

STRONG FIGHT ON CONSERVATION TO BE MADE IN COURT

Policies of Roosevelt Administration Alleged Unconstitutional

COLORADO JOINS WITH CATTLEMAN

Forest Reservation There Exceeds in Area More Than Three States

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—An attack on the conservation policies inaugurated by the Roosevelt administration more serious probably than any heretofore made, will be contained in an appeal next week to the Supreme court of the United States to declare unconstitutional the creation of the big forest reservation of the West.

Failure to win on this proposition is not to end the campaign of anti-conservationists. They have prepared to fight a step further against the alleged independence of the forest reservations from the state laws on the theory that the federal government in creating them holds the land merely as a big land proprietor and not with any peculiarities of sovereignty.

The fight over the conservation policies of the government has arisen out of the attempt of the United States to enjoin Fred Light, a Colorado cattleman, from "allowing his cattle to trespass" on the Holy Cross forest reserve in that state. Despite Light's claim that the formation of the state was in violation of the federal constitution and that action for trespass could not be maintained under the Colorado laws unless the land in question had been fenced, the Circuit court of the United States for the district of Colorado issued the injunction. The case was appealed to the Supreme court of the United States. It has been advanced for oral argument on Monday, January 23.

Colorado Joins Fight
The state of Colorado has joined in the fight against the federal government. Attorney General John T. Barnett heads the corps of attorneys carrying on the fight for Light. An outline of the arguments that they will present to the court has just arrived in Washington in a brief.

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BACK HOME MOVEMENT ATTRACTING THOUSANDS WHO HAVE WANDERED OFF

Southerners to be Brought Back From North and West

WORK ORGANIZED

ALTAPASS, N. C., Jan. 15.—Last week's session of the Immigration board of the associated railroads in the South marked the beginning of co-operative action on the most remarkable plan of immigration ever undertaken in this country.

The "Back Home Movement" is simply that of specially inviting each person who has moved from the South into states beyond the Mississippi and Ohio rivers to re-visit his old home country with a view of again living there. With the invitation are given facts concerning the changes and wonderful improvements which have taken place in the South in the last few years. The plan was inaugurated by the industrial department of the Carolina, Cincinnati and Ohio railway last August, and a conference of the methods it has employed was formally made to and accepted by a majority of progressive railroads of the South in a conference which closed here last night.

Throughout the day yesterday letters and telegrams were received from Southern editors and commercial organizations offering support, and sending long lists of former Southerners in other states. Another conference will be held at Chattanooga February 15th, when the organization will be perfected, and a permanent press bureau established. Until then W. D. Roberts, assistant industrial agent of the Cincinnati road will continue the press work for the board, the gathering of names and addresses. The governors of the Southern states will appoint one delegate from each congressional district and two from the state at large to attend the Chattanooga convention, and confer with the railroad representatives, and all newspaper editors are invited to be present.

The industrial department of the Carolina, Cincinnati and Ohio railway is now receiving several hundred names and addresses a day of former Southerners in the West and

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HIGH FOOD PRICES WILL TAKE TUMBLE SAY STORAGE MEN

Cold Storage Warehouses Will Today Disgorge Contents Which have Been Laid Away for Five Years.

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Millions of pounds of butter, eggs, cheese and poultry held in cold storage warehouses here will be thrown on the market before May 1 and a general tumbling of food prices is expected at once, according to commission merchants.

Numerous Chicago commission men are said to be facing failure as a result of their efforts to maintain an artificial price on the necessities of life. The inability further to uphold this price is said to be due to a combination of circumstances, chief of which are the open winter of 1911 and the banner crops of 1910.

Three commission men failed in the last week as a result, it is said, of holding great quantities of butter, which they purchased at an average price of 31 cents a pound and now are unable to market for more than 27 or 28 cents a pound.

While the wholesale prices of butter and eggs have dropped within the last few weeks, there has as yet been no decline in the retail prices.

Held for Five Years
Some of the produce which now is to be unloaded on a falling market has been in warehouses for as long as five years. By means of the cold storage houses, commission men have been able to maintain an artificial price not only to the consumer, but to the producer, it is said.

Thirty-two warehouses are said to have 44,000,000 pounds of butter, eggs and poultry.

The increased sale of oleomargarine is given as an added cause for the situation that the commission men now find themselves facing.

Thousands of consumers unable to pay the price at which butter has been held, have become users of oleomargarine, according to information gathered here by dealers.

Butter is six cents a pound lower wholesale than it was a year ago and is selling to grocers at the lowest figure in five years.

SAME CONDITION IN NEW YORK
NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Commission men in New York announce the same condition in the trade as outlined in the Chicago dispatches. In fact, it was made known here last night that the butter and egg men were greatly overstocked and that reductions to the retailer would be made immediately.

The wholesalers were emphatic in their statements that substantial reductions would be made and they wanted the news made public in order that the consumers might demand corresponding cuts from his dealer. In other words they feared that the retail man, although buying from the jobber at cheaper rates, would maintain their prices to customers.

According to the jobbers the finest fresh eggs should sell tomorrow at from 33 to 35 cents a dozen, as against from 50 to 55 cents last week. The finest grades of butter, they said, should bring from 33 to 35 cents a pound as compared with 50 to 55 cents last week. Overstocking is given as the cause of the proposed cut.

NO CUTS IN MEATS
KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 15.—"There has been no decrease in price of meats or provisions so far as I know, and the price of meat promises to increase soon," said a leading packer tonight who has been regarding a reported change in food prices. He also said that none of the packing companies had any surplus supply of live stock and the prices which were strong last week would probably be higher during the coming weeks.

CHICAGO GUILTY
CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 15.—Cleveland packers and wholesale grocers assert that the condition in the food market is due to the action of the Chicago cold storage dealers in accumulating vast supplies with the purpose of forcing an artificial price. It is believed here that a fall in prices is inevitable in the near future and three causes are given: the open winter, the large corn crop and over-accumulation of supplies in Chicago.

WIFE OF BISHOP DIES. HE IS ILL
BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 15.—Mrs. William Paret, wife of the Protestant Episcopal Bishop of Maryland, died today at the Johns Hopkins hospital, where she has been a patient about four months, of cancer of the stomach. She was 59 years of age. Mrs. Paret was Miss Sarah Hayden of Windsor, Conn., and when she married Bishop Paret in 1900, was the widow of Henry T. Haskell of Chicago. She was also the bishop's second wife. Mrs. Paret died unaware of the fact that her husband is very ill of pneumonia, as she has been in a state of coma almost from the time she entered the hospital.

UNITED STATES INSISTS THAT GUATEMALA OBSERVE STRICT NEUTRALITY LAW
Must Not Mix in Honduran Revolution in Any Way
GUNBOAT SENT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The American legation at Guatemala City has been instructed by the state department to make vigorous representations to President Estrada Cabrera for the enforcement of the Washington convention in connection with the revolutionary movement in Honduras headed by Manuel Bonilla.

A statement issued by the state department today declares that American legation at Guatemala City was instructed because of "repeated complaints" that the Bonilla movement was receiving active aid and support in Guatemala and in view of information of the arming of the Hornet.

The protected cruiser "Hornet" has been ordered to join the gunboat "Marletta" in patrolling the Atlantic coast of Guatemala and Honduras and the "Hornet" will be kept under surveillance.

The Hornet will be kept under surveillance pending decision as to investigation by the attorney general to determine whether the neutrality

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CONGRESSMAN ASKS EMBARRASSING QUESTIONS IN REPLY TO ROOSEVELT

Accuses Ex-President of Simply Playing Politics

HOT RETORT

BOSTON, Jan. 15.—Congressman Butler Ames issued a reply tonight to former President Roosevelt, who last night denied certain statements attributed to Mr. Ames regarding the alleged connection of Senator Henry Cabot Lodge with an effort to sell some colliers to the navy. Congressman Ames says in his statement:

"I do not question your denial of the conversation between yourself and Senator Lodge and the secretary of the navy. In fact, I expected you to do so and a cabinet officer cannot be expected to verify the accuracy or inaccuracy of a conversation with his chief.

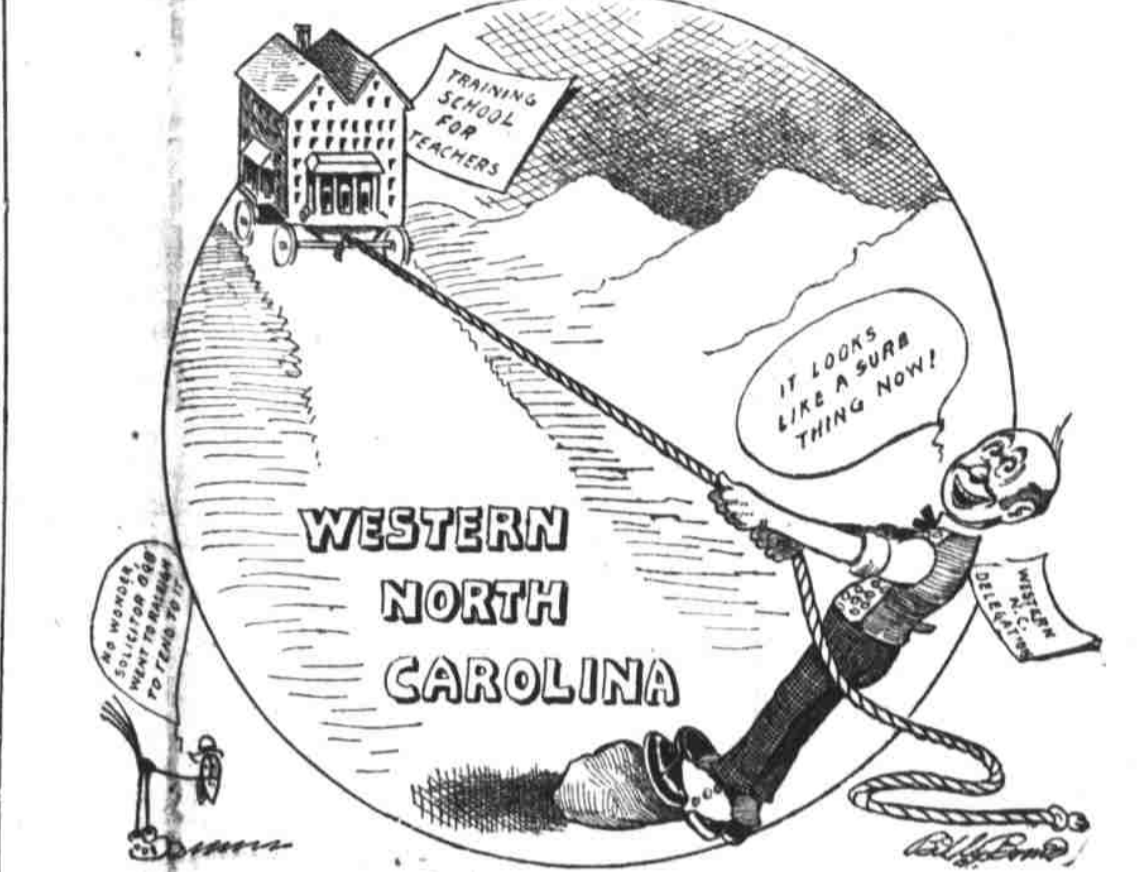
"I was authoritatively informed that you did use the words I have credited you with but whether you did or not is of minor importance, and this particular part of the controversy may be safely left to some future time.

"Has it occurred to you that the denial of these charges or an explanation thereof should have been made by Senator Lodge himself and on the floor of the senate for the name of Massachusetts, if not for his own?"

"Has it occurred to you that the time and place for you to have come to Senator Lodge's rescue was even before you came to speak in his behalf at the Arena in Boston just before election?"

"Has it occurred to you or to Senator Lodge that this rush to his defense in the press, on the day before the caucus in the legislature on the senatorial election in this state, was to lay yourself open to the charge, in the minds of some uncharitable people at least, of trying to suppress full information in the matter and your choice of time makes the delicate compliments you pay me in your telegram to Speaker Walker take on a political rather than a personal complexion?"

It's Coming Our Way.



DEMOCRATS WILL MEET THURSDAY FOR ORGANIZATION OF NEXT HOUSE

Kitchin of North Carolina Will Probably be Placed on Ways and Means Committee and Champ Clark Formally Nominated as the Next Speaker of House.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Democratic members of the house of representatives are busily engaged in preparation for the party caucus which is to be held next Thursday night and which all democratic representatives-elect are expected to attend. The actual effect of the caucus is intended to commit the democratic majority of the next house to an organization to be perfected next winter.

It is expected that a committee on ways and means, the body which frames the tariff laws in their initial stages, will be chosen; the method of designating the personnel of standing committees will be determined, and a selection will be made for speaker of the house. The selection of Champ Clark of Missouri, the present minority leader, for the speakership, apparently is a foregone conclusion, as more than a majority of the democrats of the next house already have pledged themselves to his election.

Ways and Means Committee. Nearly all of the democratic leaders favor the selection now of the membership of the ways and means committee, in order that there shall be no delay in beginning work on the tariff revision program to which the democrats are pledged. The majority of the committee intends to begin work at once although the republican minority of the committee will not be chosen until the new house is organized next winter.

EGYPT EXPERIMENTING TO INCREASE COTTON YIELD

Has a New Kind of Seed Which is Said to be Exceedingly Prolific

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Experiments in cotton culture are being made by the Egyptian government with a view of increasing the production of that country, according to United States Consul D. R. Birch, at Alexandria, Egypt. The government is conducting these experiments on its Korashier estates with a new cotton seed styled Aali which has produced approximately 800 pounds per acre. It is like a regular flower in color, but better in quality and is expected to fetch \$2 more per hundred weight than any other quality cultivated in Egypt.

The record for the arrival of raw cotton at the Alexandria market from the growing districts was made on November last when 11,638 bales, the largest ever received in a single day, were unloaded.

The ministry of agriculture at Constantinople has asked the Ottoman high commissioner at Cairo to send a quantity of Egyptian cotton seed of the best varieties, with a view of being tried in Turkey.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—North Carolina; fair; much colder Monday; Tuesday fair; moderate to brisk winds.

The slate which seems to find favor with most of the democratic leaders give the chairmanship of the ways and means committee to Underwood of Alabama, and disposes of the remaining places as follows: Peters, of Mass.; Harrison, of New York; Palmer, of Penna.; Dixon, of Ind.; James, of Ky.; Hammond, of Minn.; Hughes, of N. J.; Shackelford, of Mo.; Randall, of Texas; Brantley, of Ga.; Kitchin, of N. C.; Hull, of Tenn.; and Rainey, of Ills.

The selection, aside from reasons of fitness, have been made along geographical lines. The method of selecting committees is not expected to be deposed without a contest, although the prediction is freely made that two thirds of the democrats of the next house favor the selection by caucus of a committee on committees.

Situation in Senate. In connection with the naming of a committee to frame a tariff bill the situation in the senate is interesting. In that body the tariff measures are handled by the committee on finance, the personnel of which will undergo a considerable change in the next session. Although the senate still will be republican, four of the republican members of the committee as now constituted will not be members of the next congress. Those who will drop out at the end of this session are Chairman Aldrich, Burrows, Hale and Flint. There will be changes also in the democratic membership, as Senators Money and Tamm have not been elected to the next congress and there is a vacancy because of the death of Senator Daniels. The total membership of the committee is only 14 and therefore in the next session half of that number will be new to tariff making.

JUMPED FROM 8TH STORY TO INSTANT DEATH BELOW

Man of Sixty Eight Creates Panic Among Pedestrians As He Commits Suicide

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 15.—H. B. Whitmore, 68 years old, leaped from a window in the eight story of the Marquette hotel to the pavement today, killing himself instantly and creating a small panic among the pedestrians. Despondency over his continued illness, and death of his wife, who was a daughter of George Knapp, one time publisher of The St. Louis Republic, are given as the causes for the act.

Whitmore was a member of a wealthy St. Louis family and for a number of years was secretary of the Merchants' exchange.

He retired about eight years ago and shortly following the death of Mrs. Whitmore, four years ago he was stricken with partial paralysis. He left a sanatorium today and went to the Marquette hotel where he was assigned to a room on one of the upper floors. Whitmore was a native of Newton, Mass.

STOLEN PROPERTY RECOVERED

All of the property reported to have been stolen from the Country club has been recovered by the police, having been found in various places. A great part of it had been sold to people of the city, and some of it had been pawned.

Insurgents Demands. Insurgents are planning to demand places on the finance committee on the ground that their selection is necessary to insure downward revision. On this issue, they confidently count upon democratic support in the event they are excluded by the republican committees which nominates for a committee place. If the committee on committees of the senate should recommend for places on the finance committee only such senators who believe next year is too early for another revision of the tariff, the prospects are that there will be a contest on the senate floor over the adoption of the committee report. A combination of insurgent republicans and democrats, it is conceded, might easily overturn republican control of the senate and allow the democrats to revise the tariff as they please.

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NEW JERSEY DEMOCRATS SPLIT ON SENATORSHIP

May Have Deadlock and Martine Is Outlook

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 15.—The democratic members of the legislature are expected to hold a conference tomorrow night at 7 o'clock in the state house on the United States senatorship. The conference is not likely to result in anything more than an interchange of views as only an hour later both houses of the legislature will convene.

The men who favor James E. Martine are still opposed to the holding of a caucus which would be binding upon those participating. The supporters of James Smith, Jr., are making every effort to have the Martine men consent to a caucus but without avail, despite the fact that Governor Elect Wilson claims that a good majority of the democratic legislators are in favor of Martine.

A canvass of the democratic legislators, which is more or less of an estimate, divides the 54 democratic votes about evenly between Martine and Smith. This is interpreted by many as pointing to a deadlock which may last for some time and finally result in the taking up of a third man.

It is not too much to say that at the present time the senatorship question is far from settled with possibilities of the election of either Mr. Smith, Mr. Martine or a third man, or a deadlock that may continue throughout the entire legislative session. The legislature will take its first vote on the senatorship on January 24.

PROMINENT BAPTIST DIES

DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 15.—Mrs. J. B. Gambrell, aged 63, widely known in the South in connection with the affairs of the Baptist church, died today. Mrs. Gambrell was a native of Chuckstuck, Va.

KENTUCKY MOB LYNCHES THREE AT SHELBYVILLE

One Hundred Without Masks Storm County Jail For Prisoners

TWO WERE CHARGED WITH ASSAULTS

Bodies of Three Negroes Later Found Hanging to Public Bridge

SHELBYVILLE, Ky., Jan. 15.—Storming the Shelby county jail here this morning a mob composed of less than one hundred men lynched three negroes, two of whom were charged with assaulting white girls and the third sentenced to hang for the murder of his wife, and held in jail here until the day of his execution could be set.

The three were lynched in different places. The body of Eugene Marshall, sentenced to hang for the murder of his wife, whom he had beheaded, was found hanging to a bridge over the Eminence pike only a short distance from the jail.

Were Charged With Assault
Jim West, employed as a chauffeur for several months, and who, it is said, had been seen on several occasions throwing kisses at white girls, and who was charged with assaulting the daughter of a Shelby county farmer, was one of the victims. He, too, was hanged to the bridge by the mob.

Wade Patterson, the third negro lynched was also charged with assaulting a white woman. Patterson attempted to escape and was shot, and his body thrown into a creek.

The mob which attacked the jail went about its work quietly and few persons knew of the triple lynching until the bodies were found several hours later. Few of the mob were masked. The jail lock was smashed with a sledge hammer and there was little difficulty in getting to the prisoners.

Jailer's Statement
According to Deputy Jailer Hornback, Jailer Edward Thompson hid the keys when the mob approached and later when the mob became more insistent Hornback let the men into the jail cell.

"They said there were three negroes here whom they were going to set or else blow up the jail," Hornback said. "They kept yelling for the dynamite while some of the mob tried to beat on the cell locks with a sledge hammer. About twelve men had their guns pointed at me demanding the keys, but I insisted that I did not know where they were. Finally they broke open the cell door and took out West, Marshall and Patterson."

JEWS OF NATION GATHER IN UNION OF YOUNG MEN'S HEBREW ASSOCIATIONS

Many Prominent Men Will Address Important Gathering

IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Jan. 15.—Many important problems, among them that of immigration, will be discussed this week at the 22nd council of the union of Young Men's Hebrew associations which will meet this week at the hotel Astor. The session will begin tomorrow and end on Thursday and will be in many respects the most important in the history of American reform Jewish congregations. Leading rabbis and laymen from all over the country will attend as delegates.

The objects of the union in brief are: "To establish and maintain institutions in the higher branches of Hebrew literature and Jewish theology. To provide means for the relief of the Jews from political oppression and unjust discrimination, and for rendering them aid for their intellectual elevation.

To promote religious instruction. All this without, however, interfering in any manner with the worship in the schools or any other of the congregational institutions.

Among the important religious and civil matters to be discussed at the present meeting is immigration, which, in view of recent utterances and government reports favoring greater restrictive measures, has become a matter of intense interest in Jewish circles.

One of the most important meetings of the council will take the form of a dinner at the hotel Astor on Wednesday evening, at which Jacob H. Schiff will be toastmaster. Among the speakers will be Theodore Roosevelt, Mayor Gaynor, Oscar S. Straus, and others.