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MR. MOREHEAD IS PERTURBLY

Administration Wants Indorsement by Committee Today. but Roosevelt Sentiment Is Proving Baffling.

MR. DUNCAN EXPECTED TO DEFINE POSITION

Friends Think Report He is For T. R. Plan to Hurt Him at White House.

> Gazette-News Bureau, The Hotel Raleigh, Raleigh, Feb. 28.

With the administration looking to Morehead and Butler to pass resolutions indorsing Taft, these gentlemer are faced with such a strong Roose velt sentiment that a definite cours of procedure is difficult. In fac Morehead is already saying that the Senator Rayner the re-indorsement of the Coministration is Col. Roosevelt's speech at a matter purely for state conventions. There is a strong undercurrent for an uninstructed delegation.

can's friends regard the report as to the republic. We must realize how nothing short of one of Butler's diaplans to injure Duncan with the administration. The report that Morehead men is classed in the same

Charlotte will likely get the convention to select delegates to the national convention. Marion Butler is the organization candidate, according to reports, for national committeemen.

Republican politics looked up a bit for the first time in several years here today. This afternoon at 1:30 o'clock the republican state executive comfor holding the state convention and

publicans will be present at the ban-quet, although some of the leaders of the other faction will not, it is befleved, be present.

Mr. Morehead declined to talk of that was a proper matter for the convention, Ex-Senator Marion Butler arrived from Washington last night.

committee about the only thing deficommittee about the only thing defi-nite seemed to be a program of toasts arranged for the convivial feast to-night and even this is said to be sub-ject to hasty revision. Development of Roosevelt sentiment among the mass of republicans is attributed as the cause of the hasty use of blue pencils by some of the prospective speakers. So strong is said to be this speakers. So strong is said to be the sentiment that it are that the first to the statement made by Judge (Gary and H. C. Frick to President (Gary and H sentiment that it is quite possible that perious will. an effort will not be made to pass a tration he ha dan idea lingering in with the "Gary dinners," precipitation of a big row. Truly the Morchead ship is in uncertain seas

Grissom let it be known that Tom Settle would likely be the choice of that crowd for governor, on a local option plank. Butler is much in evidence control of the control option plank. Butler is much in evidence control option plank. dence, carefully groomed, and among cess," the senator said he had written other things is down on the program a few amendments to the constitution to respond to a toust, "Principles Will for the ex-president which he would Win," while Morehead speaks on like to tender him "if he is again call-"Political Independence," Morehead, however, is quite worried about the frem which he read at length, would outlook, for well laid plans seem about invest in the colonel all the powers of

and toasts: Thomas Settle, toastmas- erly govern the people ter and welcome John M. Morehead, "Political Independence;" Harry Skinrer, "East," F. A. Linney, "West," Iredell Meares, "Whole State;" J. Q. A. Wood, "First District;" J. R. Gaskill, "Second District;" George E. Butler, "Third District;" W. J. Andrews, "Fourth District;" R. S. Robertson, "Fifth District;" L. B. Tucker, "Sixth terday soon probably will go to District;" Clarence Call, "Seventh Dis-places. The vessel has been aban-District;" Clarence Cail, "Seventh Dis-trict;" A. H. Price, "Eighth District;" doned her crew fleeing for their lives Charles E. Greene, "Ninth District;" and landing at Cape May. Before A. Whitener, "Catawba Wine;" A. E. passing into private hands, the vessel (Continued on page 8.)

Rayner Characterizes Proposal for Reversal of Judicial Decisions as Dangerous.

Washington, Feb. 28.-Reversal of judicial decisions by popular vote, a proposed by ex-President Roosevelt in his Columbus address last week, was denounced in the senate yesterday by Senator Raynor of Maryland as "the most dangerous doctrine ever brought forward by anyone who has the slight est regard for the stability of our in stitutions and whose opinion is entitled to any weight or respect."

Senator Rayner declared his belief that the republicans could nominate no man who would be easier to defeat fact for the presidency than Col. Roosevelt Senator Rayner the referred to proposing a reversal of judicial decisions by popular vote and declares that If a proposition of this sort had been Duncan has declined, in advance of the Morchead meeting, to discuss reports that he is for Roosevelt, but a statement clearly defining his position will be forthcoming tonight. Duncan's friends regard the report as to the report as the report as to the report as to the report as to the report a political tleader, who occupies today as prominent a place before the pub-

> Senator Rayner then quotes an edlcrial in a leading newspaper to the to producing their books before the effect that .Col. Roosevelt's proposal committee in this city, but consented is the craziest that ever eminated to place them freely at the disposal either from himself or any other of an expert to be named by the com-statesman since the organization of mittee. Mr. McRae made a thorough

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craziest proposal that ever emanated received craziest proposal that ever emanated received court Decisions. Hostile to Court Decisions from himself, because I have from time to time taken the liberty to submit to the senate a number of other proposals of the ex-president Mr. Morehead declined to talk of the Roosevelt candidacy, stating that the Roosevelt candidacy, stating that the has always been hostile to the decisions of the courts whenever they \$1,929,885,389, or an equivalent of ap-conflict with his own views, and he proximately \$13 a ton on the finished

and that ancient mariner. Butler, may not even be able to steer it clear of the bronkers, if an attempt is made to en-From Morehead's rooms, Secretary ed. he was absolutely supreme, unlim-

government, legislative, executive and ollowing is a list of the speakers judicial, in order that he might propalled upon me to preside over their destinies," etc.

Steamer Wrecked on Shoal.

Philadelphia, Feb. 28.-The steame Goldsboro, grounded on Brandy wine shoul in Delaware bay yes was one, of the Clyde liners.

Harmony Feast Planned by Wives of Democrats

Mrs. Champ Clark to Be Toastmistress at Banquet on Dolly Madison's Birthday-Mr s. Grover Cleveland and Mrs. William J. Bryan to Attend.

Washington, Peb. 28.-To celebrate souted beside her. The honor list and strengthen narmony in the reu-would include the wives of the loaders nited national democracy, wives of who have been mentioned for the tenting democrats are planning a presidential nomination. Mrs. Clayton gathering of the wives, mothers and of Alabama, is chairman of the executive committee of the movement and hurmony dinner on Dolly Madison's Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Underwood constitute the advisory committee.

The plan is to The plan is to The plan was insuched at a dinner fingatimistress, with Mrs. Grever Clark by Mrs. Wickliffe, wife of Representative and Mrs. Wickliffe, wife of Representative and Mrs. Wickliffe of Lengtime.

es in House Committee Report on Inquiry into Corporations Show Enormous Earnings.

RESTRAINT OF TRADE SHOWN, 'TIS DECLARED

Claims of Trust Officials in Sworn Testimony are Contradicted by Government Experts.

Washington, Feb. 28 .- The hour steel trust investigating committee to day made public the result of the in quiry into the books and minutes o the United States Steel corporation conducted by Farquhar J. McRae, ar xpert accountant.

The McRae report reaches the con dusion that the steel corporation operates in restraint of trade and prevents competition through a manipulation of prices, through the influence given by steel trust officials.

The Profits Enormous. Some of the figures dealt with it the report are startling. It is shown that J. P. Morgan & Co., received apbuncan men on the celebrated list lie as anyone in the country, who is that J. P. Morgan & Co., received aptrending are to be substituted with gifted with tremendous power, who is proximately \$70,000,000 in cash profits rehead men is classed in the same for seven years occupied the position and that the net profits of the con-of president of the United States, and cern for the first nine years of Pr exwho is now a candidate again for of- istence were more than a billion and

> Steel corporation officials objected tudy of the books and minutes, and n his report to the committee ointed out these salient features. That J. P. Morgan & Co., headin

he syndicate which organized th refit of \$69,399,000 of which \$62,-

That the net earnings of the cor-poration for a period of nine year years Outcome Seemed Uncertain.

On the eve of the affecting of the

Ings.

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MANY MEN INVOLVED

Other Arrests Expected Soon in \$25,000 Wall Street Robbery Plot.

New York, Feb. 28 .- While the olice have ten alleged highwaymen's names, five of them being under ar-rest, new evidence in the taxicab heldup and robbed of \$25,000, shows several others knew about the plot and perhaps shared in the loot. Deputy Commissioner Dougherty has the names of five of the men wanted and ours. The police are especially anx-ous to apprehend three Hallans who. according to the confession of the men under arrest supervised the robbery.

FIFE'S FUNERAL HELD

Simplicity Masks Saying of the Last Rites Over King George's Brother-in-Law.

Windsor, England, Feb. 28.-Sin pitcity marked the funeral rites for the Duke of Fife, King George's brother-in-law, who died January 29 at Assouan, Egypt, as the result of exposure when the steamer Delphi was wrecked off the Moroccan coast. The queen mother, Alexandria, was unable to attend the ceremonies benul interment will be in the Fife amily vault at Mar lodge, Braemer lectiand.

\$150,000 Fire Near Toledo.

GOSS HELD

Coroner's Jury Decides That the Three Benson Men Were Murdered.

Gazette-News Bureau, The Hotel Raleigh, Raleigh, Feb. 28. The coroner's jury, in the matter of the death by asphysiation of three Benson men today reported foul play and held Fate Goss for the grand jury

without bond. Goss was placed on the stand again today with regard to the pistol be-lieved to have been owned by one of the dead men. He said he bought it one dark night from an unknown negro in Durham and that he had no een the negro since.

Washington, Feb. 28 .- The hous naval affairs committee today decided in favor of authorizing two new battleships this year and will demand that the democratic caucus rescind its ac tion declaring against the additions to the navy now. The committee will ask for a free hand to determine the matter for itself.

MOB FORMS TO ATTACK THE ANDERSON JAIL

Farmers Organize to Lynch Black Accused of Attacking a White Woman.

a mob attack. Farmers are gathering several miles from here to march upon the jail and take William Reed, a ne gro, from prison. Reed was arrested yesterday, charg

ed with assaulting a white woman or a bond conversion scheme.

The negro was brought here at 10 o'clock last night and admitted being in the woman's home but said his mo tive was robbery. It is reported that 300 men are preparing for the attack.

WANTS JUAREZ CLOSED

Mexican Consul Urges That the Unite States Forbid the Exportation of Goods There.

rebel port be recognized by the United States as closed. The treasury departent is considering the question with The real leader of the revolutionary movement, Consul General Hanna re-

ports, is Emilio Vasquez Gomez.

State department advices indicate State department advices indicate that affairs are serious at Torreon and at Velardena, where American mining men successfully fought off a rebel band. In Vera Cruz the insurgents. it is said, have captured several towns. The American consular represents IN TAXICAB HOLD-UP tives at San Luis Potosi, Papachula and Suitillo all report quiet in those

BEATEN AND ROBBED

aged Woman Marderously Attacked in New York—Negro Elevator
Boy Confesses Crime.

New York, Feb. 28,-Mrs. Joann Huebener, an aged widow, was mur-derously attacked during the night in ner Harlem apartment, beaten into psibility and crammed into a bath tub while her assailant looted her flat. The burglar turned on 16 gas jets.

Mrs. Huebener was found barely alive and her condition is critical. The police first reported the woman

was arrested. The police say Cooper confessed, saying that after pounding her with his lists until she was unconscious he obtained \$65. Thirty dollars, stained by blood, was found

BRANDT RELEASED.

Large Crowd Follows Mortimer Schiff's Valet as He Leaves the Tombs.

New York, Feb. 28.—Folke E. Brandt, formerly Mortimer L. Schiff's valet, who is sentenced to 30 years imprisonment for burglary, was released today from the Tombs, details of his ball being finally adjusted. He teft the court building fallowed by a large crowd.

Won't Trade Johnson for Chase.

Washington. Feb. 28.—"Absolutely Absurd," declared Clark Griffith, manager of the Washington team, when shown a New York report loday that Pitcher Watter Johnson might be traded for Hal Chase of the New York Americans. Griffith and there was not the elightest foundation for the

Commerce Court Declares Fed eral Railroad Body Has Assumed Power Never Intended by Congress.

LOWER RATE RULING SHARPLY CRITICISED

Declares the Selma Case Reduction Was Ordered Against the Weight of Evi-

dence.

Washington Feb. 28.-The interate commerce commission's order educing certain classes of freight rates from New Orleans to Montgomedy, Selma, Mobile and Pensacola was oday annuled by a court decision.

The decision handed down by Judge the controversy already acute between commission and the commerce court. it has assumed. It is further asserted that the court could discover nothing in the record in support of the commission's conclusions or to justify the eductions in the rates it ordered. After an elaborate discussion of the

vidence submitted, the court opinior oncludes

that he cannot take personal charge afford no relief unless the rate fixed is shown to be confiscatory. This contention must be respected. In our judgment it was never intended to confer on the commission any such unrestrained and undirected power, unrestrained and undirected power. It is not within the commission's authority to reduce rates in this or any other case not merely against the weight of the evidence produced to ached or the reasons assigned there-Existing rates were not shown

fore the commerce court after its establishment more than a year ago. It proved a stubborn proceeding. The proved a stubborn proceeding. The oulsville & Nashville would be \$200, 000 annually. New Orleans urged that of his opinions. that city be put on an equality rates to southeastern territory with New York, Baltimore, Carolinas and MR. XNOX IS WELCOMED rectly opposed to that contention.

INFLICTING HEAVY LOSS

Italians Have Eleven Killed and 82 Wounded in Tripoli-

tan Engagement.

Rome, Feb. 28 .- A severe battle re of the Turkish forces and their Arab allies with great loss was reported in official dispatches today. The engagement occurred at Mount Mergheb on speech of his tour. the Mediterranean coast. The loss of the Turks and Arabs was heavy. Italian loss was 11 killed and 82

FEDERAL INVESTIGATION OF THE LAWRENCE STRIKE of Santo Domingo, Feb. 28.—Eindie Victor, recently elected, took the oath of Santo Domingo today for a term of

Washington, Feb. 28.—The federal labor bureau will make an immediate investigation of wage and working conditions at Lawrence, Mass. The textile mills bureau's representative left for the strike-ridden city to-

Chinese Troops Revolt.

Hankow, China, Feb. 28 .- A portion of the republican troops at Wuchang revolted during the night. There was considerable fighting but no details regarding casualties have been re-

Abe Attell in Training.

San Francisco, Feb. 28.—Abe Attell, former featherweight champion, today began training in preparation for a tight with Harlem K. (Fommy) Muray on Murch 9.

SAYCHRISTIANS WERE IN PLOT

ROOSEVELT SEEKS CAMPAIGN MANAGER

The Colonel Will Not Be in CONSPIRACY TO SLAY Personal Charge of His Candidacy.

Boston, Feb. 28 .- Theodore Roose celt's visit to Boston ended today. The colonel departed this afternoon for New York. Roosevelt met several friends at Dr. Bigelow's home before attending a luncheon given by Arthu Hill, one of the Roosevelt leaders here. Roosevelt expected to remain in New York tonight. He goes to Oyster Bay tomorrow.

The political situation in New England was canvassed at length yesterday by Col. Roosevelt and the men who are leading the Hoosevelt movement in the northeastern states. Gov Archibald of the commerce court is Robert Bass of New Hampshire, Fred ertain to add considerable fuel to Hale, of Portland, Me., son of former United States Senator Hale, and The court declares that con- score of other men active in politics gress never intended to clothe the attended a conference at the home of commission with the wide authority Grafton D. Cushing, speaker of the Grafton D. Cushing, speaker of the After Col. Massachusetts house. Roosevelt had received reports of the probable line-up of New England's 88 delegates to the Chicago convention he put politics aside for the time and went to Cambridge to talk literature

with the learned men of Harvard. it has developed that the Ro for the government simply rely on the authority of the commission to determine what is a reasonable rate and the conclusiveness of its judgment where it has done so, against which it was argued the courts can afford no relief unless the rate fixed. that he cannot take personal charge of the movement. Col. Roosevelt said

sustain them, but without anything helm. He replied that Senator Dixor substantial to warrant the conclusion would be acceptable to him, and that it had been expected that the senator would take charge. Illness in his to be unjust or unreasonable and there family, however, had made it neces was no valid basis for the commisator to abandon this plan for an in-definite period. Several other names

Reports published that he had made ation. It was brought by the Louis-ville & Nashville railroad in an effort forth a heated denial from Col. Rooseville & Nashville ratiroad in an energy to modify or annul the commission's veit who declared that they were une-order of reduction. It was declared quivocally false. He also issued a for the manager states that only one that if the commission's order fixing plant the defined the person has falled to have the name what in its opinion were reasonable platform upon which he will make hi rates were enforced, the loss to the fight, in which he pointed to his recent speeches as the best expression

BUT CLOSELY GUARDED

Special Precautions to Insure His Safety in Panama-Speaks Tonight.

Panama, Feb. 28.—The newspapers oday give great prominence to secre tary Knox's visit. They welcome him to Panama in the warmest terms.

For the second day of the secre-tary's visit, a full program of entersuiting in the defeat by the Italians tainments and functions has been provided. Tonight a state dinner will given by Governor General Parodes when Knox will make the first forma

Special precautions have been taker 'The to guard the secretary during his stay, large number of secret service mer being on guard in his immediate vi-

Victor Sworn in as President,

Japanese Government Officially Explains Recent Wholesale Arrests of Presbyterians in Korea.

OFFICIAL IS CLAIMED

Three Hundred Held for Planning to Drive Out Japs and Restore Old Regime.

New York, Feb. 28 .- The Japanese foreign office, in a cablegram sent to the consul general here for publication today, gives the official version of the recent Korean troubles which led to the arrest of students and teachers in the Presbyterian mission chools there. The statement says the authorities discovered a conspiracy to assassinate the resident general and restore the old Korean regime and that some teachers and students of Sin Syong academy and other Chris-tians were among the conspirators. The fact of the conspiracy is said to have been admitted and more than 300 arrests have been made, the accused profess Christianity, but the statement protests that their faith had nothing to do with their arrest.

THE "CLASSIFIED PAGE" HAS TAKEN THE TOWN

People Cannot Keep from Reading the Advertisements and Quit Trying.

Probably no form of advertising has elicited the interest of the people of Asheville as has the "classified page"; is a thing that has taken well and many women, especially, have derived no little entertainment from it in looking for their names. A great many nen, too, have been reading the page just to see how many names they can ocate. At first thought it might seem o be easy, after one tries it he or she will have to confess that the cannot be found very well without reading all of the advertisements lowever, the page has been well read, lar, so that several dollars have al-

eady been given away. The thing is made the more interest-ing by changes of plan, putting some sur-names in a certain advertisement and the initials in another. This has added quite a little zest to the work of finding the names.

As the advertisements are interestingly written it is really not in nature of a task to read them and the reader is more than likely to learn everal things that he or she has een wanting to know. tated that his wife had found some information as to where she could have certain work done, which she had been wanting to learn for three or four years.
As for those whose names as : put

in, their telephones, if they have them, ring from soon after the publication nour until bedtime, friends fearing it may have been overlooked.

POLICE ARE ACTIVE

Crowds in the Lawrence Mill District Consisting Mostly of Women, Are Distressed.

Lawrence, Mass., Feb. 28.—Dispersing crowds in the mill district regarded as containing possible elements of danger occupied police energies to-day. Most of those congregating along the picket line were women. Two women were arrested.

Thirteenth Week of Packers Trial.

Chicago, Feb. 28 .- The thirteenth week of the Packers' trial began be-fore Judge Carpenter today. District Attorney Wilkerson said he expected the government to rest within two Fails 200 Feet and Lives.

San Bernadino, Cal., Fob. 28.— Aviator Harry Crawford fell yesterday 200 feet when his arcopiane became unmanageable. He has only a few violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

MY CHOICE FOR PRESIDENT

If I could Select the Man I Would Name

Out this ticket out and mail it to The GazetteNews, or hand it to this office. If you do not care to write your mane on the ballut, your write it in a registry book provided at the office.

Results will be published from time to time and in no wase will name of the voter be given out voters so requested.