TAFT AND CANNON AGREE ON POLICY

Confer With Tariff Committee Today.

WILL THEN STATE ATTITUDE

Understanding Broad Principles.

BOTH FOR TARIFF REVISION

President-Elect and Speaker Purpose to Carry Out Platform Promise-Taft to Make Suggestions to Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. &-President-elec Taft's day here was crowded with conferences and social engagements. The important feature was a conference with Speaker Cannon, which caused an ar rangement for the Republican members of the House Committee on ways and means to meet Mr. Taft tomorrow. It was also arranged that at the conclusion of this conference a statement will be saued to make known the attitude both of the President-elect and the committee especting the forthcoming revision of the tariff. Mr. Cannon called upon Mr. Taft, upon the latter's invitation.

Agree on Broad Principles.

It is understood that very little wa said concerning the details of the proposed tariff legislation, but that the con versation dealt entirely with the broad principles involved in that legislation. Mr. Taft and the Speaker proceeded upon the express understanding that they had come together as the representatives of two co-ordinate branches of the Governmen and whatever differences in details in the future may develop, if any, today's discussion was on the friendliest possible

The understanding, so far as there was any, was that the President-elect's part n the preparation of a new tariff would be confined to such suggestions as he might desire to make, and he was assured that these would be listened to by the House with every possible consideration he was not led to believe that the House would abandon its prerogative in the preparation of the new law. disation on Mr Taff's part that he would expect or desire it

Revise on Platform Lines.

Both agreed that the tariff should be re vised and that the revision should be along the lines indicated by the tariff plank of the Republican platform. Neither adicated a desire to depart from prerogative principles in the work to come. When urged to make a statement con cerning the interview, Mr. Cannon repiled that, owing to the fact that he had Cape Horn. met Mr. Taft at the latter's request, he

OLDEST FEDERAL EMPLOYE

Captain A. F. Rodgers, of Coast Survey, Dies at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9 .- Captain Augustus F. Rodgers, assistant superintendent of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey and said to be the oldest official in the employ of the Government, died early today at his home in this city after an illness of only three hours. He would have been 80 years old had he lived until Jan-

Captain Rodgers entered the Gov-ernment service in 1847, came to Cali-fornia three years later and for many years had charge of the Coast and Geo-detic Survey of the Pacific Coast, Alaska, Hawaii and the Philippine Islands, He was the son of Commodors John Rodgers, who defended Baltimore in the War of 1812 and who at the time of his death was at the head of the Navy. Captain Rodgers had three brothers in the Navy, only one of whom, Rear-Admiral John P. Rodgers, s living. He leaves a widow and sever

BARRIOS MAY YET RECOVER

Guatemalau Minister Lost Large Sum of Money in Accident.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 .- Senor Don Juan Barrios, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Guatemala, who was injured in an automobile accident yesterday, has a fairly good chance of recovery, according to statements made today at the hospital. The other members of the party who were injured are improving. The police today endeavored to find \$399 which Senor Barrios carried in a pocketbook at the time of the accident. The money, it develops, was stolen by someone who crowded around the over-turned automobile and its unconscious

Ward's Protest Overruled.

CHICAGO, Der. 9.-The \$2,000,000 museum provided for Chicago in the will of the today when Judge Dupuy, in the Superior Court, refused to grant a perpetual re-straining order petitioned for by A. Mont-Ward to prevent the erection of fice on the made land which is made land which is part of Grant Park, commonly known as the Lake Front Park. Mr. Ward comed against the contemplated building is capacity as an owner of property

SOCIETY LEADER IS SALESWOMAN

MEMBER OF WEALTHY FAMILY NOW EARNS LIVING.

Separated From Her Husband, Mrs Dannenbaum Scorns Aid of Relatives and Goes to Work.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9 .- (Special.) -- Mrs. Marguerite Dannenbaum, whose hus band, Charles J. Dannenbaum, lost his suit for divorce in which he charged his wife with cruelty, went back to work today at a position with Robert Staedter Company, 155 State street, which she was forced to take in order to win her livelihood after the separation from the wealthy coffee broker After a lifetime of luxury-for Mrs Dannenbaum was of a wealthy San Francisco family when she married Dannenbaum-a woman who has en joyed the ease that wealth brings has ome to a place where she has to battle

with the world for her daily bread. Her pride and determination to take eare of herself have forbidden her takng any aid from her relatives and friends, who have been so eager to help her. And so it happens that the erstwhile leader of an exclusive coterie of society is selling furn to women who now enjoy the affluence she has

ADMINISTER HUME ESTATE

Executors to Take Charge of Property in California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9 .- (Special.)-Mary M. Hume and Charles H. Warner were today granted special letters of administration in the Superior Court over the estate in California of R. D. Hume who died in Oregon on November 25. The petition stated that there would be some delay in probating the will and that it was desirable that the petitioners, who are named as the executors in the will, should have the legal right to take charge of the property.

The estate here, according to the petition, consists of real and personal property, including stocks and bonds and The horses are thoroughbreds that are now quartered at the Emeryville track. Judge Coffey granted the special letters as requested and placed the administrators under \$10,000 bonds each. Amy Creed, one of the petitioners

attorneys, stated tonight that he had no idea as to the value of the estate in California. He also stated that the will, when it is filed, will be probated in Oregon, and that a copy will be filed in the San Francisco court.

CREW SUFFERS HARDSHIPS

Stands Watch of 48 Hours in Sleety Weather Off Horn.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.-The m bers of the crew of the American bark Homeward Bound, which has just arrived here from Swansea, report having experienced many hardships during the voyage. Three of their number, John Campbell, Hilton Wade and Alexander Graves, have been taken to the Marin-Hospital, suffering from severe frost bites, said to have been sustained as the result of being compelled to stand a watch of 43 hours in sleety weather off

NEW ARTILLERY OFFICER

Major Bartlett, Commander of Columbia Forts, Man of Experience.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Major George T. Bartiett, of the Coast Artillery Corps, has been assigned to command post of Fort Stevens, Or., and the artillery district of Columbia.

Major George T. Bartlett, the new artillery commander of District of the Columbia, with headquarters at Fort Stevens, is an artillery officer of wide experience. He graduated from the Military Academy in 1881 and was as signed to the Third Field Artillery. In 1889 he won his first bar and at the close of the Spanish-American was made Captain and assigned to the Coast Artillery Corps. His appoint-ment as Major was made in 1907.

CLAIMS ROGERS AS UNCLE

Guilty Man Says He Is Related to Oil Magnate.

RENO, Nev., Dec. 9 .- C. A. Rogers, who claims to be a nephew of H. H. Rogers, vice-president of the Standard Oll Company, was sentenced to serve a year in the State Penitentlary this morn ing. He was indicted on two counts for passing fictitious checks on a hotel and gambling parlor, pleaded not guilty when arraigned, but later changed his plea to one of gullty.

Bank Officials Indicted.

OURAY, Colo., Dec. 9.-With the issuing today of Capias against George R. president; former District ron Stevens, vice-president, and Huriburt. Frank P. Tanner, cashler, respectively, of the defunct bank of Ouray it bec known that indictments were found against them by the grand jury which reagainst them by the grating them with re-cently sat here, charging them with re-ceiving deposits when they knew that the bank, of which they were officers, was insolvent. There are nine indictments against Stevens and Hurlburt and five against Tanner.

Oldest Baseball in World.

JACKSON, Miss., Dec. 9 .- What is be lleved to be the oldest baseball in the world will be shipped to Gerry Hermann, chairman of the National Commission, by Ed Laughlin. It was used November 8, 1865, in a game played at Williamsport Pa., for the state champlonship, which on Michigan avelue adjoining the park | ended 81 to 35 in favor of Williamsport

NATION'S WEALTH GOING TO WASTE

In Few Centuries Resources May Be Gone.

COMMISSION TAKES STOCK

Inventory of Natural Riches and Their Duration.

WITHIN SIGHT OF POVERTY

National Conservation Commission Makes Startling Showing of Rapid Disappearance of People's Patrimony.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 .- Governor John A. Johnson, of Minnesota, in an address oday before the joint conference of the National Conservation Commission and the Governors of different states, brought an enthusiastic message of accord from the great Middle West in the schemes of onservation and declared that the paramount problem of the hour was the derelopment of inland waterways. After the inventory of lands, presented by Senator Nelson, there was an informal discussion. Senators Newlands and Smoot and Governors Noel, Broward, Ansel, Lea and ex-Governors Hoke Smith and Blanchard participated. More than 30 state Governors were present.

Reports on Many Resources.

Much of the time at today's session was devoted to reports on water, forest, land and mineral resources, these being in the form of an inventory. The report of the Commission was pre-

sented by ex-Governor Blanchard, of Louisiana. Mr. Blanchard urged the appointment of a permanent conservaon commission Mr. Newlands spoke of the importance of the Commission's work and the need

for its permanency, with suitable appro-

priations, and, upon his motion, second-

ed by Senator Smoot, of Utah, a commit-

tee will be appointed to present the juestion to Congress. Senator Flint, of California, presented the report of the mineral section of the Commission. In explanation he predicted that the supplies of high-grade iron ores present century, high-grade available coal by the middle of the present century, copper, lead, zinc and precious metals by the end of the present century and phosphate rock, so essential to soll fertility, within 25 years at the present rate of use and waste. He decried waste of natural resources, charged that enough natural gas to light all the cities of the United States of over 1000 people is escaping into the atmosphere and that approximately \$1,000,000 a day is being

products. He pointed out that there are only ,400,000,000,000 tons of easily accessible (Concluded on Page 8.)

wasted in coal mining and other mineral

PLANS WESTERN

COMBINE TO MERGE ALL FROM CHICAGO TO COAST.

First Step Taken by Which 75 Playhouses Will Be Managed Dom Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9 .- (Special.)-Initiative steps to make Chicago the theatrical trust city, co-ordinate in power and importance with the center in New York, were taken today upon the arrival in the city of A. L. Erlanger, of

Klaw & Erlanger. From what was learned from an authoritative source, the plan involves merger of 75 theaters owned or con rolled in Western states between Chiago and San Francisco, For immediste absorption theatrical properties of the cities of Omaha, Denver and San Francisco are under consideration, and the details of the transaction are to

cal trust returns to New York City. Klaw & Erlanger already control 500 theaters in the United States with money value as an investment running into millions of dollars. Owners and lessees of Western houses are now being carried on fast trains toward Chicago and conferences as to minute arrangements are to begin immediately on their arrival.

be worked out between today and

Saturday, when the head of the theatri-

RANCHER SHOT FOR DEER

Drags Himself 3 Miles, Rides 3 More, Then 80 Miles in Sleigh.

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 9 .- (Special.)-His blood flowing profusely from a great hole made by the bullet of his friend, who misthrough his thigh, Peter Kersemenaker, a wealthy rancher of Grayling, last Friday dragged himself with the aid of his friend, Ben Johnson, three miles and then rode three more on horseback before he reached home. Yesterday, after a ride of 80 miles in a sleigh to Monida, Kersemenaker took a train to Butte and now lies at the Murray Hospital in a very serious condition.

FLIGHTS ARE SUCCESSFUL

Wilbur Wright Takes Friends in Trips Through Air.

LE MANS, France, Dec. 9.-Wilbur Wright, the American aeroplanist, made a series of successful flights here today. Four members of the British Aero Club went aloft separately with Mr. Wright. None of the flights was marred by ac-

Days Ago.

PASO ROBLES HOT SPRINGS, Cal., Dec. 9.-The strength of Governor-elect Cosgrove, of Washington, has materially improved during the last 24 hours, and his condition is not so critical as it was two days ago.

Slosson Challenges Sutton.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9 .- George F. Slosson has challenged George Sutton, champion billiard player, for a world's championship 18.1 balklin contest, 500 points up, to be played in accordance championship rules. He has deposited \$250 as a preliminary forfet.

RUEF'S FATE NOW JURY'S HANDS

Unable to Reach Verdict After Six Hours.

ASK TESTIMONY TO BE READ

Evidence of Three Supervisors Is Retold.

COURTROOM IS CROWDED

Same Throng Which Heard Hiram Johnson Lacerate Deposed Boss in Closing Speech Awaits Result Until Late Hour.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2.- The fate of Abraham Ruef, charged with bribery, was placed in the hands of the jury at 3:38 o'clock this afternoon and at 5:35 the jury returned to the courtroom and asked that the testimony of ex-Super visors Furey, Wilson and Gallagher be read, which was allowed.

At 5:45 o'clock, after having been out for two hours and nine minutes, the jury requested permission to go to dinner and there being no objection from either side, the court granted their request, but ordered the jurers their deliberations at to resume o'clock,

Courtroom Is Packed.

So great is the interest in the case that the courtroom is densely crowded, making it almost impossible to get in or out.

In closing the arguments for the prose cution Hiram Johnson delivered against Ruef one of the most terrific denuncia tions ever heard in a courtroom. His speech of three hours, closing a legal battle of 103 days, was made before : crowd composed of men from all profes sions. Its effect upon the assemblag and jury was electric, for his words seemed to spark fire as they came from his lips. He closed by saying

"The sins that Abe Ruef committed two by two, he must now explate one by one. You are the arbiters of COSGROVE IS IMPROVING this cause. Yes, you are more, you are the guardian angels of this government. this cause. Yes, you are more, you Case Not So Critical as It Was Two | ernment, and what will you think of yourselves if you set at liberty this citizens, who has taught the youth of our city the principles of his system, so that it will take a generation to root out the effects of his lesson? What excuse will you have to offer for Abe Ruef, who has offered no defense except that he sold this government and its rights and privileges for so high a price that you are asked to set him free? We demand that you shall have the common honesty and the common decency to pronounce him guilty. For your own sakes, for you and yours. and for all that live in this city, for all who rank themselves as patriots (Concluded on Page 8.)

CANAL BOUGHT FROM AMERICANS

PARIS NEWSPAPER OWNER TALKS ABOUT SALE.

Says United States Purchased Title From Group of Own Citizens at Agreed Price.

PARIS. Dec. 9 .- (Special.) -- Promi nent men in Paris who figured in the Panama Canal deal smiled when they were shown Fresident Roosevelt's strong and unequivocal statements denying the report that certain Americans got a "rakeoff" from the sale of

the Panama Canal.

"I do not care to have myself enrolled in the Ananias Club," said one of the best-known newspaper owners of Paris, "and therefore I do not care to be quoted, but I know a thing or two about the subject under discussion "President Roosevelt is doubtless perfectly sincere, but at the same time he does not know the details, nor would he be likely to. In fact they are not particularly the President's business, I am willing to repeat, and can prove if necessary, that the United States bought the canal from group of its own citizens, who, through lever maneuvering, acquired either the canal outright or the privilege of celling it at any figure not below a certain sum. There are at least a score of persons in Parls who know this,"

DAVIS CASE WITH JURY

Deliberation Begun on Whether He Killed Rustin.

OMAHA, Dec. 9.-The case of Charles E. Davis, charged with the murder of Dr. Frederick T. Rustin, was given to the jury at 5 o'clock this afternoon. The entire day was spent by William F. Gurley, chief counsel for Davis, and by State's Attorney English in summing up the case.

EKSTROMER SHORT \$10,000

Accounts of Swedish Vice-Consul Who Committed Suicide Tangled.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 9.-Charles Ekstromer he Swedish Vice-Consul and manager of the local branch of a disinfecting company, who committed suicide here Monday, was short in his accounts between \$5000 and \$10,000, according to statement of the company today

COSGROVE DOING BETTER Symptoms Yesterday Less Danger-

ous Than Two Days Ago PASO ROBLES HOT SPRINGS, Cal., Dec. 9.—(Special.)—Governor-elect Cos-Hils somewhat better today symptoms are not as dangerous as two an, who has debauched our town and days ago. His heart is more regular and stronger. F. W. Sawyer, medical director.

Blast Breaks His Head. THE DALLES, Or., Dec. 9,-(Special.) Jesse Phares, an employe on the Govcanal work at Cellio, was brought to this city last night in a critcal condition with a fractured skull After setting off a blast late yesterday afternoon. Phares failed to reach a place of safety, a rock striking and shattering the left side of his head. His injuries day rankles more and more-that M. de are probably fatal

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BEFORE SOCIETY

Suit for Children Affords Spicy Morsel. *

SAYS HATRED WAS MOTIVE

Lawyer Tells Court of De Castellane's Jealousy.

TRY TO BESMIRCH EX-WIFE

Attorney Alleges That Only Way Princess de Sagan Could Avoid Suit Was to Submit to Extortions and Threats.

PARIS, Dec. 9 .- The courtroom in the Palace of Justice, where Count Boni de Castellane is seeking to have the custody f his three children placed with his nother, Marquise de Castellane, instead of with Princesa de Sagan, who was given the children when granted a diorce from De Castellane, was crowded with the leading members of French soclety when M. Julemier spoke in behalf of the Princess, who was formerly Miss

If M. Bonnet, speaking for the Count, did not spare Prince de Sagan a fortnight ago, M. Julemier was no less denunciatory and bitter in his characterization on this occasion of the Count.

Motive Was Hatred.

De Castellane's sole motive in entering his suit, he charged, was hatred of De Sagan; the very thought of the Prince ccupying a place in the affections of his former wife and living in the superb nansion on the Avenue Malakoff goaded De Castellane to fury. The Count, said M. Julemier, did everything possible to hinder the marriage of his former wife to De Sagan and, having failed in this, he was now seeking by every means in his power to bring discredit upon the De Sa-

M. Julemier declared that De Sagan never had been expelled from any club and that, while in Buenos Ayres, he did not lead the adventurous life charged to him. These and other accusations, counsel declared, were base calumnies, coeted by the man who had squandered the fortune of Miss Gould and left her with debts amounting to \$2,200,000 to

Refers to Count's Seven Homes.

"M. de Castellane has reproached M. le Sagan for living humbly in hired ooms," continued the lawyer. "Why did he not offer him asylum in one of the seven homes he continually frequents?" M. Julemier then accused the Count of furnishing mendacious information to the Gould family in the hope of thwarting his rival

"The jealousy of M. de Castellane," he said, "results from the thought that each Sagan is enjoying the great happiness which to him is lost forever.

Extortions and Threats.

M. Julemier was followed by M. Roussett, who appeared on behalf of George J. Gould, brother of Princess de Sagan, a party in the defense in his capacity as trustee of the Gould estate. M. Rousett characterized as abominable and scanialous Count de Castellane's attempt to besinirch the reputation of the mother of his children, merely for the purpose of venting his hatred. The only way in which the Princess could have avoided this suit would have been to submit to extortion and threats, but this she would not do because she had nothing to reproach herself with and nothing to fear. "The methods employed by M. de Cas-

tellane assuredly will be branded as they deserve by French justice," he said. "The former Countess had been kind to her husband, so kind that the Gould family had deemed it advisable to establish a trusteeship of the property to put an end to the extravagances of the

Count. Says Count Recognized Unfitness.

M. Roussett then said that the Count recognized himself as incapable of bring ing up his children and that he therefore desired that they be placed in the custody of his mother. The Count, however," he said, "would

take into his own hands the yearly ne of \$50,000 belonging to the children This money would melt like wax before a fire; the children never would receive

The Princess de Sagan enjoyed the esteem and affection of the members of her family, who were convinced that the children should remain with their mother. It was true, M. Roussett continued, that George Gould was somewhat apprehensive when he learned that his sister wished to marry Prince Helle de Sagan, because he realized that De Sagan was related to the De Castellane family, which his sister had just succeeded in leaving. He gave his consent, however, when he saw that his sister's heart was set upon the mar riage. The lawyer said he was convinced that the De Sagan household would ced that the De Sagan household would be happy, but, if a scandal broke out, George Gould would be the first to ask that the children be removed. He con-cluded by begging the court not to separate the children from their mother.

Will Await Court's Decision.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The joint resolution providing for the suspension of the commodity clause of the railroad rate law will be displaced as the unfinished business before the Senate until after the Supreme Court has passed on its constitutionality.

