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HOME STATE IS HOST TO THE PRESIDENT

OHIO GREET'S PRESIDENT TAFT ON HIS TOUR OF THE MID-WEST TODAY.

LITTLE POMP IS SEEN

National Corn Exposition is Especial Host to President Taft Today as the Executive Visits His Own State—Motor Cars in Waiting as the President Arrives Late in the Day—Springfield Tomorrow.

Taft Urges Reciprocity.
Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 10—Speaking here today President Taft urged the new Canadian reciprocity treaty, the greatest reason being it would unite the two countries to advantage to both. It would not hurt the farmers he said, for though he was a Republican and believed in protection, the articles imported from Canada are where conditions of labor are the same and no justification to be protective. Evening engagements have been cancelled on account of Taft's sore throat.

Columbus, O., Feb. 10—A large section of President Taft's home state had the first opportunity today to welcome him since he became president. From the time his special train crossed the Ohio river this morning until its arrival in the capitol early this afternoon the president was given a continuous ovation. Crowds gathered at every station to cheer the distinguished traveler and every cross roads furnished its little knot of men, women and children, who waved hats and handkerchiefs as the presidential special sped along.

The presidential party reached Columbus promptly on schedule time this afternoon. On the arrival of the special train at the Union station, where thousands of cheering people had gathered, a special reception committee of one hundred leading citizens made a passageway to Broad street, where motor cars were in waiting. Governor Harmon, Mayor Marshall and the officials of the National Corn Exposition were on hand to greet the distinguished visitor. The president expressed himself delighted with being in Ohio.

In accordance with President Taft's wish there was no parade and no military escort. The party proceeded at once to the Ohio State Fair grounds, where the president delivered a public address before the National Corn Exposition that has been in progress there the past ten days. As soon as he had concluded his address the president made a tour of the exposition, the Boy Scouts furnishing the escort. The programme for the remainder of the day and evening called for an automobile ride about the city and a dinner as a guest of the officials of the National Corn Exposition and a number of leading citizens. At 9.45 tonight President Taft resumes his journey to Springfield, Ill., where he has an engagement to speak at the Lincoln anniversary banquet tomorrow night.

Springfield Awaits the President.
Springfield, Ill., Feb. 10—The finishing touches to the preparations for the visit of President Taft and the annual banquet of the Lincoln Memorial Association, at which the President will speak tomorrow night, were completed today. The downtown section of the city is donning patriotic attire in honor of the occasion. The

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Photo by American Press Association. ROBERT M. LA FOLLETTE.



Senator Robert M. La Follette, Who Attempts to Put the Cunningham Issue up the President and Senator Knute Nelson Accused by La Follette of Being the Man Behind the Issue—Dodging Bills Introduced by Nelson to Throw Responsibility on the Courts and Believe President Taft, Nelson has been a Warm Supporter of Cunningham and Ballinger.

DIVORCE PROCEEDINGS AT THE BOTTOM OF JOSEPH HORROR; MRS. RINEHART INNOCENT

Joseph, Feb. 10 (Spec.)—Additional details of the shooting yesterday when W. L. Winder killed his wife and sister-in-law and then suicided, are cropping out today when the heat of the excitement attending the first rumors have died down.

Divorce Proceedings to Blame.
It is now plain that the shooting of Mrs. Winder by her crazed husband, was more or less deliberate and he afterward expressed his satisfaction at his deed. But the killing of Mrs. Rinehart was an aftermath of the real killing. To the neighbors where Winder placed his child he talked but little but did admit that he killed Mrs. Rinehart because he was forced to as she interceded in behalf of her sister

whom she discovered to be in danger of her life. Winder expressed regret at having killed the second woman as she was entirely out of the family troubles. Mrs. Winder had indicated her desire to secure a divorce, it has been learned, and that was the cause of the sad affair.

Intense jealousy entertained by the husband is claimed by friends of the dead woman to have actuated her in the attempt to a separation from Winder.

The triple funeral will be held at Joseph Sunday morning at 10:30. The bodies are in the local morgue today and have been seen by many. All three died from bullet wounds in the head.

VANCOUVER GIRL NOT DOROTHY THE MISSING

GRISCOM ARRIVES FROM ITALY TO TAKE UP SEARCH.

Clew Thought Uncovered at Bellingham Proves Erroneous.

Bellingham, Feb. 10—Dorothy Arnold, who was reported found at Vancouver, B. C. through letters today to be another Dorothy. She is an old resident of this city, instead of a ward from this city, was found to be the missing heiress.

Griscom on the Search.
New York, Feb. 10—Believing Dorothy Arnold, the missing New York heiress is alive, George Griscom, Jr., a wealthy Philadelphian today began an independent search for her. He has just arrived from Italy, but declined to say he would marry the girl if he found her.

Funeral Tomorrow.
The funeral of Mrs. Sonora Willey who died Tuesday will be held tomorrow forenoon. The services take place at 1906 Oak street and interment will occur at Summerville.

KNOWLES GIVES ANSWER TO ATTACK

POINTS OUT ERRORS IN STATEMENTS OF PORTLANDER.

Without Venting Spleen Local Judge Makes Reply.

In reference to a letter published by the Oregonian and the Observer a few days since relative to Architect Gaunt, Circuit Judge J. W. Knowles yesterday published an open letter in the Oregonian. It follows:

My attention having been called to a communication appearing in the Oregonian of yesterday over the signature of H. J. Hockenberry in which he unmercifully attacks M. C. Gaunt, the architect who planned and superintended the construction of the La Grande high school building as being a "grafter" of the worst kind and the La Grande school district as having been "grafted" by him, as acting chairman of the Board of Directors of the La Grande school district, I ask for space to answer the communi-

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OROZCO TO BE DEPOSED AND SOTO GIVEN COMMAND OF JUAREZ SEIGE

El Paso, Feb. 10—It is reported today that the Mexican revolutionary Junta has decided to depose General Orozco and make General Soto commander of the insurgent forces besieging Juarez. This action it is said, is the result of a row between Orozco and Blanco.

Scrap Pretty Soon.
But in the meantime, the expectation of a scrap between Federalists and revolutionists under Navarro and Orozco are strong today. Navarro is reported steadily approaching Juarez along the Mexican central line, repairing the tracks as he progresses.



George T. Cochran, Water Commissioner Who Attacked Senator Oliver Alleging He Attempted to Pass Laws for His Own Particular Benefit.

Lord Berezford is 65.
London, Feb. 10—Admiral Lord Charles Berezford, one of the most popular officers who ever wore a British naval uniform, received a veritable flood of congratulations today on the occasion of his sixty-fifth birthday anniversary. Both the King and Queen were among those to send messages of greeting to the gallant old sea fighter, Lord Charles, or "Charlie," as he is lovingly called by Englishmen everywhere, is the second son of the late Marquis of Waterford, and a cousin of Lord Deedes, who recently married Miss Vivien Gould. Lord Charles entered the navy as a cadet when he was fifteen, and, though promotion came to him rapidly, it was not until 1882 that the bombardment of Alexandria made him world-famous as a naval fighter.

ROAD BILLS UP TODAY.

Strenuous Tussels Fought at Salem Over Better Road Measures.
Salem, Feb. 10—A strenuous tussle is on in the house today over the various good road bills which were made a special order of business. Lobbies are packed with friends and foes for the measures.

To Address University Students.
Decatur, Ill., Feb. 11—Decatur is anticipating with a lively interest the visit of President Taft here tomorrow. The President's stay in this city will be brief, only long enough to deliver an address to the students of the James Milliken university and to members of the Illinois Schoolmasters' Club assembled there. The presidential party will make the journey from Decatur to Springfield over the lines of the Illinois Traction company. Representative Wm. B. McKinley, who is president of the company, has placed his private car at the disposal of the president.

Orozco is camped in the hills overlooking the line, preparing to dynamite Navarro's trains.
Federal General Wounded.
Huachuca, Ariz., Feb. 10—News of the wounding of General Torres, the "littly head" of the department of Sonora, were received here today by a courier from Tonichi, 50 miles south of the border. He was shot in the neck by one of his own troops. It was an attempted assassination, it is said, during the engagement against a gang of rebels. Wild rumors of the engagement of Federalists and Rebels following the news of Torres' wounding. Some even stated that the troops are deserting and Sonora is practically defenseless. It is not generally credited.

CLERK PREVENTS ROBBERY AND NABS THIEF

GEORGE WEISSENBERGER LANDS NIGHT ROBBER IN JAIL.

Fires Shots to Frighten Fellow and Then Negotiates a Surrender.

Cornering a would-be thief in the rear of the J. W. White grocery store on Fir street and thoroughly cowing the fellow with three or four shots and then marching him to the police headquarters at the point of a revolver, was the clever trick by Geo. Weissenberger, an employe of the White grocery store, who sleeps in the place at night. This is the second time within a few months he has fired at burglars, but the first time his man escaped with holes puncturing in his leg by Weissenberger's bullets as he was fleeing.
Last night about 11 o'clock Weissenberger heard a noise in the store and opened fire at the direction of the disturbances. Three bullets failed to hit flesh, but immediately afterwards, Weissenberger got the man covered and got the thief's hands in the air with alacrity. To march the fellow to the city jail was short work.

Today the man who gives his name as A. Kendall and hailing from Vermont was bound over by Justice of the Peace Williams and is now in the county jail.

MERGER IS OPPOSED.

Independent Telephone People Vote to Oppose the Combine.

Chicago, Feb. 10—The National Association of Independent telephone companies today unanimously adopted a resolution declaring against the consolidation with the Bell interests. This will probably end the talk of the big merger which would make a telephone monopoly in the United States.

OLDEST WOMAN DYING.

At Age of 136 Years Forth Worth Pioneer is Passing Away Today.

Fort Worth, Feb. 10—Claiming to be the oldest woman in the world and the only living person who saw George Washington, Mrs. Lucie Owens, is dying at the home of her daughter at Longview near this city. She was three years old when she saw Washington and her age now is 136. Her daughter is 98.

LA FOLLETTE IS DEMANDING AN OPINION

WANTS TO THROW CUNNINGHAM AFFAIR DIRECTLY UP TO THE PRESIDENT.

KNUTE NELSON INVOLVED

Minnesota's Senator Accused of Dodging the Issue by Introduction of Two Bills Taking Hearings to Civil Courts—La Follette Demands an Explicit Answer From President Taft on the Matter.

Washington, Feb. 10—Direct demand

the question whether he is attempting to dodge a decision in the Cunningham coal land case, was made by Senator Robert M. La Follette in "La Follette's weekly" today in an open letter to the president. The letter asserts that it has been publicly stated that two bills introduced by Senator Knute Nelson of Minnesota "have in some measure received your support. The first is a special bill for the transfer of the decision in the Cunningham case from your hands to the court of appeals of the District of Columbia. The second bill provides for the transfer of a decision on all land cases from the land office to the court and authorizing a new trial in all cases already heard by the department of the interior."

La Follette asserts the bills are merely to dodge the issue.

The letter further says that the claimant had a fair trial with no error and evidence establishes conclusively that the claims entered were under illegal agreement to convince after the title was secured and so should be cancelled on grounds of fraud.

Kermit Roosevelt an Athlete.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 10—Kermit Roosevelt, son of the former President, is among the entrants for the annual indoor track and field games of the Boston Athletic Association, to be held in Mechanics' Building tomorrow night. Young Roosevelt, who is attending Harvard, will compete in the mile run.

Edison Nears 65th Milestone.

West Orange, N. J., Feb. 10—Thomas A. Edison the famous inventor, will enter upon his sixty-fifth year tomorrow, having been born February 11, 1847. Excepting that his deafness has increased of late, Mr. Edison is reported to be in as good or better health than he has enjoyed in some years.

Spanish Republicans Active.

Madrid, Feb. 10—A notable revival of Republican activity in Spain is promised as a result of a gathering of leaders of the party who assembled here today from all parts of the kingdom for an important conference. A new leader is to be chosen and steps taken for a thorough reorganization of the party.

Lincoln Banquet at Grand Rapids.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Feb. 10—The Lincoln Republican Club of this city has concluded elaborate preparations for its annual Lincoln day banquet to be given tomorrow night. The affair is to be made the occasion for a great gathering of the faithful from all over the state. United States Senator Bradley of Kentucky and several other Republican leaders of national prominence are to furnish the oratory.

Teachers at Oshkosh.

Oshkosh, Wis., Feb. 10—Oshkosh is entertaining for two days the annual convention of the Northeast Wisconsin Teachers' Association. A number of well known educators were included in the attendance at the opening of the proceedings today.