

HITZCOCK FIRST CABINET CHOICE

Taft Offers Chairman National Committee Office of Postmaster-General.

POLITICAL ADVICE USEFUL

Fulton Confers With Taft on Oregon Senatorship — President - Elect Gets Many Letters in Favor of Tariff Revision.

HOT SPRINGS, Va., Nov. 27.—Frank H. Hitzcock has been offered and has accepted the position of Postmaster-General in the Taft Cabinet, that is to be. No expression regarding the selection of Mr. Hitzcock was obtainable for publication from either Mr. Taft or the Republican National committee.

These were reasons, it was pointed out, why it was expedient that Mr. Hitzcock's name should be fixed. As chairman of the Republican National committee, he became more familiar than any other person with the political phases of questions likely to arise at the beginning of the Taft administration and the knowledge he gained regarding the personal and postal affairs gained by a protracted experience as First Assistant and Acting Postmaster-General.

Senator Fulton, of Oregon, had an opportunity this afternoon to discuss Oregon affairs with Mr. Taft.

Mr. Taft's announced position in favor of a thorough tariff revision in Boston and in a conference which is developing to the extent of more than 200 letters a day. Mr. Taft's determination in this respect continues, and the trend of recent tariff revision is most satisfactory to him. New York's Republican state chairman, Timothy L. Woodruff, arrived here today.

"I expect to have a general talk with Mr. Taft," he said. "We shall discuss the New York State political situation and the United States Senatorship."

fixed the combination as a \$20,000,000 affair, competing lumber interests can see no limit to its capitalization, but at the same time they expressed no fear of its attempting to restrain trade by fixing prices.

Frederick Weyerhaeuser, "the lumber king of the continent"; Mr. Hines and others concerned, vanished from Chicago yesterday, and it is believed they have gone to the home of Mr. Weyerhaeuser at St. Paul, Minn. It is believed they are completing the details of the combination.

A capitalist named in the venture was T. B. Walker, the largest individual owner of "standing" white pine in the world. Mr. Weyerhaeuser and Mr. Walker, it is said, have made previous attempts to arrive at a business understanding.

The new combination not only controls the key to the white-pine situation, but it also possesses of a large voice in the hemlock, yellow, Southern and Western pine fields.

Clouet, Minn., is the center of production of white pine, and the controlling

NEW MEMBER OF THE BRITISH CABINET.

LORD FITZMAURICE.

Lord Fitzmaurice is the man who has taken the place of Lord Wolverhampton in the British Cabinet. He is Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster.

elements there are Mr. Weyerhaeuser, the Northern Lumber Company, Clouet Lumber Company and Johnson-Westwood Lumber Company which also came into the new combination with the Cooke and O'Brien people.

HOPELESS TO COMPETE

British Journal Opposes Building Navy to Ovide America.

LONDON, Nov. 27.—The Nation publishes today a strongly worded article against including the United States in the two-power naval standard for Great Britain; in other words, that the British fleet should exceed the strength of any other two powers by 10 per cent.

The paper says that America and Germany are the next two strongest powers after Great Britain. America, it explains, has practically to build two navies, one for the Atlantic and one for the Pacific.

The people of 40,000,000, the Nation continues, "is called upon to provide a force stronger than that levied on 140,000,000 of people. On this proposition we have two reasons to make. The first is that the people of Great Britain cannot do it, and the second that the Liberal party will not try to do it. They never will consent to build against America; it is hateful to the Liberals even to think of building against the United States."

SHOWS INJURIES IN COURT

Plaintiff in Damage Suit Stripped for Surgeons' Benefit.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 27.—To exhibit to a jury injuries alleged to have been caused by surgeons in the course of their examination this week, George M. Chenoweth was stripped to the waist in the courtroom today. The bruises and discolorations, which the defense said had existed before the examination, were carefully examined.

Six doctors and several attorneys pummeled Chenoweth and worked his arms and shoulders while he was under the inspection of chloroform for the purpose of determining whether his injuries, for which he is suing the Pacific Electric and the Salt Lake Railway, were real or sham. Both sides deny having caused the injuries.

DEFINES GROSS EARNINGS

Include All Earnings of Railroads, Says Minnesota Court.

ST. PAUL, Nov. 27.—In deciding a suit by the state against the Minnesota & International Railroad to get an adequate definition of the term gross earnings, the State Supreme Court today says: "The gross earnings, which form the basis of the 3 per centum tax under the provision of the special laws of 1873, is not limited to earnings derived from the operation of trains, but includes all earnings by such railway companies while performing work incidental to or in connection with the business of transportation, and which may reasonably be considered within the scope of their corporate powers."

Pay Tribute to Priest.

SHENANDOAH, Pa., Nov. 27.—A most remarkable tribute to a priest was paid today at the funeral of the Rev. E. P. O'Reilly, rector of the Roman Catholic Church of the Annunciation in this place for 44 years. Twenty-five cohorts, employing more than 16,000 men and boys, in the Shenandoah and Mahoney valleys, were shut down to enable the workers to pay their respects to the dead priest. The public schools here at Mahoney City and other surrounding communities were closed and all business in Shenandoah was suspended.

More than 200 priests attended the funeral services. Following the services the body was taken to Philadelphia, accompanied by 1600 mourners, on a special train.

Ever O'Reilly during the Molly McGuire crusade and in numerous coal strikes wielded a great influence in behalf of peace and law and order.

Carelessness Proves Fatal.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Nov. 27.—Failure of the engineer, Charles Humphrey, to stop the engine in which he was carrying several miners to the bottom of the mine caused the cage to go to the top of the shaft at the Chicago-Springfield Coal Company's mine north of this city this morning. Ernest Unger fell down the shaft and was killed and six other miners were thrown out of the cage and more or less injured.

25 per cent off on unbracketed at Metzger's, 842 Washington street.

DROGGED FIRST, THEN MURDERED

Skeletons of Americans Slain by Hostile Filipinos Are Found in Jungle.

FATHER LEARNS DETAILS

Expedition Sent Into Interior of Negros Island Finds Bones of Victims — Identified by Shoe and Notebook.

CHICAGO, Nov. 27.—Details of the murder of E. D. Everett, of the Forestry Service, and Tilden R. Wakley, a school teacher, by Filipino hillmen, were made public here today by Ebenezer Wakley, father of one of the men.

The elder Wakley received reports completing the record of his crime and of the expedition which revealed the skeletons of the two Americans and two Filipinos who accompanied them.

Find Skeletons of Victims.

Everett was engaged in forestry operations in a sparsely settled and wild section of the island of Negros and was accompanied into the hills by Wakley, who wished to spend his vacation in the open. Their failure to return from what had been planned as a trip of only four days was followed by rumors of the murder and Major Ahearn and Lieutenant Ford, with 20 men, took the trail through the dense, swollen streams, almost incessant deluges of tropical rains and short rations, the party worked its way into the heart of the wild hill country. The trail led into a jungle of Bayau mountains and into a hamlet known as, Stio Darlidge. Here the bodies of the slain men—or rather their skeletons, for the bones had been picked up by the natives and carried many months—were found. A shoe, part of a notebook and a number of buttons proved the identity of the skeletons.

From the hillmen captured and interviewed it was learned that the murder probably occurred May 11 and that it was accomplished under the leadership of a chief named Aybo.

Drugged Then Murdered.

Aybo, in the guise of friendship, became the guide of the Everett party and one night, just because he "felt like killing some one," he drugged the party with the fatal dose of the tonyungyung plant. He and his followers then fell upon their victims and slew them.

Major Ahearn found that upon his approach the drugged men died, among them the arch murderer, who was reported in the fatnesses of the hills. At the time the rations had become nearly exhausted, and the men in the engine room had done their best to get the train on its way. Major Ahearn followed the trail no longer, but gathering the skeletons and such particles as were found, returned to his base of supplies.

BOY FIREBUG CONFESSES

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they kept his residence under espionage, when asked finally pointed to him. The night before his arrest two detectives were stationed in front of his home to watch him, and the Standard Oil Company, which it was known, he intended to destroy.

These three skeletons remained on duty until 4 o'clock in the morning before they became tired and gave up in despair. Twenty minutes later the huge oil tanks were in flames, and his little sister watching the flames from a point of vantage near their home.

Young Anthony was arrested Sunday morning, November 22, and was immediately placed in jail, and at first vehemently denied his guilt. Finally, however, he confessed to his mother, to Mayor C. A. Johnson, to Attorney C. F. Hyatt, District Attorney W. S. Stevens, Attorney George J. Bentley, Sam White and others.

The buildings destroyed were the North Baker High School, \$2000; "Little Green Schoolhouse," \$1000; old Paul residence, \$4000; Standard Oil tanks, \$2000; Ideal Laundry Company's plant, damaged to the approximate extent of \$1000.

Teacher Held His Ill-Will.

Miss Edith Scanlon is the teacher who is said to have incurred the ill-will of Baker City's juvenile fire band. She was a teacher in the "Little Green Schoolhouse," where Goldman Anthony was a pupil. He bore the reputation of being thoroughly unruled and uncontrollable and succeeded in maintaining that reputation. He is said to have placed pins in the pupils' desks, and also in the teacher's chair, and to have been guilty of many other petty annoyances, for which the teacher reprimanded and punished him. Thereby she earned the hatred of the lad, who swore vengeance.

Soon after this the "Little Green Schoolhouse" was destroyed by fire. The fire started between 3 and 4 o'clock in the morning and kerosene was used. Next day the Anthony boy failed to attend his classes, which were transferred to the High School Annex. That was five months ago.

Second School Building Burns.

Miss Scanlon was transferred to the High School Annex. A short time later this building also was destroyed under circumstances very similar to those surrounding the destruction of the "Little Green Schoolhouse." The fire began between 3 and 4 o'clock in the morning and kerosene was used. And next day the Anthony boy again failed to attend school.

Next the Paul residence was destroyed. It was a two-story brick building, 21 room residences in Baker City. The fire in that building also started between 3 and 4 o'clock in the morning, and kerosene was used. Nor did the Anthony boy attend school on the following day.

Only a brief time elapsed before the Ideal Laundry Company's plant was discovered on fire. The discovery was made at 4 o'clock and it was also discovered that kerosene had been used. But the flames were extinguished after only partially destroying the building. It has since been ascertained that the Anthony boy failed to attend school on the day following the laundry fire.

High School Also Destroyed.

By that time the town was in an uproar. It was generally believed that the kerosene was of incendiary origin, and it was also generally believed that a single person was responsible for the destruction of the school. Threats were made and citizens generally joined in the hunt. But not a clew of importance was discovered and not a bit of suspicion pointed to the boy, for at that

time it had not been ascertained that he had absented himself from school on the day following each fire. Nor was it known that he held a grudge against the teachers.

The climax to Baker City's indignation came with the destruction of its high school by the fire which started at 3 o'clock in the morning; kerosene was used, and next day the Anthony boy failed to attend school. Then he was suspected. Just why, exactly, he was suspected, he would not say. What incident or circumstance directed the attention of the authorities to him has not been explained. But from that time on he was shadowed.

Detectives Trick Young Suspect.

The Pinkerton office sent a young man from Portland to win the boy's confidence. He succeeded in making him a very, very bad man, whispered to the boy that he was responsible for the fires that had occurred. To this the boy entered his protest, but the detective, his new friend nor anyone else but himself was responsible, he stoutly declared, and to prove it he announced his intention of hanging another fire on the school building. He had been planning for several weeks to burn the Standard Oil Company's tanks, he said, because he thought it would start a fire, and he would do so on that date.

So detectives were placed near the Anthony home and another at the tank. But the boy had evidently been watching them for he did not emerge from the house until after 4 o'clock, a few minutes after his watchers had departed. Then, according to his confession, he hurried to the tank, set fire to them and hastened home.

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Liked to See Them Burn.

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MINISTER HAS RESIGNED

Nicaraguans Assert Coolidge's Meddling Brought About Trouble.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Wednesday, November 25.—John Gardner Coolidge, the American Minister to Nicaragua, today tendered his resignation. It is reported here that the resignation was the result of disapproval of his Government in meddling with the internal affairs of Nicaragua. Mr. Coolidge is resigning from the diplomatic service and being placed in charge of John H. Gregory, Jr., the Secretary of the Legation.

RELIEF IN AWFUL PLIGHT

HOSPITAL SHIP BATTERED TO PIECES IN TYPHOON.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Secretary McCall received a cablegram today from Admiral Sperry, giving an account of the storm met by the hospital ship Relief after the afternoon of November 18. The Relief got into the track of a typhoon, while on its way from Manila to the Island of Guam, and was unable to run away from it. The barometer registered the almost unprecedented condition indicated by 28.10.

While disabled the Relief rolled heavily. Four feet of water was found in the forehold. Seven fires started at one time as the result of short circuits on the electric wires, and it was necessary to shut down the dynamo. Other lights could not be made to burn in the engine room on account of the spray and draught and the ship was left in utter darkness. Both the low pressure and the intermediate pressure eccentric straps were broken and there were no spare parts with which to replace them. Other damage was temporarily repaired in three days so that the Relief was

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Negro Known Here Convicted of Stealing \$50,000 From Mails.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 27.—Charles Stevens, the negro who stole \$50,000 from a registered mail pouch here several months ago, was found guilty in the Federal Court today on all six counts. The maximum penalty is 35 years. He will be sentenced later.

Stevens traveled extensively following the robbery and spent money freely. He finally returned to his haunts in Kansas City and was arrested. He was placed on trial Wednesday last and was defended by a lawyer who came here from San Francisco for that purpose. The stolen pouch contained money being shipped to New York City by a Los Angeles bank. The pouch was recovered, but none of the money was ever found by the officers. Stevens is believed to have buried the treasure.

Stevens is well known to the Portland police, having been sent to McNeill's Island from here by the Government for two or three years on being convicted in the Federal Court of robbing a mail pouch at the Union Depot. He crawled under a car and stole the pouch from a truck while the mail was being loaded into a mail car. He was arrested for the robbery shortly afterward.

During a part of the time he was in Portland the negro was employed as a porter at the Hotel Portland. He has always been suspected of complicity in

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MAKE OFFICE LIFE TERM

Fourth-Class Postmasters Object to Frequent Changes.

PENDLETON, Or., Nov. 27.—(Special)—For the purpose of furthering the movement having for its object the establishment of the rule by which fourth-class postmasters will hold their positions during life or good behavior, instead of being subject to change of Congressmen, the postmasters of Umatilla County met here this evening and formed a county association.

Under the direction of Addison Bennett, president of the State Association, organization was perfected. F. L. Greer, of Holladay, is president; J. C. Williams, Hermiston, vice-president; S. T. Casteel, Pilot Rock, secretary and treasurer.

CHRISTMAS NUMBER SUNSET MAGAZINE

- THE MISSIONS OF CALIFORNIA O. S. Aiken. A study of "The King's Highway" today. Superbly illustrated.
- THE TALE OF THE MISSING PASSENGERS Beatrice Grimshaw. Another Valti story.
- THE RAILROADS AND THE WEST J. C. Stubbs
- BUSHIDO STORIES Shuichiro Saito. Dealing with Japanese rural life.
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