

The Coal Barons Will Meet the President Today

Roosevelt Has No Plan to Suggest, but Will Try to Bring About an Understanding

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St. Louis, Oct. 2.—There were astounding revelations today in the trial of Robert M. Snyder, the promoter who was indicted in connection with the Central Traction bill.

FREE RAW MATERIALS

Tariff Revision Difficulties Suggested by a Massachusetts Congressman

Boston, Oct. 2.—In accepting a renomination in the Twelfth district today, Congressman Powers said, in part: "I would be pleased to see the people of Massachusetts have the tariff so revised as to give to our manufacturers free hides, free coal, free wool and free iron, and at the same time maintain their present protective duties upon manufactured goods."

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Change in Foot Ball Game

Chapel Hill, N. C., Oct. 2.—Special.—Manager Dunn announces that instead of the Clemson College game, November 15th the foot ball team will try conclusions with Georgetown University at Norfolk the same date.

BURIED WHISKEY

A Blockader's Secret Revealed to Revenue Officers

Elizabeth City, N. C., Oct. 2.—Special.—Revenue Officer Starkey Hare and his deputies swooped down upon Tucker's distillery near this city last night and captured ten barrels of illicit whiskey. It was one of the most peculiar finds. Tucker had buried fifteen barrels just beneath the surface of the ground. Over these barrels he had erected an out house with a movable flooring. For months the surplus of the still has been conveyed to the buried barrels by means of pipes. Ten of these were full when an employe gave the officers a clue. Tucker has fled the country.

SUICIDE AT SANFORD

J. B. Makepeace Takes His Life with a Rifle

Sanford, N. C., Oct. 2.—Special.—Mr. J. B. Makepeace, one of the most influential business men of Sanford, in a moment of mental aberration committed suicide today at noon by shooting himself with a Winchester rifle.

HISSES IN CHURCH

Strange Proceedings in W. C. T. U. Convention

Richmond, Va., Oct. 2.—When the matter of the election of officers came up in the state convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union today there was great disorder. The affair assumed such proportions that the pastor told the convention that it would have to be orderly or he would be compelled to ask them to leave the church.

AYCOCK AT MORGANTON

The Governor Makes a Strong and Telling Speech

Morganton, N. C., Oct. 2.—Special.—Governor Aycock spoke to a crowded house today and made one of his happiest and most telling talks. His comparisons of Democratic and Republican rule in North Carolina was calculated to close the mouth of capacious radicals. The interest of the audience, composed of ladies and gentlemen representing both parties, never for a moment flagged. Men of all parties pronounced it one of the greatest speeches ever made here, the highest compliment coming from dozens of people that he was the greatest orator the state had produced save the noble Vance.

ENDLESS CHAIN CONTRIBUTIONS

Cleveland, O., Oct. 2.—Col. Myron T. Herrick, treasurer of the National McKinley Memorial Association, receiving many hundreds of letters daily containing small contributions to the memorial fund. Some time since unknown persons started a ten cent endless chain scheme in connection with the monument. Later a five cent and then a two cent endless chain letter was started. Up to date fully 50,000 of these letters have been received by Judge Day, president of the association at Canton and forwarded to the treasurer's office in this city. The letters not only come from all parts of the United States but many are from European countries.

Postal Employees and Their Political Rights

Regulations Issued from Headquarters—The Ticket and Platform of New York Democrats

Washington, Oct. 2.—Special.—Postmaster General Payne issued an order today defining the status with reference to political activity of classified and unclassified employes of the post office department. The order, which is addressed to the officers and employes, says: "Attention is directed to sections 216, 217, 218, 219, 220 and 221 of the postal laws and regulations, United States Civil Service Commission, which are here promulgated for the information and guidance of all officers, clerks and employes in and under the jurisdiction of the post office department."

Wilcox in Danger of Possible Mob Violence

Warning Posted on the Jail in the Dead of Night—The Cropsy's Disappointed at the Decision of the Court

Elizabeth City, N. C., Oct. 2.—Special.—"Get Wilcox out of this jail by Saturday night, if you don't want trouble. Vox Populi." These words were scratched upon a piece of paper and nailed upon the outer walls of the county jail some time during the dead hours of last night. Some one saw it early this morning and before long hundreds had flocked thitherwards, read and questioned its import.

The Tobacco Combine as Explained by Thos. F. Ryan

New York, Oct. 2.—An authorized statement regarding the agreement between the American and British tobacco companies was made this evening by Mr. Thomas F. Ryan who returned Tuesday from London. Mr. Ryan said that the statements made in several of the papers on the morning after his arrival, purporting to quote his interpretation of the agreement as London was inaccurate and in some respects misleading. In response to a question as to the conditions under which the new agreement was formed he said: "The agreement, made between the representatives of the Imperial Tobacco Company of London on the one hand and the Consolidated Tobacco Company on the other, was mutual in its character and entirely satisfactory to both sides. It was accomplished by friendly conference after full consideration of the interests of all parties affected. The agreement bears an international character which has not belonged, I think, to any previous trade arrangements. It means the union of the representatives of an important business in Great Britain and America for the purpose of seeking trade. My visit to London grew out of an invitation extended to me in July last by the president of the British tobacco company after several of the directors had visited the United States and while here had conferred with Mr. Duke, president of the Consolidated Tobacco Company, and myself regarding the respective interests of the companies we represented. The agreement made to transfer to the Imperial Tobacco Company the business of the Consolidated Tobacco Company in England was made after full and satisfactory consideration. The American company becomes a large share holder in the English company with three representatives on its board of directors, one of whom is Mr. Duke. The Consolidated company will pursue its business in the American field including not only the United States, but Cuba, Porto Rico, the Hawaiian Islands and the Philippines, without competition from the British company. The Imperial company will not encounter the competition of the American company in the business of the United Kingdom and Ireland, including Scotland and Wales."

Money in Circulation

Washington, Oct. 2.—This general stock of money in the United States October 1 was estimated by the treasury department at \$2,597,004,935, of which \$2,275,686,651 was in circulation, being an increase of the latter amounting to \$10,758,706 for the month of September and of \$48,498,160 for the twelve months ended October 1. Based on an estimated population of 74,458,000 the per capita circulation is therefore \$28.04, against \$28.55 September 1.

ONE-SIDED ELECTION

Porto Rico Republicans Get Things Fixed Their Way

San Juan, Porto Rico, Oct. 2.—The executive council today issued an arbitrary election order which concededly renders a federal victory or federal legislative initiative impossible. The order provides that the registration and election judges shall consist of one federal and two republicans. It was formerly announced that the judges would consist of one federal, one republican and an independent American. There are six members of the council. Four of them favored the order three of the number being Republicans and the fourth being Mr. Ludenar, commissioner of education, who held the decision of the council and a tremendous demonstration to protest against it is contemplated. Appeals will be made to Washington to secure a reversal of the order and a guarantee for impartial elections.

EDITOR AS TEACHER

Unexplained Move by Rev. A. J. McKelway

Charlotte, N. C., Oct. 2.—Special.—Rev. Dr. A. J. McKelway, editor of the Presbyterian Standard, the leading church organ of the denomination in the state, and one of the most prominent ministers in the Presbyterian church, has applied for and been elected to the principality of a suburban settlement. The salary is said to be fifty dollars per month. Dr. McKelway has made no statement publicly regarding this his new "work."