

MRS. TAFT ILL BUT NO FEARS

Are Expected for Her Prompt and Complete Recovery

PRESIDENT MAKES ADDRESS

Before Brotherhood of Trainmen, Favoring Combination of Government Employees But Opposing Affiliation With Federation of Labor—Speaks Quite Plainly.

New York, May 15.—After spending an anxious night at Mrs. Taft's bedside, the president returned to Washington this morning much relieved after her physician's announcement that Mrs. Taft was rapidly recovering from the nervous relapse. The president will probably return in a few days to visit her.

In order that there might be no misunderstanding of Mrs. Taft's condition public officials issued the following statement last night:

"Mrs. Taft had a recurrence Saturday morning of the nervous trouble from which she suffered two years ago, but in a less severe form. On account of this it is probable she will not return to Washington for three or four days. This has caused a change in the president's plans for the Harrisburg trip, and he returned to New York last night. Dr. Evan Evans is in attendance. The president probably will return to Washington today unless there are developments that are entirely unlooked for now."

Mr. Taft conferred with Mr. Stimson, recently appointed secretary of war, and decided to allow him a week to wind up personal affairs before going to Washington to take the portfolio.

Harrisburg, Pa., May 15.—Contrary to his personal inclinations, but in the belief that it would do much to silence sensational reports of the seriousness of Mrs. Taft's illness, President Taft came to Harrisburg Sunday. He had intended to spend the night in the Pennsylvania capital but instead he stayed here only three hours and then left for New York. He will go to the home of his brother, Henry W. Taft, where Mrs. Taft lies ill.

In the few hours he was here the president motored through streets lined with thousands of people, silent for the most part because they had heard through bulletins posted about town of Mrs. Taft's sickness; visited Representative Olmsted, of Pennsylvania; and made a speech to the tenth biennial convention of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen. The president was introduced by Governor Tener. It was a straight-from-the-shoulder talk, the president made but the delegates seemed to like it. He spoke of trade unions, their good and bad points, but he wound up by defining his position in regard to the affiliation with the American Federation of Labor, an organization, of government clerks. The question, he said, is most likely to be made an issue in congress. It presents a serious problem which the president declared demanded the earnest consideration of the whole people.

Mr. Taft stated plainly that he did not oppose an organization of government employees for their betterment, but he opposed their affiliation with the Federation of Labor, which permitted strikes, boycotts, etc., to enforce its demands.

Steamer Strikes Rock

New York, May 15.—Two masted schooner Charles E. Elmon, Captain, Henry Hoyer, loaded with tile, struck a rock and sunk in East river today.

HARMONY IN PATENT LAWS

Representatives of Thirty-seven Nations in Conference

Washington, May 15.—Representatives of 37 nations assembled here today for a three-weeks conference to arrange for greater harmony regarding patent laws throughout the world. The action will be secret and subject to ratification by the various governments.

The conference was welcomed by Secretary Knox and Assistant Secretary of State Wilson was made permanent president.

In the Distant Future
Our idea of the millennium is when the daughters of the American Revolution elect a president general by acclamation.—Syracuse Herald.

Able Charge to Grand Jury Delivered by Judge Daniels

Was Confined Almost Entirely to Prohibition Law, the Sale of Harmful Drugs and the Child Labor

One of the strongest charges that has been delivered to a Durham county grand jury in many terms was the charge of Judge Frank A. Daniels this morning to the grand jury which is to have in charge the bills of indictment at the May term of superior court for the trial of criminal cases.

There was nothing sensational and no playing to the galleries in the charge, but a simple, earnest talk to the jurors that impressed very deeply every one who heard it. Judge Daniels departed from the regular routine of jury charges and devoted his time almost entirely to a discussion of the violation of the prohibition law, the law against the promiscuous sale of poisonous drugs and the violation of the child labor laws.

"You men have been summoned here from all parts of the county as men of intelligence and upright character. It is your duty to inquire what has been going on in the county. You have an excellent recorder's court in the county which relieves this court of a large amount of work. Under a recent statute, however, you are given jurisdiction over cases arising in the territory over which the jurisdiction of the recorder extends, and you are to report such cases as the recorder has failed to report within six months from the time the crime was committed.

The Use of Drugs.
"There are a few things to which I wish to call your attention especially. In some parts of the county the use of poisonous drugs has grown alarming. One of the worst of these drugs is cocaine. In some sections the use of this terrible drug has become so extensive as to become a menace to the community. You should make inquiries as to whether this law is being violated by the druggists or others who peddle the drug."

Illegal Sale of Liquors.
"Another thing to which I wish to call your attention especially, is the violation of the law against the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. We have a law on our statute books forbidding the manufacture or sale of liquor. This statute was placed there by a vote of nearly 50,000 majority. It is the only law that I know about that was placed on the books by this method, except some of the provisions in our constitution. It may be that we do not believe it was to the best interest of the state for this law to be passed. But it is a law, and all good citizens will work for its enforcement whether they believe in it or not. If it is not a good law the way to get rid of it is to enforce it. The large majority of the good citizens of North Carolina who passed this law believe that the worst menace of the Anglo-Saxon race today is the injudicious use of intoxicating liquors. They believe that it fills our orphan asylums, and insane asylums. That it brings ruin, and misery on the homes, disgraces thousands of fam-

ilies and dwarfs the physical and mental life of children who become a menace to society and the safety of the state. The people have seen the futility of building school houses and erecting churches if the use of intoxicating liquors is allowed to destroy all of the influence of the churches and all of the benefits that arise from a trained intellect such as our schools are supposed to produce. It is your duty, therefore, to see that this law is enforced. In making your inquiries you are not to be guided by friendship or prejudice. The safety of the community is in your hands. You are public officers and if you do not use your utmost efforts to bring offenders to justice you shall prove yourselves unworthy of citizenship.

Child Labor.
"The laws of our state have a sort of tender attitude towards the young people. It throws around the young men and women every protection. It is well that it does. Only a short time ago and you and I shall have passed of the scene of action and these young men and women will be dominating the affairs of this state. In many communities these young people are compelled to work in factories at an immature age. Their bodies are dwarfed and their development is checked. They grow into undersized men and women whose mental and moral faculties are dwarfed as well as their physical bodies. They in turn breed children who are more badly dwarfed. The whole race becomes a menace to the state and to the community. We have laws that forbid this exploitation of the young people for private gain. There are men who would exploit anything for a little personal gain. I don't know whether you have men in this community who would employ these children contrary to law or not. The report of the commissioner of labor shows that there are men in a number of communities in the state who do this. It is worth inquiring into. Let it once become known that in this community the laws are being enforced and the industrial development of the community will go forward with rapid strides."

The entire morning session was taken up with the charge to the jury and to going over the docket.

Jurors for This Term.
The following jurors have been chosen for the trial of the cases at this term:

S. T. Bowles, E. C. Perry, A. Y. Duma, A. R. Horton, W. H. Malone, A. R. Fogelman, G. W. Riggs, O. M. Pleasant, J. W. Sorrell, John M. Hancock, J. Harper Irwin.

Grand Jury.
The following citizens constitute the grand jury:

S. H. Stephens, J. L. Whitmore, S. H. Nichols, W. H. Parrish, W. A. Cook, T. J. Jones, H. C. Byrd, J. W. Webster, J. R. Weatherston, J. R. Page, T. L. Bailey, J. L. Markham, J. B. Jacobs, W. B. Rowland, Jno. T. Litley, L. J. Jones.

CONVENTION OF MANUFACTURERS

Would Interest Employes in Effort to Prevent Accidents

New York, May 15.—Representatives of the business interests of the country from almost every state assembled at the Waldorf-Astoria today for the first session of the sixteenth annual convention of the National Association of Manufacturers. The convention will close with a banquet Wednesday night.

The session this morning was devoted to a discussion of plans to secure the co-operation of all employees in eliminating preventable labor accidents.

In calling the convention to order President Kirby called attention to the safety appliance display under the auspices of the association, saying: "Compensation legislation should be framed to cover every workman. We must create equity of public opinion and proper sense of regard for rights of employees and workers."

The program for the subsequent sessions calls for reports and discussions dealing with many vital problems relating to industry and labor. The subject of accident prevention and industrial relief occupies the foremost place on the agenda. A special feature will also be made of banking and currency, and the attitude of the manufacturers towards the plans recently proposed to reform the banking and currency systems. Other questions of economic importance, such as immigration, industrial education, patent law reform and the creation of an independent tariff commission of experts will also be considered.

FURTHER PEACE NEGOTIATIONS

Madero Delays Sending Troops to Meet Federals Temporarily

El Paso, May 15.—Senor Rafael Hernandez today brought word to El Paso that Madero had temporarily delayed arrangements to send the main body of Juarez rebels southward to meet Colonel Babages federal troops in order to negotiate with Diaz representatives for peace.

DEATH OF MRS. BARBEE

PASSED AWAY FRIDAY NIGHT AFTER LENGTHY ILLNESS.

After a lingering illness, Mrs. Sarah A. Barbee died Friday night at her home on Walker street, aged 84 years. The deceased was the widow of the late Monroe Barbee, of this county, and before her marriage was Miss Adelaide Parham.

Surviving are one daughter, Miss Beulah Barbee, two brothers, Deputy Sheriff O. L. Parham, of Wake county, and Mr. J. E. Parham, and one sister, Mrs. S. G. Barbee, of East Durham. Mrs. Barbee was a devoted member of the Baptist church.

The funeral services will be held from the home on Walker street Sunday morning at 9:30. The pallbearers will be R. E. Hurst, J. E. Timberlake, Clyde Whitley and Lonnie Thompson. The floral-bearers will be David Brock and J. Turner.

The remains will be taken to the family burying ground near Berea church for interment.

NIGHT SCHOOL AT HOSIERY MILL

Mrs. J. A. Robinson Will Have Charge New Feature

The desks and equipment have all been placed in the school room at the Durham hosiery mill and preparation made for the holding of the night school.

The school will open on Tuesday evening with Mrs. J. A. Robinson in charge. The hosiery company will pay all expenses of the school and tuition will be entirely free. Every employee of the mill will be given an opportunity to secure the rudiments of an education. All who do not take advantage of the opportunity will be barred from employment. After 60 or 90 days, literacy will be made a requirement for admittance to employment to the mills and all who cannot read and write will be excluded. The new building has been fitted with every convenience for doing school work and the facilities are of the very best.

This new enterprise is in line with the other welfare work that the hosiery company is doing for its employees. The services of a trained nurse and sanitary expert was recently secured to look after the health of the employees. This work has proved very successful and of great benefit and the school work promises to be even more beneficial.

FOR FARM LIFE SCHOOLS

ELECTION CALLED IN WAKE FOR ESTABLISHING ONE.

Raleigh, May 15.—A special session of the Wake county board of commissioners has been ordered for May 20 for the purpose of ordering an election on the question of issuing the \$25,000 bonds and levying an annual special tax of \$2,500 for the school, the state to provide an additional \$2,500 annually toward maintenance. The movement has been fully launched in this county by the Wake Farmers' union and the enthusiasts so that there seems to be no doubt of the election carrying. Later there is to be an election on a \$100,000 bond issue for road improvement and this, too, seems to have the prospect of passage.

Great Britain Royalty Welcomes the Kaiser

London, May 15.—The fortification guns at Port Victoria gave the German emperor a noisy welcome this morning as the imperial yacht Hohenzollern entered the harbor, the British naval flag at the fore, the imperial standard at the main and the German ensign at the mizzenmast. The Duke of Connaught, with a number of military and naval officers and court functionaries, boarded the Hohenzollern and welcomed the emperor and empress and Princess Victoria Louise. At noon the imperial and royal party reached Victoria Station, where a military escort was in waiting to conduct them to Buckingham palace, where the emperor and empress and their daughter are to remain a week as the guests of this king and queen. Tomorrow the German emperor will be a prominent figure in the ceremonies at the unveiling of the Victoria memorial.

Conference on City Planning Met Today

Philadelphia, Pa., May 15.—Mayors, municipal engineers and other representatives of many of the chief cities of America assembled in Philadelphia today for the third national conference on city planning. Park improvements, artificial waterways, the regulation of street widths, the location of public buildings in parks, and a variety of other topics of a kindred nature are slated for discussion by experts during the three days' session. At the formal opening of the conference this afternoon Mayor Reburn delivered an address of welcome and Frederick Law Olmsted responded for the visitors. One of the interesting features of the conference is a large exhibition of photographs illustrating notable examples of civic beauty in American and European cities.

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White Carnation Worn Sunday As a Tribute of Love to Mother

Services at All the Churches and at the Y. M. C. A. in Celebration of Mothers' Day—Dr. Adams Delivered Able Address

Most in evidence at all hours in all places, in the city of Durham Sunday, was the white carnation. Thousands of coat lapels of young men and old men were adorned with this lovely flower. At the drug stores the customary Sunday morning "dope" was forgotten, and friend presented friend with carnations at a dime each. At the doors of a number of the churches the white beauties were pinned on the churchgoer, in most cases by lovely girls. It all meant to turn the thoughts of the young men to mother and the old fireside with its tender memories and loving associations. At all of the churches special sermons were preached on the subject for which the day was set apart. Special music, appropriate to the day, was rendered in all of the churches. As the well-known hymns were sung tears came into the eyes of many as their thoughts turned to the dearest, most cherished thing in all the world, the event of the day was the special service at the Young Men's Christian association. The large lobby and reading room, which were used jointly as an assembly room, were filled to overflowing. The address was delivered by Rev. G. T. Adams, who preached a powerful and impressive sermon. The solos of Mr. R. T. Vann added much to the service.

The subjects of the solos were very appropriate. The beautiful sentiment of "The Old Fireside" was well interpreted by Mr. Vann. Mothers' Prayers" brought tears to the eyes of many.

Dr. Adams chose as his subject "Mother."

"We are all boys here today," said Dr. Adams. "The hair of some of us may be turned gray, and there may be wrinkles in the faces of some of us, but we are all boys because we are all the sons of our mothers."

"It has been said that the three sweetest words in the language are 'home,' 'heaven' and 'mother.' If I were to ask which of these three words were the dearest there would be very little difference of opinion. I like to think of heaven. It is there that we have a home where we shall all meet our friends and live in eternal bliss. Heaven is a very sweet word. We might talk about it for an hour."

"But suppose we mention home. What a memory the very word brings up! Home sweet home. What associations? What a beautiful picture it brings to us! The beautiful trees that stood in the yard; the old bucket that hung in the well."

At this point Dr. Adams requested all present who were reared in the country to hold up their hands. The hands of the entire audience, almost to a man, went up.

"But what is home without mother? It is not the house in which we live or the surroundings that make it home. It is mother. It is around her that the affections and the fond recollections cling. Mother is the moulding influence in the home. The mes-

sage that I have to bring to you this afternoon is "The Best Woman in All the World—Your Mother." It is strange that every man thinks that his mother is the best woman in the world, but what a blessing it is.

"We hear much about great men. But we hear very little of the one who brought forth the great men. As a matter of fact, there never was a really great man but that had a great mother who was responsible for his greatness. Abraham Lincoln—and I like to mention his name—said, after he had become president of the United States: "All that I am or hope to be I owe to my dear, sainted mother." "My mother was the making of me," said Edison. "She was so sure of me, I had to make good in order not to disappoint her. I felt that in her I had some one to live for; some one who was interested in me." "A kiss from my mother made me a painter," said one of the greatest painters that ever lived.

"We might dwell long upon the influence of mother in national life. But who can estimate her influence in the home. I like to think of Henry W. Grady. In the midst of fame and the esteem of the people of the whole south, he told his wife one day that he was tired of the strenuous life which he was leading. He went out to the country to visit his old mother. The first day he played under the old trees and renewed his acquaintance with the scenes of his boyhood. In the evening he sat down to the same old table at which he had eaten when a boy. After supper he sat down and talked to his mother as he had talked to her when he was a boy. He asked her to let him be her "little boy again just for once. She tucked him in bed and declared that it was the best night's sleep that he ever had. There was nothing that he could have done that would have given the heart of his dear old mother more joy than that. It showed the great heart that he had. It showed why the people of the south loved him so well."

"The love of our mothers for us exceeds all comprehension. Her prayers will follow us to the lowest depths; her friendship will never fade; her love will never grow cold. Because of this love we should show our devotion to our mothers. I am glad to see these white carnations here today. We should show our devotion to our mothers in a practical manner. I hope that each young man present here this evening will write to his mother and tell her that he is wearing a white carnation in her honor. Let us honor, love and cherish our mother and let us show her some little token of our esteem while she is living."

High Sense of Duty.

Mistress (after the quarrel)—Norah, you must stay until I get another girl.

Norah—"I intend to. It's only right some man should tell her the kind of a woman ye are."—Boston Transcript.

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TEXAS FIRST IN FARM WEALTH

Agricultural Department Issues Statement for 1910

COTTON ACREAGE FOR YEAR

Georgia Makes Rapid Strides While South Carolina Makes Largest Gain in Value of Farm Products—First Cotton Report June 2—Texas First State in Union in Point of Value.

Washington, May 15.—The value of wealth produced on farms of the United States was \$8,926,000,000 during 1910, as estimated by the department of agriculture in a statement just issued. This is an increase of \$104,000,000 over 1909.

Texas, with her ten million acres of cotton, wrested from Illinois during 1910 the honor of being the first state of the Union in point of value of her principal farm crops which aggregated \$364,110,000, an increase of 14.9 per cent over 1909. Illinois, with \$290,295,000, dropped to second place, the decrease having been 13.9 per cent. Iowa held her place as third state, while Kansas, in 1909 fourth state, dropped to tenth.

Georgia made a rapid stride in crop production for the year and jumped from tenth to fourth state, with a total of \$210,192,000, an increase of 26.5 per cent over 1909.

All the other southern states made good increases except Louisiana and Kentucky. South Carolina made the largest, 28.4 per cent, or \$140,000,000, jumping from twenty-first to thirtieth state. North Carolina jumped from twenty-second to eighteenth state, with a total \$122,937,000 or an increase of 18.3 per cent.

The Cotton Area Planted.
Revised figures of the department of agriculture's cotton report indicate the area planted in cotton in 1910 was about 33,418,000 acres, instead of 32,196,000 acres, as estimated last June. These figures will be used as a basis in making the estimate on June 2 of the acreage planted to cotton this year. The yield per acre in 1910 is estimated at 17.7 pounds and the area picked 32,304,000 acres.

The first cotton report of the department of agriculture this season will be issued Friday, June 2, at noon eastern time, and will give the estimated acreage of cotton planted this year with the condition of the crop on May 25.

Dr. R. F. Warren Here To Spend Summer

Dr. R. F. Warren, who has been resident physician at the Tabernacle Infirmary, Atlanta, Ga., arrived here Sunday and spent the day with his brother, Cashier J. A. Warren, of the Merchants bank. Dr. Warren went to his home at Prospect Hill today, where he will spend several months with his father, Mr. W. A. Warren.

Bodies of Two Infants Found By Officers

The bodies of two negro infants were found Friday in the Carrington cotton in a decomposed state. The bodies gave every evidence of having been buried in the usual manner, and in investigation of the corner and the officers failed to find anything that would indicate criminality.

One of the bodies had been buried in a coffin. The other was buried in a goods box which had been covered with cloth of some kind. The box bore the original markings and was evidently an improvised coffin. The bodies were uncovered by the stream and were discovered by a dog.

WAKE IS TO BE AHEAD OF TIME

County Will Work Its Highway Road in Advance

Raleigh, May 15.—The authorities of Raleigh and Wake county are pledged to the fullest possible co-operation in the concerted construction of the great central highway from the sea-shore to the Tennessee line, and the indications are that considerable work on the Wake section will be done before the general work along the line is under way, as planned for inauguration July 5, following the central highway rallies that are planned to be held all along the route on July 4. The Wake section of the road will be one of the longest stretches of the road that any county will have to build, but there is every assurance that it will be put in order forthwith.

Satisfactory.
A "judicial temperament" seems to be a pretty good thing to have in the white house these days.—Charleston Leader.