

MAKE WAY FOR MIGHTY HUNTER

One of the New York Members of House Ready to Stand Aside for Mr. Roosevelt.

NEW YORK MEMBERS FAVOR HIS CANDIDACY

It is Said That He Would Be Made Speaker in Event of His Election to the House.

Washington, Jan. 21.—Representative Cox of New York today declared himself ready to retire from congress to make way for Theodore Roosevelt...

That Theodore Roosevelt has agreed to run for congress in the First district of New York state, embracing Nassau and Suffolk counties and Oyster Bay, with the understanding that he will be supported for the Speakership...

According to the report, President Taft is aware of the plan to have Mr. Roosevelt run for congress and be elected speaker, and has agreed to be present at a great reception to be accorded Mr. Roosevelt when he arrives in New York next June.

It will be at this public reception, it is said, that the boom of Mr. Roosevelt for congress and the speakership will be launched.

Declinations Significant.

It is known that the former president absolutely refused to accept the speakership, and that before leaving New York for his trip to Africa he declined to permit his name to be mentioned for mayor of New York...

To personal friends in New York Mr. Roosevelt declared that a president of the United States, working in conjunction with the speaker of the house of representatives, would have little difficulty in enacting the most advanced legislative ideals into practical laws.

Wall Street Will Oppose.

According to the information that certain members of the New York delegation have gathered, many of the business men of New York, and especially Wall street, will not approve Mr. Roosevelt.

Timothy L. Woodruff and other leaders in New York state, however, are said to favor him absolutely. Mr. Woodruff sprung Mr. Roosevelt's name as a possibility for governor several weeks ago before it had become known that Gov. Hughes would decline a renomination.

With Gov. Hughes out of the race, however, Mr. Roosevelt is regarded in New York as a real possibility for the governorship. His candidacy would not please Mr. Woodruff or any of the other state leaders. They would much prefer to have him in congress, even as speaker of the house. It would transplant the former president from New York, and this end is eminently desired.

Could Put Through Policies.

Aside from those who desire Mr. Roosevelt to come to Washington for selfish reasons, there are many who would like to see him here from purely altruistic motives. Certain members of the New York delegation, for instance, say that he is the one man who would be able to put through the "Roosevelt policies" and back up President Taft's legislative program. They say that President Taft and Mr. Roosevelt, working together, could not be beaten by any combination in either the senate or the house.

Moreover, it is asserted that the speakership is the one office in American politics that could make the slightest appeal to the aggressive personality of the former president. According to the report a majority of the "insurgents" would be for him and also a great many of the regulars.

Have Raised Four Million.

Cordell, Ga., Jan. 21.—Capitalists have completed the organization of the Georgia Southwestern and Gulf Railway, which will extend from Cordell to St. Andrews Bay, Fla. The promoters negotiated a four million dollar loan.

JAPAN'S REPLY DISAPPOINTING

Proposal for Neutralization of Manchurian Railways Is Politely Declined.

ST. PETERSBURG HAS ALSO TURNED DOWN KNOX PLAN

His Effort Aimed to Eliminate Manchurian Railways from the Politics of the Far East.

Tokyo, Jan. 21.—The reply of the Japanese government to the United States' proposal for neutralization of the Manchurian railways, was handed the American Ambassador O'Brien this afternoon. It is a polite declination.

Officials Disappointed.

Washington, Jan. 21.—The telegrams from Tokyo and St. Petersburg to the effect that the proposal of the United States for neutralization of the Manchurian railways had been rejected, excited interest at the state department.

JUDGE LOVETT PRESENTS VIEWS

To File Memorandum With Respect to Suit Against Union and Southern Pacific Roads.

Washington, Jan. 21.—Judge R. S. Lovett, president of the Union Pacific railway, has given leave to file with the attorney general a written memorandum of his views on the request made of the government to dismiss the suit instituted by it to dissolve the merger of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific railways.

TO INVESTIGATE WORKINGS OF COLUMBUS HOCKING POOLS

Searching Inquiry Into the Affair Is Promised by New York Stock Exchange Authorities.

New York, Jan. 21.—Investigation into workings of the Columbus Hocking pool, which caused the failure of three brokerage concerns, is being made by the stock exchange authorities. A searching inquiry is promised.

COTTON MARKET STEADY BUT BUSINESS IS NOT VERY ACTIVE

New York, Jan. 21.—The cotton market opened steady. Liverpool cables were a shade disappointing.

Anniversary of Chicora Disaster.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—This is a black day in the annals of lake navigation, being the sixteenth anniversary of the wreck of the steamer Chicora, of the Chicago, of the Graham and Morton line, which went to the bottom of Lake Michigan with 29 men on board during a terrific gale on Lake Michigan on January 21, 1895.

Three Universities in Debate.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—The triangular debating league, composed of Northwestern University and the universities of Michigan and Chicago, holds its annual debates tonight. Each university is represented by two teams, the contests taking place simultaneously in Chicago, Madison and Ann Arbor.

Mr. Taft Has a Chat With Lord Balfour.

Washington, Jan. 21.—President Taft has had an interesting chat on English politics with Lord Balfour, who was introduced by Ambassador Bryce.

RICHARD HARDING DAVIS' ROMANCE HAS PLAYED OUT

Mrs. Davis Has Retained Counsel—The Couple Have Lived Apart for the Past Three Years.



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New York, Jan. 21.—Mrs. Richard Harding Davis, wife of the war correspondent and writer, has engaged counsel to represent her in matters relating to the conditions under which Mr. and Mrs. Davis will in future live. This fact became known definitely, although there was no intimation of the nature of the turn the personal affairs of Mr. and Mrs. Davis would take. Mrs. Davis has retained the law firm of Jerome & Rand to give attention to her part of a settlement that has been considered as inevitable for some months.

ACTION IS TAKEN BY THE TRAINMEN

They Adopt Plans for Asking Railroad Systems for Wage Increase and Uniform Conditions.

Cleveland, Jan. 21.—Plans for negotiating with the railroad systems for a wage increase, and uniform working conditions, were formulated at the headquarters of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen today.

FIVE MORE RHINOCERUSES FALL TO COLONEL'S GUNS

Three Bulls and Two Cows, All White, Lately Added to Slaughter List.

Wadella, Belgian Congo, Jan. 21.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt has killed three good bulls and two cows of the white rhinoceros family.

Laymen's Conference in Macon.

Macon, Ga., Jan. 21.—One of the largest of the conferences held by the Laymen's Missionary Movement in the South began in this city today, with hundreds of delegates in attendance from all parts of Georgia.

Southern Relief Society Hall.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 21.—Every state of the south is represented among the many prominent visitors who have arrived in the city to attend the annual ball to be given at the New Willard tonight by the Southern Relief Society.

Want Shorter Ballots.

New York, Jan. 21.—In response to a call issued by President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton University, a number of prominent men interested in the public welfare met in conference at the Hotel Astor today to discuss the short ballot principle.

To Consider Plans for Conducting the Inquiry.

Washington, Jan. 21.—The joint congressional committee appointed to investigate the Hallinger-Pinchof controversy, will hold its preliminary meeting tomorrow, when plans for conducting the inquiry will be considered.

EAT NO MEAT FOR 30 DAYS

Thousands of Men Throughout the Country Signing Pledge in Protest Against High Prices.

A MILLION HOUSEWIVES JOINING IN SUGGESTED

Labor Unions in Various Cities Signing—New York, St. Louis, Baltimore, St. Joseph, etc.

New York, Jan. 21.—New York today joined forces with her sister cities making a fight on the high prices of meats. Scores of men are making pledges to abstain from using meat for 30 days.

Mrs. Anita Comfort Brooks, prominent in club circles, has launched the suggestion that a million housewives unite to force prices down.

Meetings Called at St. Joseph. St. Joseph, Mo., Jan. 21.—A call has been issued for meetings of the labor unions of the city and section, for the purpose of uniting with organizations in other cities in excluding meats from their tables for thirty days.

St. Louis Joins In. St. Louis, Jan. 21.—Because of the high cost of living, members of labor unions here have signed agreements not to eat meat for thirty days.

Also Baltimore. Baltimore, Jan. 21.—Buttons bearing the inscription "I don't buy meats, do you?" appeared on the streets in large numbers today, following the action of the Federation of Labor in calling upon labor unionists to abstain from eating meat one month as protesting against the high prices of food.

Eight Thousand in Kansas City. Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 21.—Labor leaders predict that 80,000 people in Kansas City will join the anti-meat crusade during the next ten days.

St. Joseph Calls Meeting. Organized in Pittsburg. Pittsburg, Jan. 21.—A meat strike has been organized in Pittsburg Street car employes by hundreds are signing pledges to abstain from meat.

NO SPECIAL PRIVILEGES BEING ALLOWED MORSE

Warden of Atlanta Prison Enters Indignant Denial of Some Published Stories.

Washington, Jan. 21.—Captain William H. Morse, warden of the Atlanta penitentiary, was at the department of justice today, and entered an indignant denial of published stories that special privileges are being accorded to Charles W. Morse, the New York banker, under sentence there.

ONLY ENGINEERS ARE AT WORK ON T. & N. C.

Correspondence of The Gazette-News. Waynesville, Jan. 20.—It was stated some time ago by your correspondent that work on the T. & N. C. extension was being pushed by several hundred laborers.

The second session of the coroner's jury was held to investigate where a dead child was found in the river here several days ago. The result of this hearing was that no guilt could be placed upon any person.

D. E. Millard of Asheville was in town on business yesterday. Geo. L. Hickney of Asheville was here yesterday.

Ed Swain of Asheville is in town. A. W. Freeman has gone to Asheville.

Miss Ollie Bower of Conn., who is now in Asheville, is expected at the Bon Air today where she will spend several months.

E. L. Withers, James P. Gouss, Jr., and J. L. Boyd left yesterday for Asheville on business.

Powerful Financial Families Are to Be United by Marriage



MISS MARJORIE GOULD

New York, Jan. 21.—Formal announcement has been made by Mr. and Mrs. George J. Gould of the engagement of their eldest daughter, Miss Marjorie Gould, to Anthony J. Drexel, Jr., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. Drexel, of Philadelphia and London.

AVIATION HONORS GO TO L. PAULHAN

Frenchman Breaks World's Records and Gathers in More Than \$15,000 in Prize Money.

Aviation Field, Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 21.—As dusk gathered over the old Dominguez ranch last night four flying machines that had been circling in the air, descended, the aviators walked to their tents, the great crowd filed down the roadway and the first international aviation meet held in America was finished.

SCHOONER WAS ALIVE WITH SHARKS

Derelict Vessel Found in Control of Shanks, One of Them Eating Torsos of Man.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 21.—The three masted schooner, found by the revenue cutter Androscooguin, floating bottom upwards 160 miles off Cape Hatteras, may be the Edgar C. Ross, which sailed from Charleston, S. C., for New York, lumber laden, December 22.

KILLED BY A FALLING TREE IN HENDERSON COUNTY

Bad Burgess Victim of Fatal Accident, Near Dana, Tuesday.

News was received here today of a fatal accident which befell Red Burgess, near Dana, Henderson county, Tuesday. It seems that Burgess was felling a tree, when he was struck by it. His back and both legs were crushed and broken.

Price for Southern Cattle.

Washington, Jan. 21.—The bureau of animal industry estimates an annual increase of three million dollars, in prices obtained for southern cattle sold in Northern markets.

THE WEATHER:

Forecast until 8 p. m., Saturday, for Asheville and vicinity: Fair weather tonight and Saturday; colder tonight.

Last Year's Cotton Exports Greater Than Previous Year

Washington, Jan. 21.—Cotton exports last year were considerably greater in value than during the previous year, unmanufactured cotton reported being valued at four hundred and sixty-two million dollars, an increase of twenty-three million over the year 1908.

But Can the President Afford to Go Back on Grant When "Regular" Votes Are Needed?

DUNCAN, ADAMS, HARRIS, ARE IN WASHINGTON

They Were Disappointed Yesterday When no North Carolina Appointments Were Made by President.

The Gazette-News Bureau, 46 Post Building, Washington, Jan. 21.

Frank Carter left last night for Norfolk and thence will go to Asheville. While he is confident of Mrs. Reed's re-nomination as postmaster at Baltimore, republican politicians say the president cannot afford to turn down a republican congressman who is a regular, with so many of the party including to inaugurate.

Charles J. Harris, E. C. Duncan and Spencer R. Adams are here. They were disappointed yesterday when the president failed to send North Carolina appointments to the senate.

Mr. Dunn McKee, a Washingtonian, was at the house office building yesterday to see North Carolina republicans about his candidacy for the manhood, which is looked upon as a joke here.

DECIDED BOOM GIVEN TO CONSERVATIVE STOCK

The Irish Party. It Appears, May Be in a Position to Dictate Legislation.

London, Jan. 21.—The status of the parties according to the returns up to date in the general elections, is as follows:

Unionists 163; Liberals 137; laborites 29; nationalists 53; gains, unionists 71; Liberals 16; laborites 1.

Thirteen unionists gained yesterday were in county seats, one in Scotland and one in Wales. If the unionists gain 22 of the 168 remaining seats the government will be dependent upon the votes of the nationalists to legislate.

Elections were held yesterday for 15 seats, one in London, three in English provincial boroughs, 26 in English counties, six in Scotland, three in Wales and six in Ireland. Reports from only twelve of these were received.

The old-fashioned English country people's so-called conservatism, their reverence for the nobility and their prejudices against the new-fashioned socialism, were heard from and they gave a decided boom to the conservative stocks. The unionists everywhere have taken a cheer.

The liberal government will return to power with a less convincing mandate for its policies from the country than it counted upon, if the present tendency prevails among the remainder of the voters the next few days. Its allies, the laborites and nationalists, will practically hold the balance of power and the Irish party particularly will be in a position to dictate legislation.

The proposal to reform the house of lords opposed strongly and with the country people, perhaps, more strongly than did tariff reform. Scotland and Wales stand by the liberal party, but the counties have given general and even unionist gains.

Jones, liberal leader of the extreme temperance party and largely responsible for the recent licensing bill, was defeated in the Appleby division of Westmoreland, and the "trade" rejoices.

"I am quite confident of the result throughout the country," said Chancellor Lloyd-George at Bangor.

Indiana G. O. P. Anxious.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 21.—Republican leaders are busily discussing the speech delivered by Senator Aldrich here last night. The Rhode Island senator was brought to Indianapolis to help stem the western tide by speaking on the currency and financial problem. The republican party in Indiana appears to be split on the Cannon-Aldrich proposition as badly as in Ohio and other States of the middle west, and the belief is expressed by many that any republican nominee for congress who expresses himself in favor of Speaker Cannon will be defeated for election. In the last congressional elections in Indiana, the republicans were swamped and the party leaders are now beginning to realize that if they are to make a better showing this year they must speedily get together on a "harmony and hustle" platform.

Landrum Given Ten Years.

Rome, Ga., Jan. 21.—M. C. Landrum, convicted of voluntary manslaughter for killing T. J. Davis, yesterday was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary.