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ROUGH DRAFT OF TAFT'S PLATFORM UNEQUIVOCAL FOR TARIFF REVISION

MONOPOLIES CONDEMNED

Roosevelt's Policies Approved in a General Way-- Currency Bill Endorsed--More Ships Wanted.

WASHINGTON, June 9.--Wade E. H., Attorney-general of Ohio, returned from Virginia Beach today with a rough draft of the Chicago platform in his pocket.

The substance of the platform declaration he has drawn tentatively with the approval of the administration as follows:

"An under-estimation of the policies of the present administration will be the central idea of the platform.

"Tariff--An unequivocal plank for revision.

Railroads--A declaration favoring amendments to the anti-trust law that will enable railroads to enter reasonable traffic agreements without fear of criminal prosecution.

Will also pronounce in favor of national control as against national ownership.

Trusts--A resolution condemning combinations as create monopolies, restrict production and control prices.

Finance--A note congratulating the country and congress on the passage of the currency bill.

Navy--A plank urging an increase in fighting ships.

New states--A recommendation for the admission of Arizona and New Mexico as separate states.

Shipping--Independent of the ship subsidy idea.

Labor--A recommendation for enactments that will insure labor organizations against judgments by the courts in issuance of injunctions.

NO MORE SUITS TO RECOVER STOLEN LAND

PORTLAND, Or., June 9.--United States Attorney McCourt has denied the report that the government contemplated bringing further suits at this time to cancel patents to valuable timber land in this state.

It had been rumored that suit would be filed by the government this week against the Minneapolis Lumber company to recover about 19,000 acres of timber lands alleged to have been acquired fraudulently by that company in this state.

The rumor was to the effect that the Minneapolis concern had operated in this state when the public lands were being seized by wealthy eastern timbermen and by employing the same methods had obtained its full share of the spoils.

District Attorney McCourt says there are no such suits pending in this state, although he stands ready at any time to take steps to restore to the government all lands that have been stolen.

The suit brought by District Attorney McCourt against C. A. Smith, the millionaire Minnesota lumberman, will probably be called at the July term of the federal court.

CALF WITH WOODEN LEG TAKES TRIP INTO HILLS

BED BLUFF, Cal., June 9.--Just what a man will do no one knows until the emergency arises, Charles Crews, who lives in the Hayfork country, was confronted with a problem that was out of his line, but he solved it in a way that saved his calf.

While driving his cattle from the winter range on Cottonwood over the mountains to the summer pastures one of his calves had a leg broken. Mr. Crews did not care to kill the animal, so resolved to be surgeon and nurse.

He secured some baling wire and with some splints to his own making set the leg and wired the sticks in place. The calf was able to make the trip with the artificial leg.

THAT SURVIVORS OF EXPLOSION IN CRITICAL CONDITION

LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 9.--Three of the four survivors of the explosion in the fire-room of the cruiser Tennessee are in a critical condition today, and Dr. Brooks of the Angeles hospital stated at noon that their death might occur at any moment.

Those men are Walter Burns, coal passer; Brooklyn; A. Hays, water tender; Brooklyn; and S. Stamat, fireman, Norfolk, Va.

The injured men passed a very bad night, but their condition was slightly improved during the morning hours, at least, according to Dr. Brooks, little hope is entertained that any of the men except Henry Fitzpatrick, fireman, of Brooklyn, will recover.

FIND GOLD MINE CLOSE TO ASHLAND

F. G. McWilliams, the Ashland real estate broker, and Mr. Heberle, who owns a ranch seven miles southeast of Ashland, have discovered a gold mine upon the latter's property, which is very rich in free milling ore and promises to develop into a big producer. The samples taken by Mr. McWilliams are heavy with the precious metal.

14 KILLED 60 HURT IN WRECK AT ROME

Collision Between Passenger and Freight With Frightful Results--Three Coaches Telescoped--Occupants Killed Outright or Pinned in Debris.

ROME, June 9.--Fourteen persons were killed outright and sixty badly injured in a collision between a pilgrim passenger train and a freight train today at Roccapietra station. Many of the injured are expected to die.

The freight train was running at a high rate of speed when it struck the passenger train and three coaches were telescoped, the occupants being killed outright or pinned in the debris and badly injured.

Fire broke out, but by quick work on the part of officials it was extinguished and a much more horrible disaster was narrowly averted.

JAPANESE STILL AT WAR WITH DESPERATE KOREANS

SEOUL, Korea, June 9.--The terrific fighting of the Korean insurgents by Japanese troops is continuing at a rapid rate, according to a statement by the officials of the Japanese army headquarters here today.

The statement says that between June 3 and June 7, the Japanese troops were engaged in 26 battles with the insurgents, killing 113 Koreans and wounding many more. The Japanese captured twenty-six of the insurgents.

Reports from outlying districts state that in many places the Koreans have entrenched themselves and are making much trouble for the Japanese army. Guerrilla fighting is going on in almost every district of Korea.

MOVE KLAMATH SALOONS TO DORRIS, CALIFORNIA

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., June 9.--The final count of the vote shows that Klamath county went dry by 81 votes. The city of Klamath Falls went wet by a majority of 59, but under the local option law it, too, must go dry. Only wet wet.

The new order of things will put 20 saloons and one brewery out of business. Several of the saloon men expect to move to Dorris to engage in business. Merrill is only a mile or two from the California line, and some of the saloon men of that place expect to move across the state line, where they will continue business.

LETTER RATE TWO CENTS TO ENGLAND AFTER OCTOBER 1

WASHINGTON, June 9.--Uncle Sam can write to John Bull more frequently next fall, for after October 1 it will cost but 2 cents for each letter instead of 5.

Announcement was made today at the office of the postmaster-general that an agreement has been perfected by which the letter rate between the United States, England, Ireland and Scotland will be reduced from 5 cents to 2 cents.

The change will mean a saving of much money as the trans-Atlantic mails have been increasing rapidly in volume.

CHESTER THOMPSON PRONOUNCED SANE

TACOMA, Wash., June 9.--Chester Thompson, the slayer of Judge George Emory Meade last year, acquitted on the ground of insanity, and before the superior court this week, on a hearing on his present mental condition, has been declared sane by a jury and safe to be at large. The state filed notice of appeal, and pending the hearing by the supreme court it is probable Thompson will remain in jail.

Travel Shifts From Pogeagama. Pogeagama, Or., is practically off the map, so far as the traveling public is concerned, and all travel comes by way of the California Northeastern and Dorris. Captain J. M. McIntire, who has had charge at Pogeagama for the past year, has closed practically everything there connected with the transportation business and will now devote his attention to the new line.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Claude W. Freeman and Hazel Z. Zumwalt.

TAFT AFTER EVERYTHING

Foraker Boomers Arrive and Uncle Joe Keeps up Hope-- Allies Not Disheartened.

CHICAGO, June 9.--The efforts of the Taft men to sweep everything before them were resumed today, when the Louisiana compromise proposition, which caused an adjournment yesterday, was taken up by the national republican committeemen. Former Governor Warmouth of Louisiana, for the Taft leaders, declared:

"We must go into the convention with a full vote or not enter. We must rule or get out. There can be no compromise."

It had been suggested that the Louisiana delegation, consisting of the four delegates at large and 14 district delegates, be divided, both of the contending delegations being seated and each delegate being allowed half a vote. The surprise was in the fact that the suggestion came from a member of the committee in the Taft ranks. It is believed he changed his mind over night.

Senator Dick of Ohio arrived here today and took charge of the presidential boom of Senator Foraker. Dick insists that the Foraker fight is serious, and says that he will be in the contest before the convention.

John Montgomery, leader of the vice-presidential boom of John Hays Hammond, opened headquarters today. Hammond is the only real working candidate for the second place, now officially on the ground.

Warmouth was excluded from the meeting of the national committee as soon as he had concluded his presentation of his case. As he left the building he said:

"I would rather bolt the convention than accept a compromise. The delegation from Louisiana was fairly won for Taft, and I will not see a single vote surrendered."

Uncle Joe Cannon, with his big black cigar and his usual smile, arrived today and conferred with his friends at the Union League club. It was said that Cannon has no idea whatever of withdrawing from the presidential race. He asserts with apparent confidence that he is a strong contender.

ADAMS BUILDING DIKE FOR RECLAMATION PURPOSES

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., June 9.--J. Frank Adams has moved his dredge to the marsh land experimental farm and will at once begin building the dike for the reclamation of the land. The farm was leased to the government by Adel A. J. Adams, who donates the use of it for 20 years. It is now two years since the lease was executed, but the work of reclamation has been delayed because the service was not ready to begin experimental work. It will require about one month to complete the dikes, as the railroad dike will be used for one side of the farm.

As soon as the dredge completes this work it will be taken to the Wood River valley, where it will be used in opening the channel of the river so that it will be navigable for the new steamer that has been built especially for the traffic on that stream.

When this is completed Adams will begin work on the out that will drain a large acreage of land belonging to Senator Abner Weed. The land lies in Wood River valley, but the flood waters inundate it every spring, making it practically worthless.

BOYS IN GRAY AND BOYS IN BLUE TO ENCAMP TOGETHER

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., June 9.--The Confederate veterans and the Grand Army of the Republic will meet next year in annual encampment, if the fight that is being made here today by the Atlanta delegation to the annual encampment of the United Confederate Veterans proves successful. Atlanta wants both encampments to meet at the same time and has a big delegation to enforce consideration of her scheme.

The encampment of the "boys in gray" was opened today with a grand parade, witnessed by thousands of people who have come from all parts of the south to attend the celebration.

Memorial exercises will be held here tomorrow for General Stephen D. Lee, former commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans, who died recently.

Silas McKee Dead

Silas McKee, the veteran forest ranger, died Monday after a week's illness of Bright's disease at the home of his brother-in-law, F. Hubard, in Medford. He was a charter member of the Wexler lodge. Improved Order of Red-tanks lodge. Medford and the funeral takes place under the auspices of the lodge Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. and Miss J. H. Clark have returned from the state of Washington, after an absence of several years, and are stopping with Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Solias, the parents of Mrs. C.

IMPORTANT WITNESS IN RAYMOND HITCHCOCK CASE

NEW YORK, June 9.--Sidney Harris, counsel for William Astor Chanler, brother of Lieutenant-Governor Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler of New York and millionaire, announced today that Chanler would take the stand in the trial of Raymond Hitchcock, the actor, who is accused of having wronged Helen von Hagen at his Long Island home.

Chanler has a place on Long Island, adjoining Hitchcock's, and is alleged to have been present when the Von Hagen girl and Elsie Voceks visited the actor there.

PUT LID ON GRANTS PASS

Blue Laws to be Put Into Effect as Result of Prohibition Election.

Grants Pass is to follow in the lead of Roseburg and nail the lid down on Sundays. The blue laws are to be rigidly enforced. Peanut stands, soda water fountains, ice cream parlors and all other business is to be tabooed.

Reformers have been clamoring for law enforcement, so a program of law enforcement has been arranged. With the passing of the saloons, the starry-eyed goddess is in full sway and all must obey the law henceforth.

There is talk at Medford that the new county officials may also enforce the blue laws. The district attorney can close all towns tighter than a drum, and he may do it.

GOVERNMENT INVESTIGATES MEMBER OF TREASURY

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 9.--Government agents are today investigating startling allegations contained in answer to evidence which was filed here in which members of the treasury department are alleged to have taken a bribe for putting through a deal by which Uncle Sam paid \$20,000 a front foot for a postoffice site when the property of other parties is selling at \$400 per front foot.

The suit was brought by the law firm of Wise & Minor against John H. Armstrong, Snowden G. Lenox "and their associates" for commission alleged to be due for the sale of the land. Armstrong and Lenox in their answer state that the government was cheated out of \$85,750 in the purchase of the site which cost \$442,236.40. It is alleged that the chief promoter paid \$85,750 to certain persons in Washington to have the deal put through.

PROBATE

Guardian Lydia Jane Parker et al.; order made confirming sale of real property.

Estate Mary Clark; order made authorizing administrator to pay claim of Nunan, Taylor & Co.

Estate Martha Ann Clemmens; inventory and appraisement filed showing estate valued at \$1400.

Estate C. H. Elmore; inventory and appraisement filed showing estate valued at \$2500.

Estate J. M. Black; order made releasing administrator.

Estate Benjamin Rhodes; order made to show cause why real estate should not be sold.

Nash Hotel Arrivals

W. H. Hamilton, Santa Barbara; A. C. Smith, I. Goodfriend and wife, San Francisco; W. E. Young, Portland; Elmer B. Norris, San Francisco; S. A. Herring, Portland; E. E. Brown, Everett; G. Craig, Seattle; R. V. Holtzer, Portland; S. J. McLaughlin, Seattle; Lulu Lane, Portland; H. N. Starr, Portland; F. Silverstone, San Francisco; C. H. Colvey, Los Angeles; Charles Gier, San Francisco; Frank Woodard, Portland; J. C. Murray, San Francisco; Clay Thompson, Indianapolis; P. D. Gilbert, Portland; A. E. Geer, H. J. Hatfield, Portland; E. E. Switzer, San Francisco; James Kruger, M. Lovejoy, New York; R. B. Wilson, I. P. Smith, A. M. Shannon, G. H. Parker, Portland; W. M. Petri, A. H. Wolzinger, E. E. Copeland, Church's Ferry; Del O. Bogart, James J. Murray, Portland; H. C. Sampson, Grants Pass.

JUDGE HANNA GRANTS TEMPORARY INJUNCTION AGAINST PROHIBITION

CZAR HOST OF EDWARD

British Ruler Visits Finland and Russia-- Cements Friendly Feeling of Countries.

REVAL, Russia, June 9.--Traffic in the Gulf of Finland is suspended today and will be for two days following to make way for the visit of King Edward to Czar Nicholas.

The czar and his retinue arrived by train this morning, having abandoned the imperial yacht Standart on account of rough weather.

Two hours later King Edward and Queen Alexandra, with their following, arrived in the royal yacht Victoria and Albert. No vessels were allowed to approach within a large circle surrounding the royal yacht.

Today's ceremonies were held aboard the king's yacht. When the czar came on board, King Edward kissed him affectionately on both cheeks and the two monarchs remained in conference some time. Tomorrow Nicholas will act as host on board the imperial yacht Standart.

Praised by Peers. The Russian press is unanimous today in speaking with joy of the meeting of czar and king. Coming as it does after the visit of President Fallieres, the papers attach great political significance to the conference between the two monarchs. "The Bourse Gazette" says:

"It is impossible not to perceive in the interview a precursor to a Russian convention and will also be of vast moment in the permanent establishment of the balance of power in Europe and indeed throughout the whole world by transferring the Franco-Russian alliance into an Anglo-Franco-Russian understanding."

The Russ says: "Although they will have no opportunity of receiving the visitors direct, King Edward and his splendid sailors may rest assured that the whole Russian people greet them in thought with eyes of friendship."

TACOMA YOUTHS SENT TO JAIL IN YREKA

YREKA, Cal., June 9.--Jack Barker, John McIntyre and George Gregory, the three youths who broke into the Wallbridge store at Montague recently and stole a box of crackers, some honey and jelly, and who were bound over to the superior court for trial on a charge of burglary, were allowed to plead guilty yesterday to petit larceny. Each was given 30 days in the county jail.

The boys, two of whom were 16 and the other 17, seemed to be very penitent and promised Judge Thomas that as soon as they had served their time they would go home and stay there. They told a straightforward story, stating that they left their homes in Tacoma to go to San Francisco to see some of their relatives and when they left home, but used it all up and they were working their way back as best they could. When they arrived in Montague they were hungry, saw the window of the Wallbridge store open, and went in and got the crackers and honey.

ANOTHER VICTIM OF BOILER EXPLOSION BURIED

LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 9.--At 10 o'clock yesterday morning one more body of the victims of the boiler tube explosion on board the United States cruiser Tennessee, P. S. Maxfield, whose death occurred Saturday, was laid to rest in Harbor View cemetery, at San Pedro. It had been arranged to inter the remains of J. P. A. Carroll, who died Saturday night, at the same time, but just as the funeral procession was about to start a telegram was received from the navy department at Washington directing Admiral Schrey to hold the body of Carroll until further orders. It is thought his remains may be ordered shipped to his former home at Hartford, Conn.

LOWNSDALE MANAGER OF YAMHILL BOOSTERS

MINNIVILLE, Or., June 9.--The Yamhill County Development league has induced M. O. Lownsdale to accept the position of manager of the league. This acceptance insures a brilliant publicity campaign for old Yamhill and the advertising of her resources. Mr. Lownsdale is also president of the Development league and is so energetic and virile in carrying out any campaign that the fame of Yamhill as a fruitgrowing and agricultural section bids fair to become national under his management.

WILL LET CONTRACTS FOR PAVING SEVENTH ST.

Tonight the city council will open bids for paving Seventh street from Bear creek to the West school. Two bids will be presented, one by the Wæver Construction company for bituminous pavement, and one for asphalt by the Barker Asphalt company. Sixteen thousand square yards of six-inch permanent pavement are called for under the specifications.

GOVERNMENT AFTER GRABBERS OF LAND

Federal Grand Jury Has Opened a Way for Attorneys to Prosecute the Defendants Charged With Conspiracy to Defraud Government of Land.

PORTLAND, Or., June 9.--In the case of 11 prominent eastern Oregon citizens accused of land grabs the federal grand jury has opened the way for the government to appear in court through its legal representatives and prosecute more alleged land-grabbers.

The seven indictments charging the defendants with conspiring to defraud the government out of 30,000 acres of unallotted Indian lands in Umatilla county were returned late Monday, and today the government's attorneys here are preparing for the trials.

Prominent among the accused, most of whom reside at Pendleton, are: J. H. Bailey, democratic politician and lawyer; William Slusher, joint representative from Morrow and Umatilla counties in the 1907 legislature; Alonzo Knotts, John W. Crow, John M. Wells, William Caldwell and C. W. Mathews, wealthy ranchers and sheepmen, and John Veri, formerly of the First National bank of Pendleton. The other less prominent defendants are: Bailey Ross and Samuel Olmstead, wood dealers, and William Rahe, a horse trader.

The specific charge against the several defendants is that they solicited and procured persons to make false and fraudulent applications for the Umatilla lands.

POLICEMAN RISKS LIFE FOR DROWNING MAN

SAN FRANCISCO, June 9.--Without waiting to doff either coat or helmet, Policeman Hauraban, who patrols the waterfront, plunged into the waters of the bay early today and rescued George Day, a sailor.

Day was standing on the end of a wharf, when he lost his balance and struck the water in such a way that it took his breath and he was unable to save himself. Policeman Hauraban happened to be near the spot at the time and went to the rescue of the drowning man. Together they were hauled out of the bay by Policemen McPartland and Wren, who had come in response to cries of onlookers. After donning another uniform, Hauraban immediately resumed his duty.

MUCH DAMAGE DONE BY FLOOD AROUND BUTTE

BUTTE, Mont., June 9.--It will be at least a week before traffic is resumed as the result of the great damage done to railroad tracks by the flood in this section. The Northern Pacific has again succeeded in opening its service to the east, but the trains have been stalled to some extent by a landslide twenty miles from the city.

To the west it is hard to say when the tracks will be repaired. Miles of ties and rails have been torn out and in Hell Gate canyon some stretches of track three miles in length which apparently are intact, cannot be crossed on account of the water and landslides.

Many new station buildings will have to be reconstructed along their lines. As reported here they say that a slide of fifty thousand square yards of rock was loosened at Boulder Sunday.

BEEF TRUST OUTWITTED BY PRUDENT HOUSEWIFE

NEW YORK, June 9.--Just what it is has not developed, but that the American housewife has found a substitute for meat is what is interesting the meat purveyor. She has somehow cut down her purchases of meat 20 per cent, and there is no telling how little she'll buy when the summer comes, with its abundance of fresh fruit and vegetables.

The unusually wet spring has brought promise of exceedingly bountiful crops, and everything is cheaper in the eating line except meat. An official quoted in the trade paper says:

"I do not know what substitute the public has found for meat, but I do know that all the big packers have experienced this year the longest period of bad business they ever knew."

ATLANTIC FLEET AT PUGET SOUND ORDERED TO 'FRISCO

NAVY YARD, Puget Sound, June 9.--Orders have been received that the ships of the Atlantic fleet undergoing repairs at this yard go to San Francisco at the earliest possible date in order that they complete the taking on of supplies and stores there.

The departure has been arranged as follows: Georgia leaves June 16, Wisconsin June 23, Illinois June 29, Kentucky June 25, Nebraska June 27, Rhode Island, Virginia and New Jersey June 28, and Kearsarge June 29.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Kenney were among the many over from Jacksonville Sunday afternoon.

ARGUMENTS UPON FRIDAY

Legal Fight to Sustain Rights of Medford Now Underway-- Will be Contested Vigorously.

Circuit Judge Hanna at Jacksonville late Monday afternoon granted the temporary injunction applied for by J. C. Hall through his attorney, Robert G. Smith, against the county court, preventing Judge Dunn from declaring the result of the recent prohibition election in Medford, and set Friday, June 12, as the time for argument upon making the injunction permanent.

The restraining order is asked upon the allegation that Medford's city charter attempts it from the operation of the local option law, and that therefore, as far as Medford is concerned, the prohibition election is null and void.

Advocates of wet towns in Jacksonville and Gold Hill are reported as preparing to contest the election upon technical grounds, and also to test the validity of the local option law upon grounds that have never before been raised. It is planned to fight the case out to the supreme court and secure decisions covering these points.

ULMO, THE TRAITOR, TO BE PUBLICLY DISGRACED

SILVERTON, Or., June 9.--Silvertown is quivering on the edge of hysteric because it was said that if the town went "dry" the treasury would also go the same route.

The saloons were put out of business at the last local option election, and today the officials of Silvertown are facing the problem of meeting a debt of \$250 with an empty treasury. They are thinking seriously of raising the money by direct taxes. The city council has decided to call a special election to see if the people will stand for a 1 1/2-mill tax.

Favored in England

LONDON, June 9.--Although some of the English papers criticize the king for making this visit to Russia, the majority of the papers here look upon the visit with favor. All attach great significance to the conference.

The Pall Mall Gazette thinks that the conference will have a quieting effect in India, particularly on the north-west frontier and on Afghanistan.

Oregon Man Is Elected

HELENA, Mont., June 8.--The state board of education has elected Dr. C. A. Dunaway, son of Mrs. A. J. Dunaway, of the chair of political science and history at the Leland Stanford university, California, as the successor of O. J. Craig, who recently tendered his resignation as president of the state university of Montana. Dunaway will assume his new duties September 1.