

SULTAN AND CZAR FELICITATE TAFTS

Messages and Gifts Pour In by
Hundreds From Every
Part of World.

"TAFTERS" SEND PRESENT

Three Couples Whose Marriages Re-
sulted From Voyage Across Pa-
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Among Donors.

WASHINGTON, June 18.—(Special.)—Foreign powers are sending their good wishes many thousands of miles to the President and Mrs. Taft on the occasion of their silver wedding anniversary tomorrow. The first came from the Czar of Russia, who sent two-fold congratulations. The cablegram received at the White House this morning reads:

Peterhof, June 18.—Mr. Taft, President of North American United States, Washington, D. C.—The day of the departure of the American squadron I express to you the great pleasure I had in this visit to our shores. I also convey to you my cordial congratulations for tomorrow's silver wedding.

NICHOLAS.

From the Sultan of Turkey came another cablegram of good wishes, which read:

Salonica, June 18.—President Taft, Washington, D. C.—On the occasion of your silver wedding I offer my sincere congratulations, as well as the wishes I form for your happiness and the prosperity of the United States.

MEHMET V.

World Sends Congratulations.

Congratulations, like presents, are pouring in on the President and Mrs. Taft by the hundreds. They are coming from all parts of the world, and the executive office staff has been kept at work recording them and attending to the vast amount of other mail in connection with the celebration.

Definite announcement was made today of the arrangements for the reception tomorrow night. If it is clear and the ground is not wet, the President and Mrs. Taft will receive under one of the big trees on the south lawn, a canopy having been erected for that purpose. Carpet will be spread under the tree, which will be brilliantly illuminated by many electric lights. If the night be rainy, the reception will be held in the Blue Room.

A detail of Army officers from Fort Myer has been assigned to duty as special aides to the President for tomorrow night's entertainment. They will assist the President in his customary duty of caring for the President's guests, and will also act as escort to the President and Mrs. Taft.

The company attending the President and Mrs. Taft will include members of the Presidential household, including members of the President's Cabinet and their wives, Miss Helen Taft, Robert Taft and Master Charles Taft, children of the President; Horace Taft, who was best man at the wedding 25 years ago; Mrs. Charles Anderson and Miss Marion Harlow, sisters of Mrs. Taft; Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Taft of New York, brother and sister-in-law of the President; and Miss Helen Taft of Millbury, Mass., the President's aunt.

Line Not to Follow Precedent.

Major Archibald W. Butt, U. S. A., personal aide to the President, will be the introductions. There will be no attempt to adhere to any official formation of the line. The guests will proceed immediately to greet the President and his wife when they have taken their places.

Hundreds of gifts are arriving at the White House. One of the most interesting gifts received today was a remembrance from the "Tafters," the group of friends who accompanied the President and Mrs. Taft on their trip to the Philippines several years ago. The gift comprised two solid silver Greek ewers, 16 inches high, accompanied by a solid silver waiter, and which were engraved the monograms of the President and Mrs. Taft and the additional inscription: "From the Tafters." Among those who contributed to the gift were Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, Representative and Mrs. Swager Sherman, all of whose marriages were reported to have been the result of the trip to the Philippines with the President.

Another gift which is particularly dear to the President is a solid silver fernleaf, 20 inches in diameter, from the President's class at Yale University. From Phi Upsilon fraternity there is a solid silver plate of antique design.

AVIATOR BURNS TO DEATH

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member in the competition for the automobile club's prize for a flight from Paris to Brussels, and on which he was away the French Minister of War met death four weeks ago.

Top of the competitors, Tetard, Gaget, Duval, Contesse, Chouteau, Lebon, Gilbert, Romance, London and Rupling, although they started officially, never got beyond the limits of the field. Either on account of engine trouble or because their machines developed eccentricities, they came down and gave up their chances for winning the contest. Sixteen different styles of monoplanes and biplanes were used.

WAY BESET BY WHIRLWIND

Seven Voyagers Reach Liege, After Perilous Trip.

LIEGE, Belgium, June 18.—At the closing of the registers tonight, seven of the aviators who started from Vincennes on the first stage of the European circuit race had arrived. The distance of 320 kilometers (212 miles). They were recorded in the following order: Vidart, 3 hours 18 minutes; Vedrine, 3 hours 23 minutes; Waymann, 3 hours 55 minutes; Meunier, 4 hours 3 minutes; Barra, 4 hours 5 minutes; Duval, 4 hours 21 minutes; Garros, 5 hours 5 minutes.

Rennux, the only aviator to carry a passenger, suffered bad luck, being forced to land on account of a wind eddy when within 200 yards of the aerodrome. He was not hurt, but the propeller of his machine was splintered. He was obliged to await the repair of his machine until the morning.

All the men who arrived declared that the flight from Rheims was the worst in their experience. They were beset with furious eddies, amounting almost to whirlwinds, which forced them to mount far above the clouds and grope their way by compass. Vidart was completely exhausted. In addition to the difficulties he encountered in keeping his machine level, he suffered from air sickness.

Barra also told of the dangers from the winds, which drove his machine in all directions. Once an extremely severe gust tore off his goggles, but he caught them with his teeth as they were dropping, and almost dazed his machine in doing so.

PRESIDENT AND MRS. TAFT, WHO CELEBRATE SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY TODAY, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF FORMER PRESIDENTS' FAMILIES WHO ARE AMONG INVITED GUESTS.



ABOVE—MRS. TAFT, THE PRESIDENT, MRS. FREDERICK DENT GRANT (WITH HELEN GOULD), SECOND ROW—MRS. BENJAMIN HARRISON, MISS ETHEL ROOSEVELT, THIRD ROW—"AUNT DELIA" TORREY (THE PRESIDENT'S AUNT), KERMIT ROOSEVELT, ROBERT T. LINCOLN, LOWEST ROW—GENERAL FRED D. GRANT, MRS. JAMES H. GARFIELD, JAMES H. GARFIELD, MRS. GROVER CLEVELAND.

SPAIN DIAZ' HOME

Specialist to Be Consulted
About Serious Abscess.

CHEERS BUOY UP GENERAL

Ex-President Says He Does Not Expect Again to Take Part in His Nation's Work Unless Situation Demands Relief.

SANTANDER, Spain, June 18.—The

steamer Ypiranga, with General Porfirio Diaz, ex-President of Mexico, aboard, sailed tonight for Plymouth. Several tugs sailing the Mexican colors and crowded with cheering people, escorted the steamer for several miles. General Diaz said the friendly demonstrations at Spanish ports had comforted him greatly in his bitter exile.

On the voyage from Gijon to Santander General Diaz consented to talk. Asked if he intended to take up his residence in Spain, he said:

"It is quite possible that, after a few months' visit, I shall turn my steps toward the peninsula. I speak only Spanish, and I am too old to begin the study of foreign languages. However, nothing has been decided upon. I shall make up my mind in Paris, where we go direct from Havre."

Abscess Bothers Diaz.

Incidentally, a member of General Diaz' suite said the principal reason for the visit to Paris was to consult a specialist with reference to the abscess from which General Diaz still suffers greatly.

Although reluctant to speak of Mexico, as he wishes to keep recent events from his thoughts as much as possible, General Diaz finally made this statement:

"I abandoned power when I became convinced that nothing but war lasting at least a year would put down the revolution. I wished to prevent the spilling of the blood of the children of my country in the fratricidal struggle; and, above all, to avoid the possibility of an international conflict, or even representations from foreign powers."

Prosperity Is Consideration.

"I wished to avoid the weakening of the national credit and the dissatisfaction of foreigners residing in Mexico, who have contributed greatly to the prosperity of the nation, and who have merited the consideration of my country by their work."

"My own dignity and the dignity of my country, without ever having been guided by vulgar sentiment or petty motives, and certainly I did not bring about this struggle, as some seem to believe, to keep myself in power."

"I have broken all the bonds which hold me to Mexico, and even if I were asked, I would not return to take part in the politics of the country. Only

COLORS ARE SHOWN

La Follette Men Coming to Front for Candidate.

COURT TESTS STATE LAW

Legality of Washington Industrial Board Questioned.

OLYMPIA, Wash., June 18.—(Special.)—

Upon the application of Attorney-General W. V. Tanner Saturday the Supreme Court issued a temporary writ of mandate, returnable June 29, on behalf of the Davis Smith Company, of Tacoma, directing State Auditor Clauson to draw a warrant for \$59 to pay for a desk purchased by the Industrial Insurance Commission.

This suit will bring out the constitutional questions and will permit the Supreme Court to say whether or not the Legislature had the right to pass a law which permits the state to levy assessments against manufacturers and employers of labor and compensate injured workmen out of the fund so created.

O'NEIL TO LIVE AT SALEM

Pioneer Railroad Man Will Manage Coal Yard.

SALEM, Or., June 18.—(Special.)—John J. O'Neil, pioneer railroad man, who gained a national reputation as Homer Davenport's engineer in "A Country Boy," when Davenport was fireman on the Woodburn-Natron branch of the old Oregon & Washington line, has arrived in Salem to take charge of the Union Pacific coal yards which will be established in Salem.

J. M. Poorman, president of the Woodburn Bank, was O'Neil's first conductor, and Mel Hamilton, a local business man, was one of his firemen at Davenport. O'Neil has found his occupation becoming tiresome.

INDIANS CATCH MANY FISH

Season Thus Far Has Netted Two Quinaults \$4000 Each.

HOQUIAM, Wash., June 18.—(Special.)—The salmon fishing season has been very profitable for some of the Quinault Indians this year. The run has been fair and prices have been especially good. Several Indians have made good sums, but Johnny and Harry Shale have led. Thus far the season has netted them \$4000 apiece.

Medium-sized salmon are now selling at 40 cents each at the cannery at Moclips.

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Thus, in time, this regiment will be made up entirely of Northwestern men. When the regiment is ordered to some other station, one skeleton troop will be left behind, and to this troop all recruits from the Northwest will be assigned. They will become identified with and a part of the Northwest regiment. And what is true of the Northwest will be true of other sections also.

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To localize these regiments further, General Wood would have them known by some popular name, as for instance, the "Northwest Cavalry," the "Oregon Cavalry," or be named for some prominent military officer whose home is in the Northwest. If there be no prominent military officers, then perhaps the name of some prominent public figure will be chosen.

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Aside from this, General Wood believes that the localizing of the regiments will tend to keep the ranks filled, for it will enable friends to enlist and serve together; it will draw and hold together men whose interests are similar, and it will give rise to that spirit of sectional pride that distinguishes the National Guard, and in other ways will work to the benefit of the service.

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