

TAFT DEFENDS HIS VETOES OF COTTON, WOOL, OTHER BILLS

Attacks Democrats and Insurgents Who Put Those Bills Through Congress

GREAT CROWDS OUT TO HEAR PRESIDENT

Went Into Considerable Detail In Explanation of Reciprocity With Canada

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Sept. 21.—President Taft made his first speech of his western trip on the tariff and his vetoes of the wool, cotton, and farmers' free list bills, here today.

The president attacked the democrats and "insurgent" republicans in the senate and house who put those bills through congress and the special session; defended his own course in vetoing them, and declared that he was unalterably opposed to revision of the tariff, except upon information secured by the tariff board.

He brought to a close his four-day swing through Michigan at Kalamazoo, and headed for the west. His last day in Michigan found the president speaking and visiting in Grand Rapids, Battle Creek and Kalamazoo.

The address here was one of the president's set speeches on the tariff and his vetoes of the wool, cotton and farmers' free list bills; in Battle Creek he talked of Canadian reciprocity and laid the annexation bogie, and he wound up the day here with a speech on peace and arbitration.

Tremendous Crowds.

In every town visited today there were the same crowds, eager to see the president, that he has encountered everywhere throughout the state. The speech here was delivered in a drizzling rain from a stand erected in Campau square, but several thousand people listened attentively in spite of the discomfort. In Battle Creek the president talked to the largest crowd so far on his trip. Senator Townsend of Michigan, who introduced the president, estimated that there were 40,000 people packed in the square before the platform and others more conservative put it at 25,000.

The speech tonight was made at a banquet in the New Burdick hotel.

On Reciprocity.

The president's speech at Battle Creek was the first he has made on reciprocity since the Canadian parliament.

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BY OVERWHELMING MAJORITY CANADA REJECTS MEASURE

Reciprocity and Laurier Government In Canada Defeated by Larger Majority Than Anybody Anticipated—Annexation Talk Did it.

MONTREAL, Sept. 21.—The Laurier government and reciprocity suffered an overwhelming defeat in the Canadian elections held today. By a veritable landslide the liberal majority of 43 was swept away and the conservative party secured one of the heaviest majorities, upwards of 50, that any Canadian party has ever had.

Results in Provinces. The results at 10 o'clock tonight, with a few of the distant constituencies estimated, were:

Table with columns: Province, Lib-eral, Conserv-ative, Total. Rows include Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia, Total.

Will Not Be Introduced. The government defeat means that the Fielding-Knox reciprocity agreement, ratified by the American congress in extra session, will not be introduced when the twelfth parliament assembles next month, and that a revised basis of trade with the United States, looking to closer commercial relations, will not be possible in the immediate future.

Landslide Not Expected. The landslide was not expected by either side. The liberals were confident that they would be returned by the people with an increased majority for they believed that reciprocity would be most acceptable to the Canadian electors, while the conservatives claimed that they would have a majority, they did not expect it would be so large or that the general verdict of the country would be given so decisively against the government. They feared that reciprocity would prove popular with the farmers in Ontario and the farmers and fishermen of the maritime provinces.

But it was in Ontario that the conservatives won their greatest victory. Spurred on by appeals to patriotism and the cry that reciprocity was the entering wedge for annexation, the conservatives swept nearly everything before them.

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DISSOLUTION AND RE-ORGANIZATION UNITED STATES STEEL CORPORATION

Reported on Excellent Authority That Steps Are Being Taken to Effect This—Strenuous Efforts Also Reported Being Made to Meet the Anti-Trust Demands of the Government—Little Headway.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—It was reported today on excellent authority that the matter of dissolving and reorganizing the United States steel corporation is receiving the earnest attention of the department of justice and the legal representatives of the so-called "billion dollar trust."

Informal conferences of prominent steel officials were held during the day but no news of a definite character was obtainable from these sources.

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Great Task. To those who have followed the operations of the United States Steel corporation since its inception a decade ago the work of disintegrating reorganizing the largest industrial combination ever organized represents a task of titanic proportions.

ABSENCE OF MOTIVE FOR WOMAN'S DEATH MAKES DELAY IN INVESTIGATION

Neither Husband nor Former Sweetheart Known to Have Had Reason

WOMAN IS IN JAIL

LEEBSBURG, Ga., Sept. 21.—Absence of evidence of a motive of any kind for the killing of Mrs. Mort S. Childers by either her husband or Robert S. Kennedy, the two men charged with the crime, has been a serious factor in delaying the investigation of the woman's death.

While the husband is confined in jail on suspicion of being connected with his wife's death, no reason of his alleged desire to get rid of her has been advanced.

The theory of suicide as well as that of accidental use of the strychnine, also has been spoken of by attorneys interested in the case, but each theory in turn has been abandoned as not being borne out by the known facts in connection with Mrs. Childers' death.

Some of these facts it is stated tonight, will be brought out at the hearing of Childers next Monday.

So far nothing has developed to show there was domestic infelicity in the Childers home, friends and neighbors declaring that they were a happily wedded couple.

WOMAN KILLING YOUNG MAN CLAIMS THAT SHE WAS INSULTED BY HIM

No Eye Witnesses to Testify in Case, Both Were Prominent Socially

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OPELOUSAS, La., Sept. 21.—Declaring that she had been insulted, Mrs. J. P. McCrea shot and instantly killed Allen Garland this morning in the McCrea home.

Garland's family is one of the most influential in this section of the state. Young Garland was a near relative of District Attorney Garland of St. Landry Parish.

Although Mrs. McCrea alleged that she shot Garland to protect her honor, it is said that the young man was seated in a chair in her room and that all three bullets entered his body from a range by appeals to the coroner's inquest this afternoon.

Mrs. McCrea has been lodged in jail. Her husband is with her. According to the sheriff a charge of murder will be entered against her.

Mrs. McCrea will have nothing to say further than that she killed Garland to protect herself. Young Garland was a student and a graduate of Tulane university, New Orleans. When Mr. McCrea was away from home it is said that Garland frequently called to stay in the McCrea residence as a protector to Mrs. McCrea and the children.

Today about ten o'clock Mrs. McCrea telephoned to the Garland home and asked to borrow a spool of thread. It was sent to her by young Garland. Garland lived with his grandmother, a widow of the late Henry L. Garland.

BRIDE BURNED TO DEATH

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla., Sept. 21.—Mrs. H. F. Howell, who came here from Athens, Ga., as a bride of only a few weeks, was burned to death this morning while attempting to kindle a fire with coal oil.

PROHIBITIONISTS CONDEMN SECRETARY JAMES WILSON

For Holding Position of Honorary President of Int. Brewers' Congress

BOSTON, Sept. 21.—Condemnation of Senator Wilson of the department of agriculture for holding the position of honorary president of the International Brewers' congress and criticism of President Taft and Secretary of State P. C. Knox, furnished a theme for speeches at the state convention today of the prohibition party.

The president was criticized for permitting a cabinet officer to hold such a position, while the secretary of state had aroused the antagonism of the prohibitionists by sending out notices to consuls in foreign countries calling attention to the forthcoming brewers' congress in Chicago.

Frank N. Rand, of Haverhill, was nominated for governor.

DIVERS EXAMINE OLYMPIC

SOUTHAMPTON, Sept. 21.—Divers were engaged today in making an examination of the White Star liner Olympic which was rammed by the British cruiser Hawke, report that the vessel suffered extensive injuries below the water line.

FORM OF MIXED LEPROSY

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—John R. Eearly, of North Carolina, the alleged leper who was kept isolated by the police authorities for many months here and evoked a lively controversy among the physicians of this city and New York as to the diagnosis of his case, may have a "form of mixed leprosy," according to examining surgeons of the United States pension office.

NEGRO FOUND DEAD WITH BULLET WOUND IN HEAD

HENDERSONVILLE, N. C., Sept. 21.—Wm. Fletcher, a negro thirty-four years old, was found dead this morning at 7:30 o'clock on the Southern railway track and is thought to have been murdered.

RODGERS IS SOME NEARER HIS GOAL

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—C. P. Rodgers, the latest starter in the coast-to-coast fight for the Hearst aviation prize, is spending the night near Hancock, N. Y., having gotten sixty-five miles nearer his goal in flying from Middletown, N. Y. He flew the distance in the fast time of seventy-eight minutes.

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GROSSCUP WANTS INVESTIGATION OF OFFICIAL CONDUCT

Declares That he Will Not Resign Until Publication of Charges Is Made

BRINGS ROOSEVELT INTO THE ARGUMENT

Very Emphatic In Denial of Charge Decision Being Known Before Rendered

CHICAGO, Sept. 21.—Peter A. Grosscup, presiding judge of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the northern district of Illinois announced today that he will not send his resignation to President Taft until the threatened publication of charges and criticisms of his judicial career has been made and he has taken such action as he deems fit to vindicate himself.

That a former government secret service agent, who is reported to have shadowed Judge Grosscup for two years, discovered important papers in the possession of Marshall E. Sampson, former private secretary to the judge and one of the receivers of the Union Traction company, by breaking into Sampson's downtown office was charged today by Judge Grosscup and Mr. Sampson.

"No one need look any office," said Judge Grosscup, "for I will show everything. They were trying to show a connection between Mr. Sampson and me. He received \$12,444 a year as receiver and if any one can show he got more it will be a surprise to me."

Reconfronted with Roosevelt. "When Roosevelt was president I reconfronted with him for making a complaint against me in the files of the department of justice and said he had no more right to do that than I had to file a libel against him with the clerk of the court. Roosevelt said he must put it somewhere and finally told me he had put it in with the navy letters he received about himself."

Judge Grosscup declared that there could not be substantiated the published statement that the decision of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals overruling the \$29,000,000 fine in the Standard Oil company case was known in Wall street a day before it was read in court.

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AGAINST MEYER'S PLAN

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SHOWERS

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