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## PRES. TAFT'S FIRST MESSAGE

Summary of Message Sent  
to Congress Wednesday

### FAVORS HEALTH BUREAU

Believes in Conservation of National Resources—Says Country is in High State of Prosperity—No Further Tariff Tinkering—Would Raise Postage on Periodicals and Magazines.

Opposition to the proposed immediate congressional investigation of the sugar import scandals in the New York custom house, and likewise to any further revision of the tariff at present; absence of any specific recommendation regarding the crisis in Nicaragua, and actual recommendations of legislation to forbid the issuance of judicial injunctions without notice in labor controversies, and for the establishment of a system of postal savings banks, may be considered the most striking features of the first annual message of President Taft to Congress.

The Nicaraguan question, conservation of the nation's natural resources, needed amendments to the anti-trusts and inter-State commerce acts, and the contemplated revision of the Federal statutes governing the organization of the armed forces of the nation in time of war, are all reserved for possible treatment later in special messages.

In his message, which bulks some 17,000 words, Mr. Taft reports the country to be "in a high state of prosperity" and he adds that "there is every reason to believe that we are on the eve of a substantial business expansion, and we have just garnered a harvest unexampled in the market value of our agricultural products."

The President expresses entire confidence that the duty imposed upon the Executive, of enforcing the maximum rates of the new tariff law against the United States, will not provoke any tariff war, and he favors no further tariff tinkering at least until the new tariff commission shall have completed its work of gathering information as to the relative cost of producing dutiable articles in this country and abroad. This task he expects will occupy two or three years.

Projects recommended by the President, in addition to those mentioned above, include: A ship subsidy to encourage American shipping; publicity of political contributions in elections of members of Congress; a higher rate of postage on periodicals and magazines; a fund of \$50,000 to aid in suppressing the "white slave" trade; a commission to evolve a plan to expedite legal procedure and mitigate the "law's delays"; construction of an artificial island and fortification in the entrance to Chesapeake bay; two battleships and one repair ship for the navy and an establishment of an extensive naval base at Pear island, Hawaii; a national bureau of health; Statehood for New Mexico and Arizona, and an appointive Governor and executive council for Alaska; civil control of the light house board and separation of the national astronomical observatory from naval control; celebration in 1913 of the semi-centennial of negro emancipation, and reimbursement of the depositors of the defunct Freedman's Trust and Savings Company; consolidation of the bureaus of manufacturers and statistics in the Department of Commerce and Labor; appropriation for the remodeling of the District of Columbia jail.

Calling attention to the crisis in Central American affairs brought about by the summary execution in Nicaragua of two Americans, the President announces that this government has terminated diplomatic relations with the Zelayan administration in Nicaragua and intends to take such further steps

as may be found most "consistent with its dignity, its duty to American interests and its moral obligations to Central America and to civilization."

In opposing any immediate investigation of the New York custom house scandal the President takes the ground that such investigation "might, by giving immunity and otherwise, prove an embarrassment in securing conviction of the guilty parties."

Concluding his message the President says:

"Speaking generally, the country is in a high state of prosperity. There is every reason to believe that we are on the eve of a substantial business expansion, and we have just garnered a harvest unexampled in the market value of our agricultural products. The high prices which such production bring mean great prosperity for the farming community; but, on the other hand, they mean a very considerably increased burden upon those classes in the community whose yearly compensation does not expand with the improvement in business and the general prosperity. Various reasons are given for the high prices. The proportionate increase in the output of gold, which today is the chief medium of exchange and is in some respects a measure of value, furnishes a substantial explanation of at least part of the increase in prices. The increase in population and the more expensive mode of living of the people, which have not been accompanied by a proportionate increase in acreage production, may furnish a further reason. It is well to note that the increase in the cost of living is not confined to this country, but prevails the world over, and that those who would charge increases in prices to the existing protective tariff must meet the fact that the rise in prices has taken place almost wholly in those products of the factory and farm in respect to which there has been either no increase in the tariff or in many instances a very considerable reduction."

### Mr. Quinn Dead.

T. P. Quinn died Friday, December 3, 1909, at the home of D. Koters, in Haywood county. His remains were brought to Marion on December 4. The deceased was well known throughout McDowell county. He was born and raised in this section. He was forty-seven years of age at the time of his death. He was held in high esteem by all who were acquainted with him.

Mr. Quinn is survived by a wife, two children, his father and mother and three sisters, Mrs. W. W. Godfrey, Mrs. S. C. Byrd and Dora A. Quinn.

The funeral services were held Sunday, December 5. They were conducted by Rev. Jordan and Lowdermilk. The burial occurred in the Marion cemetery.

### A FRIEND

#### The Marion Progress.

Successing the McDowell Democrat, the Marion Progress of Marion, N. C., presents as its first issue an edition reviewing the commercial and industrial advantages and opportunities of Marion and vicinity. The publication is illustrated, and contains a number of articles interesting from industrial, educational and social viewpoints. Its owners have equipped their plant with modern machinery, type, etc., and will devote their energies to boosting Marion and McDowell county, in which work they desire the cooperation of their people.—Manufacturers Record

### Booster Number.

The Marion Progress came out on Nov. 11th in what it chooses to call "The Booster Number." It is a 16-page affair with colored front cover and the interesting pages of write-ups are interspersed with half-tones of men of business and scenes of beauty. Editor Little and Manager Whitten are justly proud of the handsome issue.—Southern Publisher, Charlotte.

## DR. COOK A FAKER?

Cook's Lawyer Cuts Loose  
From Client.

### OBSERVATIONS FABRICATED

Broker and Navigator Declare They Furnished Dr. Cook's Records for \$4,000—Would Not Pay Them and They Let Cat out of Bag. People of Copenhagen Still Believe Him.

New York, Dec. 9. Dr. Fredrick A. Cook's personal lawyer, Henry W. Wark, has severed his relations with his client. Wark said tonight he had not the remotest idea where Cook is, or why he persists in seclusion when his presence is of vital importance to his own interests and to his friends. He is inclined to believe that Cook is abroad.

The publication in the New York Times this morning of affidavits of two men, one a broker, who may be acted as go-between, and the other a skilled navigator, that supplied the explorer with a complete set of fabricated observations covering his trip to the pole and an agreement with his narrative originally published, created some what of a sensation. These men, George H. Dunkle, an insurance broker and Captain August Wedel Lovsen, admit their reasons for making the affidavits were that the explorer would pay them. He only paid them two hundred and sixty dollars, whereas he agreed to pay four thousand.

The records sent to the University of Copenhagen show that Cook made notes that one of the calculations furnished him by Lovsen. Wark says it will be fair to assume that he accepted them only as checks on own lists.

"I supplied the figures," said Captain Lovsen tonight. "They were gratefully received. What use was made of them is hard to appear."

Friends of Cook admit he received friendly visits with Lovsen and Dunkle.

Copenhagen, Dec. 9. Dr. Fredrick A. Cook said tonight that the charges published in the New York Times against Dr. Cook are based on pure fiction. Nevertheless, he added, he would accept the offer to examine the documents prepared by Lovsen and Dunkle, which The Times is going to send to Copenhagen.

Walter Lundstam, secretary of Cook, who brought his records to New York, says the story is totally unfounded. He said the papers delivered to the University of Copenhagen contained the original observations made by Cook during his expedition, without alteration. Lundstam said the accompanying report was based on original observations and was dictated by Cook to him.

He said Lovsen and Dunkle were guests at the Waldorf Astoria during Cook's stay there, but the explorer's acquaintance with them was slight.

### Sugar Hill News

Special to Marion Progress  
Sugar Hill, Wednesday Dec. 8. Mrs. Emily Wilson visited relatives at Old Fort last week.

Thomas and Ed Morris, of Marion, were welcome visitors here last Sunday.

Rev. D. J. Hunt filed his appeal next at Bethel last Sunday.

W. M. Wilson attended the quarterly meeting at Old Fort last Saturday.

J. M. Brown of Marion, made a boat trip to this place last Monday.

J. D. and Ceph Blanton of Marion, spent December 1st at Sugar Hill hunting birds.

Mrs. G. M. Beary and Louise Brown, of Old Fort, visited friends at Sugar Hill.

Miss Pearl Williams, of Old Fort, was a welcome visitor among us last Saturday and Sunday.

J. C. Crawford made a business trip to Marion last week.

I hope the readers will extend their sympathy to the faithful "Snowball" as he is about to evaporate this warm weather.

## FIRST TRAIN OVER C. C. & O.

Entered Spartanburg Last  
Thursday Evening.

### PASSENGER TRAIN SATURDAY

First Freight Carried Seven Car Loads of Coal and Private Car of General Manager Capt. Made About 15 Miles Per Hour. Trip Made in Good Order.

After spending over the winter morning to get a charter to enter the state of South Carolina, the Charlotte, Charleston and Fiske railroad has at last established a connection.

The completion of this road also Spartanburg, and the line of Marion, and it will give the people living in upper Marion a direct route to Marion.

In speaking of the opening of the road to Spartanburg, the

The first passenger train left the C. C. & O. at 10:30 a. m. and arrived in the city last evening at 11:45. It carried seven coaches of passengers and the private car of M. J. Lupton, the general manager of the road. The train left Spartanburg at 10:30 a. m. The average speed was 15 miles per hour. The trip was made in good order.

The train was in charge of Conductor J. L. Martin and Engineer S. T. Thomas. In Marion the passengers were Conductor J. E. Hamilton and Engineer M. J. Lupton. The train will leave Spartanburg at 10:30 a. m.

Two more trains are going to be run to Spartanburg one to Goldville, one to Lexington and one to Augusta.

The freight train pulled up beside the three car train below the overhead bridge on North Chestnut street, which are being used to carry the coal. The freight train will be used to carry the various kinds of merchandise over the Southern and the C. C. & O. Arriving at the city, the train will be used to carry the various kinds of merchandise over the Southern and the C. C. & O.

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