

PRESIDENT WARNS HIS PARTY TO STICK TO ITS PLATFORM

Tariff Must be Revised Downward he Declares to Conferees

CITES PROMISES OF PLATFORM TO THEM

Takes Broader View of Question Than Politicians And Special Interests

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, July 16.—All doubt as to where President Taft stands with regard to the downward revision of the tariff was swept away today when a statement was given out at the white house setting forth in detail what the president had to say to twenty-three republican members of congress who called to protest against putting raw material on the free list.

This statement is interpreted in some quarters here tonight as a direct notification to the conferees on the tariff bill that if the measure they finally agree upon does not constitute a material reduction in specific duties, the president will veto it.

White House Statement. The story of the conference is outlined in the white house statement, in the third person, which follows:

"Mr. Young, of Michigan, opposed free ore; Mr. Mondell opposed free coal and reciprocity with Canada, and free hides; each on the ground that the policy would injure the interest of his state, and a discussion was participated in by other representatives who urged that the doctrine of free raw materials was not a republican doctrine.

"The president replied that he was not committed to the principle of free raw material; but that he was committed to the principle of a downward revision of the tariff, which he had promised, and that he was obliged to look at the matter, not from the standpoint of any particular district, but from the standpoint of responsibility for the entire republican party. He said the question in each case was (Continued on page four.)

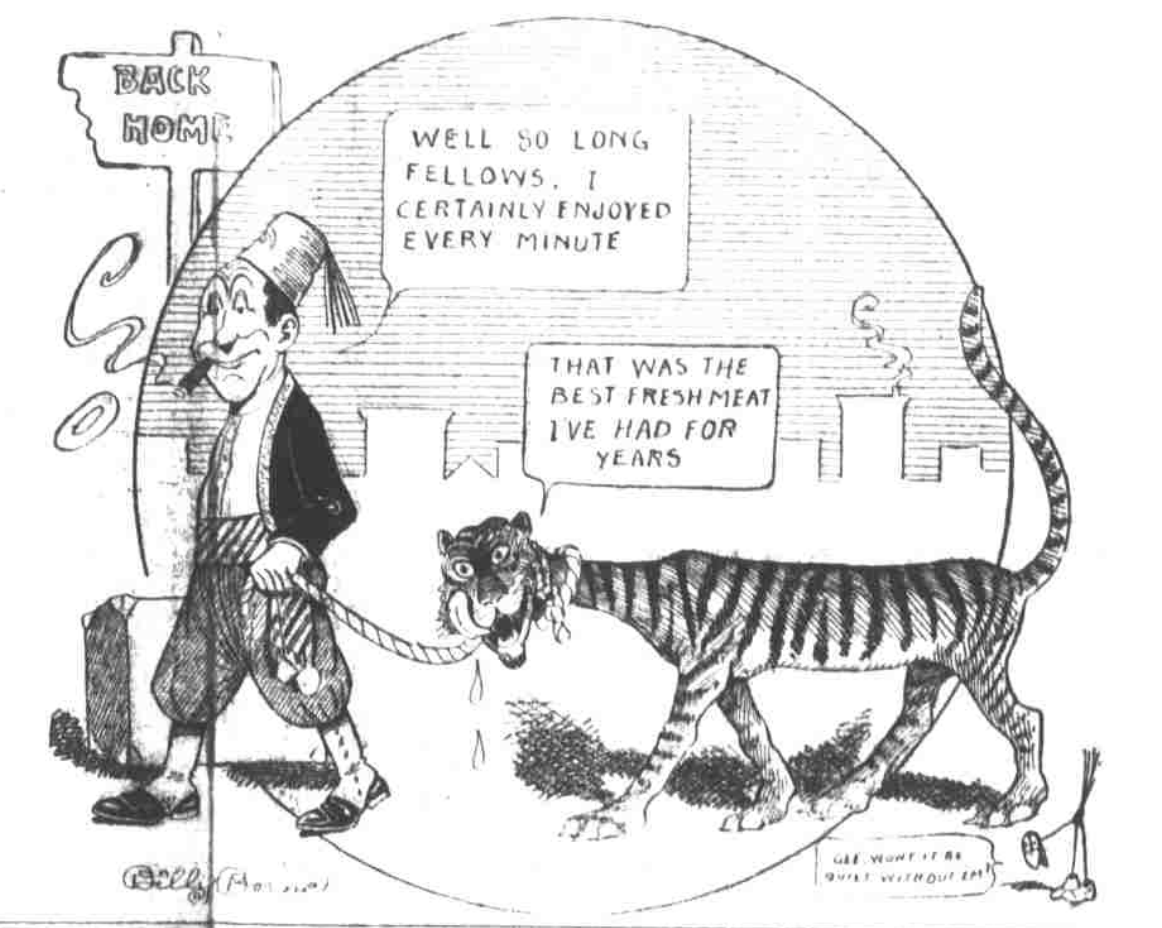
MR. J. L. ALEXANDER GETS NEW LEASE OF THE BATTERY PARK

Famous Southern Hostel Goes Into Hands of New Lessee October 14.—Extensive Improvements to be Made.

The Battery Park hotel, one of the most famous hostels in the country, which for the past two years has been successfully operated by Hugh LaBarbe, P. R. Moore, J. M. Chiles and J. L. Alexander, yesterday leased to Mr. J. L. Alexander, the new lease going into effect October 15 for a term of five years. The new lessee has had the personal management of the hotel during the time mentioned, and, in conjunction with his associates, has made a most satisfactory showing. Although the fact that the present lease expires Oct. 15 was not generally known, fourteen applications for the new lease were received from various sections of the country, some of them being from hotel men of national fame. The Cox estate, owning the hotel, felt that the best interests of this community would be better served by giving the lease to an Asheville man, Mr. Alexander, who has secured the best spring and summer business enjoyed by the Battery Park in many years. Under his management the hotel has advanced rapidly in popular favor and has retained the national fame it acquired under the hands of the late E. P. McKisick. For five years preceding the regime of the present hotel administration, the Battery Park, owned by D. C. Waddell, Jr., and managed by Mr. Frank Darby, maintained the high standard of excellence which had been set for them by Mr. McKisick.

Extensive Improvements. With the announcement that the new lease comes the statement that extensive improvements will be made in the hotel, and no expense will be spared to make the Battery Park one of the most modern hotels in the country. Although thirty-two new bathrooms were recently added, it is the intention of the owners and new lessee to add as many more. The plumbing of the hotel will be overhauled and up-to-date equipment installed. The house will be refurnished throughout, a marked feature being the equipment of every room with twin brass bedsteads. New furniture, including specially designed wardrobes, will be put in the rooms, and new carpets and rugs will be laid throughout. Most interesting, perhaps, to the young people of this city, and intending guests, who revel in the Terpsichorean art, is the announcement that the ball room will be over-

Gone But Not Forgotten.



MINIONS OF THE TRUSTS GO DOWN IN DEFEAT BEFORE COMMON PEEPL

Baseball Game Between Democrats and Republicans in Congress that Will Go Down in History as the Most Remarkable Exhibition Ever Witnessed on Any Diamond.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, July 16.—With "Uncle Joe" Cannon looking on and powerless to call the minority to order, to bring in a special rule shutting off base hits, the democrats of the house of representatives walloped all sorts of tariff schedules out of the republicans at the American league park today and won the most famous congressional baseball game on record by the thrilling score of 26 to 16. The democratic victory—the first of the extra session, was followed by a cloudburst. The deluge did not let up until the seventh inning battle had ended with the stout members all puffing and groggy from ruminating and chasing balls, and the lean members prone on the grass from exhausted energy. The crowd which witnessed the game was equally weary from laughter. The throng included many distinguished officials. President Taft did not attend—he was at Chevy Chase with Vice President Sherman—playing golf. Fifty Seven Varieties. More different kinds of baseball were played than ever before were crowded into seven innings. Strange as it may seem, it wasn't all bad. Representative Hefflin of Alabama playing in one of the outer gardens, reminded one strikingly of Ty Cobb. No one ventured to tell Mr. Hefflin just why. One he had a chance to be a hero. The republicans suddenly came to life in the fifth inning and were scoring eight or nine or ten runs, when a line fly went whizzing out into left field straight at Hefflin. The portly Alabamian, who played in white flannel trousers with a black soft watch fob dangling from his belt, cast one weather eye at the ball and another at his bare hands, and then "docked." The hit ought to have been good for a home run, but Representative Howland of Ohio felt exhausted on the second sack and yelled for somebody to come out and finish the run. Nick Looked Fine But—Representative Nicholas Longworth of Ohio, signed at a tremendous outlay, it was said, failed to live up to his advance notice. He presented a badly appearance in golf trousers, brown stockings and a yellow shirt, but he "casoyed out" twice with two men on bases, got a base on balls once, and then in the last half of the seventh, showed a flash of rare speed when he beat out a tiny little infield hit. The official score looked too much like a house tariff bill coming out of the senate committee on finance to be printed in full. The nearest newspaper scores—both hands at the business—couldn't come to the base hits and errors was to give the democrats 23 of the former—no just intended—and five of the latter. The republicans are credited with 29 safe hits and 2 errors. Texas leaguers were there in bunches and once in chasing a pop hit the republican catcher and pitcher collided with ferocious results. Representative Burke of Pennsylvania, who was at the receiving end of the majority is of slight build, and when he crashed into pitcher James of West Virginia, the little catcher was sent heels over head to the ground. He picked himself up undaunted, and then while he and the pitcher were doing an "Alphonse and Gaston,"

BOLL WEEVIL AND THE COTTON LONGS BOTH IN HARDLUCK

Misfortune of Former Causes Latter Loss of Two Dollars a Bale

BREAK IN PRICES UNPRECEDENTED

Pyramided Contracts Made Whole Speculative Structure Top Heavy

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, July 16.—One of the most remarkable breaks in the history of the New York cotton market occurred today as a result of a special report on the boll weevil situation by the government entomologist, Dr. Hiler. At the end of the decline, cotton for new crop delivery was selling at \$2 a bale less than the closing price of Thursday. The break was marked by panicky liquidation, and excitement seldom equalled except in times of complete demoralization. Within half an hour prices declined fully thirty-five points; and while the market recovered a few points of the loss, the close was barely steady, the general nervousness of the traders suggesting a thoroughly unsettled state of sentiment.

Demand Eased Off. The decline today was the culmination of a gradually increasing lack of confidence in the stability of prices, which nearly reached the thirteen cent level earlier in the week, when the low July condition report was received, showing a continuation of hot, dry weather in Texas where the crop was supposed to be rapidly deteriorating. Bullish interests were disappointed that crop disaster predictions did not create an enormous demand for contracts to insure future supplies, the selling movement which started around 12.37 for December, early in the week continued, in increasing volume until at the opening this morning December contracts were selling at 12.15.

Then Came Slump. Upon the publication of the boll weevil statement, indicating that the pest was less threatening this year than last, liquidation reached record-breaking proportions and the decline was not checked until December contracts had sold at 11.97—45 points below the closing figure of the previous night, and ninety-five points (4.75) per bale below the high record of last Tuesday. There was a slight recovery later with December closing at 12.05 bid, a net loss of 34 points for the day. Tumors of rains in Texas were denied tonight and bulls pointed out that the conditions which have restricted the ravages of the boll weevil have also been very unfavorable to the plant in the Southwest. But it is believed that a stronger bear clique has been formed under the leadership of Theodore H. Price and that the clique exerted a strong influence on the day's market and will probably remain a factor in the immediate situation.

MOHAMED ALI GOES THE WAY OF HIS BROTHER IN TROUBLE ABDUL AHMID

Nationalists Depose Persia's Ruler and Send Him into Exile.

BOY PUT ON THRONE

(By Associated Press.) TEHRAN, July 16.—Mohamed Ali, Shah of Persia, was dethroned today and the crown prince, Sultan Ahmad Mirza, was proclaimed shah by the national assembly, composed of the chief Mullahs and the leaders of the nationalist forces, in the presence of an immense crowd in parliament square. Mohamed Ali has taken refuge in the Russian summer location at Zerdene, where he is under the protection of detachments of Cossacks and Sepoys attached to the Zerdene by the Russian and British diplomatic representatives. Siphahar, one of the most active leaders of the movement has taken office as minister of war and governor of Teheran. General Liakhoff, through whose negotiations with the nationalists the surrender was effected, was escorted this afternoon by mounted Bakhtiari riflemen to the parliament building and was greeted with loud applause by the people. He was informed that he might remain temporarily in charge of the Cossacks provided he strictly obeyed the orders of the war minister. The shops and private houses occupied by the shah's soldiers have been plundered. The shah is twelve years old, arrangements had been made to send him to England to be educated.

SLIGHT TAIN OF BLOOD BARS FROM CITIZENSHIP ONE OF DEWEY'S HEROES

Court Rules That Chinese Descendant Cannot Become a Citizen.

WAS NO PRECEDENT

(Special to The Citizen.) NEW YORK, July 16.—William Knight, a hero of the battle of Manila, a resident of America since 1882, and now a seaman aboard the battleship Connecticut, has been denied the right to be a citizen because his mother was half Chinese. His father was an Englishman, his mother half Japanese and half Chinese, and he was born under the British flag on the Yellow sea. The medal of bravery awarded Knight by congress for his services under Dewey was of no weight with the court. The court said in effect, inasmuch as he was not a white man and not an African nor the descendant of an African, he could not become a citizen. The Chinese blood barred him. Nor would the court rule just how much of this blood was necessary to make a man more Mongolian than Caucasian. There was no precedent by which to rule, the court held. Knight is forty-two years of age, is healthy in mind and body. His father was captain of a steamer that plied between Indian and Chinese ports. He fell in love with a little almond-eyed girl and they were married at Shanghai. She sailed with him from port to port and when the son came, the Knight ship was tossing upon the Yellow sea. William was brought up on the sea, so when he came to America and caught a glimpse of the white squadron, he determined to enter the navy. He enlisted in 1882, his first work being aboard the Monocacy. The matter came before Judge Chatfield, and he pondered it for many a day. The papers showed that Knights had passed the physical examination, was intelligent and all that, but there was the statute, and that was the judge rendered this decision, which put an end to Knight's citizenship. (Continued on page four.)

JOHN D. NARROWED SANDS OF DESERT UNTIL THEY FORCED MELIN TO CLOSE

How Standard Oil Magnate Got Rid of an Undesirable Neighbor.

BOOZERS ALL LEFT

(Special to The Citizen.) NEW YORK, July 16.—Is it Rockefeller or rheumatism which is responsible for Johnny Melin's action in selling his inn at Sleepy Hollow and his announcement that he will auction off his steins, beer glasses, bar fixtures and dispose of his usquebaugh, eau de vie, the superior liquid refreshments which is drawn from the well. Gossip says that the shrewd old Standard Oil magnate has been playing in a game of chess with Inkeuper John in which the surrounding property was pressed into service as the oil man's pawns. As fast as a piece of property fell into Mr. Rockefeller's hands, or that of his agents, employees of the financier were put in as tenants, and all these tenants were Rockefeller. Neater and nearer the Rockefeller tenantry approached, they homed in the picturesque in one morning, tree-shaded road until on the morning nine o'clock John stood in his doorway and looked about on a country in which the only thing which didn't belong to Mr. Rockefeller was the inn tending like a rock in the wilderness—a rock from which the waters still flowed. Then Mr. Melin tumbled to the fact that the pawns had been pushed further and further toward his king row until he found himself checkmated. The Rockefeller tenantry drank nothing but butter-milk. The autists no longer whirled in over the Rockefeller property to stop themselves at the old stand and occupy themselves with the science of irrigation. There was no more an ebb tide in the polished decanters behind Johnny's bar, and the taps from which a steady, cooling stream formerly flowed gathered cobwebs from misuse.

TWO MEN ARE DROWNED IN FRENCH BROAD RIVER AFTER LONG STRUGGLE

Fought for Their Lives While Current Swept Them on for Mile.

ONE MADE ESCAPE

(Special to The Citizen.) HOT SPRINGS, N. C., July 16.—Battling with the rapids of the French Broad river while the current swept them on relentlessly to certain death, two men, John Burke, white and Sid Jones, colored, were drowned in the French Broad here about noon today. The details of the tragedy as received here late today were very meagre, but from the accounts so far received it appears that Burke and another man whose name has not yet been learned went out boating on the river taking Jones along to row. None of the party was familiar with the swift currents of the stream, and soon after they had started the eddies carried them close in to the bank and into a fallen tree which entangled them and upset the boat. The man whose name has not been learned, clinging to the tree and escaped, but the swift current caught the boat, overturned it and sent it rushing on down stream with Burke and the negro clinging to it desperately. For a mile they clung fast while the boat swirled among the eddies, swung around rocks, and plumed on and on bringing them to where a little way ahead the brink of certain doom awaited the two men. Still they fought for life and clung to the sides of the little craft until the unequal struggle wore out their strength and they had to let go, and sink down into the swirling waters. Immediately searching parties were sent out to locate the bodies but neither had been recovered at a late hour tonight. The search will be continued today. KILLED BY LIGHTNING. WINNSBORO, La., July 16.—John S. Sullivan, a prominent business man and his daughter were killed by lightning here today, while they were returning home from a picnic.

RED LIGHT WOMAN SAYS GRANT WAS HER "ANGEL"

Dissolute Woman puts Clerk of Federal Court in an Ugly Light.

MAN FOUND IN CHURCH.

(Special to The Citizen.) RALEIGH, July 16.—In the sensational trial of Madeline Kelly and William Jones, the latter a negro backman, for illicit relations, the Kelly woman went on the stand this evening and testified that the negro was at her house only a backman in the employ of Major B. L. Grant, clerk of the United States court here, and that Maj. Grant helped her buy the furniture and loaned her one thousand dollars to buy the house she kept. Ex-Governor Aycock, in defense of Maj. Grant fought the admission of Madeline Kelly's references to Major Grant, but it was held to be competent as showing why the negro backman was at the house so much. The case is an appeal from eighteen months sentences against both the white woman and the negro. (Continued on page four.)

FIVE YEARS FOR WORKING LOVE GAME ON WOMAN

Swain County Man Who Victimized Credulous Woman Sentenced.

OVER CAPITALIZATION COSTLY TO CORPORATIONS

(Special to The Citizen.) WAYNESVILLE, July 16.—Judge Ferguson, who is holding court here this being his first regular court in his home town, gave J. B. Barrett a term of five years on the roads for victimizing Mrs. L. L. Long, of Winston-Salem. Barrett, who had a living wife and daughter in Swain county, about four months ago, was in Winston-Salem when he under the pretense of being interested with Mrs. Long, persuaded her to invest for money, one hundred and thirty dollars, to him and go with him to Waynesville where they would be married. After they arrived here Barrett gave the woman a dodge and left on the first train with her money and baggage. When she found he had left her in this plight she put the officers on his trail and he was quickly arrested, brought here and tried before a magistrate, who committed him to jail till this term of court. His wife and daughter were with him during the trial. (Continued on page four.)

COMMISSION IS TO FIND JUST VALUE IN STOCKS.

What and What Is Not of Value in Stocks.

MAN FOUND IN CHURCH.

(Special to The Citizen.) RALEIGH, July 16. Pibermaize of corporation officials and their attorneys to Raleigh for conferences with the corporation commission to protest against the valuation of the corporation excess valuation assessed against the corporation, by the commission for taxation purposes in a steady stream increasing in volume rather than giving any indication of falling off. The tenor of their situation was strikingly illustrated today when surprise was expressed at seeing a prominent Eastern Carolina legislator who made a special point for an abstract effort in the assembly, come out from a conference with the commission. "Why did he, the situation is just this. I am here in the interest of a corporation which like so many others, in organization set up fictitious values because they sounded big for business. They gave in a reasonable statement of real and equipment property valuation for state and county taxation and when the corporation excess on which there should be additional tax, the corporation found itself assessed for two or three times what the business was really worth. An equitable adjustment of this is all I am seeking."

MAN FOUND IN CHURCH.

(Special to The Citizen.) DANVILLE, Va., July 16.—Dan Rice, alias Joe Thomas, was arrested early today charged with being the burglar who yesterday had a desperate fight with Rev. W. H. H. Joyce, pastor Trinity Methodist church, when the minister entered the church and found Rice in the building. Rev. Joyce identified Rice today. Rice is from Danville, Va. He denies that he is the man wanted. (Continued on page four.)