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LIFE STORY OF SECRETARY TAFT AT A GLANCE

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OTHER PICTURES TAKEN AT DIFFERENT TIMES, ON BOARD SHIP ON HIS FAMOUS TRIP TO THE FAR EAST, AT THE WHITE HOUSE, IN CINCINNATI, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, CUBA, SAN FRANCISCO, ETC.

ROOSEVELT IS READY TO HEAD OFF STAMPEDE AT CHICAGO

Has Written Letter Repudiating Friendship of Third-Term Boomers. May Go to Chicago, if Necessary.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, June 13.—President Roosevelt, Secretary Taft and their close friends believe that all necessary precautions have been taken to prevent a third-term stampede, in the event one is attempted, and they furthermore believe that steps have been taken which will make it impossible for the National committee to indulge in dirty work in the determination of contests brought against Taft delegates. The President and the Secretary of War have worked together to insure a clean convention, confident that such a convention, untampered with, will most certainly nominate Taft.

Only a few days ago the President wrote a letter to a very close friend and relative by marriage, who is a delegate to the convention, reiterating his position with regard to the nomination, and removing all doubt that may exist in a few minds as to his purpose to retire from office on March 4, 1909. This letter is written for the express purpose of being read to the convention, in case the third-termers of the anti-Taft crowd undertake to stampede the convention to Roosevelt. The President does not believe that any such stampede will be undertaken, but he wrote the letter out of abundance of precaution, and he believes this letter will be effective if called into use, for it is couched in language not susceptible of misinterpretation.

Shaft Aimed at Bourne?

It is in this letter that the President says no friend of his will continue efforts to renominate him, and in Taft circles it is stated that this letter had direct reference to certain men who have been posing as friends of the President, and who have made use of their presumed friendship to further the third-term move-

ment. It is taken to mean that the President is heartily sick of this third-term talk, and will no longer regard as a friend any man who persists in this line of talk.

The letter in question is clearly worded, and those who have read it say that it is aimed directly at the leading advocates of a third term.

If it should develop between now and the assembling of the convention that a concerted movement is to be made to stampede the convention to Roosevelt, the President may decide to take even more drastic measures—he may go to Chicago himself. Some time ago he talked of attending the convention, for at that time he thought a stampede might be undertaken. But lately there has been such a change in the situation as to make it improbable that a stampede will be tried and the President has about concluded that it will be unnecessary for him to be present.

Is In Deadly Earnest.

If, however, the situation should change, the President's plans will be modified, for he is dead in earnest in his purpose to avert renomination, and he will accomplish the defeat of the third-term movement at any cost.

When the President talked of going to Chicago he had in mind a double purpose; primarily, he intended to prevent the convention from thrusting a nomination upon him, and secondly, he proposed to prevent dirty work by the National committee, for it was rumored then, as since, that the committee was going to unseat contested Taft delegates in order to prevent the nomination of the Secretary. Lately the President has become convinced that the National committee can be compelled to deal squarely, even

though he is not on the ground, but out of precaution, he is sending to Chicago a number of well-known and trusted Taft men, not members of the committee, to be on hand and watch the progress of the contest cases.

If the committee deals fairly all will run smoothly, but if the committee undertakes to arbitrarily throw out Taft delegates, without just cause, these lieutenants will report to headquarters, the perjury of the committee will be laid bare, and their game will be blocked. The party will not stand for a scandal in its National convention, particularly when that scandal is intended to destroy the candidate as strongly indorsed by the people.

Make Amusing Move.

An amusing phase of the third-term gossip, kept alive by subsidized newspapers, is the attempt of certain Georgia enthusiasts to persuade the President to declare his willingness to accept another nomination. One of the clever third-termers conceived the idea that it might be a wise move to have the voters of Georgia petition the President to allow his name to go before the convention, on the ground that he is the only Republican who could break the solid South.

This petition business started in Roswell, the old home of the President's mother, and from there spread to different parts of the state. While the petition got many signers, not even those voters who attached their names had the slightest expectation that Georgia's electoral vote would be cast for Roosevelt, should he be

Student Production of "The Iron Master."

"The Ironmaster," a romantic drama in four acts, was successfully presented last night at the Heilig theater by students of the College of Oratory of Willamette University. The play is set in the world of French society of the present day. It deals with the love affairs of the headstrong Claire de Beaulieu, daughter of the Marquise de Beaulieu. The young woman, on the eve of her marriage, is jilted by the Duc de Bligny, and in a moment of passion accepts the suit of Philippe Derblay, a former admirer. She quickly repents of her decision and, after a scene between the newly-wedded pair, they separate. Afterward, however, the young woman comes to appreciate the worth of her husband and the play ends satisfactorily.

Miss Augusta Booth, as Claire de Beaulieu, showed herself to possess more than ordinary dramatic ability. Wallace G. Frill, as Philippe Derblay, gave an excellent portrayal of the husband of the high-spirited Claire. Mr. Trill gave evidence of ability to do even better work than the opportunity afforded in last night's production. Clark R. Belknap, as the Duc de Bligny, also acted with intelligence and

case. The other characters were all well sustained.

The production as a whole is a credit to the Salem institution, and deserved better patronage than it received.

THREE DAYS' CELEBRATION

Condon Proposes Big Time on the Fourth—Market Days a Feature.

CONDON, Or., June 13.—(Special.)—Condon will commemorate the Nation's birthday with three glorious days of festivities, including July 2, 3 and 4. Thursday and Friday will be known as "market days," and Saturday will be "patriotic day," when exercises will be held. The soliciting committee has met with a hearty response from the business men, and more than common interest is being manifested in the celebration since Condon will be the mecca for all Gilliam County patriots on Independence day.

The "market days" will prove of keen interest to stockmen and ranchers, and already property is being listed to be sold at auction. There will be private sales and public sales, and anything, from a pound of butter to a hand of horses, will be sold. E. Curran was selected as secretary of the private sales department, and Arthur Schilling will be in charge of the public sales, assisted by a competent auctioneer. The business houses of the city will offer exceptional bargains to induce the country folk to come to Condon to celebrate.

On the Fourth, there will be games and sports. A baseball tournament has been arranged, and pony races and bucking contests will enliven the day's sports.

C. N. McArthur, legislator-elect from Multnomah County, will deliver the oration July 4.

Arrested for Insulting Girls.

Edward Holmquist was arrested at 9:30 o'clock last night at Third and Burnside streets by Patrolmen Kienlen and Anundson for insulting two young girls who were passing. Holmquist, the officers charge, made insulting remarks to the girls and tried to pass between them as they walked along with arms linked. The girls cried out and Holmquist's arrest followed.

SEEKS ALLY IN AMERICA

SENTIMENT IN CHINA UNDERGOES WONDERFUL CHANGE.

England Now Thoroughly Distrusted as Friend of Perfidious and Ambitious Japan.

LONDON, June 13.—(Special.)—British Consular reports from China state that an absolute revolution of sentiment towards Americans is taking place in China, while Englishmen are looked upon with distrust and suspicion. Formerly English and American residents were considered as belonging to the same nation, and were anything but popular, but the Chinese have learned that while England is the friend and ally of Japan, America may be expected to beat Japan in war, and the Chinese dread Japan. It is not too much to say that the Chinese wish nothing more than an entente, or better still, an alliance with Uncle Sam, because they see their advantage to make friends with a power which has a large and growing navy. The Chinese navy is very much like that of Turkey; that is to say, absolutely worthless, and that it is likely to remain so for some years to come is shown by the fact that the naval programme provides for nothing more than the construction of a few small cruisers and torpedo-boats and to build even those a loan will have to be raised.

The Chinese government realizes that should Japan, which is greatly in need of money, want to declare war against China in order to get an indemnity she can easily find a pretext and China would then be absolutely helpless unless she can get the United States to protect her and Chinese statesmen believe they can make America see that it would be to her advantage to do so, as Japan would undoubtedly go to war against the United States if she had the necessary money.

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