

GOOD OLD WAYS OF GOOD OLD DAYS OF PARCELLING JOBS

Taft Shows Tendency to Revert to Old Method of Consulting Senators

HOUSE WANTS BACK ITS PREROGATIVES

The Rural Postmasters Once Nucleus of Organization Taken From It.

(By Sheldon S. Cline.) WASHINGTON, March 22.—"Happy Day, Oh! Happy Day," is the favorite song of the United States senators. They refer to the day William Howard Taft succeeded Theodore Roosevelt as president of the United States. The immediate cause of their rejoicing is the announcement that the president will interpret the constitutional injunction that presidential appointments shall be made "by and with the advice and consent of the senate."

Taft's Reasons. There are two reasons which prompt Mr. Taft to reverse the Roosevelt policy. One is that the president believes the men the states have selected to represent them in the senate are reasonably well qualified to pass on the merits of candidates, and the other is that the president cannot see the sense of making nominations and have them held up in the senate. So far as the influence of senators is concerned, it is said, the administration starts with a clean slate. There are not now any "administration" or "anti-administration" senators. Whether there shall be any in the future remains for the future to determine. It goes without saying that republican senators will

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ENORMOUS CROWD OUT TO GREET THE GREAT EDUCATOR

In Scholarly Address Dr. Eliot Outlines Needs and Tendencies of Modern Schools.

An assembly which filled every seat to the topmost gallery, crowded every aisle, banded to the outer doors and left hundreds outside unable even to glimpse the stage greeted Dr. Charles W. Eliot, president of Harvard university, at the Auditorium last night.

It was the largest audience the great Auditorium ever held, any estimate of numbers based on its seating capacity of 2,250 being simply suggestive because of the many hundreds standing or unable to get into the building. It was the greatest audience which has greeted the renowned educator in all his southern tour. It was an amazing audience, especially if it is considered that it came to hear a discourse on the dry subject of "Education, Past, Present and Future," Asheville paid a tribute to itself as well as to a man who was introduced as "The First Citizen of America."

Came in Doves. Long before the hour set for the address people began to move to the Auditorium, and before eight o'clock the timid ones who doubted if Dr. Eliot would be greeted by an audience in size worthy of Asheville were dismayed at the prospect of people being unable to even see the speaker. Schools, lodges and other organizations attended in bodies and from the stage on which were seated the members of the Pen and Plate club one looked on thousands in front. Dr. Eliot had been the club's guest at a banquet at the Battery Park hotel where he had spoken briefly, urging as a topic for future discussion "Government by Commission," which he advocated.

In his address Dr. Eliot expressed some novel thoughts and some striking thoughts, such as his statement that freedom creates not equality but inequality; and that there should be a variety of churches, many, not one, but all tending toward one ideal; the approval by him of the latter idea of many churches being suggested by Dr. R. F. Campbell's sermon Sunday.

Dr. Winston Felicitous. President Haywood Parker of the club introduced Dr. Geo. T. Winston when in introducing the speaker of the evening paid him a tribute beautiful in eloquent expression and thought, saying in brief that Dr. Eliot had been called at the threshold of manhood to the presidency of a great university and at the close of his charge

It had passed from a provincial college to a world university. He retired from the school room to a power, dignity and standing unparalleled in American history, the first citizen of the republic.

Turning to Dr. Eliot he said that the people of the mountains welcomed him, remembering that Robert E. Lee had left the battlefield for the school room and that a man born in this country, David L. Swain, had for 33 years been at the head of the North Carolina University.

Dr. Eliot Speaks. Dr. Eliot was greeted by the rising of the vast audience and a storm of applause. It was a rare pleasure, he said, to be so introduced, though an impossible standard was set for an old man by Dr. Winston.

"When we are young," he said, "we seek the applause of our elders, but when we are old we seek the applause of a few contemporaries and those younger." "The School of the Present, and the School of the Future" he announced as his text. "How does the school of yesterday differ from the school of today? In one respect by the greater number of subjects taught now. Sixty years ago there was no training of the senses to exact operation. Today there is some teaching in this direction—drawing, which is admirable training for eye and hand, and music, one of the seven subjects which constituted the Baccalaureate degree 400 years ago. Under the Puritan administration music disappeared. The training of the ear results from the training in music. Manual training teaches accuracy of touch and perception and with it often goes training in domestic arts. It is only through our senses that we acquire knowledge. Another school is the teaching from the kindergarten through the university by doing. When I attended Harvard, memory and a certain kind of discrimination were trained. There was no laboratory work then—the teaching by doing. Now English composition is not taught by some one telling the student the theories of proper language but by actual writing. Years ago the medical student attended six lectures in succession, doing nothing; now the student is taught by practice. Because of this 140 teachers are required for 150 medical students.

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That New Spring Bonnet



KIDNAPPED BOY IS RESTORED TO FATHER ON PAYMENT OF RANSOM

Little Fellow Sent Into City Alone on Car and Hunts Through Hotel For His Distracted Father.—Boy Treated Well By His Captors, Is In Perfect Health Gleefully Tells Story of Abduction.

(By Associated Press.) CLEVELAND, O., March 22.—Little Willie Whitla, who has caused the police of the entire country endless worry since he was kidnapped from school in Sharon, Pa., last Thursday, was returned to his father at the Hollenden hotel here tonight at 8:30 o'clock.

In compliance with an arrangement entered into between the kidnapped boy's father and an agent of the kidnapers here today, the boy was placed on a street car on the outskirts of the city and started to the hotel shortly after 8 o'clock. Two boys, G. W. Ramsey and Edward Mahoney, recognized the lad on the car and taking him in charge, conducted him to his father, who was in waiting. The boy wandered about the lobby hotel unannounced for several minutes, asking bell boys for his father, before the latter knew his son was in the big foyer. The moment the anxious parent heard that a strange boy was in the hotel he rushed across the lobby, grasped him in his arms and smothered his face with kisses.

An attempt had been made to disguise the lad. He wore a pair of smoked glasses and a large tan cap which was pulled down over his ears, and the father said it would have been difficult to have recognized the boy in such a garb had he passed him on the street.

Was Well Treated. Willie is in perfect health. He says that he has been well treated and ever since his capture has been constantly in doors. He believes he was taken from Sharon to Warren and thence to New Castle, Pa. It is his opinion, expressed in a happy school boy way, that he was in Ashtabula on Saturday night at the time his father was to leave his \$10,000 in Flatiron park.

Whitla, senior, refused to state whether he had paid the ransom or not. He said that he received a letter today from the kidnapers at his home in Sharon saying that if he called at a confectionery store in the east end of Cleveland he would be told how to secure his boy unharmed and "well fed." Shortly after noon he left Sharon for Cleveland. He was unaccompanied. His immediate family and the private detective he had in his employ he applied of the proposed secret meeting, but insisted that he make the trip alone. Every one of them was warned that he must be allowed to go unharmed, and no attempt at the capture of the kidnapers now be made. Whitla was certain that if he spooled the plans of his son's captors tonight he would never see the lad again. His experience at Ashtabula served as a warning.

Paid the Money.

About 2 o'clock this afternoon he went to a candy store in the east end. With him he carried the \$10,000 expecting that it would be demanded of him there. He was met by a woman who detailed to him the terms of the kidnapers. With all the eagerness of a distracted parent Whitla agreed to them immediately. Detectives in his employ say that he paid the money, but on this point the father declines to commit himself. Half an hour later he returned to the Hollenden hotel and awaited developments.

As he waited in the hotel lobby and corridors, Whitla was in a highly nervous condition. A few newspaper men walked over to talk to him. "In Heaven's name, men, do not say anything to me. I am on the verge of nervous prostration," he said. "I expect the boy will be back tonight, but I cannot state positively whether he will be returned safe and sound. Do not ask me to reveal the alleged settlement. That might ruin all of the plans." For more than an hour Whitla anxiously waited in the lobby smoking black cigars and muttering to himself.

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MINORITY REPORT SHOWS DEFECT OF PROPOSED TARIFF

Bears Especially Hard on Cotton Grower and Protects Manufacturer

REDUCTIONS MORE APPARENT THAN REAL

Needy Standard Oil Retains Its Protective Duty of 99 Per Cent.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, March 22.—That the Payne tariff increases the cost of living; that it is crude, indefinite, sectional and prohibitive; and that it is an open challenge to a trade war with every other nation on earth, are some of the criticisms of that measure made by the democratic members of the ways and means committee in the minority report submitted to the house by minority leader, Champ Clark, today.

The report is a severe arraignment of the revision which the Payne bill proposes. The countervailing duty provisions for coffee and petroleum, the maximum and minimum features, the Cuban reciprocity clause, the woolen, glass, agricultural and sugar schedules are bitterly attacked.

"There are many changes, for the most part minor changes," says the report, "of the Dingley rates, some up and some down. Most of the changes in a downward direction are reductions more apparent than real, the Payne rates being as prohibitive in their results in many cases as the Dingley rates." Declaring that a tariff is a tax paid by the consumer and that the only function of a tariff law is to raise revenue to supply the needs of the government, the minority members of the committee insist that instead of an increase of taxes or a new issue of bonds, the correct remedy for the growing deficiency in the revenues is the cutting down of the expenses of running the government.

May Go Barefoot. "The bill is in many respects, crude, indefinite, sectional and prohibitive. It seems to us from our examination, which was necessarily hasty, that on the whole it increases the cost of living. For example, it will increase the price of hosiery about 20 per cent, and certainly nobody will claim that hosiery is a luxury in this day and generation. In numerous instances the protection exceeds the entire labor cost of production."

The report maintains that the tariff arrangement with the Philippines should be considered in a separate measure and not in the general tariff bill. The claim that the bill is a sectional one, made by the democratic members of the committee, is based

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BOLTING DEMOCRATS HEREAFTER WILL LOSE STANDING IN PARTY

New Rules Bind Members to Stand by Decision of Colleagues

EASY ON OFFENDERS

WASHINGTON, March 22.—After hours of bitter wrangling the democratic members of the house or representatives in a caucus which was in session until after midnight by an overwhelming vote repudiated the democrat supporters of the Fitzgerald amendments to the rules which were adopted at the opening of a special session of congress over the opposition of minority leader Clark. After adjournment Representative Fitzgerald asserted that the "introduction and proposal of the declaration of the same idiotic leadership that has characterized the democratic party for fifteen years."

The first discussion arose in regard to the punishment of "bolters." The committee reported in favor of dropping "bolters" automatically from the rolls of the caucus. An attempt was made to alter this, and to provide that no "bolter" should be dropped until after his name had been duly posted, but it failed. Representative Fitzgerald was present and addressed the caucus. His remarks were listened to attentively and no hostile demonstration was made. Several other "bolters" also attended the caucus. The committee of fifteen recommended that hereafter a two-thirds vote of all the democratic members of the house in a caucus should be binding upon every democratic member, unless he notified the caucus, in writing, that he would not be bound, or unless the subject dealt with was a constitutional question, or the member was already pledged to his constituency to vote otherwise. The statement contained a criticism of Speaker Cannon for appointing on committees "democrats who were not in accord with their party." The fact was brought out that after a long fight, the committee had decided not to criticize except generally, any of the democrats who voted on the opening day of the special session for the Fitzgerald amendments

DRIVERS GATHERING AT DAYTONA BEACH FOR TOURNAMENT TODAY

Experts With Their Trim Cars in Readiness For 7th Racing Event

BEACH WILL BE ABUZZ

(By Associated Press.) DAYTONA, Fla., March 22.—Every thing is in readiness for the opening tomorrow of the seventh annual automobile tournament and races, and every one interested in motor car, motor cycle, bicycle or aeroplane speed trials and races are looking forward to the Daytona Beach tournament with pleasurable anticipation. In Palm's Fiat Cyclone arrived here early this morning and was given a trial spin over the course this afternoon. George Robertson, who will drive the Benz racer in all the professional events during the present meet, had his car out this afternoon on the course. David Bruce Brown, the millionaire sportsman and automobile enthusiast, will drive a car in all the amateur races and is going to make a strenuous effort to establish new world's records for the course. Kilpatrick, who will pilot the large "Red Devil" is having a hard time with his car, getting new parts made and adjusted. The car was badly damaged in handling en route from New York to Daytona. However the car is expected to be in perfect running order for tomorrow's races. Herbert Lytle, the noted racer who has been here since Friday, will in all probability drive a Buick. He had been entered to drive a Renault, but on account of some misunderstanding the car has not arrived.

DEBATE ON THE TARIFF BILL BEGINS IN LOWER HOUSE OF CONGRESS

Payne Spends Four Hours Explaining Features of Measures He Fathers

AND FINDS IT PERFECT

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, March 22.—The tariff bill held full sway in the house of representatives today. The measure promptly put before the body immediately after convening, and in anticipation of the opening of the debate there was practically a full attendance of members while at no time during the session was there observed to be a vacant seat in the galleries. Mr. Payne, of New York, chairman of the committee on ways and means made an exhaustive speech in explanation of the bill, the time he was actually on his feet being four hours and ten minutes. Then, somewhat fatigued, he suspended until tomorrow. He got well under way with his speech before he was interrupted, and from that time on he was subjected to a cross fire of questions, all of which he endeavored to answer. In the course of his remarks Mr. Payne, in speaking of the maximum and minimum features of the bill, predicted that France, Germany and other European countries would hasten to so equalize their duties on American products that they would derive the benefit of the minimum rates offered. Revenue Producer. Mr. Payne said there was hope that during the first year of the bill there would be no deficit, but if the revenue should fall short, "we have in the treasury \$125,000,000 of available cash assets to meet it." In the course of his remarks Mr. Payne was interrupted by Mr. Rucker, of Missouri, with the inquiry if it was true that the liquor interests were strongly represented at Washington during the preparation of the bill and exerted their influence to prevent an additional liquor tax. Mr. Payne declared that no such lobby appeared before the committee nor had any briefs been filed with it bearing on the subject.

ON TRIAL FOR MURDER AMID AN ARMED GUARD

Alleged Triple Murderer Must Answer For Cold Blooded Crime

(By Associated Press.) AMITE, La., March 22.—With the court house surrounded by state troops, the trial of Avery Blount, charged with the murder of Buzzy Breeland, his wife and step-daughter, Mrs. Joe Everett, near Ticklow, on the night of January 29, was begun here today. Garfield Kinchen, alleged to have been implicated in the murders with Blount is still a fugitive from justice.

This afternoon, Ben Kinchen, a brother of Garfield Kinchen was indicted by the grand jury and placed under arrest charged with being an accessory to the murder. Three days before the Breeland tragedy, Ben Kinchen killed Joe Everett, the husband of the woman who was ambushed with her mother and step-father. He claimed self-defense and was exonerated by the grand jury. According to Breeland's dying statement he was shot down from ambush, feigned death, and saw Avery Blount and Garfield Kinchen come out of the bushes, take Mrs. Everett's baby from the buggy and then fill the bodies of both women with shot.

The jury will probably be completed tomorrow.

JURY INDICTS PRIDE OF THE SMOKY CITY

Millionaires and City Councilmen Classed as Perjurers and the Like

(By Associated Press.) PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 22.—Six indictments, three for conspiracy, one for perjury and two for bribery, were returned late this afternoon in the councilmanic graft cases upon which the grand jury of the criminal court has been deliberating for several days. Without waiting for warrants to be served, four of the indicted men surrendered themselves and gave bond. One other telephoned that he would appear in the morning and give himself up while the sixth is now traveling in Europe. The men indicted are Dallas C. Byers, millionaire manufacturer, indicted jointly with Councilman John E. Klien, twice convicted in the graft cases, and Councilman W. H. Weber, on a charge of conspiring to secure the passage of a street paving ordinance. T. A. Griffin, vice-president of the Columbia National bank, charged with perjury in one of the recent graft trials; Councilman Chas. H. Stewart, charged with soliciting a bribe of \$2,500, and H. L. Bolger, hotel proprietor, charged with being an accomplice of John E. Klien, in demanding and accepting a bribe for which Klien already has been convicted. Dallas C. Byers left for Europe for his health about the time the graft investigations began and has not returned. The perjury charge against Griffin is in connection with a recent councilmanic graft trial in which it was alleged his testimony was not borne out by facts. He today resigned his position as vice-president of the bank. The grand jury is still in session and it is said further developments are expected. John E. Klien who was in jail on a contempt charge was released today on a writ of habeas corpus.

LOOKING LONGINGLY AT THE PIE COUNTER

Southern Members Prove That Cotton States Are Entitled to Slice

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, March 22.—The cotton states want some of the patronage "pie" and want it badly. Representative Hull, of Tennessee, introduced a resolution in the house today calling on the secretary of state, if not incompatible with the public interest to inform the congress whether the cotton states are being deprived of representation in the diplomatic and consular service in the cotton purchasing countries. If so Mr. Hull wants the secretary to transmit any facts of information that might be suggestive of a remedy for this condition of affairs. In the preamble of the resolution Mr. Hull asserts that Alabama, Arkansas, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia now have smaller representation in the diplomatic and consular service than they have had at any time in the history of the government. He points out that the states he names annually insure the balance of trade in favor of the United States by rising and exporting cotton to the amount of over \$425,000,000 in value. It is asserted that these states have not a single representative in any position of responsibility in the diplomatic and consular service.

SIX MEN IN BALLOON MAY BE LOST IN THE SIERRA MOUNTAINS

Nothing Heard of Them Since They Disappeared Two Days Ago

RELIEF PARTIES OUT

(By Associated Press.) LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 22.—For more than 50 hours friends of the six men who ascended from Tournament park in Pasadena at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the big balloon "America" have been without word of them or the slightest knowledge of the fate that has overtaken the intrepid aeronauts. As far as information goes, no human being has caught sight of the huge gas bag since it rose above the park enclosure, in sight of 5,000 persons. The balloon, carried by a stiff breeze, sailed into the low hanging clouds that lay far down on the mountain sides, and disappeared. The belief that some tragic fate has befallen the men who formed the party has led to the formation of many relief expeditions into various parts of the Sierra Madre mountains, directly over which the strong current carried the balloon when it had reached an altitude of a few thousand feet. There are three distinct mountain ranges before the Mojave desert is reached, fifty miles north of Pasadena. If the balloon sailed over this fifty mile stretch of mountain chains and came to earth on the Mojave desert, there is hope that the occupants of the basket after tramping many miles may be able to reach shelter. If the balloon was not able to cross the Sierra Madre and was brought down among the mountains and their intense cold, the men are in danger of death.

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