

LOYDS GIVEN WARTIME PREMIUMS

Italy's Persistence in Searching Vessels of All Powers Expected to Produce Serious Complications.

INSURANCE CONTRACTS MADE ON SHIPPING

Risks of Franco-Italian Outbreak and Conflict Between England, Germany and France Covered.

London, Jan. 24.—Italian war vessels' activity in the Mediterranean and Red sea is causing increasing uneasiness in shipping and insurance circles.

Although there was no apparent reason for the occurrence, a premium of six per cent was paid on the risk of an outbreak of war between Great Britain and Germany and France within six months.

Paris, Jan. 24.—A Rome dispatch says the Italian government today gave orders that the Turke taken from the French steamer Manouba shall be released.

CENTRAL COTTON BUREAU MORE POPULAR, THEY SAY

European Bankers Believe Grounds of Past Friction Will Be Avoided.

New York, Jan. 24.—After a trip through the south in the effort to overcome objections to the central bureau recently established here for the registration of cotton bills of lading.

WOMEN EMPLOY LAWYERS IN EQUAL SALARY FIGHT

Norfolk's Female Teachers Demand Same Compensation Male Instructors Get.

Norfolk, Jan. 24.—Female teachers employed lawyers today to fight for salaries equal to those paid male instructors in the high school here.

HOME MISSION WORK PLANNED AT MEETING

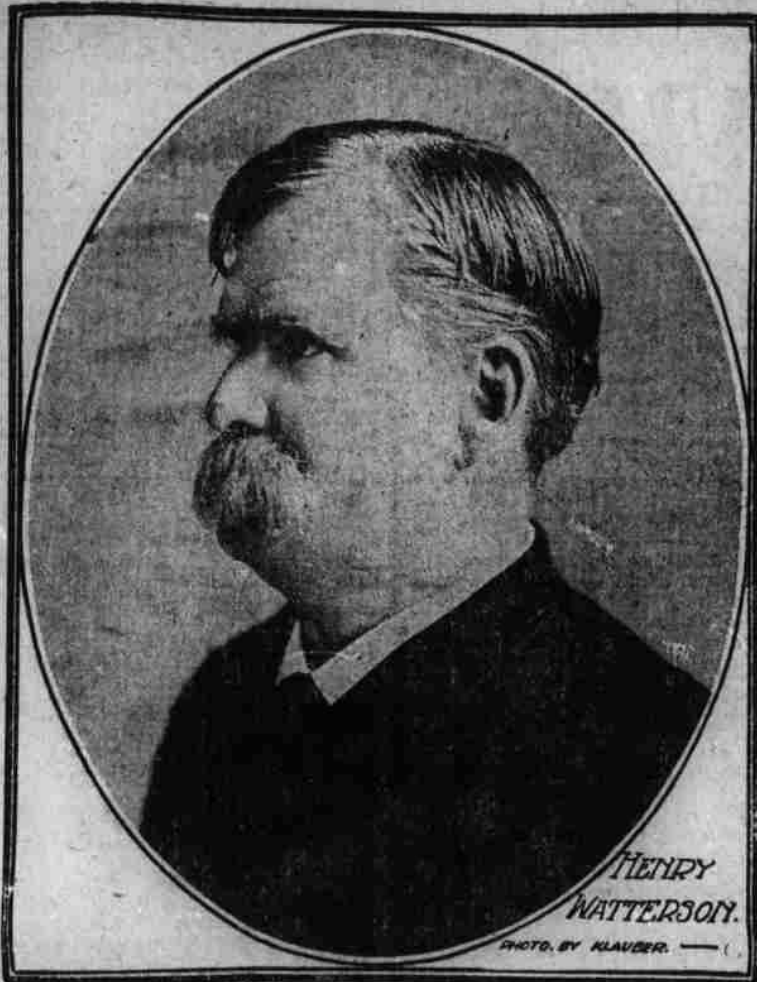
National Gathering of Men of the Presbyterian Faith Is Held at Kansas City.

Kansas City, Jan. 24.—A national gathering of men of the Presbyterian church met here today for a two days' convention to study home mission problems and plan for a successful prosecution of the work throughout the nation.

Reception at White House.

Washington, Jan. 24.—President and Mrs. Taft gave the second reception of the winter at the White House last night.

Man Who Scored Wilson Is Boomed for Presidency



TAFT IS ENDORSED AT OKLAHOMA MEET

Effort to Stampede the Convention for Theodore Roosevelt Fails.

Colgate, Okla., Jan. 24.—William Howard Taft was endorsed for renomination by the republican party for president by a vote of 113 to 32 at the fourth congressional district republican convention last night.

Defeat came only after a hard struggle, during which spectacular methods were used to impress the delegates with the boom which the supporters of the colonel had set in motion.

Edward Perry, district chairman, led the fight for Roosevelt while James A. Harris of Wagoner held the lines for the administration.

C. W. Miller of Hugo and G. A. Ramsey of Ardmore were elected delegates to the republican national convention and James A. Harris was endorsed for national committeeman by the same vote that President Taft received.

LINCOLN DAY DINNER

Graduates of Practically Every American College Will Meet When He Attends Affair.

New York, Jan. 24.—Graduates of practically every college in the United States will greet President Taft when he comes to attend the Lincoln day dinner of Graduates club.

YELLOW FEVER VICTIM

Commander L. C. Bertolotto of the U. S. Cruiser Yorktown Succumbs to Disease at Guayaquil.

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Jan. 24.—Commander Levi C. Bertolotto of the United States cruiser Yorktown died of yellow fever aboard his ship this morning. He was a native of Pennsylvania.

Jack Johnson to Wrestle Gotch.

Chicago, Jan. 24.—Jack Johnson yesterday announced he had a telegram from G. E. Shefski of Salt Lake City, offering him \$30,000 to wrestle Frank Gotch in that city.

A WOMAN TEACHER IS SHOT TO DEATH

Slayer Then Wounds Neighbor and Surrenders to Salem (Va.) Police.

Salem, Va., Jan. 24.—Miss Eva Chambers, a young school teacher, was shot and killed near her school at Lockett's store, Roanoke county, today by Joshua Raines. Later he shot and wounded Charles Day, his neighbor. Raines then surrendered himself to the police.

CHOATE MAKES APPEAL FOR DICKENS FUND

Celebrated Birthday by Urging Americans to Make Amends for Not Giving Novelist Royalties.

New York, Jan. 24.—Joseph H. Choate, former ambassador to Great Britain, celebrated his eightieth birthday today by issuing an appeal in behalf of the Dickens centenary fund, of which he is the American chairman.

M'MANJAL'S CLOCKS

Government Wants to Know Who Paid for Time Pieces Used to Explode Bombs.

Indianapolis, Jan. 24.—The purchases of alarm clocks by Ortle McManjal, confessed dynamiter, at Rochester and other places were investigated by the federal grand jury here today.

DIES A HERO

Pennsylvania Youth Vainly Attempts to Save Friend from Death and Perishes.

Morristown, Pa., Jan. 24.—Ralph Warren and Jonathan Probsen were drowned skating last night on the Schuylkill river. Probsen died a hero, trying to save his companion. Both were young men well known and popular here.

GOV. FOSS MENACED

Police Seek Writer Who Threatened Violence if Richeson and Phelps Are Not Pardoned.

RYAN SCANDAL CAUSES A STIR

Tillman Says Wilson 'Measured Harvey and Watterson Correctly and Refused to be Lassoed.'

BRYAN SUSTAINS ACT OF JERSEY GOVERNOR

Declares Other Breaks of Progressive Candidates with Former Friends Must Inevitably Come.

Gazette-News Bureau, Wyatt Building, Washington, Jan. 24.

It is freely admitted that the Wilson-Harvey episode, in its latest Ryan aspect, as set forth in these dispatches and in certain New York and Philadelphia papers, is pregnant with possibilities. The writer met men opposed to Governor Wilson yesterday, who expressed the fear that the story is true, while Colonel Watterson has entered no denial, even to intimate friends.

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TO AID THE POOR, CHURCH PLANS GROCERY STORE

If the First Venture Proves Successful, Others Will be Operated.

New York, Jan. 24.—Rev. Madison C. Peters, pastor of the Pilgrim Congregational church will open a grocery store Saturday as part of the church's work among the poor.

COMMITTEE RECESSES

Steel Trust Investigators Await the Arrival of Presidents of Trust's Subsidiary Companies.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The Stanley steel trust investigating committee today decided to suspend hearings until the arrival of presidents of some of the subsidiary companies of the United States steel corporation.

WOLTER MUST DIE

Gov. Dix Refuses to Act in Behalf of New Yorker Who Killed Ruth Wheeler.

Albany, Jan. 24.—Governor Dix today refused to interfere in the case of Albert W. Wolter, slayer of Ruth Wheeler, the girl he lured to his room in New York on the pretense of employing her as a stenographer.

ARGENTINA DEMANDS REDRESS

Buenos Ayres, Jan. 25.—Diplomatic relations between Argentina and Paraguay will be broken off tomorrow unless in the meantime the Paraguayan government satisfies Argentina's demands for compensation for attacks on shipping and other property belonging to her citizens.

Progressive Candidate Who 'Called Off' Harvey



HADLEY OF MISSOURI OUT FOR ROOSEVELT

Announcement of the Governor, to Whom Nagel Had Practically Surrendered Leadership of Taft Forces in the State, Startles Administration's Friend—Roosevelt Silent.

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DEMOCRATS IN CAUCUS RATIFY STEEL REVISION

Only Amendment Is Placing of Baling Wire on Free List.

Washington, Jan. 24.—After an ineffectual effort on the part of some members to place steel rails and pig iron on the free list, and increase the proposed duties on lead and zinc, democrats of the house in caucus yesterday ratified the iron and steel tariff schedule drafted by their colleagues on the ways and means committee.

BANKER A SUICIDE

It Health Believed to Have Caused Van L. Thomas of Lima, O., to Shoot Himself.

Lima, O., Jan. 24.—Van L. Thomas, cashier of the Lima Trust company, committed suicide today by shooting himself through the head. His health was the cause. Thomas arose from breakfast, went into another room and shot himself.

PRAY FOR LEGISLATORS

Norfolk Women Petition That Virginia Lawmakers Be Guided to Provide Prohibition Election.

Norfolk, Jan. 24.—With the question of an enabling act making possible statewide prohibition in Virginia under legislative consideration at Richmond, Norfolk women who advocate prohibition today met and prayed that the legislature's committee would be guided to provide for a statewide prohibition election in Virginia.

BIG CORRUPTION FUND CHARGED

Culberson Hints Cortelyou Used Federal Position to Extort Trust Money for Campaign Purposes.

SAYS AMBASSADORSHIPS WERE GIVEN FOR CASH

Asserts Roosevelt Rejoiced That 'Soap' Was Potential in Elections—Demands Investigation.

Washington, Jan. 24.—Demanding an investigation into campaign expenditures in 1904 and 1908, Senator Culberson of Texas, in the senate yesterday afternoon made sweeping charges of corruption against the republican committees for those and other years.

Mr. Culberson's address was made in anticipation of an unfavorable report by the committee on contingent expenses on his resolution providing for an investigation. He said that the limitations of the proposed inquiry to 1904 should not be construed as a confession that there had not been improper practices before that period.

It has been estimated, he said, that the enormous and unconscionable sum of \$11,000,000 was raised and probably expended that year by the committee of which he was chairman. The very size and audacity of this fund, if approximately correct, smacks of extortion, profligacy and corruption. Who contributed and where did it come from?

Mr. Culberson declared there should be an inquiry to answer these questions. He went into some detail regarding the newspaper charges that the late E. H. Harriman had raised the fund of \$20,000 to which he himself had contributed \$5,000 in support of the republican ticket in the campaign of 1904.

He declared that within the past few weeks an effort had been made to clear up this charge, and added, "this attempt to unload upon the head the obolous of this disgraceful transaction which is said to have changed 50,000 votes in the city of New York alone, may be significant in several ways. It may be the common and ordinary case of malefactors waiting for the absconding or death of witnesses, or it may presage a political movement of national consequence and magnitude."

Continuing that his resolution did not go back of 1904, Mr. Culberson said this was due to the necessity of fixing a limit and was not because of the fact that money had not been corruptly used prior to that time.

In this connection he said: "Men high in party councils, one of them afterwards attaining the vice presidency and then the presidency, laughed and joked in 1880 around the banquet board that 'soap' was potential in elections. It is well remembered how James B. Foster, president of the republican league in 1888, would have cried the fat out of special and protected interests to force campaign contributions. Honest and patriotic men will never cease to recall the shame and mortification that with 12 votes Dudley Hoates were organized into blocks of five in the election in Indiana in that year. Nor have foreign ambassadors been only recently measured by fat contributions for the public revolt against Van Alen and Hyde in fresh in the memory of the well informed."

In response to questions from Senator Gallinger, Mr. Culberson said that the figures regarding campaign contributions had been taken entirely from newspaper reports. He added his conviction that they were fairly well authenticated, but expressed the opinion that they should be officially investigated.

GOV. BROWN TAKES OFFICE TOMORROW

Atlanta, Jan. 24.—The Georgia legislature met in special session today, canvassed the returns of the gubernatorial election and declared Joseph M. Brown governor, succeeding Hoke Smith, resigned to accept a United States senatorship.

Brown will be inaugurated tomorrow. The assembly adjourns after the inauguration.