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PRESIDENT AND ALDRICH ARE AGREED

Pledges Must be Carried Out
In Order to Save The
Party

HOLD CONFERENCE

Taft and Aldrich in Conference the Outcome of Which Will be a Statement Concerning Supreme Court Decisions in Tobacco Trust Cases. President Will Speak in New York Tomorrow on Subject of Party Pledges and Will Say That Pledges Must be Kept in Fact as Well as in Spirit.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Washington, Feb. 11—A conference which was held at the white house last night between President Taft and Senator Aldrich was only the forerunner of others in the future, the outcome of which probably will be the early issues through some appropriate channel of a statement dealing with the possible consequences, financial, industrial, and political, hanging upon the decisions of the supreme court of the United States in the pending cases of the American Tobacco Company and the Standard Oil Company. The former has been argued, and is now in the hands of the court; the latter has been advanced and set for argument on March 14.

The immediate subject of the conference between the president and Mr. Aldrich was the perfecting of the administration's proposed amendments to the interstate commerce law, but the effects of the supreme court's decisions in the tobacco and Standard Oil cases also were discussed to some extent and will be further discussed after Senator Aldrich's return on Monday from New York, whither he went yesterday. Meanwhile the president will speak in New York tomorrow evening at the Lincoln birthday dinner of the New York republican club on the subject. It is said, of party pledges and how they should be kept, and he is attempting to concealment or modification of his intention to make the decision of the supreme court the guide of the government's action in regard to corporations charged with violations of the Sherman anti-trust law. He makes it plain that he has in no wise changed his purpose to investigate the conduct of all trusts, and will not be swayed therefrom by rumors or flurries or other manifestations in Wall street.

The president will say in his speech that the republican party went before the American people in 1908 with certain well-defined pledges in its platform. He will contend that these pledges must be carried out in fact as well as in spirit, and that he will do all in his power to further their enactment into laws. The opportunity will be seized also to give New York a little enlightenment as to the attitude of the administration in regard to trusts and corporations which possibly stand in the shadow of prosecution under the Sherman anti-trust law.

PEARY WILL NOT BE MADE REAR ADMIRAL

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Washington, Feb. 11—Commander Peary will not be placed on the retired list as a rear admiral of the navy if the house naval committee has any voice in the matter.

The sub-committee of the naval committee today had before it the bill which recently passed the senate to make Peary a rear admiral, to be placed on the retired list immediately, and also the similar house bill, introduced by Representative Allen, of Maine. The sub-committee unanimously reported the bill adversely, which is construed to mean the death of the bill.

The president could now nominate Peary a rear admiral, subject to the confirmation by the senate.

It is reported that the adverse decision of the house sub-committee of the naval affairs committee regarding

MISS MARGARET ARSTRONG DREXEL.



The beautiful daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. Drexel, whose engagement to the Viscount of Maldstone is announced. Miss Drexel is the sister of A. J. Drexel, Jr., who is to marry Miss Marjorie Gould. Miss Drexel during the past few months has been reported engaged to no less than two Princesses, one Duke and seven Lords.

GREENSBORO MAN BEFORE COMMITTEE

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Washington, Feb. 11—Senator Smith, of South Carolina, this morning added to the interest of the hearing on the bill to prevent dealing in futures in agricultural products, now in progress before the house agricultural committee.

J. E. Latham, of Greensboro, N. C., a cotton manufacturer, who was the first witness, was replying to a question from Chairman Scott about the relative effect of futures on the price of cotton, when Senator Smith interrupted by asking if it was not a fact that the men who control the cotton exchanges who did not buy on margins, so manipulate the figures so as to wipe out margins by sending prices up or down, as it suited their convenience. The witness said he did not believe such was the case; that he never heard of such a thing having been done.

Senator Smith was interrupted at this point by L. Manblebaum, of the New York cotton exchange, who demanded of Chairman Scott that if Senator Smith was to testify he be placed under oath, like other witnesses, and asserting that Senator Smith's statement about margins was not correct.

Chairman Scott replied that all members and senators who asked question or who testified were already under oath.

Senator Smith said that the business of legitimate cotton exchange has been superceded by a fascinating game which he likened to the Louisiana lottery, and congress had put the lottery out of business.

Mr. Latham said he was guided in buying cotton by the quotations from New York and Liverpool. In answer to a question from Chairman Scott he admitted that spot quotations were to some extent governed by futures. He did not believe that if futures were abolished it would make the price of cotton less fluctuating than is now the case. He added that be-

tween 6 and 70 per cent or the cotton raised in the United States is sold abroad.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Huntsville, Ala., Feb. 11—A general sleet and snow storm swept the country about here today.

DIRECT NOMINATION BILL IN LEGISLATURE

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Albany, N. Y., Feb. 11—The direct nomination which has been one of the principal measures advocated by Governor Hughes in the last two years, went to the legislature today.

The principal change made in the present bill over the Hinman-Green measure of last summer is the provision for formation of state committees of 150 members each, consisting of one member from each assembly district who shall be nominated only by petition and elected by the direct vote of the enrollment party voters in each district. At present the republican state committee consists of a member from each congressional district and the democratic of one from each senatorial district. The party council which meets after the primary election in gubernatorial years to frame the party platform is increased by the addition of candidates nominated for senate and assembly, nominees for state offices, members of the state committee, and, if party rules shall so provide, chairmen of county committees. This will constitute a council of approximately 400 members.

IRISH ULTIMATUM TO THE CABINET

(By Cable to The Times)
London, Feb. 11—While the cabinet was in session today thrashing out the policy of the government a message was received from the Nationalist headquarters at Dublin demanding an unqualified pledge of home rule and the curtailment of the lords' power of veto as the price of supporting the budget and the general liberal policy. This brought the situation squarely to a crisis as the Liberals must depend on the Irish and the Laborites for their majority in the new parliament.

CONFUSION IS RIFE

The Keynote of the British Political Situation

Irish Clamor For Home Rule and Threaten to Break the Government Block and the Laborites Demand the Abolition of the House of Lords.

(By Cable to The Times.)
London, Feb. 11—Confusion is the keynote of the British political situation today. With the Irish clamoring for home rule and threatening a break in the government block if they are not heeded, and with the Laborites demanding immediate war on the house of lords the Liberal leaders are struggling to whip a definite and effective policy out of the chaos. The cabinet met again today, to continue yesterday's discussion and outline the terms of the king's speech to be delivered at the opening of the new parliament, ten days off.

There was no diminution today in the popular interest in the doings of the cabinet. When the minister assembled at the prime minister's official residence in Downing street, thousands thronged the adjacent thoroughfares. There was little in the way of demonstration, however.

All of the members of the cabinet appeared fatigued and the strain which has been kept up since the introduction of the budget bill in the last parliament shows no sign of relaxing.

It is a group of tired men in whose hands lies the immediate course of England's history.

The conference between Premier Asquith and the king, expected yesterday has been deferred till tomorrow. By then the liberal government hopes to have its plans as well in hand as it can without definite knowledge of the situation in parliament. That cannot be obtained till the eve of the first session, at the earliest.

The belief that the government will push the budget to the attention of the common and the house of lords before attempting to curb the veto power of the hereditary body became firmer today, although there was no definite news when the cabinet assembled. The policies to be followed by the ministry have been kept secret with the utmost care.

It is, however, merely a matter of precedence of the two issues that now holds the attention of Great Britain. The great machinery of the mercantile world and the business of the government as well, call for an immediate solution of the financial problem. It is asserted by those in the favor of the government leaders that this matter will be attended to first, though Asquith risks a break with the Laborites and the Irish Nationalists.

The extremes to which the war on the lords will be carried have not yet been decided fully.

There seems to be little prospect, however, of a demand for the abolition of the upper house and the curbing of its powers—perhaps to the point of making its existence a joke—will probably be as far as the lords' opponents will attempt to go at the present time.

PROHIBITION IN CHICAGO.

Every Ward in the City to be Thoroughly Organized and Great Campaign Made.

Chicago, Feb. 11—A campaign fund of at least \$100,000 and perhaps more is to be raised for the "dry Chicago" campaign.

Every ward in the city is to be thoroughly organized; every precinct is to have its sub-organization. The dead walls and the advertising stands will be plastered with posters in many different languages in the course of a few days.

Mass meetings in every ward will be held nightly until election night in April. Ministers of the gospel will sound the battle-cry from their pulpits.

Business men will be canvassed and asked to lend their aid in the fight that is on to make Chicago a "dry" city.

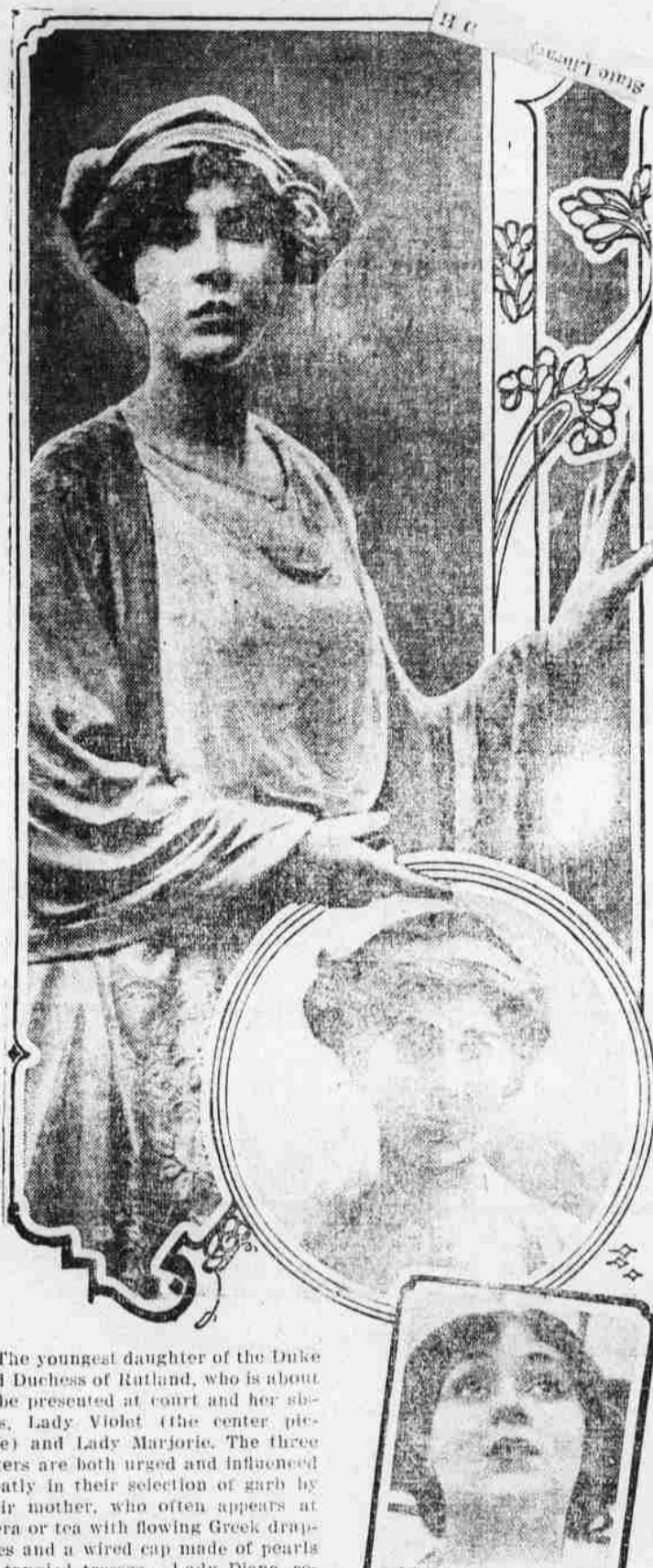
There are a few of the things that were decided upon by foes of the saloon and the liquor traffic at a meeting held in Willard Hall.

"We are determined to strike at the whole whiskey line from now on and we will continue fighting until the last battle is won," said Chairman James K. Shields.

"The liquor crowd has got a double-headed fight on its hands and it will know that it has been in a mighty hot fight before we are through with the battle."

"We will have literature in many different languages prepared and will use advertising as one means to our end. We will plaster the city with our advertisements and will have many speakers of national fame and of many different nationalities here to help us out."

LADY DIANNA MANNERS AND HER SISTERS.



The youngest daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Rutland, who is about to be presented at court and her sisters, Lady Violet (the center picture) and Lady Marjorie. The three sisters are both urged and influenced greatly in their selection of gird by their mother, who often appears at opera or tea with flowing Greek draperies and a wired cap made of pearls on tangled tresses. Lady Diana recently wore to town what looked like Lady Marjorie is considered one of England.

a pu de bathrobe and a Juliet cap, the most photographed women of

CASE AGAINST THE PRINTING COMMITTEE

Washington, Feb. 11—In the case of the members of the committee on printing of the house, who were summoned by Justice Wright of the district supreme court to appear before him this morning to show cause why a paper contract should not be awarded to the Valley Paper Company of Holyoke, Mass., it was decided to adjourn the proceedings until February 25.

The defendants, Representatives Cooper, of Pennsylvania; Sturgiss, of West Virginia, and Finley, of South Carolina, were not in court, but were represented by Attorney George E. Hamilton, who will have associated with him Frank Elder and J. W. Yerkes. The paper company was represented by F. E. Rhodes. The court room was crowded with interested spectators to witness the beginning of what promises to be one of the most celebrated cases ever before the court, and which probably will reach the United States supreme court.

There was no argument, the congressional lawyer explaining to the court that his clients wished two weeks postponement before appearing to answer the writ.

ANTI-FOOD TRUST LEAGUE GROWING

Washington, Feb. 11—Interests in the work of the national anti-food trust league continues to increase, both in Washington and in many sections of the country.

Dr. E. L. Searf, president of the league, daily is receiving letters from different parts of the country expressing sympathy with the purposes of the organization.

Dr. Searf said today: "As soon as the league succeeds in getting good prices where they are reasonable, then its attention will be turned to prices of clothing. The mass of the people are entitled to cheap, but good, food and clothing. The membership of the league is growing by leaps and bounds, and we expect to have a million members within a short time."

COMMITTEE TAKES ANOTHER RECESS

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Washington, Feb. 11—The Ballinger-Pinchot investigation committee met in open session at 10:30 o'clock this morning but soon afterwards adjourned until 10 o'clock Monday morning owing to the absence of Attorney L. D. Brandeis, counsel for L. R. Glavis, who was unable to be present because of business in Springfield, Ills.

The committee devoted thirty minutes to the discussion of the admission of evidence at this time of the joint statement prepared by Overton W. Fries and Alexander Shaw, discharged officials of the forest service, concerning their connection with the prosecution of the Glavis charges. This statement was originally sent to Gifford Pinchot, then chief forester, at his request, and transmitted to Secretary of Agriculture Wilson. It was the immediate cause of their dismissal. It was offered by George W. Pepper, counsel for Pinchot, and Price, with the statement that it fully covered their connection with the case, and that Mr. Shaw and Mr. Price desire to leave Washington to engage in business elsewhere.

A discussion arose as to the question of cross-examining Price and Shaw. It was decided that the paper should be filed with Chairman Nelson and not placed on the record at the time. Its final disposition will be determined on Monday.

Carl Rasch, formerly assistant United States attorney for Montana, was introduced to the committee as assistant counsel for Secretary Ballinger, representing the "other side."

Mulai Looking For Trouble.

(By Cable to The Times.)
Tangier, Feb. 11—Sultan Mulai Hafid today broke off all diplomatic relations with France, refusing to ratify the Franco-Moorish agreement negotiated at Paris or to receive the French consul.

WOMEN HOLD FATE OF DR. CLARKE HYDE

Physician Accused of Poisoning
Colonel Swope to Obtain
His Fortune

SPECIAL GRAND JURY

Special Grand Jury Will Begin Hearings Tomorrow and Will Go Into Every Detail of the Case—Nurses Who Waited on Colonel Swope and Other Members of the Family Main Witnesses for the Prosecution—These Women Branded Dr. Hyde's Actions as Suspicious While He Was Waiting on the Case—Dr. Hyde at Liberty on \$50,000 Bail.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 11—Five women hold the fate of Dr. B. Clarke Hyde, accused of poisoning Colonel Thomas Swope, in a plan to secure a part of the Colonel's \$4,000,000 fortune. The women, on whose testimony the prosecution will largely rely, are the nurses who cared for the aged millionaire just before his death last October, and who, in a secret meeting, branded Dr. Hyde's actions as suspicious and brought on the investigation that led to the physician's arrest yesterday. Today both sides were busy preparing for the hearing of a special grand jury which will begin tomorrow.

The county marshal, acting under the instructions of subpoenas, was also begun. The special grand jury will go into every detail of the strange case, which from the beginning has been surrounded by baffling mystery. Not only will the death of Colonel Swope on October 3 be gone into, but the death of Christmas Swope two months later under similar circumstances, the epidemic of typhoid that affected nine members of the family of Mrs. Logan O. Swope, mother-in-law of Dr. Hyde, the disappearance of a tube of typhoid germs loaned to Dr. Hyde "for experimental purposes" and all the angled net of lesser mysteries that make up the great enigma will be thoroughly threshed out. Hyde will either be indicted or completely exonerated.

Dr. Hyde at liberty on \$50,000 bail, today maintained the calm that has characterized him from the beginning. The dismissal of his \$600,000 suit for alleged slander brought against John C. Paxton, executor of the Swope estate, in the circuit court at Independence, Mo., seemed to have little effect on the accused doctor.

He and his attorney, Frank P. Walsh, today held a long conference, at which every angle of the case was gone over. Dr. Hyde's friends are rallying to his aid. His bondsmen, F. Neal, president of the Southwest National Bank, H. F. Hall, head of a big grain company; M. D. Scruggs, a live stock dealer; William McLaughlin, horseman, and John M. Clary, Frank P. Walsh and John Lucas, lawyers, were also in conferences today.

Arrested For Train Robbing.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 11—Two men were arrested here today for holding up and robbing the Missouri pack train near Glencoe recently.

CROWDS LINE BANKS OF THE SEINE TODAY

(By Cable to The Times)
Paris, Feb. 11—Crowds lined the banks of the Seine at dawn today waiting for the second flood to reach its crest as the hydrographic office had announced.

Although the river continued to rise slowly and reports from the tributary streams declared that they were higher it was predicted authoritatively here that the Seine would begin to go down before the crests of the floods in minor streams reached the larger river. Nevertheless the situation, especially in the suburbs where it does not support the hopes of the most optimistic. In the suburbs that had been relieved from flood duty have been recalled, being dispatched today to Alfortville, Ivry, Clarenton and Gennevilliers to aid in constructing dams and warning inhabitants who had ventured back to their homes. The exodus continued in great force and today, with many houses declared unsafe, whole districts are entirely deserted.