddill, Jr., in the United States Circuit Court here today issued a restraining order against the Southern Railway by which the latter is prevented from withdrawing tariff rates and traffic agreements, which the Tennessee Central claims would virtually disrupt its interstate business.

New York, Feb. 12.—President Taft came to New York today sat for an hour and a half in conference with Republican State leaders, said little, but heard much concerning the latest scandal—the Allis-Congor bribery case at Albany—and, departing, confided to intimates that the "situation looks very bad."

Santiago, Chile, Feb. 12.—The Pacific Navigation Company's steamer Lima is ashore on one of the islands of the Haumbulin Passage of the Straits of Magellan and will probably be a total loss. The chief pilot and 50 passengers were drowned.

Durham N. C., Feb. 12.—Solomon Shepard, charged with the killing of Engineer Holt, of the Southern Railway, 14 months ago, was today convicted by a jury in Judge Biggs' court of murder in the second degree and sentenced to serve 30 years in the penitentiary.

New York, Feb. 12.—"If the enforcement of the law is not consistent with the present method of carrying on business, then it does not speak well for the present methods of conducting business, and they must be changed to conform to the law."

Washington, Feb. 12.—Somewhere off the Atlantic coast between Norfolk and Boston, a little naval tug with 32 men on board is wallowing in the great ocean billows with broken machinery, awaiting the arrival of any one of eight government vessels that are speeding towards the place where she is supposed to be.

Pittsburg, Feb. 12.—"On to Cairo" read a button that was pinned to the coat lapel of Speaker J. G. Cannon when he rose to address the chamber of commerce at its annual Lincoln Day banquet here tonight.

In Chicago yesterday Judge Kohlsatt of the United States Circuit Court, issued a similar injunction in the Tennessee Central suit against the Illinois Central, the other party to the litigation.

Discussion centered almost solely in the Allis-Congor case, involving the two leading proposals whether the party should investigate to the limit or if possible another it. The consensus of opinion appeared to be on adjournment to probe to the bottom regardless of results.

The British steamer Hathumet rescued 205 of the persons aboard the steamer, but was forced to leave 88 persons aboard, whom it was impossible to rescue.

The defendant testified in the trial that the killing of the engineer was an accident, but that he had fired a shot intended for the brakeman of the train. In his charge to the jury Judge Biggs declared that as the State produced no other evidence than Shepard's confession, a verdict of murder in the first degree was impossible.

This was President Taft's answer to Wall Street and its cry of "panic." It was made to a cheering audience of hundreds of prominent Republicans gathered tonight at the annual Lincoln Day dinner of the Republican Club of this city, held at the Waldorf-Astoria.

Nearly a week ago, last Sunday morning at 6:30 o'clock, the naval tug Nina steamed out of Hampton Roads bound for Boston. She had just safely towed from Boston to Norfolk two submarines and was on her way homeward. Before the day was far advanced a stiff northwest wind sprang up making what sailor men call a "nasty sea."

Representative Samuel W. McCall, of Massachusetts, Gov. Edwin S. Stant of Pennsylvania, and Bishop C. W. Smith, of the Methodist church in Alaska also paid tribute to Abraham Lincoln.

The Tennessee Central Railroad Company is connected in Tennessee with the Southern Railway and the Illinois Central Railroad Company.

Apparently iterating this determination to investigate, although not referring specifically to the Allis-Congor controversy, President Taft, speaking to the Republican club at the Waldorf tonight said:

The Lima is 401 feet long, registers 3,115 tons and was built in Glasgow in 1907.

The President then discussed attacks made upon the administration, the danger to the success of the party as a result of the insurgent movement and other dissensions.

He declared that the administration can be counted on to enforce the law in the way best calculated to prevent a destruction of public confidence in business, but that it must enforce the law, goes without saying.

From Norfolk went the swift scout cruiser Salem and the battleship Louisiana; these vessels were instructed to cruise as far as Cape May along the coast.

Speaker Cannon's address was merely a few leaves from his memoirs of the martyred president, a few glances and side lights upon an association which began with the young lawyer practicing before the same bar.

Citizens at Whistler, Ala., Up in Arms—Wounds Not Fatal. Mobile, Ala., Feb. 12.—After hiding from a mob of angry citizens Whistler a small town near Mobile for nearly a month, Sheriff Drago tonight succeeded in landing in jail Houston Moseley, the negro charged with the criminal assault and beating of Katie Walters, a white girl, 12 years old.

It should be well understood that with the Republican party in its present condition with its various divisions subjected to the cross-fire of its own newspapers and its own factions, any halt or failure on the part of those in authority to punish and condemn corruption or corrupt methods will be properly visited upon the party itself, however many good men it contains.

The place where the steamer was wrecked is probably Haumbulin Passage, located between the south shore of San Pedro Island and Chile. It is a narrow passage, full of dangers and very difficult of navigation.

Mr. Ed McNolla, machinist at the National Cotton Mill, while working on the engine while in motion one day this week, was struck in the mouth by the wrench he was using, as it was knocked out of his hand by the piston rod.

Defending the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill, the President declared that it substantially complied with the party's pledge for tariff revision and that through this bill the party had "set itself strongly in the right direction toward lower tariffs."

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SOPHOMORES BANQUET. Class of 1912 Enjoyed Festive Occasion at Chapel Hill. (Special Star Telegram.) Chapel Hill, N. C., Feb. 12.—Last night the sophomore class of the University of North Carolina held their first annual banquet in the dining hall of University Inn.

There seems to be some doubt, according to the dispatches from Santiago and Ancud, respectively, as to the rescue being impossible. They had no drinking water, the tanks having burst. The first mate of the Lima and 50 passengers were drowned.

BRYAN FAVORS COUNTY OPTION. Time for Political Parties to be Independent of Liquor Interests. Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 12.—In a statement given to the press tonight W. J. Bryan declares himself in favor of county option in Nebraska and at the same time says it is time for political parties to declare themselves independent of the liquor interests.

ASHEVILLE RETAILERS. Many of Them Skip Out From Superior Court. Asheville, N. C., Feb. 11.—With approximately 50 cases charging retailing many of them on appeal from the police court, superior court has disposed of several of them.

The Ninia had an able commander in the person of Chief Boatswain John S. Croghan, who had been in command of the Ninia since 1908 and was regarded as a thoroughly competent navigator.

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17 INCHES IN PITTSBURG. One of the Heaviest Snowfalls in History of Pennsylvania. Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 12.—Pondering through snow 17 inches deep, people here this morning found trolley lines crippled, all traffic of the railroads delayed and the city streets well high impassable.

PERIN WON OVER FORMER NATIONAL CHAMPION AT PITTSBURG. Perrin Won Over Former National Champion at Pittsburgh. Pittsburgh, Pa., Feb. 12.—Walter J. Travis, former National Golf Champion, was caught off his long game today and defeated three up and two to play in the semi-finals of the St. Valentine Golf Tournament here.

Official messages have now been addressed to Mr. Roosevelt with instructions that they be forwarded with the greatest despatch and if necessary by native runners if he can thus be reached sooner between telegraph and messenger.

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