



## PALPABLE TRICK OF STANDARD OIL

### Indorses Taft to Drive Votes From Him.

## ROCKEFELLER GIVES OPINION

### Roosevelt Says Scheme Can Deceive No One.

## BRYAN AND MACK FROTHY

### Proclaim Indorsement Proves Taft Pledged to Trusts, but President Recalls Standard's Hatred of Administration.

## ROCKEFELLER HELPS BRYAN.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—Thomas L. Higgin, the Independence party Presidential nominee, at a largely attended rally in Brooklyn tonight mentioned in particular the Standard Oil Company's attitude in the campaign, saying:

"I noticed in a newspaper today that John D. Rockefeller is credited with saying that he is going to vote for Taft. While the Standard Oil Company's head votes for Taft the Standard Oil money goes to support Bryan, and Rockefeller, sly old fox, helps Bryan by declaring that he is for Taft."

## WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—(Special.)

Little attention was paid by people generally in Washington to the announcement that John D. Rockefeller had spoken in favor of W. H. Taft. More attention was paid to W. J. Bryan's charges in Ohio this afternoon that "Rockefeller is for Taft because Taft is for Rockefeller."

"It appeared after Bryan's speech," said a leading politician at the White House today, "that some people were likely to believe Rockefeller and their associates really were in favor of the Republican candidate."

Every Republican in Washington has been of the secure feeling that the Standard Oil Company was opposed to Mr. Taft. The general impression has been that the "Standard crowd" had covertly been for Mr. Bryan, and would be greatly pleased at the Nebraska's election over Mr. Taft.

Bryan powerless, Taft would act. It is well known that, should Mr. Bryan be elected, there still would be a Republican House and Senate, and a Democratic President could get his laws of any radical sort through a House so opposed to him, unless he sought to carry out the identical policies of the administration he now so harshly assails. If Mr. Taft is elected, according to his friends and his own statements in private and on the stump, he will take up the prosecutions now pending against the Standard Oil Company and push them to speedy conclusions.

## Palpable Trick to Deceive.

President Roosevelt regards the Rockefeller statement as a trick and caused the following statement to be made public at the White House today:

"At the White House the announcement of Mr. Rockefeller, through the press agent of the Standard Oil Company, was regarded with some amusement, in view of what the administration has done to the Standard Oil Company and of the bitter hatred borne by the Standard Oil Company to the administration."

"It is a perfectly palpable and obvious trick on the part of the Standard Oil people to try to damage Taft—a trick so palpable that it can deceive no one."

This statement is intended to head off what the President believes is a cunning attempt on the part of the Standard Oil interests to effect a compromise with the administration and lessen the attacks which are being put forth to bring that concern to book for its alleged infraction of the traffic laws. The President was plainly annoyed over the interview with Mr. Rockefeller, in which the latter purported to give his reasons for supporting Taft.

## Old John D. is Fawning.

In Mr. Roosevelt's opinion, judging from remarks he has heretofore dropped concerning insidious attempts of the Standard Oil interests to call off the Government's dogs, the belated and ostentatious announcement of Mr. Rockefeller means not only an effort to damage the interests of Mr. Taft, but another fawning, underhand movement to place the Administration in a position where it would be embarrassed in its efforts to prosecute the Standard Oil Company in the courts and continue the suits against it for its rebating operations, which are now being fought.

The President discussed the Rockefeller interview with several of his callers. He was plainly disgusted by it. Secretary Root, on whose advice the President relies in emergencies, was not in Washington, but Luke E. Wright, Secretary of War, and Henry M. Hoyt, Solicitor-General of the Department, were present.

## TROUBLE IS DUE TO FOOL WOMEN

### CORBIN SAYS ARMY COMMANDERS CAN'T CONTROL THEM.

### Orgies Such as Haines Had Were Unknown—Suggests Mrs. Hains' Letters Were Manufactured.

CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 30.—(Special.)—"One fool woman can make more trouble at an Army post than all the officers and men," said General H. C. Corbin, ex-Adjutant-General of the United States Army, this evening in discussing the Hains murder case. "Such things as are described as occurring in Fort Hamilton never were known in my time in the Army, and I left it only a year and one-half ago. It seems incredible that such things could happen, particularly at Fort Hamilton, right under the eyes of the Inspector-General."



General H. C. Corbin, who declares women of Mrs. Hains' type cause much trouble in Army.

"We can control the officers and men, but we cannot control the women. There were several such cases in my time, and we had to get rid of the officers to get rid of the women. This Hains case is distressing. I understand the marriage was unhappily all the way through."

"But those letters; they don't seem natural for a wife to write to her husband. They look more like letters manufactured for the purpose of creating sympathy or perhaps furnishing a possible incentive for insanity."

## WHITMORE IS ACQUITTED

### Man Accused of Wife-Murder Hugs Lawyer Joyfully.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Oct. 30.—After being out two hours, the jury in the case of Theodore Whitmore, on trial for the murder of his wife, whose battered body was found on December 26, 1907, in a swamp near Harrison, N. J., returned tonight a verdict of not guilty.

Whitmore's defense was an alibi, which he was able to establish by a number of witnesses who testified to having seen him in New York at the time of the commission of the crime in New Jersey.

Whitmore was much affected by the verdict. As the foreman of the jury made known the decision he threw his arms around his attorney and kissed him.

## PRISON FOR CHURCHMAN

### Aged Lawyer Sentenced for Misappropriating Women's Money.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—William Fletner, a lawyer with an office in Wall Street, was sentenced today to one year's imprisonment in the penitentiary for grand larceny. Fletner is 66 years old, and has been prominent as a churchman. Hundreds of letters asking for clemency were submitted in his behalf. Despite these the court said:

"As a warning to others, I will sentence him to one year. Lawyers who take their clients' money have no right to expect mercy."

Fletner was convicted of having diverted to risky speculation \$8000 entrusted to him by two women for safe investment.

## MONSTER KILLED AFTER FIGHT

### Imperiling Lives.

LONG BEACH, Cal., Oct. 30.—Eight miles off Newport, a 12-foot swordfish with a sword four feet long was caught today on an 8-6 hook by Hugh McMillan and G. G. Shoemaker. The monster towed the fishermen's launch two miles and charged the boat repeatedly. It was killed after a half-hour's fight by blows on the head with a heavy hammer. When the big fish was first caught it charged to the surface, endangering the lives of the men in a nearby launch.

## RACE AROUND CAPE HORN

### Colliers Start on 13,000-Mile Voyage to San Francisco.

NORFOLK, Va., Oct. 30.—Several large sailing vessels put to sea today, among them the coal-laden schooners Dingo, from Baltimore, and Acme, from Newport News. The passing out of the Dingo and Acme inaugurates a 13,000-mile race between the vessels for San Francisco. They started in a favorable wind of 24 miles an hour.

## TAFT PUNCTURES OCTOPUS STORY

### Standard Yarn Blundering Strategy.

## SCORES BRYAN'S USE OF IT

### Trusts Don't Advertise Their Support of Anyone.

## OIL FIGHT TO CONTINUE

### Ohioan Ridicules Bryan for Circulating Report Rockefeller is Aiding Taft—Gompers Weak-Kneed Tricks Exposed.

## NO IMMUNITY FOR STANDARD.

If the Standard Oil company were anxious to bring about my election, I should take it that the last thing it would do would be to advertise its support for me. Therefore, this publication which Mr. Bryan is now making so much of, it seems to me, has but little significance in attempting to show that the Standard Oil or any other trust, is supporting me. That is not the way things are done.

I am in a position to state with great emphasis that neither the Standard Oil Company nor anyone connected with its management has contributed a single cent.

The administration is prosecuting the Standard Oil Company and it intends to continue the prosecution until that part which may be evil is stamped out.

## BUFFALO, N. Y., Oct. 30.—(Special.)

Bludgeoned blows at the Gompers-Bryan labor legislation plans were delivered here tonight by William H. Taft before two immense audiences. Mr. Taft gave the names of many labor leaders high in the councils of the American Federation of Labor who, he said, were leaving Mr. Gompers.

"The attempt of Mr. Gompers," he declared with great emphasis, "to deliver the labor vote of the country is an audacious act of political effrontery as has ever occurred in the history of politics. It is most reassuring to note that the men associated with Mr. Gompers in the executive councils of the Federation of Labor are falling away from him in this effort."

## STORM OFF NEW ENGLAND

### Drives Big Turbine Steamer to Shelter With Coasters.

BOSTON, Oct. 30.—The New England coast today was visited by a storm of wind and rain of greater severity than has been experienced since last winter. The storm center was in the vicinity of Nantucket, and Cape Cod bore the brunt of the gale.

## FARMAN IN FAST STRAIGHT FLIGHT

### FARMAN MAKES RECORD WITH MACHINE IN FRANCE.

### Reached Height of 150 Feet, Flying in Direct Course Without Single Mishap.

MOURMELON, France, Oct. 30.—Henry Farman today for the first time gave a practical demonstration of the possibilities of the aeroplane by flying direct from this place to Rheims, a distance of 23 miles, without mishap.

He ascended at 4 o'clock this afternoon and after encircling the field once, turned his machine in the direction of Rheims. Soaring over the tops of trees, the aeroplane rapidly disappeared from view. An hour later a telegram was received from Farman announcing his safe arrival at Rheims.

The time of the flight was 26 minutes, and the height reached was between 120 and 140 feet. The course was literally as the crow flies, over trees, fields and streams.

RHEIMS, Oct. 30.—Learning that aeroplane commissioners had arrived at Mourmelon to witness his attempt tomorrow at a record for height, Mr. Farman abandoned his idea of flying back to his aeroplane to Mourmelon and returned here tonight with his machine.

## NURSES OFFER THEIR SKIN

### Hoguan Doctor to Try Grafting on 9-Year-Old Child.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Oct. 30.—(Special.)—Fourteen fair nurses of the Hoguan General Hospital have each contributed one square inch of cuticle to be grafted upon the breast of little 9-year-old Hilda Scanlon, who was severely scalded last August.

Thirty inches of skin will be required to complete the grafting operation, and Dr. Wells, who is in charge of the case, states that more than sufficient cuticle has been voluntarily offered.

## THEIR BUSINESS KILLED

### Restrictions on Emigration Drive Japanese Companies to Wall.

TOKYO, Tuesday, Sept. 23.—As a result of the strict enforcement of regulations by the Foreign Office, the emigration companies of Japan are in great difficulties. Most of them have practically suspended business, only a few continuing to send out batches of emigrants to Brazil, Peru and other countries in South America.

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## STATEMENT ONE OPEN TO ATTACK

### North Dakota Is Parallel to Oregon.

## CANNOT PLEDGE LAWMAKERS

### Compulsory Obligation Held to Be Illegal.

## PEOPLE MAY NAME CHOICE

### But Legislators Must Remain Free to Elect Without Being Pledged.

### Oregon Amendment Adopted Last June Is Invalid.

BISMARCK, N. D., Oct. 30.—(Special.)—That provision of the direct primary law in this state which requires members of the Legislature to vote for the popular choice for United States Senator has been declared unconstitutional by the State Supreme Court. The validity of the law in other respects, including the provision permitting electors to express their preference as to Senator at the general election preceding the session of the Legislature at which a Senator is to be elected, is sustained. The opinion was written by Judge Fink and was concurred in by Judge Morgan, the third member of the court. Judge Spalding, rendering a dissenting opinion.

An application had been made for a writ of mandamus in a proceeding brought to restrain the members of the Legislature from electing a Senator next week to succeed Senator H. C. Hambrrough, who was defeated in the primary nominating election last Spring. The application was denied, and the members of the Legislature are now privileged to vote for their personal choice for Senator.

The North Dakota statutes make it compulsory for legislative candidates to subscribe to a pledge agreeing to support for Senator the candidate of their party who receives the greatest number of votes in the primary nominating election. On this subject the law says:

Provisions of Law.

"The petitions of all candidates for members of the Legislative Assembly shall, in addition to the requirements hereinbefore provided, contain the following pledge:

"I, the undersigned, a candidate for the office of member of the Legislative Assembly of the state of North Dakota, do obligate myself to the people of the state of North Dakota and to the people of the United States to support for Senator the candidate of their party who receives the greatest number of votes in the primary nominating election."

## CZAR LECTURES SERBIAN PRINCE

### REBUKES GEORGE FOR BELLICOSE UTTERANCES.

### Nicholas Refuses Official Reception and Tells Prince Russia Will Not Support Serbia.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 30.—The audience of Prince George, the Crown Prince of Serbia, with Emperor Nicholas today was purely private and unofficial. Russia having insisted upon this as a preliminary condition to the Prince's visit. As emphasizing this, King Peter's letter to Emperor Nicholas was as follows:



Crown Prince George of Serbia, who was given a Curtain Lecture by Czar yesterday.

to Emperor Nicholas will be presented by M. Pasic, the Serbian premier, at a later date. M. Pasic did not accompany Prince George on his visit to the Emperor today.

It is understood that Emperor Nicholas, in a long conversation with Prince George, dilated upon the necessity of abandoning bellicose tactics, which, he said, would find no support in Russia. The general attitude of Russia toward the Serbian Crown Prince is one of rebuke for his recent utterances at Belgrade.

It is reported that Emperor Nicholas has summoned a conference of Russian statesmen and military officers to Petrohof to determine what Russia's Balkan policy shall be. The meeting will be attended by members of the Cabinet and of the Council for National Defense and several members of the imperial family, who will decide the fate of the proposed international conference.

## GIVES WIFE TO BROTHER

### Betrayed Husband Unlocks Cells and Frees Guilty Couple.

RAD AXE, Mich., Oct. 30.—(Special.)—"I am opening the door of this cell so that you may go out into the world again. You can do what you please," said Joseph Smith to his wife as he unlocked the door that kept her in the County Jail.

Smith then walked to another part of the jail and his wife followed. He looked through the bars at his brother, Charles Smith. "I am going to let you out," he said, and unlocked the door. Charles came out. Mrs. Smith joined him and they walked away together.

Several years ago Charles Smith and Joseph Smith, brothers and farmers, both loved the same girl. She preferred Charles, but he fell in love with another girl and married her. Joseph married the first girl. The Smith brothers got along nicely until Mrs. Charles Smith died. Then the old love between Charles and his brother's wife sprang up and finally they eloped. On Joseph's complaint they were followed and arrested. Finally Joseph told the Sheriff of his intention to drop all proceedings. The Sheriff said he did not want to be the one to let them out, but that if Joseph was determined, he could let them out himself. Then he handed him the keys and the release came.

## BELIEVE WHANG HO LOST

### Chinese War Junk, Disabled Once, Now Overdue 124 Days.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 30.—Nothing has been heard of the Chinese war junk Whang Ho, which sailed from this port for Galveston, Tex. The junk is on the overdue list 124 days out, and reinsurance is quoted at 8 per cent.

The craft has passed through many perils since it sailed from Yokohama, for this port. The trip across the Pacific was accomplished without serious mishap; but after sailing from San Francisco for New York direct, January 5, it was discovered that the steering gear was unable to control the junk properly and it was headed for Papeete, where the crew deserted in a body and returned here. Another crew was found, however, and the voyage resumed. It is feared that the Whang Ho has finally brought up in the port of missing ships.

## DUTCH PAPER URGES WAR

### Advices Government to Increase Frotilla, Bombard Venezuelan Ports.

THE HAGUE, Oct. 30.—The News Courant advocates the reinforcement of the Dutch flotilla off the island of Curacao by three cruisers and four battleships, which, it says, should commence operations against Venezuela by mining the forts at La Guayra and Puerto Cabello and then enforce a strict blockade until President Castro submits to the Dutch demands.

## HITCHCOCK SEES 325 TAFT VOTES

### Final Forecast by National Chairman.

## GIVES OHIOAN MARGIN OF 82

### Counts New York, Ohio and Indiana in Column.

## CHANCES EVEN IN SOUTH

### Kentucky and Missouri on Indefinite List, but Favorable to Both. Concedes Oklahoma and Tennessee to Bryan.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—In his forecast of the composition of the electoral college which will choose the next President and Vice-President of the United States, made public at Republican headquarters tonight, National Chairman Hitchcock claims 325 Republicans, or 82 more than will be required to elect.

For the Republican ticket, Mr. Hitchcock is sure of New York, Ohio and Indiana. He also includes in the Republican column, Nebraska, Montana, Maryland and Nevada. In explaining his list Mr. Hitchcock said that he believed the chances were even in Kentucky and Missouri with their 13 and 15 votes respectively.

If by chance any of the states claimed should go Democratic, he said, they would be Maryland, Montana and Nevada, with a total of 14 votes. This would leave a Republican margin of 82, and of this advantage he expressed himself as perfectly confident.

The National chairman does not include Tennessee and Oklahoma in his list and concedes that the chances in these states are against the Republican ticket. His forecast, Mr. Hitchcock said, was based upon information received by him up to tonight from party leaders throughout the United States.

The states claimed for Taft and Sherman, with their electoral vote, follow:

California	10	New Hampshire	4
Colorado	8	New Jersey	12
Connecticut	7	New York	39
Delaware	3	North Dakota	4
Idaho	4	Rhode Island	4
Illinois	27	Oregon	4
Indiana	16	Pennsylvania	34
Iowa	12	South Carolina	8
Kansas	10	South Dakota	4
Maine	7	Tennessee	10
Maryland	8	Vermont	4
Massachusetts	16	Washington	5
Michigan	14	Wisconsin	13
Minnesota	11	Wyoming	7
Missouri	13	Total	325
Nevada	3		

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