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THE TAFT POLICIES

An Outline of the Recommendations of the President to Congress in His Annual Message.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Features of the message of President Taft are its insistent demand for economy in the public expenditures, the declaration of changing attitude toward the Monroe doctrine, the assurance that no tariff war is even in prospect, the request for the appointment of a commission to provide against vexatious delays in litigation and the passage of a law against the granting of injunctions without notice, the abandonment for the present of plans for the enlargement of the navy and for recruiting the army to its full strength, the declaration that Alaska should be governed by a commission and not a legislature, and a request that Congress pass laws making the "white slave trade" between states punishable by heavy penalties, under the power of Congress to regulate interstate affairs.

Several subjects that were expected to add interest to the message are reserved for future communications. Among these are the question of anti-trust and interstate commerce laws, the situation in Nicaragua and the conservation of the country's resources, with its correlated topics of the reclamation of arid and semi-arid lands, the preservation of the forests and the improvement of waterways.

Indorses Ship Subsidy.
President Taft indorses the principle of ship subsidy. He also indorses the party platform declaration in favor of postal saving banks.

Curtailment of expenditures the President takes under more than one heading. Perhaps the most important reference is in connection with his views as to the reorganization of the public service generally. He finds that the work in the departments is not done upon the same plane as that of private corporations, that there is inefficiency in the ranks and that the schedule of salaries is not based upon the amount of time and of effort and brains that the employee is required to put into his work.

The fault is felt with the message by Republicans, who seemed to agree that it was a satisfactory document as the President could prepare and remain consistent with the party's campaign pledges. The Democrats approve the President's effort to economize, but they deprecate his suggestion that the Monroe doctrine had become practically obsolete.

ONE KILLED, SEVEN HURT

Party of 13 Coasters Hurdled into Telephone Pole.

Portland, Dec. 6.—While dashing wildly down a steep hill, a bobbed carrying 13 young Portland pleasure-seekers careened from the beaten path and crashed into a telephone pole. The blow dashed one of the occupants of the six coasters to death, another, it is expected, will not survive and others are injured.

Zelaya Seeks an Investigation.

Managua, Dec. 5.—President Zelaya has asked the United States to send a commission to Nicaragua to investigate conditions existing here, and says that if its findings show that his administration is detrimental to Central America he will resign. President Zelaya believes the information sent to the United States regarding atrocities practiced by his government is prejudiced.

Pay Hunters to Destroy Vermin.

Portland, Or., Dec. 5.—District 6 of the national forest service, comprising the states of Oregon and Washington, and Alaska, has just been allotted \$1350 for the purpose of hiring professional hunters to destroy predatory wild animals upon the national forests.

Washington's Home to Go.

New York, Dec. 9.—What is believed to have been the first Presidential mansion in the United States is being torn down to make way for a structure paying larger revenues. It was to this house that President Washington returned after taking the oath of office.

SODA WATER TANK BURSTS IN PORTLAND, OR., STREETS

Portland, Or., Dec. 7.—With a concussion which shook nearby buildings to the foundations, wrecking two-score glass windows, some of them of valuable French plate, throwing tenons of the buildings and pedestrians on the street into a panic of fright, causing damages estimated to be at least \$2000, and with a roar which was heard distinctly more than a mile away, a wrought steel tank containing carbonic gas fell from a wagon and exploded.

HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST CONDENSED FOR READERS

The California state supreme court has sustained the validity of the Walker-Otis anti-betting law. King George of Greece, has resumed the idea of abdication for himself and his dynasty. A gun is being designed by army ordnance experts for the purpose of shooting dirigible balloons and aeroplanes. Idaho is to receive on account for the sale of public lands for a school fund for the year ending June 30, 1909, \$10,992. A full-grown male lion, two lionesses, two lion cubs and a leopard were burned to death Sunday when caged in a Colorado Springs zoo took fire from overheated stove. The Chinese government has sent a circular note to the powers protesting Russia's claims to the right of administration over the Manchurian railway zone. The collapse of a balcony in a Walla Walla, Wash., department store caused the injury of three children and scores of others had narrow escapes. Senator Borah, of Idaho, introduced a bill Tuesday authorizing issuance of \$30,000,000 of irrigation bonds, in accordance with the recommendation of Secretary Ballinger. A series of hotels for the exclusive use of women, to be conducted somewhat after the manner of the Mills hotels for men, will be built in New York by the Co-operative Service League. Control of the Equitable Life Assurance Society by Thomas F. Ryan soon after the insurance scandals a few years ago, has passed to J. Pierpont Morgan with the \$472,000,000 of assets of the company. Representatives of trainmen on all the Eastern roads of the country, comprising 300,000 employees, have issued a statement declaring they would soon present a demand to the railroads for a 10 per cent increase in wages. Abraham Ruef, former political boss and for a number of years the dominating power in San Francisco politics, has been released from the Bay City jail on bonds aggregating \$300,000. Secretary Ballinger has designated 140,830 acres of land in Wyoming as subject to disposition under the enlarged homestead law. The localities affected are not considered susceptible of successful irrigation at a reasonable cost. Martial law has been declared at Bridgeport, Ohio, where 2000 employees of the Aetna-Standard plant of the Sheet & Tin Plate Company are on strike. A regiment of infantry, one squadron of cavalry and 150 policemen are guarding the mills. The government expects to make the sugar trust pay \$8,000,000, in addition to the \$2,000,000 already collected, in reparation of various frauds upon the revenues in the importation of sugar during the last few years at the port of New York and elsewhere. Nearly 10,000,000,000 feet of structural timber is destroyed each year in the United States and of this amount 81 per cent is due to decay. The estimated wheat acreage seeded is 29,914,000 acres, against a harvested area this year of 27,536,000 acres. Chief Rockboy and his band of 125 Chippewa braves are now officially at home in their new hunting-grounds on the Blackfoot reservation in Montana, and 1,300,000 acres in Valley county of that state which were withdrawn to make a home for the Indians have been reopened to settlement. The fight for the heavyweight championship of the world between James J. Jeffries and John Johnson, will be held in California, near San Francisco, on July 4, 1910. The successful bid for the exhibition was \$101,000 and two-thirds of the moving picture privileges to the contestants.

CONGRESS IS IN ANNUAL SESSION

SENATE HOLDS FORTH ONLY THIRTEEN MINUTES.

TAFT FAVORS SHIP SUBSIDY

House Session Continues 40 Minutes—Congressman McCredie Takes Oath of Office.

Washington, Dec. 7.—The first regular session of the 61st congress opened Monday with the usual ceremonies and benedictions by the chaplains of the two houses. When the senate was called to order 81 members responded. The house session continued 40 minutes, in which W. W. McCredie, new representative from Washington, who succeeds the late Francis W. Cushman, was sworn in. Practically no business was transacted by either house, and as a mark of respect to the late Senator Martin Johnson, of North Dakota, the upper house adjourned after being in session only 13 minutes. After the reading of the President's message, both houses adjourned until Friday, when, if some of the committees fail to provide something to do, adjournment will be taken until Monday.

The following bills have been introduced: Gerner, Pa., to investigate entire customs service, particularly in regard to the sugar frauds; Hitchcock, Nebraska, for the establishment of postal savings banks; Mann, Illinois, for federal regulation of the "white slave" trade; another by Mann for free admission of wood pulp; Hamilton, Michigan, to grant statehood to New Mexico and Arizona.



VICE-PRESIDENT SHERMAN.

ishment of postal savings banks; Mann, Illinois, for federal regulation of the "white slave" trade; another by Mann for free admission of wood pulp; Hamilton, Michigan, to grant statehood to New Mexico and Arizona. There are many things of general public concern to come before congress during the session, but the great questions for consideration and debate as far as can be foreseen at present are: Amendments to the interstate commerce law; legislation to make certain that the natural resources of the country shall be saved to the people from the hand of greed; establishment of a postal savings bank system; reduction of governmental expenses; the question of separate statehood for Arizona and New Mexico.



SPEAKER CANNON.

One of the greatest fights of the session will be over the postal savings bank proposal. Notwithstanding the fact that this is in the last Republican national platform and is even mentioned as an alternative in the Democratic platform, it will be opposed by an influential section of both parties. The banks, of course, will antagonize it—not only the private savings institutions, but the national and state banks. Ship subsidies will bring another fight, but from an entirely different source. The American people are traditionally opposed to the granting of direct subsidies. Mr. Taft is the only President that has come out flatfooted for ship subsidies.

Portland—The Red Cross Christmas stamp is here—1,000,000 of them, and to distribute them, a special meeting of the workers of the Visiting Nurse Association was held and the various committees appointed. The money received through last year's sale at Christmas time has been spent in the care of poor patients in various stages of tuberculosis, particular attention being given to those in a hopeless condition who could not leave their homes.

Church Services

M. CHURCH.
Sunday services—Sabbath school 10:30 a. m.
Preaching—11:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Epworth League—6:45 p. m.
Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.
Business meeting, first Monday evening each month.
J. W. Miller, pastor.
W. H. Allison, superintendent Sunday school.
M. W. Waring, president Epworth League.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH.
Services on Sabbath at Methodist Church as follows: Sunday School 2:30 p. m. preaching, 3:30 p. m.; Young Peoples Christian Union, 5:45 p. m.
Topic for sermon next Sabbath, "Before God, or recognizing the Divine Presence."
Sabbath School and preaching at Cairo school house at 10:30 a. m.

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Christian Endeavor—7 p. m.
Sunday School—10:30 a. m.
Junior Endeavor—3 p. m.
Rev. Morriss, by special request, will continue his lecture on India next Sunday evening.

Insurance Commissioner Warns.
Salem—In a bulletin issued by Insurance Commissioner Kozler, the public is warned to exercise caution in investing funds in the stocks and bonds of insurance companies without first making careful investigation of the merit of the company.

Crossed Saloon Thought.
Astoria—The high quality of the silverware running in the Columbia river this fall and especially their excellent color, has led many to believe they are a cross between the regular silverware and the fall Chinook.

You must think you ought to run around barefoot, Johnny. said Mrs. Lapalting childless. "Just because Bobbie Stappford goes barefoot, he's no centurion to go by."—Crescent Journal.

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Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Burns, Oregon, November 29, 1909.
Notice is hereby given that Arthur E. Decker, of Weiser Idaho who, on December 31, 1904, made homestead entry No. 388, Serial N 01851, for SW 1/4 Sec. 30, T. 10 S., R. 1 E., W. M. has filed notice of intention to make Final Five Year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before G. L. King, U. S. Commissioner, at his office at Ontario, Oregon, on the 13th day of January, 1910.
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Wm. Barks, Register.

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