

THRONE PROMISES TO NAME CABINET WITHOUT NOBLES

Demand of National Assembly For Constitutional Government Accorded to CHINA VIRTUALLY BECOMES REPUBLIC

PEKING, Oct. 30.—The demand of the national assembly for a complete constitutional government has been accorded to by the throne. An imperial edict was issued today, apologizing for the past neglect of the throne and granting an immediate constitution with a cabinet from which nobles shall be excluded.

The imperial edict, which is from the hand of the emperor, Hsuan Tung says: "I have reigned three years and have always acted conscientiously in the interests of the people. But I have not employed men properly, as I was without political skill. I have employed too many nobles in political positions, which contravenes constitutionalism."

On railway matters one whom I trusted deceived me. Hence public opinion was antagonized. When I urge reform, officials and the gentry seize the opportunity to embezzle. Much of the people's money has been taken, but nothing to benefit the people has been achieved.

After referring to uprisings in various places, the edict concludes: "My throne promises to elect a cabinet without nobles forthwith. The Manchou province, Shi Hsu, president of the assembly is permitted to resign. The Chinese, Li Chia Chu, succeeding him. The Manchou Kiu Chuan, minister of constabulary, has been removed."

Lines Tightening The lines around Peking are tightening. While there is no great panic among the higher classes and the foreigners, there has been a perceptible tensioning everywhere.

THAT HINES HELPED TO "PUT OVER" ELECTION IS RETOLD TO COMMITTEE

Number of Interesting Details Added by a State Senator SHIELDS' HOT REPLY

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Oct. 30.—The story that Edward Hines, the lumberman, and Robert J. Shields assisted in the election of Senator Isaac Stephenson, as given in the testimony of Lieutenant Governor Thomas Morris, was retold today before the senatorial investigating committee, with added details.

MRS. M'REE STICKS TO HER ORIGINAL STORY OF KILLING

Prosecution Tries in Vain to Shake Her Testimony—Character Witnesses Testify as to Woman's good Reputation For Veracity.

OPELOUSAS, La., Oct. 30.—Mrs. Zee Runge McRee, charged with the murder of young Allan Garland, in her home, September 21 last, sat for six hours today in the witness chair, telling a dramatic story of the incident leading up to the tragedy and reiterating her statement that she killed Garland to protect her honor and because she feared he would do her bodily injury.

Several times during the course of her testimony the witness manifested signs of excitement, speaking distinctly but at intervals so rapidly that it was impossible for the court stenographer to take down her statements. Throughout the day the court room was crowded with spectators, many of whom stood on chairs, in moments of intense interest, in their efforts to see the defendant on the witness stand.



INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION WILL HAVE CONTROL OF RAILROADS

United States Supreme Court Decision Practically Eliminates State Railroad Commission From Control—Federal Safety Appliance Law Must be Complied With by all Roads—No Dual Control Henceforth.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—Complete control of all of the railroads of the country by the interstate commerce commission and virtual elimination of the state commissions from such control, is foreshadowed in an opinion handed down today by the supreme court of the United States.

Justice Van Devanter held that the law applied to all equipment on a highway of interstate commerce, whether at the time it was carrying passengers or freight, or both. He then held—and was sustained by the court's unanimous opinion—that the safety appliance act was constitutional.

for they usually have to do with both classes of traffic. Besides, the several trains on the same railroad are not independent in point of movement, and safety, but are interdependent; for whatever brings delay or disaster to one, or results in disabling one of its operatives, is calculated to impede the progress and imperil the safety appliances from any part of any train is a menace, not only to that train, but to others.

IMPORTANT NEW EVIDENCE MAY BE INTRODUCED IN CASE OF ACCUSED PASTOR

District Attorney Asks for Early Adjournment to Look it Up NATURE NOT KNOWN

BOSTON, Oct. 30.—The third day's session of the grand jury investigating charges against the Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, for the alleged murder of Avis Linnell, a former sweetheart, was brought to an early adjournment today by the desire of the district attorney to look up what is believed to be important new evidence.

THRILLING RESCUE OF FOUR-YEAR-OLD BOY AT FIRE IN WAYNESVILLE

Theodore McCracken Displays Heroism Worthy of the Carnegie Medal BOY HIDES IN TRUNK

WAYNESVILLE, N. C., Oct. 30.—Displaying unusual presence of mind for a child, Edgar Applegate, the four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Applegate, saved himself from death by suffocation by hiding in his mother's trunk when a fire, which he started by playing with matches, gutted his home here early this evening.

M'NAMARA DEFENSE GETS HARD BLOW FROM JUDGE

Two Challenges Against Talesmen Rejected, Judge Makes Accusation

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Oct. 30.—Judge Walter Bordwell accused the defense in the McNamara murder case today of trying to circumvent his ruling and rejected two challenges against talesmen, these challenges having formed the basis of his accusation.

DOES PRESIDENT EXPECT DEFEAT FOR HIS PARTY?

Utterance Last Night Interpreted That Way by Many Hearers

CHICAGO, Oct. 30.—President Taft surprised a large audience at the dinner of the Hamilton club today, by what most of his hearers construed as an admission of the possibilities of republican defeat in the coming national election.

GOVERNORS' CONFERENCE DIDN'T REACH AGREEMENT

Gov. Colquitt Will Show Why Cotton is Worth 14 to 15 Cents Per Pound

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 30.—The cotton conference called by Governor Colquitt of Texas to devise means for restoring to normal price the south's great staple crop, after an all day's consideration of different plans for relieving the present demoralized situation in the cotton world, did not reach an agreement and adjourned at 6:30 until 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

RE-ORGANIZATION PLAN OF TOBACCO COMPANY ARGUED

Circuit Court Judges of United States Give it Praise and Condemnation

DEFENSE CLAIMS THAT IT'S AN HONEST PLAN Attorney Justice Makes Plea For North Carolina's Farmers' Union

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—The proposed plan for re-organization of the tobacco trust submitted by the American Tobacco company and codendants to the government's antitrust suit was both praised and condemned today by the circuit court judges of the United States for the Southern district of New York.

After Attorney General Wickersham had filed the government's answer to the plan, counsel for the defendants pleaded with the court to accept the dissolution proposal. Lewis Cass Lodge, arguing for the defendants, insisted that it was an honest plan to comply with the requirements of the Supreme court for a re-organization that will restore competition in compliance with the terms of the Sherman anti-trust law.

An argument of protest was filed late in the day by Felix H. Levy, in addition to that filed jointly by himself and Louis D. Brandeis for the National Clear Leaf Association, and other concerns.

Mr. Brandeis addressed the court in support of objections to the re-organization plan filed by the National Clear Leaf Tobacco association, the Cigar Manufacturers' association, and the Independent Salesmen's association.

Mr. Brandeis said there was no difference of opinion as to the demand of the Supreme court; that either the products of the trust be enjoined and a receiver appointed, or a re-organization agreed upon. He declared "the time for distribution of these companies—this trust—is the present time."

Representing the North Carolina Farmers' Union, Attorney Justice pictured the poverty of the tobacco growers of that state since the formation of the tobacco trust and destruction of competition.

Supreme Court Declines to Enter Final Decree in Virginia Debt Case Claims Time Has Not Come for Proceeding to Determine the Question

GROUND FOR DELAY WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—The Supreme court of the United States declined today to enter a final decree in the Virginia and West Virginia debt case, claiming that "the time has not come" for proceeding to determine all questions left open by its decision last spring.

Justice Holmes announced the decision of the court. He said that neither doubt as to whether West Virginia should take the initiative in a conference, which the court suggested be held when it decided West Virginia ought to bear a part of the debt, nor doubt as to the power of the Virginia Debt commission to act in the conference, were just grounds for delay.

If the parties in the suit consented to a final decree, the justice said, the Supreme court "is not likely to inquire very curiously into questions of power." However, the justice added, a state cannot be expected to move with the celerity of a private business man.



WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—Forecast: North Carolina: increasing coldness Tuesday; rain at night or Wednesday; colder Wednesday in west portion; light to moderate east winds, becoming variable.