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TAFT CONTINUES PRAISE FOR RECIPROCITY AND URGES ITS SUPPORT THROUGHOUT ILLINOIS

Washington, Feb. 11.—The House Ways and Means committee today surprised the law making elements of Washington by voting favorably, 12 to 7, on the Canadian Reciprocity agreement.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 11.—Declaring that if the policy of high protection concerning foodstuffs is continued with the present high prices, that opposition to all tariff will result, President Taft warmly defended the Canadian reciprocity agreement with

Canada in a speech before the Illinois legislature this afternoon.

He said the agreement was not a manufacturer's agreement but practically an agricultural agreement and asserted it won't cause a slump of values in farm lands either.

Speculation will be more difficult and will increase the American control of wheat markets. He said that we need a source of supply like Canadian soil products and strongly urged the support of the measure.

PASCO GAS TANK SEIGE SEEMS TO BE THE PLAN CAUSES DEATH

ONE DEAD ALREADY AND ANOTHER FATALLY HURT.

Explosion in Round House of Northern Pacific Ends Disastrously.

Pasco, Feb. 11.—Carl Johnson, a carpenter, died today from injuries sustained yesterday when accumulated gas in a gasoline tank at the round house of the Northern Pacific exploded. The round house foreman, Reid, was seriously hurt and was taken to Walla Walla where both of his broken ankles were cared for. His injured back doctored. He will probably die. Two others were injured but they will recover.

RECALL BILL IS FOUGHT

VERBAL RIOT FOLLOWS INTRODUCTION OF BILL

Milder Measure Regarding Migration of Coolies Will Settle Matter.

Sacramento, Feb. 11.—A verbal riot in the senate this afternoon followed the introduction of a resolution calling for the recall of United States Senator John Works of Los Angeles because he opposes the recall of the judiciary. The measure was introduced by Sanford and was not read nor printed in the Journal for information of senators and Senator John Roseberry, in the chair, refused to have it read, holding that the time for allotment for introduction of "bills" had elapsed. Work then followed on the question whether the resolution should be regarded as a "bill."

Sacramento, Feb. 11.—Regarding the anti-Asiatic question as having reached a serious stage, insurgent leaders in the state senate today held a conference. It is believed a plan for effectually ending the legislative agitation against Orientals was determined upon. The results of the conference has not been made public, but enough is learned to base the prediction that the federal relations committee will offer a substitute motion for Senator Sanford's which protests against elimination of coolie immigration, pending a new treaty with the Japanese. The substitute will be milder but the government will be asked to not let down the bars to Orientals nevertheless.

Crippen Will Plead.
London, Feb. 11.—All of the late Dr. Crippen's property is willed to Lenore, the girl who fled to Canada with him and goes to her. The will was filed today and the estate is valued at \$1,341.

INSURECTOS ARE FORMING LINE OF FRONT AGAIN.

No Battle Commenced but Indications Point to a Regular Seige.

El Paso, Feb. 11.—There has been no battle yet. Insurgents, 1100 of them, are scattered about Juarez today and it looks like a seige of the first water has been commenced at last.

The revolutionists are spread out in a large semi circle extending from near Saragosa. In Juarez the Federalists are exerting martial law and strengthening their defense in anticipation of a sudden attack. The delay in action is becoming monotonous in El Paso and many tourists are leaving the city believing the fight will not materialize.

SHOPLIFTER BROUGHT HERE

Man Supposed to be a Cripple Escapes and Other Man Retained.

One of two men who robbed, or rather are accused of robbing, the Forstrom store at Union, was brought to La Grande today and placed in the county jail. The other man escaped at Union. The Union Scout relates the following regarding the incident.

Two shoplifters were picked up at Union Wednesday having touched up Forstrom's store to the tune of about \$20. As they were caught with the goods there wasn't much chance to lie out of it but they did their best. One of them was a cripple not able to walk and scarcely able to talk. A very coher innocent sort of a man. They put the shackles on him but that night he made his escape. Seems to be a slippery sort of a cuss. They had agreed to meet the next Union grand jury and explain things.

ANOTHER ROTHSCHILD DEAD

Head of Austrian Branch of Noted Family Dies of Heart Failure.

Vienna, Feb. 11.—Baron Albert Rothschild, head of the Austrian branch of the famous financial family, died here today of heart disease. The heads of British, French, German families of the Rothschilds will attend the funeral. As a family they hold more money than any family or company in the world.

THIRTY SUBSCRIBERS SUFFER

Due to Negligence, Thirty Faucets Suddenly Go Dry This Morning.

An army of thirty—many of them angry and others chagrined—were this morning deprived of Beaver Creek water. Their water rents had not been paid before the 11th of the month and wholesale shutoffs commenced at an early hour this morning. At a late hour today most of them had paid their fines and were back on the circuit again.

FRISCO NOW IT.

Washington, Feb. 11.—The Panama exposition is no longer in doubt. The last nail has been firmly driven for the senate this afternoon passed a bill giving the Panama exposition to San Francisco. This is the last step in the string of red tape details required and San Francisco won the decision of each committee and of each house when the final vote was taken. New Orleans boosters today joined forces with San Francisco to bring the fair to the highest possible success.

DILLING TAKES OFFICE.

Dilling Takes Oath and Police Chief is Immediately Discharged.

Seattle, Feb. 11.—Dilling, the recall mayor, today took office. Dill surrendered the office without objection at noon. Chief of Police Dilling was immediately discharged and former Police Captain Claude Bannick took his position. A clean up of the city is promised.

When Dilling and Gill met in the city hall they greeted each other warmly. Gill left and Dilling was sworn in.

WEST UPHOLDS LAW

Whipping Post Will Not be Abolished in Oregon This Session.

Salem, Feb. 11.—The famous Oregon whipping post law providing for corporal punishment for wife beaters, will remain a law. Governor West vetoed a law repealing it today.

SOUTH BOWS TO THE NORTH

ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S MEMORY WILL BE HONORED IN SOUTH

For the First Time in History, New Orleans Will Observe Day.

New Orleans, Feb. 11.—Honoring the memory of Abraham Lincoln for the first time in history, this city's board of trade and toll exchange will adjourn Monday in honor of Lincoln's birthday anniversary—Sunday. President Black said: "We realize now that there is neither a North or a South. It is therefore fitting that we should take cognizance of the National day of one of America's greatest citizens."

DOORS PROVE EFFECTIVE.

Night Prowlers Attempt to Break In to Bohnenkamp Store Last Night.

Because the front and side doors to the Bohnenkamp hardware store was something akin to a safe lock, would-be robbers were frustrated last night. Both doors today show the marks of someone working with a crowbar in attempting to break into the building. The door was badly marred and the locks strained but it held securely.

WORK FOR SHORTER HOURS

Chicago Girls Said to be Suffering From Over Work and Long Hours.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—Declaring the long hours of toil have caused thousands of Chicago girls to become a menace to the state's future welfare, as a reason of broken health, the women's Trade Union League of Illinois, will send representatives to Springfield next week to work for strengthening a state woman's ten hour law. Many work 14 to 18 hours daily now.

Memorials at Lincoln's Birthplace



UPPER PICTURE SHOWS LINCOLN STATUE ERECTED IN HODGENVILLE, KY., AND SOME OF THE WOMEN WHO RAISED THE FUND. LOWER PICTURE SHOWS MEMORIAL BUILDING DEDICATED ON HUNDRETH ANNIVERSARY OF LINCOLN'S BIRTH, BUILT AROUND LOG CABIN IN WHICH HE WAS BORN.

WILL ORGANIZE ON NEW LINES

COMMERCIAL CLUB TO BECOME ACTIVE IN SHORT TIME.

Meeting Next Tuesday Night Will Consider New Plans Offered.

At a meeting of the board of trustees of the Commercial Club last evening it was decided to call for new plans for re-organization and next Tuesday evening was set as the date for considering the different ideas which will be submitted.

There seems a general opinion that re-organization should follow along plans entirely different from those now operative. Several names were selected for president but no decision was reached and no vote was taken. This was due to the new order for adopting different plans, it being apparent that any man accepting the presidency should first understand what he was to do and what would be expected of him.

ONE MAN MAY CARRY LOAD.

If the suggestions of some are carried out there may be a manager or president elected who will carry the entire burden. Heretofore it has been a little awkward to have a president and vice president and full retinue of officers, all of whom were busy with other business and unable to look after a commercial club as it should be looked after. The idea was advanced last evening that the whole responsibility be centered in one man that he be paid for his services and that he be held by the board for results.

But this was only one suggestion. There will be many others and from the bunch of trustees will try to formulate a plan that seems the best for all concerned.

The meeting Tuesday night in the club rooms should be attended not only by trustees but by all members who can be present. There is a chance to do something if only the right effort is displayed.

CRYING NEED OF FUNDS HEARD FROM CHINA

ROCKEFELLER DONATES BIG SUM FOR SUFFERING CHINESE IN ORIENT.

BOXER UPRISING LIKELY

Situation Grows Constantly Worse and Need of Assistance from America is Urgent—Consul General Calls for Help—Priests Take Advantage of Famine—Men Beheaded When They Rob Food Situations.

Amoy, China, Feb. 11.—Hungry crazed coolies in the famine district of Hunan province are flocking into the country en masse to amoy and robbing food depots. Authorities beheaded four in the effort to stop the robberies.

TWO MILLION WILL DIE.

Washington, Feb. 11.—The American consul general, Wilder, cabled the Red Cross today that two million Chinese will die of famine unless they have immediate relief. He says a half million dollars are necessary now. The Red Cross has cabled \$5,000 today contributed by Rockefeller.

BOXER UPRISING LIKELY.

London, Feb. 11.—There is a probability of another Boxer uprising in China to add to the plague famine horrors is reported today. Buddhist priests throughout the stricken districts are taking advantage of the situation to preach the uprising, blaming foreigners for the plague and urging the war of extermination.

ADD STORY TO BUILDING

FOLEY HOTEL BUILDING TO BE ENLARGED AT ONCE.

Electric Lifts and Other Improvements Being Arranged For.

Construction of a fourth story to the Foley hotel, installation of electric elevators and various other improvements involving heavy expenditures, are being provided for in the architectural plans now being prepared. The additional story will be detailed and outlined before spring and just as soon as the weather will permit Manager P. A. Foley will inaugurate the extensive improvements. This will give added room facilities and add greatly to the size of the building, as the plans will likely provide for a fourth story over the entire building. The elevator is but a portion of the up-to-date features to be added to the institution.

ASSASSINATION IN SPAIN.

Barcelona, Spain, Feb. 11.—An attempt to assassinate Alexander Lerroux, news of which reached here today from Cabadella, caused the greatest excitement among Republicans, and may prove a spur to the program of reprisal on advent of the monarchy. Lerroux, one of the chief Republicans, was shot at five times but was uninjured. Republicans assert the government is initiating a policy of assassination.

MEXICANS ROUTED

Officers Retire to American Side and Center With Mexican Officers. Mexico, Feb. 11.—Revolutionists under General Simon Berthold recaptured Mexicali today and routed the Mexicans, whose officers crossed the border and conferred later with the American army officers who are patrolling the border.



MR. LINCOLN AS HE LOOKED IN 1860, WHEN GRACE BRIDELL REQUESTED HIM TO GROW A BEARD, AND AS HE LOOKED IN 1861, WHEN HE KISSED HER AT WESTFIELD, N. Y.

FARMERS MEETING TONIGHT

Locals Hold Meeting and County Meeting is Slated for a Week Hence.

Members of the local union of the Farmers Co-Operative Union held a meeting this morning in this city to transact routine business matters. The next business meeting of more than usual importance to members of that union in the county, is a county session of North Powder a week from next Monday.

RYAN SINKING AGAIN

Archbishop After Rally Slaps Rapidly and Hope Takes Flight.

Philadelphia, Feb. 11.—Archbishop Ryan was seized by a sinking spell again after several days of rally, this afternoon and his condition is again critical. A number of priests are at his bedside praying.