

REACTIONARIES IN THE SADDLE

With Appointment of McKinley, Old Element in Party Takes Control of Taft Campaign.

PROGRESSIVES MORE HOSTILE THAN EVER

Senatorial Pilgrimages to Sagamore Hill Will Soon Be in Order—Administration Estimates.

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After a season of close communion between Secretary Hilles, Senator Crane and Representative McKinley of Illinois, who is to open Taft headquarters here next week, a sort of semi-official statement was given out, saying the president would receive an overwhelming majority in the Chicago convention.

In dispatches from New York, the writer told how Roosevelt would receive considerable support from Pennsylvania. Now, much to the surprise of some people, Taft leaders formally conceded that Mr. Roosevelt will get one-third of the delegation from that state.

Critics of the administration are declaring that the old reactionary element in the party has now taken complete charge of things, with McKinley of Illinois, a Cannon lieutenant, in sole command, and that Vice-President Sherman will be renominated.

The progressives are now more determined than ever to prevent Mr. Taft's re-nomination, and it is considered altogether probable that some of the progressive senators will be going over to Oyster Bay next week and the country will soon begin to hear about the Roosevelt schism as well as the fine assortment of Roosevelt governors.

Open Taft Headquarters Monday. Washington, Feb. 10.—Taft campaign headquarters will be opened here Monday or Tuesday and will be known as the National Taft Bureau. Representative McKinley, chairman of the republican congressional committee, who was recently selected as pro-convention manager of the Taft campaign, made his announcement after a conference with Secretary Hilles today. Headquarters will be in a downtown hotel.

GOV. WILSON'S ATTITUDE TOWARD BIG BUSINESS

Would Give Illegal Combines an Opportunity to Conform to Law.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 10.—Woodrow Wilson expounded his views of democracy to the Kentucky legislature yesterday, giving what he termed "a straight democratic talk." Last night he spoke at the Woodrow Wilson League of Kentucky banquet.

Dr. Wilson brought his idea of "a system of trusteeship" before the legislature, which he said grew out of the power wielded by the big interests in the political world by "men who could not see farther than across the director's table."

Charging that republican officeholders were guided by these men, he said the government virtually resolved itself into a trusteeship.

"These men consider themselves guardians of the country," he said. "They don't believe judgment of the people is sound, hence the guardianship."

"Privilege—this ghost has captured business in this country. No business is free and the whole situation shows an artificial advantage. Business men are afraid to talk and this tremor crippling business is proof of the grip of privilege and fear of it."

"Our laws of 20 years ago don't fit conditions as they are today. We stand in the presence of a new order of things. Formerly the people were against a change, but now they know it is necessary."

Dr. Wilson said he would not attempt to revolutionize the entire business system at one upheaval, but would try to "clear the channel," give big business interests a chance to re-orient themselves on the theory that big business with privilege is bad, but big business properly operated is good.

Detroit's Coldest Day.

Detroit, Feb. 10.—The winter's coldest day in Detroit here today was marked by a heavy snowfall.

FOLK QUILTS RAGE FOR INDORSEMENT

He Agrees to the Proposition Made by Candidate Champ Clark.

St. Louis, Feb. 10.—Former Governor Joseph W. Folk today announced his retirement from the race for the democratic endorsement in Missouri for the presidential nomination. He thus agreed to a proposal made by Speaker Clark, who wanted Folk to agree to a divided delegation. Folk did this and at the same time released all his friends from giving him their support.

Folk made the announcement after considering a statement he received from Clark. Folk said: "I believe Mr. Clark, owing to his prominence in Washington and his long and honorable service there, has perhaps better chances for the nomination than any other Missourian. I therefore release all claims I have on the delegation and request my friends to join me in giving Clark the united support of Missouri in this contest."

Lon Sanders, Folk's manager, said: "This practically means Folk's withdrawal from the presidential race."

RICH PLANTER KILLED CRANKING MOTOR CAR

Machine Plunges and Drags J. G. Stevens, Prominent in Georgia Politics.

Athens, Ga., Feb. 10.—Former State Representative John G. Stevens, aged 56, a wealthy planter and merchant and a Confederate veteran, was killed by his automobile, in which his wife was seated, near Comer yesterday afternoon. The car was left in high gear and Stevens attempted to crank it. The car plunged forward, dragging him several yards. Stevens was dead when picked up.

SPECIAL CLASSIFIED PAGE IS TO BE STARTED SOON

Manager Hopes to Begin Distributing Those New Dollars Next Week.

Just a few more days of preliminary work and the "Special Classified Page" will make its appearance in this paper. It cannot be stated now just when you can expect it but the Manager of this Special Page hopes to get everything in shape so he can start out to distribute those new one dollar bills next week. All who receive this money will get it for simply reading the advertisements each day on that page.

PROGRESS ON CANAL

Work on Big Ditch Went Forward Rapidly During the Month of January.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Work on the Panama canal progressed steadily during January, according to cable reports just received here by the isthmian canal commission. With one working day less, the canal diggers excavated 2,641,444 cubic yards in January as against 2,439,376 during the preceding month. In days 475,139 cubic yards of fill was placed during the month, an increase of 122,235 over December. There was a slight falling off in the amount of concrete laid, the total being 107,383 cubic yards, compared with 110,265 laid in December.

DROPPED FROM ARMY

Name of Lieutenant Lykes Long Missing from Fort Russell, Removed from List.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Lieut. Gibbs Lykes, Ninth cavalry, U. S. A., was dropped from the list of army officers today. Lykes was granted leave from the post at Fort Russell, Wyo., last October and never reappeared. Army regulations provide that an officer absent without leave 60 days may be dropped as a deserter. Lykes is a native of South Carolina and Senator Tillman secured 40 additional days in which Lykes could make his appearance.

Frozen to Death on Sidewalk.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Gustav Meister, a printer, was frozen to death on a sidewalk here last night. The temperature was 20 below zero. The January 31st was the coldest in 25 years.

No Trace Found Of Their Bodies



H. L. Hecock, father of Burrell Hecock, seventeen years old, who was one of those on the Niagara ice bridge when it passed out, and Nelson K. Butcher, father of Mrs. Eldridge Stanton, of Toronto, who, with her husband, also lost her life, returned to their homes satisfied that the bodies would never be recovered. They had spent two days by the side of the great whirlpool in hopes the victims' bodies might be found.

PRIVATE PENSION BILLS DRAW MR. GUDGER'S FIRE

Says Too Much Money Goes in the Administration of the Department.

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Congressman Gudger took a hand in the debate while pension legislation was pending yesterday. Addressing those who were seeking to secure approval of a flood of private pension bills, Mr. Gudger, took the position that the Sherwood bill, which he had supported, would have removed the necessity for passing the private bills, which he feared were not always based upon merit and which he said constituted a severe drain upon the treasury. He said he had looked upon the Sherwood bill as a party measure and had voted for it upon that theory, but that personally he thought too much money was now being paid out for pensions, or rather in the administration of the pension department and that more of this money should be going to men who had performed some real service. A sufficient amount was now being paid out, he thought, for pension purposes.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Jenkins will return to Gastonia today to attend the funeral of George Gray. While Mr. Jenkins has consented to become a member of the board of directors of the Continental Trust company here, this will take very little of his time from his Asheville interests.

MORE TROOPS RUSHED TO THE MEXICAN BORDER

Expected March of Madero Troops Puts Insurrectors in Ugly Temper.

Washington, Feb. 10.—A battalion of the Eighteenth infantry has been ordered from Whipple barracks, Arizona, to El Paso, Tex. The situation at Juarez, opposite El Paso, is reported today, the insurgents being much disturbed over the threatened entry of Madero troops via American territory.

CODE MESSAGES READ

Government Introduces Telegrams to Show How Packers Regulated Meat Prices.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Fifty telegrams sent by Swift & Co. to their representatives in eastern cities giving instructions to regard to shipments and margins and which the government declares tends to show that prices were fixed at the Chicago office, were read to the jury in the packers' trial yesterday.

Many of the messages sent over the company's private wires were in code and had to be deciphered by Lee M. Lester, assistant manager of the meat department.

Counsel for the defendants objected to the introduction of the telegrams but Judge Carpenter allowed the government to read to all of them in secret.

TO CALL BRYAN AS A WITNESS

House Banking Committee Wants to Know What He Means by Charges of Trust Control.

ATTACKED INTEGRITY OF CURRENCY BODY

He Was Quoted as Saying the "Money Trust" Believed It Could Control Investors.

Washington, Feb. 10.—William J. Bryan was held up to the house today as an "evil genius hovering on the flanks of the democrats," by Representative Martine Dies of Texas, who replied to the Comptroller's latest attack upon the democratic house membership. Democrats and republicans alike cheered Dies' declaration that he "neither feared the power nor respected the judgment" of the Nebraskan and his further announcement that the democrats under the leadership of Champ Clark and Oscar W. Underwood were headed towards complete success swept the democratic side of the house into storms of applause.

"I am almost ready to join Gov. Wilson in his desire to find some decent and orderly manner of knocking Bryan into a cocked hat," said Dies amid democratic laughter and applause.

Learned Nothing, Forgotten Nothing. "Bryan has led the democrats through three disastrous defeats," cried Dies, "like the Bourbons of old he has learned nothing and forgotten nothing. He points out columns straight to the rocks of St. Helena. The people are ready to give us more power. In this situation it is a calamity if not a crime, for Bryan to sow the seeds of discord in the ranks of the party."

"Whatever we do, it displeases him. The prospect of democratic success seems to anger his very soul. I prefer to follow the leadership of the gentleman from Alabama. I have followed the Don Quixote of Nebraska until I am wearying of war upon windmills. I demand to be led against the flesh and blood enemies of democracy."

The conclusion of Dies' remarkable attack upon Bryan was marked by general applause and a clustering about him of his democratic colleagues who shook his hand.

W. J. Bryan will be the first witness to be summoned before the house committee on banking and currency to testify in the "money trust" grand jury investigation, which the democratic caucus repudiating Mr. Bryan's demand for a special committee referred to standing committees of the house.

Mr. Bryan took on the toes of the democratic member of the committee when he recently declared that the "money trust" thought it could control the committee. The committee insists that Mr. Bryan must explain what he meant, notwithstanding the fact that the Bryan adherents in the caucus Wednesday night, offered a resolution which was adopted, expressing confidence in the integrity of their colleagues on that committee.

"The committee is a unit," said Representative Pajo, chairman of the banking and currency committee "in the decision that Mr. Bryan must explain to us exactly what he meant."

This is what Mr. Bryan is credited with saying about the committee, concerning which the democratic members wish to question him.

What Mr. Bryan Said. "Democrats beware! The money trust having failed in its effort to prevent an investigation is now trying to force an investigation by the banking committee. The fact that the money trust wants that committee entrusted with the investigation is proof positive that it thinks it can control that committee."

In marked contrast to the proposals made by Representative Henry, of Texas, chairman of the rules committee, for an investigation of the "money trust" was a resolution introduced by Representative Pajo, eliminating all special reference to the "money trust."

The Pajo resolution was approved by the majority members of the committee to which the democratic caucus referred most of the inquiry.

The Pajo banking and currency committee resolution was referred to the rules committee. It sets forth that the "committee is desirous of securing full and complete information regarding the banking and currency conditions of the country for the purpose of determining what legislation is needed." And authorizes it to sit as a whole or by sub-committee during the sessions or recess of congress and to compel the attendance of witnesses.

No Specific Reference. There are no specific references in the resolution to control of money by financial groups and their domination of railroads, industrial corporations, national banks and the New York stock exchange and clearing house such as contained in the Dies resolution, referred to by the committee.

This resolution has been made confidential in and respect for Mr. Underwood, believing that he reflects the real policy and principles of the

Mme. Sarah Finds Beauty In the Simpler Gowns



Mme. Sarah Bernhardt. From the European Edition of the Herald.

Sarah Bernhardt, the great French actress, in discussing styles, says she finds beauty in modern simple gowns and that in these days, when women spend more than ever before for their clothes, they should insist on personal note being dominant.

Roosevelt Partisans Form an Organization

It Is Called the Buncombe County Roosevelt Republican Club—Critiques Administration's Attitude to South, and Canadian Reciprocity.

A goodly number of the republicans of various parts of the county met at the court house today for the purpose of organizing a "Buncombe County Roosevelt Republican Club" in the interest of the nomination and election of Theodore Roosevelt to the presidency of the United States.

Resolutions in support of Mr. Roosevelt and in disapproval of the Taft administration and its policies were passed and a plan of organization adopted. Dr. Arthur T. Pritchard was chosen as temporary chairman and J. F. Barrett temporary secretary. The resolutions were read and then Col. V. S. Lusk read some reasons as to why the southern republicans should not support Taft and should support Roosevelt. The plan of organization was presented by Charles G. Lee and is as follows:

"1. This organization shall be known as the Buncombe County Roosevelt Republican Club. 2. Its officers shall consist of the president of the club, 28 vice presidents, one in each voting precinct in the county. And a secretary-treasurer. These officers shall constitute the executive authority of the club."

"3. The object of this club shall be to promote the republican party's best interest in this county, state and nation, and we believe that in sending instructed delegations from each precinct to the county convention, and from the county convention to the state convention, for Theodore Roosevelt for president, that we are promoting the best interests of the republican party." This was signed by A. T. Pritchard, chairman; A. J. Lyman, J. B. Sumner, Charles G. Lee and W. J. Beachboard.

The same committee offered resolutions which were adopted the effect of which is as follows: After reasserting allegiance to the party, the resolutions resent the present executive attitude toward the party in the south, saying that the appointment of several democrats to responsible positions has reflected on the social standing and dignity of the southern party leaders and has made toward republican defeat; that the attitude of the present administration toward the trade agreement with Canada is contrary to the policies of McKinley of tariff for protection, which the members still approve; and further agitation of the matter is disapproved.

There is a disagreement with the policy of life tenure in office and civil pensions; only pensions for soldiers is advocated. Congress should not be deprived of its power to ratify or reject appointments of the president. The party plan or organization which allows each man his strength in the contest is approved. The republican cause, the utmost confidence in and respect for Mr. Underwood, believing that he reflects the real policy and principles of the

CRUISER TO CHINA

The West Virginia Coaling at Honolulu for Departure—Entire Fleet Ready to Move.

Honolulu, Feb. 10.—The cruiser West Virginia is coaling for departure today. China, it is rumored, is her destination. Rear Admiral Thomas' orders are to hold the fleet in readiness.

FREE TRAPPED MINERS

Fifty Men are Imprisoned for 48 Hours in Shaft Near Danville, Ill.

Danville, Ill., Feb. 10.—After 48 hours imprisonment in the Fairmount shaft 50 miners were released this morning by men who chopped the ice from the shaft. The men were estimated yesterday by the breaking of the shaft and the principles of the

M'CABE QUIZZED IN LAND CASE

Agricultural Department Solicitor Defines Attitude of Himself and Wilson Towards Florida Lands.

POSTAL DEPARTMENT BEGINS AN INQUIRY

Everglades Syndicates Under Fire from Two Quarters—New Phases of The Case.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Representative Clark today made public a letter he received last October from Secretary Wilson. After Clark asked at whose instance the everglades circular and Wright report were suppressed. "It is impossible to furnish you with the names of all the persons who advised the suppression of the circular letter and report," wrote Wilson. "We have no record of them and my recollection is that persons made their request upon me verbally."

Washington, Feb. 10.—George P. McCabe, solicitor in the department of agriculture, appeared before the house committee on expenditures in the department of agriculture today to outline the attitude of Secretary Wilson and himself relative to the Florida everglades land case and charges of suppressed reports made by Representative Clark and Guthrie, and to the discharge of Chief Drainage Engineer C. G. Elliott and his assistant, A. A. Morehouse. McCabe was called to complete the statement he began before the committee early in the week preliminary to the inquiry which begins Tuesday.

It was charged before the committee that the report of J. O. Wright, formerly department engineer and now drainage engineer of Florida, was not printed in a senate document on the everglades situation until Wright revised his proofs to conform with his original notes. Senator Fletcher of Florida, who had the everglades reports printed as a document, declared the senate document "does not contain the full report made by J. O. Wright," and that it "appears in the document precisely as ordered set up and printed by the proper officers of the department."

Why the publication of the report was stopped originally in 1910, Fletcher declared, is unknown. Another phase to be investigated by the committee is why the circular on the everglades published by Engineer Elliott and a few days ago, it is said, by Secretary Wilson's order, was not printed in the senate document. Postoffice Department Investigates. The postoffice department is investigating land syndicates dealing in Florida everglades property, invoked in the controversy pertaining to the department of agriculture.

While Representative Clark of Florida, whose charges precipitated the congressional inquiry, was preparing for the investigation yesterday he received a request from the postoffice inspection division for copies of his speech in the house assailing officials of the agricultural department for their attitude in the everglades drainage case and for other information he has on the subject.

TWO VESSELS ADDED TO THE REVENUE

The Unalga and the Miami Launched Today by Newport News Shipbuilding Company.

Newport News, Va., Feb. 10.—With the launching today of the new revenue cutter Unalga and Miami by the Newport News Shipbuilding company, the United States adds to its revenue navy under the control of the treasury department, through the United States revenue cutter service decreed by Assistant Secretary Robert O. Bailey, two notable vessels for the work of saving life and property in connection with the duties of enforcing the customs laws. The Miami, which will be stationed at Key West, Fla., and the Unalga, to operate in Alaskan waters, are sister ships, each having an armament of six-pound rapid fire guns.

Milk Wholesalers Gain Point

Washington, Feb. 10.—Wholesale milk operators in Boston won a substantial victory through a decision of the interstate commerce commission of what is known as the "Boston milk case." The commission holds that the leased car system is not if tariffs are properly framed, unlawful.

Twelve Rescued from Sinking Ship

Bremen, Germany, Feb. 10.—The North German Lloyd steamer Chesapeake, which left New York February 8, was today rescued from the wreck of the vessel and 12 men rescued by the