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MUCH WORK AHEAD. CLARES PRESIDENT TAFT,

OF NEXT CONGRESS

He Touches on a Number of Things He Expects Will Be Done to Meet Party Pledges.

IS INCLINED TO FAVOR

Ali frusts Look a Good Deal Alike to Him---Some Recommendations That He Will

Make

Des Moines, Sept. 20.-President Taft's special arrived here this morn ing after an uneventful run from Minneapolis. Despite the early hour, thousands had gathered at the unjoy station to bid the nation's chief wel-

A deafening cheer greeted the pres ident as he stepped from his private car into a circle of admirers and friends from all over Iowa.

With the president's review of 5,200 federal troops here this morning, the military tournament in the country began. Twenty automobiles accompanied the president through the main streets of Des Moines. Never did Des Moines see a greater crowd. The streets presented a holiday ap-

Much Work for Congress In his speech President Taft said that with the tariff bill out the way he wanted to invite attention to what there is in congress for the republican party to do at the coming regular ses ion, and added that when he looked forward to the next session and realized what there is to be considered, he trembled, less the session will not be long enough to do all that has been He then took up the railway rate bill, saying it must be admitted that it had not furnished the

peals from the interstate commerce peals from the interstate commerce commission by the creation of a separate interstate commerce court of five shall sit in Washington, which shall be the only court to which petitions can be made. The president said similar to the tariff court, except that appeal ought to be from it to the Supreme court, will serve to expedite dispatch of business respecting According to Washington Officials th orders of the interstate commercial

The president also will recommen legislation to prevent one interstate railroad from holding stock in an other; also to prevent over-issue and watering of stocks.

All Trusts Look Alike.

The president declared he knew no combinations to suppress competition in the same category. He said that, to specifically except labor and farmers' organizations from the operation of the anti-trust law, would be to relieve them of restrictions now placed upon them.

Meets Japanese Envoys. Minneapolis, Sept. 20.-President

Taft yesterday met the 50 members of the Japanese commercial commission to the United States, bade them a hearty welcome to the country, as-sured them of the lasting friendship of the American people, paid a tribute to their qualities of industry and patriotism and in conclusion, drank a toast to the emperor of Japan as "the warm and sincere friend of America, amid great enthusiasm among both his Japanese and American hearers.

The meeting with the Japanese wa a luncheon at the Lafavette club the shores of beautiful Lake Minnoka, 20 miles out of the city, ten ed by the Commercial club of Min-

Scouts Idea of Trouble. Procident Tatt scouted the idea that tania touched at Queenstown at 23 there had ever been the slightest dan-minutes past 6 o'clock this morning. For of trouble between Japan and Although delayed by fog. she succeed-He paid high compilment to the military valor of Japan when three quarters of an hour. the country was "fighting in defense" Her time from New York

of her rights and maintenance of her prestige on the field of battle."
"Rut," he declared, "Japan today is fighting for victories of peace and we all hope she will succeed. We are not going to yield ourselves in that context however, if we can help it."

President Taft's address, followed a speech by Paren 3hthusaws, a promi-

President Taft's address, followed a speech by Baron Shibusawa, a prominent banker of Tokio and chairman of the visiting commission. In which, speaking in his native tongue, he referred to President Taft "as one of the foremost men of the age and a warm and true friend of Japan."

He proposed the health of the president and led his fellow countrymen in three resounding "bansals." Mr. Taft proposed the health of the emperor with a "bansal" which was caught up and re-school by the American guests.

Mr. Taft received the members of the party before the luncheon, declaring to Haroness Shibusawa that America wanted to see more of the ladies of Japan and to encourage their coming with the men.

"It lan't fair," said the president, "that Japan should keep back the most charming of her creatures!"

herst, greeted the president as a felow member of the Psi Upsilon frater-

Baron Shibusawa in the course of his address said:

"We do not come in any official capacity and so we are not charged CORPORATION COMMISSION with any official message to you. We may, however, safely claim that in a broad sense we come as unaccredited envoys of peace sent by the people of COMMERCE COURT PLAN Japan to the people of the United

> The president said in part: "We are a curious people. We have to run our newspapers. We have to have at times emotions stirred in or der that the newspapers shall have circulation, and we cannot always de that with a statement of the facts. There we have to draw on our imaginations, and therefore, we have to make that to appear which in fact is not true just in order that there shall be a circulation of intelligence among people.

"Now in the past we have been stirred up; that is, some have beenthose of us who knew the facts wernever so stirred up by announcements of trouble between Japan and America. I believe that even the newspa pers have now given up any

The president left for Des Moines Iowa, at 8 p. m. Before leaving the president sent the following letter to Governor John

'My dear Governor Johnson: "I am very much delighted to hea of your improvement today and earnestly hope that your recovery will be rapid. As I leave the state thank you again for the cordial welcome of yourself and the people of Minnesota.

WILLIAM H. TAFT."

Preparations at Omaha

"Very sincerely yours

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 20.-The mo elaborate arrangements have made for the reception of Presiden Taft here this evening from 4:30 p m. until he shall leave a short before midnight for Denver. He will be met at the depot by representatives of th State of Nebraska and the City relief against unduly discriminatory rates with the expedition and effectiveness expected. He said he was engaged in consideration of promised additional legislation on that subject.

The president said members of his cabinet had proposed to facilitate ap-

THILLI ONWER

Center of Activity Was in

Brazil.

Washington, Sept. 20 .- An earth quake of moderate intensity began esterday afternoon and continued a way of distinguishing between good hour according to the record. Weath and bad trusts, for he considered all er bureau officials estimate the cen tre of activity as being located about 4,000 miles from Washington. It is believed the shocks were centered in Brazil, where yesterday cable communication with the city of Manaos was cut off. Reports from Brazil indicate that the towns of Santa-rem and Obides were also affected by the shocks.

MAUVETANIA LOWERS HER EASTBOUND RECORD

Cuts Three-Quarters of an Hour Off Her Time from New York

to Queenstown.

Queenstown, Sept. 26,-The Maureed in reducing her eastbound record Her time from New York was fou

days, 13 hours and 31 minutes, and her average speed for the trip 25.50 knots an hour.

WORK ON BATTLESHIP IS PROGRESSING WELL

Looks as if Delaware Will Be Delivered **Well Ahead of Contract**

Washington, Sept. 20.—The New-ort News Shipbuilding company, \$65,000; Salisbury, \$65,000; Charlotte \$65,000; Asheville, \$75,000; Black Washington, Sept. 20 .- The Newthe battleship Delaware, has Mountain, \$8,000; Canton, \$6,000. ed the navy department for a trial the resset on October 20. The lity is, in view of the rapidity lich the vessel is being contact that the ship will be deliv-

Interesting Showing on the New Railway Impression Am Map Prepared by Henry C. Brown.

IN ANOTHER FREIGHT SUIT

Merchants May Ask for Another Hearing in the General Matter of Freight Rates.

GAESTIS-HEWS BUREAU

The new railway map of North Carolina, so carefully prepared by Henry Clay Brown of the corporation mmission and authorized by that body is certainly a popular publication and contains a great deal of invaluable information. One feature of it is the showing as to projected failways. Beginning in the extreme western part of the state, one of these is from Waterville on the Tennessee line Canton in Haywood county, the others being as follows: Rabun Gap. Georbia, to Lake Toxaway; Lenoir to one in Watauga; Fries Virginia to Jefferson, Ashe county: Roaring river. Wilkes county to Ore Knob copper mine in Ashe, then to Jefferson and with a branch to the Tennessee line; Elkin to Sparta in Alleghany county-state convicts are now grading this road and the laying of rails is expected to begin in ninety days; Winston-Salem to Wadeshoro-work has begun on this road, and with a large force it will be very rapidly built by the joint owners; the Atlantic Coast Line and the Norfolk & West-Benton, Davidson county to Rockingham, Richmond county, Rex Elizabethtown, Wilmington to Southport, Springhope to Raleighthis line being under construction Freemont to Hookerton, Belhaven to

Fairfield in Hyde-this road being nearly all graded and state being asked to authorize a bond issue to equit it, Vandemere to Lowland, in Pamco county. The corporation commis as the plaintiff in a notable freight discrimination case now before the United States interstate commerce ommission. The corporation com mission has received statements as to rates from ports to interior

freight rates from ports to interior points in Virginia, North Carolina and points in Virginia, and is incestigating MURDEROUS LUNATIC Carolina and is investigating these so as to report to the next legislature, by direction of the latter though it is now said the Merchants association is to ask for another hearing on the freight rate question gen

tury governors have granted pardons to men who died, this happening because the prisoners in the two car. died a day or so before the pardon was issued. A pardon has been ap-plied for in the case of the Caldwell county man, Flowd Martin, upon upon an eighty dollar fine was imposed, for which his brother stood Martin went to Virginia to work in lumber camp and was there killed. Now the brother wants a pardon for the dead man, to give relief from the fine, but the state law gives no authority for the granting or pardons to

dead men. Though September has not appear ed to be a rainy month, the rainfall here is almost three-quarters of an inch above the normal.

The commissioner of agriculture has arranged, by permission of the board of agriculture, to make a very notable show of corn here in the state museum during the session of the Farmers' National congress November 1-8. No doubt a competitor in the Wake county corn growing contest will make exhibits of their products. It is expected, by the way, by one or two of the contestants to grow a hun dred and fifty bushels to the acre and perhaps even more.

While your correspondent wa valking in August through the high mountain region he observed the work in progress on the very fine new turnpike from Edgement, in Caldwell county, to a point on the Yonah ossee turnpike, on the flank of Grandfather mountain. A letter just re-ceived says that the new road has een completed, and it gives another mode of getting into that wonderfully attractive mountain country. It seems o be the bellef that a railway will be fore long be built to connect Edge mont, to which there is a railway from Lenoir, with Pinela, at present the southern terminus of the Tennessee and Western North Caro-

lina rallway. The corporation commission has done a striking work in securing new passenger stations at a number of points in the state. It will be of in-terest to the traveling public to know that it has done a great deal of work in connection with the providing of the following stations, the figures inthe following stations, the naures in-dicated costs being in each instant given: Morehead City, \$8,000; New-bern, \$50,000 (the plans for this un-ion station having been received and work to begin directly); Goldsboro, \$65,000; Kinston, \$8,000; Raieigh, improvements to station built in 1891 to be made directly, about \$15,006 Durham, \$75,000; Greensboro, \$60,

No Attempt to Rue Cars.

Omaha, Neba Sept. 20.—At President Taft's request, no attempt will be made to run sireet cars in Omaha during his visit here.

Live.

IS STILL IN GRAVE DANGER ACCORDING TO DR. C. H. MAYO

Says, However, The Condition Is Im

Governor John on is somewhat better, according to Dr. C. H. Mayo, the doctors still consider the governor

Rochester Mina. Sept. 26.—Early this morning the house whysician an-nounced a slight change for the better in the condition of Governor Johnson. and the impression among hospital

attaches is that the governor will pull through. Governor Johnson's condition, which promised improvement early yesterday morning, remained practically station-

ary yesterday.

According to his physicians the gov ernor had a good day until shortly after 4 o'clock when he became more restless, his pulse at 6 o'clock reaching 102 and his temperature 100.4 His respiration was fast.

At 6 o'clock p. m. the following bulletin was issued by Dr. McNevin: "Pulse 102; temperature 100.4; res piration a little faster. He has been restless the last hour and a quarter Accumulations of gas are beginning to appear in the patient. He has held his own today but there is no gain. His vitality is about the same as it was at this time yesterday. The sleep that he has had today has kept him up.

Dr. McNevin denied absolutely that the governor has any form of septicaemia. At 10 o'clock yesterday evening this

bulletin was received from Dr. Me-"The governor is resting better. He

slept thirty-five minutes since the last bulletin, which left him considerably refreshed. Pulse 162, temperature not taken. The gon not's pain has de-creased. He can change his position without assistance."

Twice in the last quarter of a cen- Dunnington, Hunted by Police for Two Months, Is Landed in the Atlanta Jail.

> Atlanta, Sept. 20,-Hunted by the police authorities of Augusta and Atlanta for two months, R. E. Dunnington, the alleged dangerous lunatic who terrorized a supurb of Augusta the later part of June, when he we were guarding belonged to him. barricaded himself in a house and for He only had two Eskimos with him several days defied a whole squad of and as all his dogs were dead heavily armed officers, wounding one doctor had to pull his own sledge." deputy and finally escaping, is behind prison bars in Atlanta, charged with him that they had been "way, way, assault and battery with intent to north. murder.

He offered no resistance when the officers cautiously approached him. At the police station he said he could establish his innocence of the charge against him of assaulting W. C. Massey in the latter's office Saturday, Dunnington had been employed as in Greenland. an office assistant by Massey for two weeks. He says there was a dispute him, whereupon he defended himself. Massey was stabbed several times

with a steel paper punch. Dunnington admitted that he was his letter to the professor the man who paid the myterious The adherents of visit to the governor's office shortly before the adjournment of the legis lature, saying he had intended askng the governor as to what progress had been made in the investigation of the charges against the state hospital for the insane at Milledgeville, where Dunnington himself was confined for ifteen months. Dunnington made the first written charges against the treat-ment of patients at the institution which is now undergoing a rigid in-vestigation at the hands of a legislalive committee.

CAPT. PEARY'S VESSEL IS APPROACHING SYDNEY As Result of Such Explosion Two Ho-

Roosevelt, With Exploring Party on Board, is Expected to Reach Port About 5 O'clock.

Sydney, N. S., Sept. 20 .- The Arc ic steamer Roosevelt, with Comman der Peary and party on board, passed the Paul's Island, 65 miles north here, at 5 o'clock this morning. The Roosevelt is expected to reac

and She Has not Been Heard from Since July 26.

BRITISH STEAMER HARLOW SIGHTED BURNING VESSEL

Exploded and Sank, and Suppo sition is that She Was the

Manila, Sept. 20.-The British steamer Harlow, Captain Bruce, from Newport News June 14, for Port Na-27, while 180 miles from Durban, she

assed a steamer aure. The vessel in question, whose name shortly afterwards destroyed by an explosion.

It is supposed this steamer was the iot been heard from since July 26.

Story That Cook Met Members of Pearly Party at Etah, but Told Them

Nothing.

Sydney, S. D., Sept. 20,-New light is thrown on the controversy over the discovery of the north pole, on the arrival of the steamer Tyrian, from Battle Harbor, where the correspondents learned from two members of Commander Peary's expedition that Dr. Frederick A. Cook had met them at Etah and had mentioned nothing of

When Harry Whitney, George Nor- GULF STORM REACHES discovering the pole. ton and Larned went to Etah on the Erik, to bring provisions for Comman der Peary, both Norton and Larned turned back and Whitney obtained permission at the Etah station. Commander Peary stationed John Murphy, boatswain of the Roosevelt, and the Roosevelt, at Etah, to guard the

stores. Cook's Visit to Etah. Murphy, telling of his experience at Etah, said to the newspaper men: "Commander Peary told me to go ashore at Etah to guard the stores which I saw taken from the Roosevelt and the Erik. Pritchard was with Some time last spring a white man came into camp and Mr. Whitney told me that it was Dr. Cook. He did not stay long in camp and soon went away. Cook looked tired and worn out, and said he was hungry. I had an argument with him, as claimed that some of the stores that the

None of the Peary party at Battle Dunnington was arrested at 5 Harbor would discuss what informao'clock yesterday afternoon at a hotel tion had been learned from Harry near the terminal station, where he was registered under his own name. He offered no resistance when the ofcommonly reported at Battle Harbor, however, that Peary had some differ-ences with Whitney, who decided that instead of returning to Sydney on the Roosevelt, he would do some shooting

Pritchard said these Eskimos told

Friends of Dr. Cook here pointed out that when Commander Peary, or about his wages and Massey attacked his return from the pole, sent for establish a base of supplies at Cape Morris Jesup, he did not mention in his letter to the professor anything of his discovery of the variety.

The adherents of Commander Peary assert that the words in the message "Northern trip entirely satisfactory" indicate clearly that the expedition had accomplished its pur- And Preparat on Is Now Underway for duty on raw material is that it is at last a duty on the consumers.

Professor McMillan said at Battle Harbor that he had seen Harry Whitney at Etah and that Whitney did not tell anyone of Dr. Cook's reported discovery of the pole.

MYSTERIOUS EXPLOSION OF NITRO-GLYCERINE

tels in a Pennsylvania Town Were Partly Destroyed.

Pittsburg, Sept. 20.—A mysterious explosion of nitro-glycerine today at West-Brownsville, Penn., near here, injured two persons and partly destroyed the Aubley and Hotel Atwood. The structures adjoined, and the police suspect that enemies of the proprietors made an attempt to ruin their places. Several hundred guests were thrown into the greatest excitement when the explosion occurred, and two

ing Hospital Attaches is There Were 300 Aboard the Vessel, Cabin Boy on the Roosevelt and Whitney Heard the Story in April of 1908.

> THE BOY KEPT SILENT: SAYS DR. COOK CAUTIONED HIM

Pritchard Says He Did Not Wish to Be Drawn Into Trouble, So Steered Safe.

Sydney, N. S., Sept. 20 .- The tug Doughlass T. Thomas arrived here this morning from Battle Harbor, tal and Manila, reports that on July and reported the Roosevelt traveling south. She should be off Sydney 5 or 6 o'clock this evening, and the buildings of the town, together with was impossible to make out, was shipping in the harbor, are today gay

with a fluttering display of flags anticipation of Commander Peary's return. The streets present a hollmissing British steamer Waratah day appearance and the people are which, with 200 persons on board, has on the tiptoe of expectancy. According to a statement made last Saturday at Battle Harbor by Wil-liam Pritchard, cabin boy and assistant cook of the Roosevelt, two

ions knew as long ago as last April that Dr. Frederick A. Cook claimed he had reached the pole April 21, of 1908. These persons are Harry Whitney, a wealthy sportsman of New Haven, Conn., and Pritchard himself. They saw Cook at Annotok, Greenland, after his return from the north Pritchard explained Saturday that he kept the news to himself be cause he did not wish to be dragged into trouble. He was asked how he knew before he came south on the Roosevelt that there was going to be a controversy and declared that Dr. Cook had cautioned him not to speak to anyone until he reached civiliza-

Pritchard's reticence with this im fortant news in his possession was a complete surprise to everybody or board the Roosevelt. Pritchard said Cook had only two Esquimo with him at the pole. He said Cook's story was told to Whitney in his presence

COAST OF THIS STATE

William Pritchard, assistant cook of Blow Felt at Beaufort, and Schooners Are Sunggling Under Look-

> out's Lea. Beaufort, N. C., Sept. 29,-The hurricare that has swept over Cuba and the gulf began to show itself along the coast at this port today. Many three, four and five-master schoon ers, fearing a tempest, are coming up under the lea of Cape Lookout In

> search of safe habor. The temperature has fallen considerably since yesterday. Nothing more serious than a stiff northeast wind is expected to be felt here.

> Carib Disabled: Weather Grows Worse The Clyde line steamer Carlb, which anchored off Cape Hatteras last night, with her machinery disabled, rode out the night in safety, and is in no immediate danger. She will be towed to Southport, N. C., by the Sabine. At noon the two started south, weather growing worse all the time.

The Storm's Course. Washington, Sept. 29.-A weather areau bulletin says: "The tropical hurricane that advanced from the Caribbean sea over extreme western luba last Friday and moved thence northward over the Gulf of Mexico ator Bailey said: nas crossed the Gulf coast near the Mississippi delta and is apparently moving northwestward into Louisi .-

JUDGE KELLY DECIDES

Opening Several

that the town is wet.

Preparation for opening several sa The contest case grew out of the ocal option election of July 8, which he "wets" won by 32 votes. The 'drys' claimed 170 votes were cast by lleged non-residents. The court held that although voters were not bodily present, residence in Virginia could be etained so long as it was the inten tion of the voter, regardless of wher he went or how long he stayed.

At Sovereign Grand Lodge.

Beattle, Wash., Bept. 20.—Thous ands of delegates and visitors are it Seattle to attend the annual session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. The convention began its deliberations today, and will conclude Saturday morning. The annual parade will take place Wednesday and on Thursday the delegates will participate in a big calebration of Odd Fellows Day

Hook Tonight, and Explorer Wil Land Tomorrow.

IS TO OCCUR TOMORRI

Faith That He was at "Top

New York, Sept. 20 .- The first of America's two claimants of prem north pole honors will be at the gateway of his home port this evening. Dr. Frederick A. Cook is now approaching New York, and friends of the Brooklyn explorer are putting the tion with which they intend to show omorrow their faith in his assertion that he was the first man at the of the earth." Dr. Cook will be met lown the bay by a large crowd. New York, Sept. 20 .- The Danish

steamer Oscar II., with Dr. Frederick A. Cook on board, was reported by wireless 65 miles east of Fire Island at 9:55 this morning. Reception Plans Unchanged. New York, Sept. 20 .- The captain of the Oscar II, was notified by the

office of the Scandinavian-American line here to anchor off Sandy Hook all night. A revenue cutter will leave to meet the steamer at Quarantine at 6:39 a. m. tomorrow. This will en-able the plans for Cook's reception to be carried out unchanged. Message from Cook.

On Board the Oscar II., off Nanucket, 8:30 p. m., Sept. 19 .- (United States wireless and Marconi wireless elegraph) -To the Associated Press; "My desire to get on American soil necesses with every mile left behind by the steamer Oscar II. The vessel is making her best record, though delayed occasionally, making forty-five

n the past twenty-four hours. "Commander Peary's unfortunate ccusations have disclosed another side of his character. The specific records of my journey are accessible to every one who reads, and all can decide for themselves when Peary

publishes a similar report.
"FREDERICK A. COOK."

MR. BAILEY REPLIES TO BRYAN'S ADDRESS

Willing to Take Tax Off Material When It Is Taken Off Finished

Product.

Dallas, Tex., Sept. 20.-Before a large audience, United States Senator J. W. Bailey Saturday replied to an address delivered in Dallas iast Tue day by William J. Bryan, on "Democracy and the Tariff." Mr. Bryan declared for free raw material and for reduced rates on manufactured goods and arraigned the Texas democratic platform of 1896 which denounced

this doctrine. In his speech Senator Bailey declared for a low tariff on both raw materials and manufactured articles and defended the declaration in the Texas democratic platform of 1898 which arraigned the Wilson tariff bill for admitting raw materials free of duty while manufactured articles were protected by heavy duties, Sen-

"My answer to those who demand free raw material in order that our manufacturers may compete in the markets of the world is that I am willing to take the tax off the raw material whenever they are willing to take the tax off the finished pro-duct. I believe that American consumers are as much entitled to the benefit of competition in our mar-kets as American manufacturers are entitled to compete in foreign mur-

"Mr. Bryan's argument against s

"This is strange language to co Saloons.

Bristol, Va., Sept 20.—Judge Kelley this morning decided that the recent local option election was valid and that the town is wet.

This is strange language to come from a man who has been three times a presidential candidate of the democratic party. To contend that a democrat must lovy a compensatory duty is to convict the democratic party of adopting the worst of protection devices."

ournalists Meet in London.

London, Sept. 20.—An interest programme of entertainment has be prepared for the British and fore journalists who have gathered London for the annual conference the International Associations of Press. All of the chief countries Europe and America are represent among the delegates. At Linco Inn Hall today the visiting journal were formally welcomed in a spedelivered by Lord Burnham. Of notables who are to have a promin part in entertaining the visitors for Edward Russell, T. P. O'Con and Hop. Harry Lawson. Trips in