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JUPITER PLUVIUS VISITING CAPITAL

Storm God Brings Rain and Sleet.

WEATHER MAN WORKING HARD

Will Try to Have Clear Skies for Inauguration.

CROWDS HAPPY, BUT WET

No Let-up in Preparation for Ceremonies, as Promise of Better Weather Gives Hope to All Concerned.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—(Special.)—Professor Edward B. Garratt, who is bossing the wind and rain machine at the National capital, predicts that tomorrow will be fair, a little cooler than today. It may be the professor knows what he is talking about, but he looks worried. All day long the downpour has been steady and heavy.

Although there are 200,000 visitors in the city tonight, the main thoroughfares are deserted by all save the umbrella brigade, composed mostly of folks seeking places to lodge for the night. The lobbies and corridors of hotels are packed and jammed with a wet and bedraggled representation of American citizenship.

Thunder Storm Rages.

Thunder and lightning performed in a manner to rival the brilliance of the electrical display arranged by human hands. The vast majority of the folks, however, are accepting an excessively moist situation as gracefully as though their voting precincts were located in duck ponds.

Later in the day the rain turned to sleet, and by nightfall the city was sheathed with ice. Trains bound for the city were seriously delayed, and in some cases utterly blocked by the violence of the storm. If the weather continues it will be impossible to hold the contemplated parades.

After midnight the rain had turned into snow and the storm showed no signs of abating. Pennsylvania avenue down which the parade will march, was covered with an inch of slush.

However threatening and disagreeable the weather, there is no let-up in preparations for the event of tomorrow. The big Union Station is receiving trainload after trainload of visitors. Sailors from the battleship fleet are arriving. Soldiers from Cuba and the Philippines are shivering in line, and the National Guard men from the surrounding country are marching to their quarters. The parade order has been issued and places in line assigned, and the finishing touches being placed to the very last detail.

Taft Shaking Hands.

At the Boardman residence the President-elect has been shaking hands all day long, while at the White House the President is saying good-bye to hundreds of friends. Legislators in the Senate and House wings of the Capitol are wrangling and struggling with odds and ends of legislation.

Owners of plate-glass store fronts along Pennsylvania avenue have an army of men employed in the construction of barricades in order that their windows may not be broken when the immense throng that surges into every vacant space that it may view the 50,000 men who will march in honor of the man who is to be the head of the Nation.

Lights Still Shine.

The electric lights in the decorations are twinkling defiantly through the clouds as though to assure the construction gangs that their work has been well done, while the lighted dome of the Capitol is signaling to the lanterns on the posts guarding the entrance to the White House grounds a message that the lawmakers are there busy grinding, and will have many documents awaiting the signature of the President when he repairs to his room in the big building tomorrow.

PROGRAMME OF INAUGURATION

Arrangements for Induction of Taft Into Presidency.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—Weather conditions will govern the time consumed by the inaugural ceremonies. If it is fair, cool and pleasant, the exercises on the stand in front of the Capitol will be prolonged in order that the audience attending the proceedings in the Senate chamber may make its way through the narrow corridors to the inaugural stand in time to see Mr. Taft take the oath of office. In the event of rain, Mr. Taft will immediately take the oath and begin his address.

From 9 to 9:30 A. M. the Cabinet officers, the joint inaugural committee of the Senate and House and others will assemble at the White House and at 10 o'clock the start for the Capitol will be made by the President, President-elect, committees, Cabinet and other officers. As there will be veterans in the parade, (Continued on Page 5.)

VICEROY'S COUSIN WEDS FAIR WIDOW

ARTHUR CURZON DEFIES FAMILY WISHES.

Romance Starting at Beach Is Aided by Illness and Marriage Soon Follows.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 3.—(Special.)—The love of Arthur N. Curzon, of Hamilton, Ont., a cousin of Lord Curzon, former Viceroy of India, for Mrs. Evelyn Pittman, a beautiful young widow, has triumphed over the opposition of his family. The couple were married at San Jose, and accompanied by Sydney Curzon, an elder brother, sent to San Francisco to prevent the wedding, they have gone to Los Angeles on a honeymoon trip.

Arthur M. Curzon arrived in San Francisco about two months ago. His lavish expenditures for wine and automobiles drew attention to him at the cafes and beach resorts. He cashed drafts for \$1000 every other day.

Curzon met Mrs. Pittman on one of his excursions to the beach. When he was ill she nursed him, and during his convalescence, the courtship progressed rapidly. Friends of the family wired to his relatives of his infatuation for the charming widow and of his intention to marry her. Sydney Curzon was dispatched to San Francisco post haste. Hearing of his coming, the couple determined to get married. In an automobile they left the city on the day Sydney Curzon arrived. Sydney accepted the marriage philosophically, and is now with the couple in Los Angeles.

UNCLE SAM IS "SLOW PAY"

Sends Grainbuyer Draft for \$1000 After 45 Years.

PONTIAC, Ill., March 3.—(Special.)—After waiting 45 years, John Baker, an aged resident of the vicinity, who was a grainbuyer for the Northern army during the Civil War, has received a draft from the United States Government for \$1000 for a shipment which had been purchased by Mr. Baker during the Civil War for the Government.

Mr. Baker was commissioned by Governor Yates to go through Central Illinois and purchase grain. He bought and paid for one consignment on one occasion, but, through some blunder, the grain was never shipped, but rotted at the station. Mr. Baker had given up hopes of ever securing pay for this consignment, so it came as a great surprise.

FILIPINOS FOUND CHURCH

Native Methodists Leave Parent Body; Presbyterians May Follow.

MANILA, March 4.—Nicholas Seamora, a leading Filipino preacher, has withdrawn from the Methodist Episcopal Church and, with 1000 followers, organized the Evangelical Methodist Church of the Philippines. It is planned to elect Rev. Mr. Seamora bishop of the new organization. Two native ministers and a dozen local preachers in the Methodist Episcopal Church have joined the movement.

It is possible that a similar movement will be started in the Presbyterian Church. It appears to be no doctrinal differences between Mr. Seamora and his followers and the Methodist Episcopal faith, and apparently they were actuated only by the desire for a completely independent organization.

SPECIAL SESSION IS SURE

Governor Said to Have Received Pledges From Majority.

SALEM, Or., March 3.—(Special.)—Though Governor Benson has not called a special session of the Legislature and has not declared that he will, no doubt is said to exist that the Legislature will be in session within the present month, and probably in the next two weeks.

The Governor has replied to inquiries that he will not call a special session until he has assurance that only the passage of the appropriation bill will be undertaken. He has received the promise that nothing else will be taken up from nearly a majority. A call for a special session may, therefore, be expected at any time.

USES PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Filipino Solicits Funds on Strength of Note From Roosevelt.

BOSTON, March 3.—A letter from President Roosevelt by Rafael Binayaga, a Filipino, used to secure money from Boston men on false pretenses, it is alleged, and today the young man pleaded guilty in court. He was charged with asking for money to aid fellow countrymen who were students in America.

As credentials he showed the Roosevelt letter written two years ago, in reply to one Binayaga had sent to the President, inquiring the condition of the President's son, Archibald, who was ill at the time.

ILLINOIS SOLONS FIGHT

Bitter Words Lead to Torn Collars, but Not to Blows.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 3.—Disension which had been apparent between the two factions of the Democratic minority came to a political climax today in an executive session of the judiciary appropriation committee of the House of Representatives. Bitter words between Minority Leader O'Neill Browne and Representative Lantz were followed by a physical struggle in which the collars of the two were disarranged but no blows were struck.

REPUBLICANS CALL CITY CONVENTION

Will Meet April 9 to Suggest Candidates.

ACTION TAKEN BY UNION CLUB

Stormy Discussion Followed by Unanimous Vote.

PRECINCT MEETINGS FIRST

Each Precinct to Have Three Delegates and Advisory Committee of Nine Will Select Names That May Be Voted On.

Republicans of this city will hold a convention Saturday, April 9, for the purpose of suggesting to the voters at the primaries to be held May 8 the most available candidates for the various municipal offices. Three delegates to this convention are to be selected from each precinct, the delegates so selected to be certified to the secretary of the City Republican Central Committee not later than Saturday, April 2. S. C. Pier, president of the Union Republican Club, which initiated the movement for a convention, has been authorized to appoint a committee consisting of nine representative Republicans which shall recommend to the City Central Committee the name of one or more candidates for the various city offices. This committee will be named some time next week.

This was the conclusion reached at a mass meeting of 200 Republicans held in the Selling-Hirsch hall last night. While the vote on the motion to hold the convention was unanimous, its adoption was preceded by a debate of two hours, which, for animation and warmth, discounted that of many of the old-time political conventions. For the purpose of devising some definite programme for electing delegates from the various precincts, a meeting of the members of the City Central Committee has been called to be held in the Selling-Hirsch building next Saturday night.

Report by Committee of Ten.

Provision for a city convention was made through the adoption of a report to that effect which was submitted by a committee of ten members of the Union Republican Club, as follows: S. C. Pier, Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher, General Charles F. Beebe, J. F. Kertchen, E. B. Colwell, Dr. Andrew C. Smith, Dr. J. A. Pettit, A. B. Manley, W. D. Fenton and J. T. Gregg. This report and its recommendations were as follows:

We, your committee, beg leave to submit the following report as to the best method of achieving Republican success and conducting the preliminary work for the coming election as outlined by our primary law.

First—That an assemblage of Republicans be held under the auspices of the Republican party, represented through and by the Republican City Central Committee.

It is our judgment that there should be three representatives selected by the Republic

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FILIPINOS WATCH STREETCAR STRIKE

MANILA'S TRAFFIC BUT SLIGHTLY DELAYED.

Nonunion Men Found for Cars and Many Union Men Leave Ranks of Strikers.

MANILA, March 3.—The carmen and other employees of the Manila street railway system went on strike this morning, following an all night meeting at labor headquarters, to enforce a series of demands. These include an increase in pay and a rearrangement of hours and were presented to the street railway company yesterday.

A few men returned to work and declared that many of the other men did not approve of the strike, but that the leaders kept the doors of the hall where the meeting was held, locked until after the hour this morning when the men should have reported for work. The leaders declare that they kept the doors locked in order to prevent spies leaving the meeting.

Most of the cars are being operated by the company with nonunion Filipinos and Americans. A strong force of police is guarding the cars, but there has been no violence. While small crowds gathered, demonstrations were not attempted.

GOVERNMENT LOSES POINT

Fails to Prove Legal Tariff in Standard Case Published.

CHICAGO, March 3.—The Government in the re-trial of the rebate case against the Standard Oil Company of Indiana today failed to prove the lawfulness of the 18-cent tariff, which the officials of the oil company profess to know nothing about was published legally in tariff No. 24.

Edward B. Casey, general agent of the Chicago & Alton Railroad, identified a rate which hung in the Chicago freight office when he was local agent.

The Elkins act then was discussed until court adjourned.

Private detectives swarmed through the corridors during the hearing of the case and even penetrate into Judge Anderson's courtroom. Each has a particular person upon whom he is supposed to keep tab.

SAVED CHILDREN FROM FIRE

Gold Medal for Girl Hero of Steamer Slocum Disaster.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The heroism of a little girl in saving the lives of nine children will be recognized at the Capitol on March 18, when a gold medal will be presented to Miss Mary McCann, about to graduate from the Florence Crittenton Training School of Washington.

The girl saved the children at the time of the destruction of the Steamer General Slocum, June 15, 1904.

HILL ACTING CHAIRMAN

Maine Man to Succeed Hitchcock on Republican Committee.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—Governor John H. Hill, of Maine, member of the Republican National Committee from that state, was today nominated as acting chairman of the committee by Frank H. Hitchcock.

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FORCE DOWN RATE TO COAST CITIES

Indirect Effect of Spokane Decision.

DUE TO WATER COMPETITION

Commission's Opinion Makes Rates Now Too High.

NEW SUITS WILL RESULT

Spokane Likely to Ask Reductions on Other Commodities—Long Contest in Courts Probable as Outcome.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash.

ington, March 3.—Under the decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission in the Spokane rate case, Portland, Seattle and other Pacific Coast points are expected to enter complaints against the present transcontinental rates on the commodities enumerated in Spokane's petition. The Commission recognizes the right of coast points to enjoy as low or lower rates than Spokane, because of water competition, but on the specific complaint of inland cities, has reduced the Spokane rates on about 30 commodities below the present rate to Portland and other points because the rates are held to be excessive. Until complaint is filed by the coast cities, however, the commission cannot readjust through rates to the coast.

Moreover, it is anticipated that Spokane, following up yesterday's decision, will enter a complaint on commodities other than those enumerated in its original complaint and will ask, and unquestionably receive, the benefits of a general reduction in addition to the order of yesterday. In this respect the Spokane reduction will undoubtedly be followed by a similar reduction to the coast.

It is improbable that the railroads will allow such a sweeping reduction in their rates to be made without a fight to the highest court, nor are the Spokane merchants likely to concede the lawfulness of the water competition rates to coast cities until they have made a like test. It may therefore be expected that before May 1, the date set by the commission for the reduced Spokane rates to take effect, an injunction will hold up the application of the new rates pending final decision, which may not be rendered for two or three years.

SHIPPERS TO DECIDE ACTION

Effect of Decision Decidedly Favorable to Portland.

No decision has been reached by Portland commercial interests to start a "backfire" on the Spokane rate decision and enter complaint against the present transcontinental rates on the commodities enumerated in Spokane's petition.

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WOMAN REFUSES TO PAY ANY TAX

PREFERS JAIL TO GOING BACK ON SEX.

Fair Suffragette in Winry City Says "Taxation Without Representation Is Tyranny."

CHICAGO, March 3.—(Special.)—Viola B. Squires, 1972 Kenmore avenue, will defy the city to collect her personal taxes and will go to jail, if necessary, in the cause of woman suffrage.

As a champion of the voteless sex, she wrote a letter to the County Attorney almost daring him to proceed in his collection, using as her argument the immortal phrase of the Revolutionary War, "taxation without representation is tyranny."

"I am sick of the notoriety which my action has caused," she said today, "but nevertheless I am going to stand my ground regardless of whatever action the County Attorney may see fit to take."

"It is not for myself alone that I wrote this letter, but for others of my sex. Unless women are permitted to have an equal way in the fixing of taxes they should not be compelled to pay them. I have started the movement, now let my colleagues join hands with me in what will eventually result in their deliverance from domineering men."

Miss Squires is not a member of any suffrage organization, although she admitted that she might join one in the near future.

SAYS ROOSEVELT MAY DIE

Former Guide Prophesies Malaria on Dark Continent.

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Colo., March 3.—"If President Roosevelt persists in going to Africa he probably will not return alive."

This statement was made today by Jake Borah, the guide who piloted President Roosevelt on his Colorado hunting trip, and who was invited to go to Africa with him.

Borah says that President Roosevelt has malaria in his system and that he would not be 24 hours in Africa before being stricken with the fever. Borah made known today the fact that the President was ill of malaria four days while in Colorado.

SENATE HONORS FAIRBANKS

Majority Gives Costly Silver Service; Minority Fine Loving-Cup.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—Behold Vice-President Fairbanks one of the most remarkable tributes ever given to a presiding officer. He was presented with a magnificent silver service, costing \$1185, as the gift of the entire body of Senators, and with a loving cup as the present of the Democratic members.

The presentation was made by Senator McCr. ber, who spoke of the Vice-President's ability and his devotion to work. Senator Daniel spoke for the minority, dilating upon Mr. Fairbanks' uniformity of action.

Mr. Fairbanks exhibited deep feeling in his reply. Then practically the whole Senate surrounded the rostrum, and all shook hands with Mr. Fairbanks.

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MUSICIANS IN TROUBLE

Boston Symphony Players Arrested in Bay City on Serious Charge.

BOSTON, March 3.—A round trip to the Pacific Coast, in which Daniel Marquarre, flute soloist of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, and Mrs. Mathilda Lenom, wife of another symphony player, participated, had its climax today in the Supreme Court here when both pleaded not guilty to a statutory offense, and failing to furnish \$3000 bail were sent to jail to await trial.

The pair disappeared simultaneously in November. They were located recently by Mr. Lenom in San Francisco, where Mrs. Lenom had opened a millinery store and Marquarre was giving music lessons. They were arrested at the request of the Boston authorities.

TAFT'S SALARY IS \$75,000

No Extra Allowance for Traveling. Other Salary Increases Lost.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The salary of the President has been definitely fixed at \$75,000 per annum, without an additional allowance for traveling expenses. The Senate inserted an amendment in the bill giving the President a salary of \$100,000 a year. The House reduced the amount to \$75,000 and the conference of that measure resulted in the adoption of the House figures.

The Senate lost all of its amendments for increase of salaries for the Vice-President, the Speaker of the House and the Supreme Court Justices.

PENSION BILL MAY FAIL

Conferees Fail to Agree on Consolidation of Agencies.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—Conferees on the pension appropriation bill failed to reach an agreement tonight. They separated at 11 o'clock with the amendment relating to the proposed consolidation of the pension agencies still in dispute. It is possible the bill will fail of enactment.

MAY WHEAT GOES TO \$1.19½ MARK

Light Receipts Throw Market Into Flurry.

PATTEN CALLS RISE NORMAL

Bull Leader Quoted as Saying \$1.30 Not Impossible.

RESERVE REPORTS SHRINK

Argentine, Indian, Australian and Home Supplies All Reported to Be Under Former Estimates of Quantity.

CHICAGO, March 3.—(Special.)—In a constantly increasing crescendo of excitement, during which James A. Patten was the coolest man in the active trading, May wheat clambered up to a new high level today, reaching within half a cent of \$1.20. In the turmoil, the bull leader philosophically defended his position that present values are justified by the fundamental conditions of the trade—supply and demand—and he had little trouble in shoving the price peg upward at the psychological moment.

At the close May wheat was 5¢ above yesterday and July had gained 1/4¢. The backdrop in the closing minutes was due to a rumor, afterwards vigorously denied, that Patten had advised his friends to take their profits on July.

Rumors Boom Prices.

It was a combination of bullish influences that set the pits wild and shoved May up to \$1.19½. First came advices from abroad that the Liverpool and Continental markets were higher on account of unexpected bullish news from South America, India and Australia.

For instance, a correspondent who compiles estimates on Argentine reports for a leading American machinery concern, revised his former figures downward, estimating the exportable surplus of Argentine at \$5,000,000 instead of 100,000,000 bushels, which was his former estimate. The official figures given out in December were 121,000,000 bushels.

Winter Crop Short.

Unfavorable reports on the Winter wheat crop came in with some persistence from Kansas, Texas, Illinois, Michigan and Missouri. Kansas renewed the stories that Hessian fly was making inroads on the fields in a bad way.

In the sensitive state of the market all these reports, whether justified or not by the cold facts, had their effect. The greatest excitement of the day, and the highest prices, followed sensational figures from Nebraska. These were compiled by a private elevator firm and covered only a part of the state. They

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