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TEDDY DEALS HARRIMAN FINAL BLOW

KNOCKS OUT MAGNATE'S ELECTRIC POWER PLANS

TODAY IS DAY OF DEAD DUCKS

Tomorrow Many of The Old Standbys Will be Down and Out in Washington—New Men Go In

WASHINGTON, March 3.—This is the day consecrated and set apart to the "dead ducks"—those whose official careers will come to an end on the morrow.

Foremost of all the "dead ducks" is President Roosevelt, who is spending his last day in the White House, with a very live duck, William H. Taft, as his guest.

In the senate the best known of the dead ducks are Platt of New York and Foraker of Ohio, each of whom will complete 12 years' service tomorrow.

Other retiring senators and their length of service are as follows:

Ankeny of Washington, six years; Fulton of Oregon, six years; Gary of South Carolina, one year; Hanabrough of North Dakota, 18 years; Hemenway of Indiana, four years; Kittredge of South Dakota, eight years; Long of Kansas, six years; McCreary of Kentucky, five years; Milton of Florida, one year; Teller of Colorado, 24 years.

Of the 391 members of the Sixty-first house 76 will then serve their first terms as representatives, while there will be six representatives who did not serve in the Sixtieth congress, but were members of previous houses.

In the present congress there are 91 men who are serving their first terms, and 11 who did not succeed themselves, but were members of former congresses, which may be held to show that the people like the present members of the house somewhat better than they did that of the Fifty-ninth congress.

State Changes. Colorado's whole delegation in the next congress will be new to the halls of national legislation. There are only three of them, however, while Indiana sends eight new men, leading all the states in that respect.

Iowa sends five, Missouri six, New York seven, Ohio six and Pennsylvania seven. Delegations from California, Kansas, New Hampshire, Oregon, Utah, West Virginia and Wyoming are solidly republican, while those from Nevada and south Carolina are solidly democratic.

Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas send solidly democratic delegations, but their composition will not be the same as in the Sixtieth congress. The states sending solidly republican delegations, although not the same men as in the Sixtieth congress, are Ohio, Maine, Michigan, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Vermont and Washington.

Uncle Joe Cannon, the speaker, leads all in length of service, the Sixtieth congress making his 15th term. He was a new member in the Forty-third congress and has served continuously since, save for the Fifty-second congress. Bingham of Pennsylvania exceeds him in length of continuous service, the Sixty-first congress being his 16th term without a break.

J. W. Holmes, the popular representative of Armour & Co., is again visiting his valley customers. Mr. Holmes states that Medford is the best market for his products of any of the smaller cities of the state.

W. B. Sherman, the hustling Grants Pass realty dealer, whose name is inseparably connected with the Tokay grape boom, spent Wednesday in Medford.

Mrs. Arthur Rapp and Miss Ina Outman of Talent are visiting relatives in Medford.

Donald S. Clark of Evanston, Ill., has purchased a 20-acre tract about five miles northwest of Medford from J. A. Bothwell for \$200 an acre. Mrs. Clark expects to set the entire tract out to fruit trees this year. The sale was made by R. W. Northrup.

ADDS 300,000 ACRES TO BIG RESERVE

Action Follows Investigation of Northern California—Deal by the Government Agent—Bad Blow

WASHINGTON, March 3.—Following the discovery of what is believed to be a gigantic scheme of Edward H. Harriman and his allied interests to gain the control of the electric power situation in northern California and Nevada by the purchase of options on all available power sites on unappropriated lands, President Roosevelt today signed a proclamation adding 300,000 acres to the Tahoe forest reserve, thus effectively putting an end to the scheme and dealing Harriman a staggering blow.

The president took action after a thorough investigation by government agents, who have been at work for some time.

The first inkling of such a movement on the part of Harriman came last summer. Since then the movement has been closely watched.

Roosevelt has by this act dealt a blow that will stop Harriman's scheme for the time being.

CREAMERY OPENED AT KLAMATH FALLS

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., March 3.—Operation of Klamath Falls' first creamery was begun today, and upon the success of this enterprise, in a measure, depends the future of this part of Klamath county as a dairying center. The new institution begins business under very promising circumstances. Enough milk contracts have been secured to insure the continuous operation of the plant and there is at present a strong local demand for dairy products. The creamery at Bonanza, in the eastern part of the county, has been a paying proposition and has not only supplied the demand of practically all Klamath county, but has exported thousands of pounds of butter to the markets of California.

60 TRIPS MADE IN YEAR BY EVERY INHABITANT

WASHINGTON, March 3.—An average of 60 journeys by street railway was taken by every inhabitant of the United Kingdom during the last fiscal year, according to a report made by Robert J. Wynne, American consul general in London, to the bureau of manufacturers. He says that the length of lines open for traffic has increased from 269 miles in 1878 to 2441 miles at the present time, and the capital has grown from a little over \$20,000,000 to more than \$200,000,000.

BOY SWEARS UNCLE MURDERED A FAMILY

DECATUR, Ala., March 3.—"Uncle Bob Clements told me that he had killed all of the Edmondsons and put them in the house and would set fire to the house that night and burn them up, and he gave me 20 cents not to tell."

This was the uncontradicted evidence of Gilbert Laker, 13-year-old son of Rufus Laker and the son of Bob Clements' sister.

"Uncle Bob told me the whole Edmondson family got after him and he had to kill them or they would have killed him, and then his children would starve to death," testified the boy. "He said Edmondson had a knife and the rest of the family had sticks and harrow teeth after him, I asked Uncle Bob where Nettie was, and he said she was then lying in the field dead."

He said he was high strung and that she liked to have gotten away from him. On the night of the fire," said the boy, "I told mama, father and sister what Uncle Bob had told me."

Rufus Laker, father of Gilbert Laker, testified practically to the same facts as did his son.

VAST CROWD FLOCKS TO CAPITAL

Hotel Crowded for Inauguration Tomorrow—Scores of Marching Clubs Attend—No Rough Riders Present

WASHINGTON, March 3.—Every train into the national capital today brings its quota of enthusiastic Americans, eager to witness the ceremonies attendant upon the inauguration of a new president.

Already the hotels are crowded and the streets, which have become a veritable riot of color, are thronged with visitors. Scores of military companies and uniformed marching clubs, headed by brass bands, were among today's arrivals. Every preparation has been made for the delivery of William H. Taft's inaugural address on the stand now erected before the east portico of the capitol, regardless of the kind of weather that may prevail tomorrow.

The section of the stand from which Mr. Taft will deliver his address will be provided with a canvas cover to be put in place if necessary. Not since 1833, when Andrew Jackson was inaugurated a second time with the house of representatives, has the ceremony been held indoors.

No Wild West Show.

There will be no rough riders in the inaugural parade. "Pizen Pete" and "Sure Shot Sam" will not dash down Pennsylvania avenue in the wake of President Taft, roping inoffensive citizens and uttering indignant "yip-pip-pip-pip's."

Instead, Mr. Taft's carriage will be followed by a cavalcade of the best blood of Virginia and Maryland, mounted on their hunters and clad in the pink coats and white trousers of cross-country riders.

Another feature of the parade will be a "prosperity division" composed of business men and organizations. Historic Pennsylvania avenue will be a veritable bower of flags and bunting on inauguration day, with the official colors of the inaugural committee, green and white, predominating in the daylight hours. At night the avenue will present a picture of wonderland, with millions of electric bulbs bathing the thoroughfare in a glare of electricity.

A court of honor has been erected on Pennsylvania avenue in front of the White House, extending from Fifteenth street to Seventeenth street. It consists of colonnades at even spaces on either side of the avenue, connected at the top with green girders. Massive pylons or gateways have been erected at Jackson place and Madison place.

Veterans Will Be There.

Not the least interesting picture in the panorama will be the forenoon parade of the grim old veterans of the civil war—units in the vanishing army—who with the Spanish war veterans and the Army and Navy union, will escort the president and vice-president to the capitol, where they will take the oath of office. The veterans will carry at the head of their faltering column the shot-riven and fading banners which flew in their newness over many a sanguinary field. Hundreds of brass bands and dozens of triumphant republican organizations will fill the air with music and with noise.

LABOR DELEGATES ARE DISCUSSING UNION LABEL

WASHINGTON, March 3.—Delegates from all the labor organizations affiliated with the American Federation are assembled here today for the purpose of organizing a national union label propaganda.

The department will have union label sections of all the big central labor unions in each city of the country.

BENSON TO CALL SPECIAL SESSION OF LEGISLATURE

SALEM, Or., March 3.—Indications are strong today that Governor Benson will issue a call for a special session of the legislature tomorrow. The session will be held probably on Friday and Saturday, March 12 and 13.

CONSTRUCTION CHIEF HERE TO TAKE UP WORK

New Telephone System Will Make it Possible to Reach Central by Merely Taking Down Receiver

E. F. Saylor, the division equipment foreman of the Pacific Telephone company, arrived in Medford Wednesday morning to map out the work for the immediate reconstruction of the telephone system in this city. The material for the new system is all on the road and tomorrow James Kern, the district plant chief, will arrive in Medford with a crew of men, who will take up the work at once.

The company will first rewire the business houses and residences of the city so that all broken insulation will be done away with, and the best of connections guaranteed. Cables will be put in along the main streets and these, together with the new poles, placed in alleys, will greatly improve the service and appearance of the present system.

No More Bell Ringing.

The new switchboard to be installed will do away with the crank turning, bell ringing nuisance to get central. The new board, known as the central energy system, will make it possible to simply take the receiver from the hook and central is "rang up." This makes it possible to get a second service. Central also knows by this switchboard when a person hangs up, so that one is disconnected immediately, securing a second party without delay.

Mr. Saylor will visit Jacksonville this afternoon and map out plans for improvement there. A new switchboard will be installed and other work done.

All of the supplies and materials for an improved system in this city have been ordered and shipped," said Mr. Saylor, "and the work will be undertaken immediately and hurried to completion. With the new switchboard, wire and refitting generally, Medford will have a modern equipment."

New Telephones for City.

As soon as the work of renovating the system is completed all of the old telephones in the city are to be removed and new ones put in their place. This will be the finishing touch in giving Medford the best system possible.

OYSTER BAY PLANS TO GREET CITIZEN ROOSEVELT

OYSTER BAY, March 3.—As President Roosevelt is not expected to reach here until 11:30 o'clock at night on Thursday next, following the inauguration in Washington of William H. Taft as president of the United States, it has been decided not to proceed with plans for a formal reception. A hearty welcome for Roosevelt at the station will not be lacking, however. The young men of the village plan to have big bonfires burning when he arrives, and it is expected that the residences throughout the village will be illuminated.

REAL FLYER TRAIN NEXT, SO DAME RUMOR SAYS

Reports are widely current that the much talked of new train service will be inaugurated about the 15th inst., that the additional train will be known as the "Pacific Coast Flyer," with first-class equipment limited to pull-mans, dining and observation coaches, including a mail service; that it will make the run between Seattle and San Francisco instead of the Bay City and Portland, says the Tidings; and furthermore, that the time between these two great terminals will be reduced fully four hours. As yet there is nothing authentic regarding this much desired result, but a well founded rumor that will not do down is prevalent to the effect that the flyer will begin its schedule at an early date, and that it will be a permanent affair instead of merely a transient feature incident to the existence of the Seattle exposition.

CRATER ROAD BOOSTERS TO JOURNEY TO JACKSONVILLE

MULKEY MAY TRY FOR TOGA

Considering Proposition to Run in 1910 for Hawley's Place in Congress—Undecided as Yet

District Attorney B. F. Mulkey will probably be a candidate for the republican nomination for congress in the First congressional district against Congressman Hawley, whose record is not such as to make him a formidable opponent. Mr. Mulkey has a wide acquaintance in the Willamette valley counties, and is very popular through out the district. When asked regarding his prospective candidacy Mr. Mulkey said: "When in Salem recently many of the leading politicians of the valley requested me to become a candidate, and they advanced such strong arguments that I am considering the proposition. I was surprised at the discountenance existing with the present incumbent, and was assured vigorous support should I decide to be a candidate."

A Salem dispatch to the Portland Journal regarding Mr. Mulkey's candidacy reads as follows: "It is being reliably stated about the state house at Salem these days that B. F. Mulkey, now district attorney in Jackson county, is being carefully groomed for the congressional race in the First district in 1910. It is further said that Mulkey and his friends have kept a watchful eye on the situation in the First district and have decided the time has about arrived to spring the candidacy."

It is pointed out that Mulkey has for a great many years employed abroad ties. He was born in Lane county, at about the center of the district. He is well known there. He has made his home in Polk county, in the northern part of the district, and has a wide acquaintance in Polk and Marion. In fact he has represented Polk county in the state senate, was county clerk in Polk and at one time was a member of the faculty of the Oregon state normal school at Monmouth, thereby taking advantage of another valuable means for extending the circle of his acquaintance.

Won in Republican Districts.

In the days when Mulkey was pursuing politics in Polk, the county was largely democratic and his methods of overcoming the democratic majorities were greatly admired among approving fellow politicians in the state. It is because of these characteristics, which still form parts of Mr. Mulkey, that he is looked upon as a formidable candidate. And in these days of direct primary nomination wide acquaintance counts.

Now Mulkey's base of operations is in Jackson and Josephine counties. At first he was president of the Southern Oregon state normal school at Ashland, but last June he was elected district attorney of Oregon, a division of the First judicial district. It is said his acquaintance is growing daily and he is allying himself with the progressive element of the enterprising southern Oregon people, so he is about ready now for the final plunge.

Hawley and Fulton Men.

Mulkey's friends say Congressman Hawley has now been in the national assembly for one whole term and part of another and has accomplished little besides securing a few positions. This is good as far as it goes, they urge, but it does not go far.

Furthermore, they tell one faction, the state grange asked Hawley to express an opinion as to whether the pledged members of the legislature were in duty bound to vote for Chamberlain for United States senator, and Hawley never came through with a reply. On the other hand, Hawley used no effort to defeat Governor Chamberlain. There

TO URGE COUNTY TO TAKE STEPS AT ONCE

Train Will Leave at 1:30 p. m.—Every Booster Urged to Join and Visit County Seat and Commissioners

In order to get the county court to make the appropriation of \$50,000 for the Crater Lake road, a large delegation of business men from various parts of the county will journey to Jacksonville tomorrow afternoon and appear before the court.

Every business man who has the interests of the county at heart and realizes what the construction of this road will mean to this section of Oregon is urged to be on hand and make the trip to Jacksonville.

The train will leave the R. R. V. railroad depot at 1:30 p. m. Room will be provided for all who wish to make the trip.

The matter will be thoroughly threshed out at a meeting of the Commercial club tonight.

It is just as essential that the business men of the county appear before the commissioners in this matter as it was for them to go to Salem. Not a single business man of the city can afford to stay away.

The state appropriation is contingent upon the appropriation by the county. Inasmuch as the expenditure of \$50,000 by Jackson county on the road means the expenditure of an additional \$450,000, most of it in Jackson county, the investment is one that cannot be questioned.

Matters are to be rushed in order to get the work under way as soon as possible.

GRISCOM SPENDING LAST DAY AS AMBASSADOR

ROME, March 3.—Lloyd G. Griscom is today spending his last day in the Eternal City as American ambassador to Italy.

His resignation came as a shock upon the diplomatic "barriers"—as they call it here—the group of men who devote their lives to diplomacy, and do not take it up as a pastime because they want to see how it feels to be called "excellency," or to satisfy their wives' ambitions. Of these in the diplomatic career it may almost be said that there are only two among American representatives abroad—Henry White, now in Paris, and John W. Riddle, in St. Petersburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Griscom have been particularly successful in Rome. They are both young and charming, and they are not too rich—just rich enough—and when it is added that they entertain and make Americans welcome the list of their virtues is quite long enough. So that the fact that they are going away has produced something approaching consternation in the American colony.

HOMER DAVENPORT HURT IN A TAXICAB WRECK

NEW YORK, March 3.—Homer Davenport, the cartoonist, who was in a taxicab crash in Central Park, received only a gash in the forehead with a severe shaking up, and it was ascertained at his hotel after the accident that his injuries were comparatively slight. The automobile was wrecked and the chauffeur was hurled 20 feet and stunned, but was uninjured. The chauffeur said that he could not account for the accident but he admitted that he was running fast at the time and rounding a curve, when the cab struck a tree.

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BLACK HAND CLAIMS 10 VICTIMS

Oil Poured in Tenement, Fire Follows—Miners are Killed in Butte - Many Killed by Earthquake

NEW YORK, March 3.—Ten Italians are dead and a half score more are writhing in hospitals with burns and broken limbs as the result of the latest toll exacted by the Black Hand societies. Desperate are charged with firing a Seventh avenue tenement early today.

When the flames were checked the charred corpses were found on the stair landings. Three were burned beyond recognition. Many were found kneeling in prayer. Indications are that the five-story building, crowded with Italians, was flooded with oil from top to bottom and then fired.

Four Miners Killed.

BUTTE, Mont., March 3.—Four miners were killed in the Diamond mine of the Amalgamated Copper company this morning, the result of the miners' single shift firing a blast just before quitting the night's work. They were in the act of lighting 20 holes when the fuse became entangled, setting off two blasts prematurely. Four men were killed, their bodies being covered with rock. They were recovered by the surface men.

Earthquake Kills Many.

SMYRNA, March 3.—An earthquake in the village of Masra, near Jerusalem, killed 150 persons today, according to a dispatch from Paris.

SAYS ROOSEVELT IS GREAT AND SMALL

CHICAGO, March 3.—M. N. Mangasarian has made his promised criticism of President Roosevelt's action in refusing to receive his protest against the characterization of Thomas Paine as "a filthy little atheist."

"I do not blame President Roosevelt for his remark," said Mangasarian. "His religious training is responsible for his narrow views. This is the day of political tolerance. The name of Jefferson Davis has been restored to its place among other illustrious names in Washington. Oliver Cromwell, who led the king of England to the scaffold, has his name in the Pantheon of England. In politics we are civilized; in religion we are still barbarians."

"President Roosevelt's virtues are great and we respect him for them. Great in some things, he is so small in others that it seems incomprehensible that one man can be capable of doing and saying things so wide apart. I pity his ignorance, and the worst I wish him is that he may in time become enlightened."

KILLED MAN IN QUARREL OVER EGG

CHICAGO, March 3.—In a cell at a police station G. C. Harbaugh, a waiter, awaits formal arraignment for killing Charles Kelly, a cook, by plunging a carving knife through his heart. Harbaugh had ordered three eggs for a customer, the cook blundered and prepared only two, and the waiter, in a moment of anger, slew him after a short quarrel.

The sergeant who took Harbaugh into custody gave a metaphysical view of the crime when he had disposed of his captive.

"Now when you write this up," he urged, "don't go and say 'the two men quarreled over an egg.' Nothing of the kind happened. You might as well say that those 70 men were killed out at the crib by a parlor match. What killed them was dynamite. What killed Kelly was Harbaugh's grudge. The egg just started Harbaugh's grudge going."