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## TAFT SEWS UP CALIFORNIA RACE FIGHT

### SPRINGS SURPRISE ON SENATE WITH NEW TREATY WITH JAPANESE NATION

## COOLIE CLAUSE IS GONE

Japanese Government Supposed to be on its Honor to Enforce Immigration Laws in Their Own Ports—California's Executive Gave Promise That There Would be no Anti-Asiatic Agitation Before Big Fair.

Washington, Feb. 22—The senate committee on foreign relations today decided to recommend that the senate ratify a new treaty with Japan.

Washington, Feb. 22—Senator Perkins of California, today declared himself as satisfied with the new Japanese treaty.

Washington, Feb. 22—Why President Taft supported San Francisco in its fight for the fair is seen here today in his sudden submission to the senate of his proposed treaty with Japan which eliminated the coolie immigration clause, putting Japan on her honor to restrict them at her home ports. Many congressmen say the president's idea was to "Put California under bond to keep the peace until 1915 at least," as she must have cordial relations if the exposition is to be successful.

When the ratification comes up in the senate it is predicted that Western Senators will fight for a continuation of the elimination clause.

### Supersedes Reciprocity

Discussion of the proposed treaty overtops discussion of reciprocity and everything else in fact.

Summed up the treaty provides no restrictions on admission of Japanese laborers. The present restrictions are to remain indefinitely but Japan is expected to enforce themselves. Either nation may abrogate the treaty at any time after six months notice. Japan and the United States may sign a joint note in which Japan will admit the right of the United States to pass a law prohibiting Japanese legislation.

### Taft Exacts Promise

Sacramento, Feb. 22—That Taft exacted a pledge from Governor Johnson when the California executive was in Washington, that California would not agitate against the Japanese and other Asiatics was intimated here today by the highest authority following publication today of the proposed new treaty with Japan. In pursuance of this pledge Johnson consistently opposed any legislation against Japan and most of it has been throttled so far.

## BERRY AWAITS BAIL

### On Account of Legal Holiday Document Could not be Drawn Up.

W. W. Berry, who was arrested yesterday for wife beating, was bound over to the grand jury by Justice Williams last evening on \$500 bond and as today is a legal holiday, no such document could be framed up. Hence he is in the city jail today.

It is said that there are witnesses to the alleged deed.

## COX ACCUSES ROOSEVELT

### Cincinnati Boss Accused Colonel of Perjury—He is Silent

Chicago, Feb. 22—By ignoring the indictment of "Boss" George B. Cox of Cincinnati on a perjury charge, Colonel Roosevelt disappointed a number of his hearers at the auditorium today. His address was largely confined to popular election of senators which he favors, and the other charges of perjury were overlooked entirely.

## NOTED EDITOR BOOK THIEF

### MORTON ELLINGSEN, WRITER ON UNDERWORLD IN JAIL

### Said to Have Stolen Many Valuable Books from Dress North.

New York, Feb. 22—Morton Ellingsen, whose articles on the underworld were much sought after by editors a few years ago in the Jefferson market prison awaiting action of the grand jury today, for stealing books. The police say that Ellingsen's once brilliant mind has been dulled by the continued use of opium and that his final failure of late as a literary man caused him to turn his knowledge of good books to account by becoming a thief.

Ellingsen is charged with stealing several rare volumes from Earnest Dressel North included among its number were Les Casas, "Tears of the Indians," Goldsmith's "Essays" (First Edition); and Walter Savage Landor's "Guy's Porridge Pot."

## GOTHAM LOSES MILLIONAIRES

### TAXES DRIVING BIG ESTATES FROM METROPOLIS

### Noticeable Thinning Out of Millionaires in New York City.

New York, Feb. 22 (Special)—That New York is rapidly losing its wealth is the assertion made by the managers of the safe deposit companies, who consider the situation serious enough to make it the subject of discussion and of resolutions passed at a meeting of their association. The present condition, which the safe deposit men regard as seriously threatening the prosperity of the city, and incidentally themselves, is not to be attributed to any general business depression or to any sudden falling off in the degree of prosperity of the millionaire contingent. The real reason, according to those who have studied the situation carefully, is to be found in the severe tax laws imposed by this state, especially the heavy inheritance tax adopted at the last session of the legislature. This tax affects property passing by inheritance that is located within the state whether the persons affected reside here or not and it is heavy enough to impose a considerable burden upon fortunes left in this state.

The Harriman family have been the biggest contributors to the tax thus far, having paid over something like \$4,000,000 on the estate of the railroad magnate. Other millionaires, drawing a lesson from this incident, have been quietly removing their securities and even in some cases, a part of their bank accounts to other cities in nearby states. The result has been such a serious falling off in the business of the safe deposit companies that they are urging the repeal of the inheritance tax law or at least its amendment to stop the steady outflow of wealth which is already estimated to have removed half a million dollars from this city to other states.

## Preacher a Booster

Omaha, Feb. 22—Believing a minister should practice what he preaches, Rev. J. E. Harmon, who delivered a sermon on "God Manifest in the Land Show" when he saw an exhibition of western products today is recruiting a colony of homeseekers to locate in Northern California.

## Florida Bar Meeting

Pensacola, Fla., Feb. 21—Pensacola is entertaining a distinguished gathering of lawyers and jurists today. The wedding ceremony was performed in the Guards Chapel at Chelsea.

## CHIHUAHUA IS ALASKA SEEKS BERTH WITH CANADA

### MADERO TO LEAD FORCE OF 3000 MEN AGAINST THE CITY ON NEXT SUNDAY.

## TWO AMERICANS JAILED

### With Fourteen Hundred Men Under Him Now and 2500 Coming Saturday Revolutionists Will Have Big Army to Lead Against Chihuahua—Americans Jailed With Maps on Persons, Unknown.

El Paso, Feb. 22—Francisco Madero, leader of the Revolutionists is today believed to have determined an attack on Chihuahua early next week. He is now at Candelaria with 1400 men. He has detained two Mexican Central trains and will probably use them to transport his troops. The move will probably start Sunday as he expects 2500 additional men Saturday.

### Americans in Trouble

San Diego, Feb. 22—Although correspondents sent across the line from this city to Tia Juana today were unable to learn the names of the two Americans imprisoned in jail there, it is said they formerly resided in San Francisco and San Pedro. Both were captured with maps of cities in lower California in their possession and it is reported they will be court martialed this afternoon.

### Rebel Leader Assaulted

Calexico, Feb. 22—It is reported here that a Mexican spy had attempted to assassinate General Berthold, the rebel leader of lower California, but had shot Berthold's companion inflicting a flesh wound. Berthold denies the report.

## WIFE TRADED FOR HUSH COIN

### DIVORCED WIFE WILL BE FREE TO MARRY VANDERBILT

### Doctor McKim to Receive Interest on \$150,000 for Wounded Heart

New York, Feb. 22—Doctor Hollis McKim, whose wife is reported to plan a marriage to Alfred Vanderbilt, will receive interest on \$150,000 yearly as a bribe for his wounded affections, according to a statement by McKim today. His wife is the daughter of Isaac Emerson, the Bromo Seltzer king, and recently was divorced from McKim at Reno.

Emerson created a fund stipulation that in return McKim is to stop all suits started against the woman and Alfred Vanderbilt.

### LAWLESSNESS AT SILETZ

### Further Affidavits Filed With District Attorney McCourt Today.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 22—Further evidence of lawlessness on the Siletz Indian reservations is contained in an affidavit filed with the United States District Attorney McCourt today by the superintendent of the reservation, Knott Egert. He alleges an Indian named Fred Dick approached him recently and asked him if he wanted to fight. He received a negative answer and was seized and kicked. Egert wants the federal officer to proceed against the Indian. He also states there is much disregard for the law on the reservation and says much whiskey is given the Indians by white bootleggers.

## IRON POKE THE THING NOW

### WASH-DISH-BUCKET MILLINERY IS IN DISCARD.

### New Arrivals from Paris Intrude Feature That Aids Hairdresser

New York, Feb. 22—Into discard with the wash dish, tub and bucket millinery effects. The flat iron poke, the fluffy oryster shell and mushroom are not it.

Models of the new spring styles have just arrived from Paris. The kippered herring is missing. The flat iron poke bids fair to be popular. The bow rests on a point on the forehead just north of the nose. From there the hat slopes upward and outward, exposing the millinery's coiffure—a boon to the hair dresser.

### Senators Representative Job

Washington, Feb. 22—Representative Albert Dawson of Iowa, has been tendered the office of Secretary to President Taft.

## PROBE GRAFT IN NAVY CIRCLES

### LA FOLLETTE OF WISCONSIN FRAMES RESOLUTION

### Secretary of Navy and State Ordered to Disclose Facts.

Washington, Feb. 22—As a result of disclosures of the United Press that the State Department gave Argentine plans of its navy department to be used in construction of two Dreadnaughts in exchange for contracts for their construction to American builders. Senator La Follette of Wisconsin today introduced a resolution in the Senate demanding full information of the deal. The resolution directs the Secretary of the Navy to report all he knows of the affair.

Another resolution directs the Secretary of State to transmit all documents in his possession bearing on the case.

### NAVAL BILL PASSES

### House Introduces and Passes Measure Favoring Union Laborers.

Washington, Feb. 22—Carrying provisions preventing the purchase of armor or armament of any sort from the steel trust, the naval appropriation bill today passed the house. The bill also includes a sweeping provision favoring union labor and the eight hour day in the construction of the two battleships provided for.

The anti-trust measure was adopted by a blanket vote. Representative Stanley of Kentucky introduced it. It provides that no armor plate, structural steel or machinery may be bought from any "corporations entering into any agreement, conspiracy or understanding to deprive the government of free competition by bids."

### SCHWAB SILENT TOO.

### Says News of Argentine Deal is "News to Him" When Interviewed.

Scranton, Pa., Feb. 22—Charles Schwab today declined to discuss the interview of Admiral Garcia of Argentine navy yesterday in which the admiral admitted the secrets of the American navy had been given away. He said the administration bargain was news to him.

### SEVEN MEET DEATH

### Burning of Russian Passenger Train Disastrous in the Extreme.

Perm, Russia, Feb. 22—Seven persons were killed and thirty-two injured today when a passenger train was burned at Vohnessenka. The passengers were caught in the debris and slowly roasted.

## LONDON RECALLS MEMORY OF "FATHER"

### DINNERS WILL BE ATTENDED THROUGH EUROPEAN CENTERS BY AMERICANS.

## OBSERVANCE IN LA GRANDE

### Stars and Stripes Proclaim Observance of Washington's Birthday by London People and Businessmen—Day Observed in Paris, Berlin and Other Centers—Program at L. D. S. Churches.

London, Feb. 22—Many buildings today displayed the Stars and Stripes in honor of the memory of Washington, Americans, as usual, will hold dinners in Paris, Berlin, Rome and other European cities.

La Grande paid tribute to the memory of George Washington today in a most fitting manner. A gathering of people listened to an interesting program at the L. D. C. church where C. E. Cochran was the principal speaker but where, also, appropriate music was sung and played. The hour was a convenient one for children and business men who were able to leave their offices on account of the fact that so many places were closed. Groceries, meat and dry goods was handled as usual, but banks and public offices in general observed the day.

### "America" Open Numbers

With the singing of "America" by a choir of 50 voices and the audience, the program commenced at 2 o'clock. Invocation by J. R. Prier, and a selection by the choir lead up to the principal address.

Washington, of course, was Mr. Cochran's theme. But, not Washington as history points him out and pictures him but as he is portrayed by verbal history handed down from generation to generation. The story of his early life, his home life and of his family history—details which are not brought out in history—proved exceedingly interesting as Mr. Cochran prepared by deep research and aided by valuable documents, presented them in a clear and concise way. Not what Geo. Washington did in war and for his country as a statesman but the character behind the actions were touched upon freely.

### VETO AXE FEARED.

### Many Important Bills Will be Cleared Asunder Before Friday.

Reports from Salem indicate that several important bills are to receive the axe before next Friday when the veto powers of the governor expire.

Senator Wood's county division bill will undoubtedly have its wings clipped by the executive axe in the next day or two, and it is expected that a veto message from the governor will accompany it when it is filed with the Secretary of State. This bill provides that counties shall vote upon their own division and annexation, instead of leaving it to the people of the state.

Governor West will affix his signature to a veto message in connection with the creation of the Oregon naval reserve, according to a statement made by him yesterday morning.

This comes following some of the most adroit legislative manipulation seen during the session and a charge by some of the senators that those supporting the Naval Militia broke faith in putting their measures through.

### Chandler Separation Expected.

New York, Feb. 22—Friends of Mr. Robert W. Chandler expect a legal separation to follow the announcement that the artist paid Lina Cavalieri, \$50,000 to release him from ante-nuptial contracts.