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ROOSEVELT AN INSURGENT CANDIDATE.

Tariff, Trusts, and Increased Money Supply Causes for the High Cost of Living.

By Clyde H. Tavenner, special Washington correspondent of this newspaper.

Washington, Aug. 22.—The American people will recall that Senator Henry Cabot Lodge's price investigating committee found that no part of the 58 per cent. increase in the cost of living in this country in the last 10 years was due to the tariff. Political economists all over the land were sorely puzzled at the report.

The phenomenon can now be explained. The report of the minority of the committee, recently published, shows that the Republicans made no serious attempt to ascertain whether the tariff was responsible or not. Listen to this extract from the minority report:

"In examining the witness we (the committee) sorely touched upon the territory of the highly protected commodities."

Lodge, who helped frame the Payne-Aldrich bill and takes the position that the ultimate consumer is a myth, saw to it that the investigations were confined almost exclusively to foodstuffs and cotton, and to the production, distribution and cost to the consumer of wheat, corn, beef, mutton and hog products, of which commodities the United States produces a large per cent. of the world's production, and which we export in enormous quantities.

As to these articles it may be supposed that, when freed from the influence of trusts and monopolies, the tariff should not cut a figure except that it increases the cost of their production.

Do you see the point, Mr. Consumer? Lodge had been assigned by Senator Aldrich to make a report, obviously for campaign purposes which would absolve the tariff from all blame in connection with the awful increase in the cost of living under our system of excessive protection. Lodge evidently concluded that the safest way to accomplish this end would be to avoid asking any questions of witnesses concerning the advances in the prices of highly protected articles, such as the products of the sugar trust, the steel trust, the hawever trust and the lumber trust, all of which contribute heavily to the Republican campaign fund.

The Lodge report gave fifteen reasons for increased prices, and found that the tariff was "no material factor." This report is being used by the men who voted for the Payne-Aldrich bill in the hope it will prevent them from being retired to private life.

TARIFF INCREASES PRICES.

Senators Johnston of Alabama, Clarke of Arkansas, and Smith of South Carolina, the minority members of the Lodge committee, find that the three substantial causes for increased prices are:

1. Tariff.
2. Trusts, combines and monopolies.
3. Increased money supply.

Owing to the tactics of the Republicans in avoiding highly protected articles, the minority members found themselves "without sufficient data to apportion the degree of responsibility between these three causes," but state "that the two first are the chief malefactors we have no doubt; and they are of our own creation or permission."

A CAMPAIGN CANARD.

"Taft will no longer co-operate with Cannon, Aldrich, and Ballinger is to be retired."

This is the gist carried by the Associated Press, and obviously inspired by Republican campaign managers.

The information must be accepted as nothing more than a ruse. The Republican campaign managers played the same trick on the public in the last presidential election. The rumor was quietly started that candidate Taft did not approve of speaker Cannon. The inference was strong that Taft

would not stand for Cannon as speaker. This false rumor unmistakably helped Taft in the insurgent districts.

Immediately after Taft was inaugurated an attempt was made to defeat Cannon as speaker. The combined Democrats and insurgents would have accomplished this end had not the President used all the resources at his command to perpetuate Cannon as speaker.

Taft is not going to read Cannon and Aldrich out of the party because Aldrich and Cannon (and the special interests they represent) will not permit the President to have a renomination if he tries it. Mr. Taft knows which side his bread is buttered on.

Furthermore, there is no reason for discord. Taft, Aldrich and Cannon, and Ballinger, too, are all working to the same end. Their views are in harmony on big questions. No newspaper man can be here in Washington, and know his business, and not know that Taft, Aldrich and Cannon are consolidated in a great political firm, and that this oligarchy has never had any serious disension.

The three men are constantly paying each other compliments. It was just a short while ago that Taft eulogized Aldrich to the skies, and referred to "Uncle Joe" as being in the Abraham Lincoln type of statesmen.

Taft, Aldrich and Cannon, and especially Taft and Aldrich, can have no break. They must sink or swim together.

ROOSEVELT VS. TAFT.

Roosevelt will not endorse Taft or the Payne-Aldrich law, in the opinion of the writer. There never has been any doubt of this point in my mind, and I have expressed this repeatedly in dispatches since March 4, 1909. But Roosevelt will endorse Lodge, tool of Aldrich and special Senate representative of the tariff trusts, railroads and other New England corporate interests. Nor do I expect to hear of Roosevelt campaigning for such genuine progressives as LaFollette. Roosevelt is playing for the presidency, and is jealous of LaFollette's popularity. At this stage Taft appears to stand a better chance of hauling down the next Republican presidential nomination than does T. R. This is because Taft stands right with the corporate interests of the United States, and they control absolutely the Republican machine. Roosevelt was turned down in New York because the machine politicians know that Roosevelt is to be an insurgent.

They feared that if they permitted him to be even a temporary chairman he might take advantage of the opportunity to weaken machine rule. The fight may be expected to be intensely interesting from now on. Keep a good eye on the political checker board, because a few intimations may be let drop which may show who is really in control of the government of this country.

WHAT'S THIS?

The Payne-Aldrich law is not now bringing in sufficient revenue to run the government, reports from the Republican press bureau to the contrary notwithstanding. The tariff law, the corporation tax, internal revenue receipts, and all other sources of revenue, combined, failed by \$3,014,842.87 of producing sufficient funds to run the government during the first sixteen days of August.

The Best Hour of Life

is when you do some great deed or discover some wonderful fact. This hour came to J. R. Pitt, of Rocky Mt., N. C., when he was suffering intensely, as he says, "from the worst cold I ever had, I then proved to my great satisfaction, what a wonderful cold and cough cure Dr. King's New Discovery is. For, after taking one bottle, I was entirely cured. You can't say anything too good of a medicine like that." Its surest and best remedy for diseased lungs, hemorrhages, la grippe, asthma, hay fever, any throat or lung trouble. 50c, \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all druggists.

JAPAN ANNEXES KOREA.

Heads of the Reigning Family Will be Made Princes of Japanese Kingdom.

Tokio, Aug. 21.—Within a week the "Hermit Kingdom" and the Empire of Korea will become historical terms, twelve millions of people will be added to the population of Japan and territory as large as England will become part of the Japanese Emperor's dominions. The treaty of ports south which settled the war between Japan and Russia provides that Japan shall have the "guidance, protection and control" of Korea and the last stage of this agreement is now becoming the actuality after three years of experimenting to discover a practical method for conserving the national entity of the Korean peninsula.

The Privy Council of Japan today was summoned to meet at 10:30 o'clock to-morrow morning and this is regarded by well-informed persons as practically the signal to complete the negotiations between Lieutenant General Terauchi, the Japanese resident general in Korea, and the Emperor of Korea and his cabinet, which have continued for a full week.

While the negotiations are shrouded in absolute official silence, there no longer can be any doubt that the Korean Emperor has agreed to sign a convention by which, in view of the untenable conditions pertaining, he and his government and people consent to the absolute control of Korea by the Emperor and government of Japan.

To-night extra editions of the newspapers say the convention already has been signed, but whether or not this be some announcement is expected shortly after the meeting to-morrow of the Privy Council. This probably will include the official proclamation of the conclusion of the convention of annexation unless all the prognostications of well-informed persons are incorrect.

The Yi dynasty in Korea has lasted 518 years, seven branches of the family remain, and the heads of these will be given rank as princes. A number of other Korean officials will be elevated to the Japanese nobility.

Throughout the negotiations the mass of the Koreans have been kept in entire ignorance of what has been transpiring. The censorship is complete and Japanese newspapers have not been permitted to be sold in Korea.

It is not believed, however, that annexation by Japan will involve disturbances in any section of Korea, which is thoroughly policed.

How Roosevelt Was Sit on and Who Did It.

William Barnes, Jr., of Albany, N. Y., is the man who has deliberately sit down on ex-President Roosevelt. Mr. Barnes is the chairman of the executive committee of the Republican State committee of New York, and recently led the forces that administered to Theodore Roosevelt the most vigorous political rebuke he has received in fifteen years. It was Barnes, who moved at the meeting of the State committee a few days ago that Vice President Sherman be selected as temporary chairman of the Republican State convention to meet at Saratoga next month. Chairman Griscom of the New York county committee opposed this, presenting the name of Colonel Roosevelt instead. Barnes marshalled his forces and had little trouble in beating the former President. He is known as one of the most aggressive machine men in the State and has fought Governor Hughes "tooth and nail." He makes no secret of his enmity and politicians predict that he is the coming chairman of the State committee, and will be a prominent "President maker." The same as his prototype, Thurlow Weed was years ago.

Internally

Dr. Bell's Anti-Pain cures colic, flux, diarrhoea, cramps and all bowel complaints. EXTERNALLY:—Cures sore breasts, corns, bunions, toothache, neuralgia, and all pains. Sold everywhere. It is antiseptic.

TWO KILLED IN CRASH AT RALEIGH.

Norfolk & Southern Train Runs into Switch Engine With Fatal Results.

Yesterday evening about 8:05 o'clock there was a collision between incoming Norfolk & Southern passenger train No. 11 and a switch engine near Glenwood, just outside the city limits of Raleigh, which resulted in the death of engineer John Smith, of the switch engine, and fireman John Hodge, of the passenger train, and almost the complete destruction of both engines. The accident occurred on a fill about three hundred yards outside of Raleigh. The news of Raleigh which resulted in the city and in a short time an immense crowd had gathered about the scene. Lying not far from the track was the body of engineer Smith, with his head smashed to an unrecognizable mass and the right leg crushed off. The body presented a terrible sight and was viewed with shudders by hundreds of people. Pinned between the engine and tender of the passenger train was fireman John Hodge, with his legs crushed and scalded by escaping steam. Bravely he watched the frantic efforts of the rescuers, as for more than three hours they labored trying to extricate him from the wreck, which was accomplished about twenty minutes past seven o'clock. He was hurried to the hospital but the shock and loss of blood was too great a drain upon him and death came to his relief shortly after reaching the hospital.

Passenger train No. 11 was forty-five minutes late yesterday evening. Engineer Smith, doubtless thinking he had plenty of time to run his engine into the siding, where it says at night started out to the left. When just outside the city limits and within a quarter of three-eighths of a mile of the siding, he met the incoming passenger train.

It is supposed that when Engineer Smith saw the passenger he reversed his engine just before the crash, for the engine, minus the cab, which had been completely demolished, ran back towards the city for about a quarter of a mile. The body of Mr. Smith was found a few feet from the track in a terribly mangled position, his head having been crushed to a pulp and the left leg almost mashed off. It is said that a piece of his skull almost as large as a man's hand was found near the wreck this morning.

When the crash came, Fireman John Hodge, of the passenger train, was caught between the engine and the tender, which was grooved together by the terrible force of the collision. Both legs were pinned fast to the body appearing above the wrecked car. The rescuers used every means at their command to extricate him, while hundreds of people stood around and watched the work, being unable to render assistance. An engine was sent from the yards and hitched to the wrecked locomotive and an attempt made to pull it from the tender to release Mr. Hodge's imprisoned limbs. The puffing of the engine, the sound of axes and the hiss of the escaping steam created a noise which will linger long in the minds of those who were present. Through it all Mr. Hodge sat there displaying nerve and courage that has seldom been witnessed around here. His legs, besides being horribly crushed, were almost roasted by the escaping steam.

After working for several hours one leg was gotten free of the wreckage, but the other remained fast. By chopping with axes, using jacks and the assistance of the wrecking crew, enough was cleared so that by trimming a portion of the flesh the other leg was extricated. The injured man was hurried to Rex Hospital but died soon after arriving. Raleigh Times, August 19th.

A Cold

Is not necessarily serious, provided it is taken care of. It is frequently the starting point of many dangerous diseases. When it comes use Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. Look for the bee on the bottle.

BLAIR GETS NOMINATION.

Winston Men Did Not Want to Take It. Own County Against Him.

Greensboro, Aug. 20.—The fifth congressional district republican convention here this afternoon nominated by acclamation D. H. Blair, of Forsyth county, for congress, to oppose the democratic nominee, Major Chas. M. Stedman of Guilford. It required over two hours caucusing before the convention was called to order to get delegates in line for this result. Many insisted that Morehead, the present congressman, and recently elected chairman of the state committee should assume the burden of trying to defeat Stedman. Morehead obstinately fought the nomination, having to help him every officeholder in the district. Morehead having won this point was determined that H. E. Blair, attorney, of Winston, should be the nominee. Blair is the supervisor of the census of this district, having at Morehead's request of Taft displaced as Duncan's appointee, Prof. Glosson, of Durham. The Forsyth delegation positively refused to nominate Blair. Reynolds and Holton persisted in withdrawing Morehead as candidate and insisted on Blair. Alamance nominated Morehead. His private secretary, Grisson, and Postmaster Reynolds induced the withdrawal of the nomination and persuaded Alamance county to name Blair. Surry and Rockingham counties seconded his nomination, and it was made by acclamation. Blair, infuriated by his own county's opposition, behind the scenes, swore he would not accept, but Holton, Reynolds, and Morehead, by almost personal violence, marched him to the front, and he accepted the nomination, and making a big and evidently prepared stand-pat high protection speech, indicating that being a Quaker, he had stood absolutely with the Joe Cannon policies, and, at the same time, with the Taft policies. Postmaster Reynolds, by resolution seconded by district attorney Holton, secured the adoption of a resolution laudatory of congressman Morehead and President Taft's record. Following the congressional convention, the delegates to the judicial convention of the ninth district were called to order by W. P. Ragan, chairman, to nominate candidates to oppose the democratic nominee and present incumbent, S. M. Gattis, of Orange.

Clifford C. Frazier, of Guilford, was unanimously nominated by acclamation, without protest, contest or opposition.

Annexation to United States Advocated by Canadian.

Antigonish, N. S., Aug. 19.—Annexation of Canada to the United States was to-day advocated in an address by Henri Bourassa, M. H., the nationalist leader of Quebec, before the summer school of science of St. Francis Xavier College. The speaker dwelt at length with the four possible destinies of Canada, namely: Remaining in the position in which she is at present, which he regarded as very improbable; imperial federation which would be an unwieldy and unworkable condition; annexation to the United States, and independence.

"Imperial federation means an imperial council with a preponderant British influence," said Mr. Bourassa. "Conditions today in Canada make for annexation rather than for imperial federation. The penetrative influence of trade by rail and coastal lines, the mental propensity of the two peoples living under the same or similar conditions, industrial and social, the constant intercommunication of Canadians and Americans are all powerful factors making for annexation."

Struck a Rich Mine.

S. W. Bends, of Coal City, Ala., says he struck a perfect mine of health in Dr. King's New Life pills for they cured him of liver and kidney trouble after 12 years of suffering. They are the best pills on earth for constipation, malaria, headache, dyspepsia, debility, 25c at all druggists.

FIRE SWEEPS VAST AREA.

Probably Two Hundred Fire Fighters and Lumbermen Have Perished in Flames.

Missoula, Mont., Aug. 21.—Mercilessly and relentlessly the forest fires in western Montana and Idaho are sweeping over a vast area, driving hundreds of fugitives before them into dismal settlements and wiping out of existence millions of dollars worth of property. The situation tonight is more serious than it was in the early morning, except as to Wallace, Idaho, where it is believed that nearly half of the city will be saved. West of there a hard fight is being made, and with an improvement in the water supply there is more chance that the flames may be driven back. For a few minutes this afternoon, The Daily Missoulian's reporter at Wallace had a wire. He summarized the situation as follows:

"Thirteen lives have been lost; property loss one million; fire still threatening."

Elsewhere in the fire zone the situation has gone from bad to worse. The most serious incident is reported from the St. Joe country, where 180 men engaged in the forestry service are missing and it is feared they have been burned. When the fire approached the camp where there were 200 men, two of the fighters took a horse and riding the animal to death, reached another camp and ordered a rescue party, which penetrated the fire at Bird Creek.

Eighteen of the men were found in the water, where they had gone for safety and they were unhurt. Of the remaining 180 no word has been received.

The forestry service has organized a relief train well equipped with pack animals, carrying provisions and hospital supplies, and will endeavor to get through the fire.

About a thousand refugees have been brought into Missoula today. There is much distress among them. Their wants are being supplied by Missoula people and they have been given temporary homes. Local hospitals are caring for the sick.

Another train with 500 persons on board is expected over the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway.

A dense pall of smoke hangs all over eastern Montana. In Missoula it was as dark as midnight at 5 o'clock, the dense smoke giving a lurid hue which had all the semblance of the glow of fire but which was probably due to the sun.

The town of Taft, near the Idaho line, was destroyed by fire before daylight this morning. Saltese, just below Taft has been abandoned by its inhabitants and Deborgia is threatening and one man is missing. At St. Reg's the fire has crossed the river and threatens outlying buildings.

Vaughan is reported to be deserted. The area covered is roughly estimated at a hundred miles square.

There is a probability that there has been serious loss of life as there are camping parties and lumbermen all through the mountains and the fire may have come upon them while they slept last night, or they may have been awakened this morning to find themselves cut off.

Life on Panama Canal

has had one frightful drawback—malaria trouble—that has brought suffering and death to thousands. The germs cause chills, fever and ague, biliousness, jaundice, lassitude, weakness and general debility. But Electric Bitters never fail to destroy them and cure malaria troubles. "Three bottles completely cured me of a very severe attack of malaria," writes Wm. A. Fretwell, of Lucama, N. C., "and I've had good health ever since." Cure stomach, liver and kidney troubles, and prevent typhoid. 50c. Guaranteed by all druggists.

REPUBLICAN SPLIT WIDENS.

Standpaters Have Thrown Roosevelt Overboard and he may Join Insurgents.

Each day's dispatches indicate a stronger likelihood that Colonel Theodore Roosevelt will take an openly insurgent stand against the controlling faction of the Republican party. The standpat Jonas cast overboard, or to be cast overboard, do not impress the colonel as sufficient lightning. He is more inclined toward this view since the New York State Republican State committee, in which Bosses Woodruff and Barnes, and consequently the standpat faction, have a majority, turned him down for temporary chairman of the Republican State convention by a vote of twenty to fifteen. Nor have the primaries recently held in various Western States, besides the almost unprecedented Democratic victories in the Brockton, Mass., and Rochester, N. Y., districts—with few exceptions, overwhelming standpat defeats at the hands of the voters—been such as to deter him.

If some reports may be believed, Colonel Roosevelt will not only declare for the insurgents but will energetically uphold the radical wing headed by senator LaFollette. His expected pronouncements include advocacy of the initiative, referendum and recall (for State officers), the Oregon plan explicitly as well as virtually taking election of United States Senators from Legislatures, physical valuation of railroads, and lastly, railroad rates directly made by government experts in event that present legislation does not prove satisfactory. It is rather less confidently said that he will advocate recall of Federal judges—a proposal which would outrage the conservative sentiment of the country without regard to party and would, in our opinion, justly defeat his whole campaign even if there were no other objectionable features. But we cannot in fairness blame him for declarations which he has never made and may never have intended. Within a week he will begin his Western trip, speaking with sufficient fulness for himself.

If Colonel Roosevelt does take an openly insurgent position, not mentioning President Taft but by implication condemning him, important results of some kind will certainly ensue. Among the remote responsibilities is a Roosevelt presidential candidacy in 1912. But whatever may happen, it will all have probability proceeded, if Assemblyman Hart speaks truth, from the suppression by Vice President Sherman of a telegram from President Taft urging that Colonel Roosevelt be named temporary chairman and a harmony program put through. Every reader of history knows the trick by which Bismarck precipitated the Franco-Prussian war. Can it be that similar though less discreditable action Vice President Sherman's part has precipitated political consequences of the gravest nature?—Charlotte Observer.

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