

ST. PATRICK AND MR. TAFT

Both Given Great Honor in the Windy City, Which is Fairly Buried in Garments of Green.

"JENNIE MUD" DESIRED TO SHAKE TAFT'S HAND

And She Created Great Excitement in the Big Parade, Trying to Get into His Automobile.

Chicago, March 17.—Fairly buried in green emblems, banners and bunting, Chicago today received President Taft as its guest in one of the biggest St. Patrick's day celebrations the city has ever known.

He was met at the station by a National Guard regiment, and a large reception committee. The president swung into the line of the great St. Patrick's day parade which marched through Michigan avenue escorting him to the La Salle hotel.

President Taft came to Chicago as the guest of the Irish fellowship club. He paid visits to the Chicago Newspaper club and the Traffic club and attended a luncheon given by the Irish Fellowship club, shortly after noon.

The president rested a couple of hours prior to his appearance at 3 o'clock at the Auditorium, where he delivered an address on "Conservation." Two receptions in the afternoon were planned, to be followed at 6 o'clock by the Irish Fellowship club's banquet.

Soon after the president left his train the parade was halted five minutes, and great excitement was created through the attempts of a woman, giving the name of Jennie Mud, to get into the automobile containing the president.

The parade of 40,000 people were reviewed by Archbishop Fairley and other church dignitaries in front of St. Patrick's cathedral.

AMERICANS NOT TO SUBMIT BIDS

Turkish Government Apparently Intends to Build War Ships Without Assistance of American Builders.

Washington, March 17.—American shipbuilders, through the unusual course which has been taken by the Turkish government, as reported to the state department, have been deprived of the opportunity to submit bids for the construction of war ships for the Ottoman government.

DEMAND FOR BABIES OUTRUNNING THE SUPPLY

Another Car Load of Them Will Be Sent from New York to New Orleans.

New Orleans, March 17.—The demand for babies has reached such proportions that it is feared there will be a serious shortage in the supply. A carload of babies from New York landing and orphan asylums was given away last week, when many women vainly clamored for babies.

France, March 17.—The government has submitted the draft of a bill providing for reprisals against France, if the tariff measure now pending in the French parliament is enacted into law.

Newspaper Boys Appear Sensible

Mr. Taft Thinks They Look Like They Had More Sense Than Some of their Editorials Would Indicate.

CHICAGO, March 17.—President Taft in an impromptu speech before the Chicago Newspaper club warned to his subject: "The Press," and touched on a phase of journalism upon which apparently he feels deeply.

"I have seen so many apocryphal statements," he said, "so many un-sound arguments and unjust conclusions that they must come from some other source than this distinguished and intelligent audience."

"We have to read them." "Newspapers of course are essential. We have to read them. The difficulty that I find is that I have to read them; and after a time of sensitiveness—what shall I call it? of a sense of injustice, one's skin grows thicker, one is able to forget phrases of contempt and criticism, and what a newspaper man ultimately learns, is that after all, if we can only survive two or three days of attack and assault and unfounded statements, most people will forget it."

"Public Using a Grain of Salt." "The public is now, I think, taking editorials, as the appeal to the reason of the reader and not because they are editorials or because they are printed by particular papers, and the public are beginning to discriminate with reticence to news, and make up their minds accordingly."

MR. TAFT'S NAME FIGURES IN DEBATE

Mr. Aldrich Accused of Hiding Behind President While Railroad Bill is Being Considered.

Washington, March 17.—In the sharpest debate yet provoked in the senate on the railroad administration bill bitter criticism of the action of supporters of the bill in trying to put the measure through without amendment elicited from Senator Aldrich an admission that the bill could be amended.

This statement was made during the second day of Senator Cummins' speech attacking the bill, but not until after friends of the measure had been accused of trying to hide behind the president, and the fact that it had been drafted at his direction.

Senator Cummins contended that the provision referring to traffic agreements would render them legal without their submission to the commission. He asserted there had been conspicuous silence in the committee on this subject, and thereupon Mr. Crawford turned to Senator Aldrich who is a member of the committee on this subject, and thereupon Mr. Crawford turned to Senator Aldrich who is a member of the committee on interstate commerce and questioned him as to his interpretation of the meaning of the provision.

"The whole truth," interrupted Mr. Aldrich before Mr. Aldrich could reply, "is that the intention of the provision for the repeal of the anti-trust law is to reverse the Supreme court of the United States. The effect and purpose is to take the railroads from under the Supreme court."

Mr. Aldrich refuted the intimation of the Texas senator, and from this colloquy arose a general discussion as to whether it had been the original intention to include the railroads in the original Sherman anti-trust bill, during which Mr. Aldrich said that no senator who had voted for it had the slightest idea that the railroads were embraced within its terms.

TO REQUIRE EQUIPMENT WITH WIRELESS APPARATUS

Bill Reported to Senate, Applies to All Vessels That Carry 50 or More Persons.

Washington, March 17.—A measure requiring ocean going steamers carrying 50 or more persons to be equipped with efficient apparatus for radio-communication capable of transmitting and receiving messages over a distance of at least 100 miles was favorably reported to the senate today, by the committee on commerce.

THREAT OF FIRE MOVES MEMBERS OF CONGRESS

They Hustle from Committee Rooms to Roll Call, Where That 820 Per Day is Jeopardized.

Washington, March 17.—Warned that they might be fined a day's pay of \$20, if they did not appear promptly at the house floor when it convened, members in attendance upon committee today exhibited great anxiety to get away from committee and broke with great haste for the chamber, in time for roll call.

"Brokers Sold the Stock," He Says; "It Was None of My Business"



Keene Admits Bulk of His Hocking Holdings Went on Market Before Collapse.

New York, March 17.—While James R. Keene says that he did not countenance the sale, nevertheless he admits on the witness stand that the bulk of his holdings in the Columbus and Hocking Coal and Iron pool was sold on January 18 and 19 last, the day before the collapse of the pool which caused three stock exchange failures and the loss of millions.

The foregoing inside details of the Hocking crash were brought out yesterday at a continuation of the bankruptcy hearing of J. M. Fiske & Co., one of the firms involved, before a United States commissioner. After repeated absence because of illness, Mr. Keene was able to appear yesterday afternoon, and although he was pale and suffering with rheumatism he took the witness stand for a grueling at the hands of Ralph Wolf, counsel for the receiver of J. M. Fiske & Co.

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Washington, March 17.—The feeling of unrest in the world of labor at the present time is attributed by President Gompers, to the American Federation of Labor, to a combination of forces antagonistic to the cause of labor, designed to crush the rights of workmen.

RAISED MINIMUM RATE OF DISCOUNT

This Action Taken by Directors of the Bank of England at Meeting Held Today.

COLONEL IS HARD AT WORK WRITING—AT \$1 PER WORD?

After Two Days of Sightseeing the Ex-President Tackles a Pile of Business.

Khartoum, March 17.—After two days of sightseeing in company with Mrs. Roosevelt, Kermit and Miss Ethel, Colonel Theodore Roosevelt returned today to a pile of work before him, devoting his forenoon to writing. He had luncheon in the Sirdar's palace.

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New York, March 17.—Edwin Spearfish, a wealthy Brooklyn manufacturer, ate too heartily at a dinner in honor of his son's marriage, and died suddenly at his table after finishing the last course.

New York, March 17.—Mrs. William H. Taft, the president's wife, is here on a shopping expedition, the guest of the President's mother, Henry W. Taft.

GOV. KITCHIN AT RALEIGH AGAIN

His First Visitor Was Dermott Shemwell, Who Wished to Talk About His Father's Troubles.

MR. SHEMWELL MAY BE EXAMINED BY PHYSICIAN

The Penitentiary Has Been Made a Delightful Place for Both Visitors and the Fortunate Inmates.

Gazette-News Bureau, Chamber of Commerce Rooms, Holleman Building, Raleigh, March 17.

The improvements at the penitentiary are so numerous and so useful that they reflect the greatest credit upon the new management. For them credit is given to Warden Sale. A library and reading room, spacious, well lighted and attractive in every way, has been fitted up for the convicts, and they will be given an hour each day there, from about 4:30 to 7:30 p. m.

The entire prison and grounds are as clean as a new pin. This year no brick will be made by the convicts. It is said that it has not proved profitable.

Several months ago a convict named Fox escaped, having placed a dummy in his cell to conceal his flight. This man, who is very well named on account of his slightness, has been recaptured in Connecticut and will be returned to prison tomorrow.

The electric plant at the prison is in charge of Tom Dewey during the day and Wilcox at night, and another man, a defaulting sheriff, is being trained to manage the plant.

Raleigh's Ball Team. King Kelly, the manager of the Raleigh baseball team, has signed the following players so far: Lamar T. Ham of Georgia, Albert Ellworth of Washington, D. C., Clarence W. Johnson of Washington, Byrd W. Baty of Blackburg, Va., Harry Pleser of Redding, Pa.; H. H. Samuels, Sam Rich-ardson of Georgetown, S. C., pitchers; F. W. Prim of Charlotte, third base; E. A. Sherrill of Charlotte, catcher; M. C. Whitehead of Augusta, first base; R. W. Newman of Sumner, Va., outfielder; Floyd Robertson of Rome, Ga., pitcher; E. Y. Wright of Detroit, short stop; Dan Hart of Pittsburg, H. B. Wessinger of Newberry, S. C., outfielder; W. L. Keesee of Galveston, Tex., outfielder. Manager Kelly says he thinks he has a good bunch of players. Two of them were with Raleigh last season.

State Chemist Kilgore says work has been resumed on the soil map of Mecklenburg county and it is hoped it will be completed by July 1. Work is begun on a similar map of Granville county, and it is to be finished by the same date, it is expected. Arrangements have been made for making experiments on two kinds of types of soils, the red clay and the black jack, in Mecklenburg county in order to determine the best fertilizers to be used on such lands.

Charters Granted. Charters are granted the Reed Lumber company at Hickory, capital stock \$25,000; the Stanley Manufacturing company at Stanley Creek, to make textile fabrics, \$100,000. A. P. Rhyne of Mt. Holly principal stockholder; the Roxboro Redrying Plant, for redrying tobacco, and doing a storage business, \$50,000; the West Pulverizing Machinery company at Asheville, to manufacture pulverizing machines, \$25,000.

The state superintendent of public instruction issued two leaflets today, one showing that last year, in 90 days, 132 school districts voted special tax, breaking all the records, and making a total of 132 districts in 44 counties, and for the first time a whole county, New Hanover, voted a special tax. There are now 995 local tax districts, whereas in 1875 there were none and in 1880 only four, and last year 11,037,320 was raised in such districts.

Winter Visitors. Raleigh has had an unusually large number of winter visitors from the north, and though the weather has at times been much more severe than a number of years past, they have enjoyed the climate very much. Gentlemen from Pennsylvania, New York and some other states were taken.

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STILL LYING IN STATE OF COMA

Physicians Attending Senator Daniel Expect Distinguished Patient to Die at Any Moment

Daytona, Fla., March 17.—Physicians attending United States Senator John W. Daniel of Virginia, issued a bulletin at 9:30 this morning stating that the senator is still lying in a state of coma, from which he has not aroused since early yesterday evening. His death is momentarily expected.

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FORCES ARRAYED AGAINST LABOR

To These, Says President Gompers, May Be Attributed the Great Unrest in Labor Circles.

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STRIKE LEADER'S DEATH FOLLOWED BY GLAMOR

Excitement Ran Riot at Martin's Ferry, but Things Are Quiet There Today.

Wheeling, W. Va., March 17.—Excitement which ran riot in Martin's Ferry last night following the announcement of the death of Solomon Edwards, the Union tin mill strike leader, has quieted down today.

Robinson, the negro non-unionist charged with killing Edwards, is strongly guarded in St. Charlesville, O., jail. Lynching is now unlikely.

American Legation Guarded. Bogota, Colombia, March 17.—An attempt to renew the street railway service caused serious rioting. Thus far the mob has respected the American legation, which is under heavy police guard.

Mrs. Taft in New York.

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INTERSTATE SUIT; MASTER'S REPORT

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Washington, March 17.—The United States Supreme court was today again the stage of another titanic struggle, when the final fight over the constitutionality of the corporation tax provisions of the Payne-Aldrich tariff law was begun. Arguments pro and con consumed the entire time of the court and will extend through tomorrow.

The contest is attracting almost as much attention as the Standard Oil dissolution case. Fifteen cases, involving the question of the validity of the tax, were brought to the court for final judgment.

MINISTER KNOWLES ATTACKED BY BROTHER OF GOVERNOR

United States Representative Assaulted on San Domingo Public Highways by Man Probably Insane.

Washington, March 17.—Horace G. Knowles of Delaware, United States minister to San Domingo, was assaulted while riding in a vehicle on the public highways Sunday, according to a report from the legation this morning. The assailant's name is Castillo, and he is a brother of the governor of the province. Castillo has been arrested. Officials say he is mentally deranged.

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THE JUDICIARY BILL REPORTED

House Committee Takes Favorable Action on Bill to Provide for Another Circuit Judge.

THERE WAS OPPOSITION IN THE COMMITTEE

Luther's Appointment Will Be Confirmed, at an Early Date Since no Opposition Has Developed.

Gazette-News Bureau, 46 Post Building, Washington, March 17.

The house judiciary committee has favorably reported the bill providing for another circuit judge to sit with Judges Pritchard and Goff on the Fourth circuit. There was opposition in the committee, which is apt to develop when the bill comes up in the house. Web opposed the measure in committee. The senate has already passed it.

The expected confirmation of Luther at Baltimore will take place within the next few days. There is no opposition, and it will not be held up any longer.

The director of the census assures the people of the country that the information they are to give to census takers will not be used against them in any court proceeding. Many people are afraid to answer questions, lest they reveal secrets which may be damaging to them.

To prevent the spread of this feeling Director Durand has given out a statement showing what uses will be made of the census information, and some of the things the people need not fear. He insists that the object of the census is purely statistical.

"The census is not, never has been, and cannot be employed," the director says, "to obtain information that can be used in any way in the assessment of property, for the purposes of taxation by the federal government, or national, state or local; for deportation proceedings; extradition measures; army or navy conscription; compulsory school attendance; child-labor prosecutions; quarantine regulations; or in any way to affect the life, liberty, or property of any person."

You Won't Be Arrested. "It has nothing whatever to do with the detection, arrest, prosecution, or punishment of any person for any suspected, or actual violation of the law, whether of city or state or national government, or of a foreign country. The census inquiries are defined by act of congress. They apply to all persons living in the United States on April 15. All persons must answer all the inquiries."

Director Durand says that census enumerators wearing badges with "United States Census, 1910" stamped will go from house to house and from farm to farm beginning April 15. "They are not to be regarded as spies," the statement says, "or as detectives, policemen, constables, tax assessors, or officers of any city, county or state. They are employed by the United States Bureau of Census. They do not represent any other department of the government or any foreign nation."

"No person should neglect, hesitate or refuse to answer all the enumerators' questions. He only asks those necessary to fill the schedules required by law. Nothing that is told him can in any way be used to the detriment or damage of any person, or his family, or his property. If any person willfully neglects, or refuses to answer an enumerator's questions or gives false answers he or she can be arrested, carried to court and fined up to \$100."

This statement of reassurance was issued on account of the widespread fear of the people toward a census enumerator's questions. It is said that during the first census it was almost impossible to get people to reply to any question affecting their property.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast until 8 p. m. Friday for Asheville and vicinity: Fair and somewhat warmer tonight, followed by fair weather Friday.

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS LIKELY, SO RUMOR SAYS

The Strikers Said to Be Willing to Concede if Company Will Reinstale All Their Number.

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