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ROCKEFELLER COMES OUT FOR TAFT AND CAUSES SENSATION

Chairman Mack of Democratic Party Makes Startling Charges.

SAYS IT IS PART OF DEAL WITH TRUSTS

Presidential Campaign Reaching Intensity In Eastern States.

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 30.—A special to the Record-Herald says that John D. Rockefeller, president of the Standard Oil Company, in an interview tells why he intends to vote for W. H. Taft. In short, he says Taft is temperamentally superior to Bryan, and that he is not a man to venture with rash experiments or impede the return to prosperity by advocating measures subversive of industrial progress.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—Charges were made by Chairman Mack of the Democratic National Committee that Rockefeller's declaration for Taft is the result of a deal between the Republican National Committee and the Standard Oil Company whereby the committee received a large campaign contribution and Rockefeller's promises. Mack said that undoubtedly the \$29,000,000 fine of the Standard Oil Company would be fixed up in event that Taft is elected as part of the bargain. Mack says that Rockefeller's declaration is good for at least 100,000 votes in doubtful states.

Mack says the Republicans now have the oil trusts and the steel trusts arrayed with them, calling attention to Carnegie's declaration yesterday that Bryan's election would be a national tragedy.

Mack asserted that he learned that the Republican committee has a campaign fund of \$3,000,000 and of this sum \$2,000,000 is being used for coercion and bribery. Chairman Mack further stated that \$200,000 of the Republican campaign fund has been sent into Indiana and more than that amount to Ohio.

THRIFT TALKS OF ASSESSMENT

County Assessor Explains Action of Southern Oregon Company.

(Special to The Times.)

COQUILLE, Ore., Oct. 30.—"The Southern Oregon Company did not advocate the raising of other assessments until the company found that it could not have the assessments on its own property reduced."

This was the declaration of County Assessor T. J. Thrift this morning when his attention was called to the report of yesterday that Manager R. E. Shine of the Southern Oregon Company, had advocated the placing of a higher valuation on other property. Mr. Shine appeared before the Coos County Board of Equalization.

"The Southern Oregon Company asked as high as seventy per cent reduction in the assessment of some of their holdings," said Mr. Thrift. "They wanted land that I assessed at \$100 per acre to be reduced to \$30 per acre. The board would not listen to this as it was evident that the assessments on the Southern Oregon Company's holdings were very reasonable. Then, when they could not get the reduction, Mr. Shine pointed out property here and there that he thought should be assessed higher. The Board of Equalization will determine this when they meet November 9."

NOVEMBER 1 is the date for inaugurating the CASH system at the SANITARY MARKET.

PLANT WILL RETURN SOON

Steamship Will Be Laid Up at 'Frisco Only a Week For Repairs.

The damage sustained by the M. F. Plant in last Saturday's accident was not as great as was feared by some. Today, E. S. Dow received a telegram from San Francisco stating that the repairs would be completed so that the steamship could leave there next Thursday, November 5, for Coos Bay. The Plant in tow of the Columbia, reached 'Frisco all O. K.

It is believed that the damages to the vessel will be repaired without going on a dry dock as the latter might necessitate two weeks' work. Meanwhile, no passenger boat will be put on the run. The Czarina with about 250 tons of freight that would have been brought up on the Plant this week had she been running, arrived in port this morning after a good voyage.

Breakwater In.

The Breakwater arrived in from Portland early today after a good trip down from Portland. She had a large number of passengers and a fair freight cargo. Among the passengers were: M. N. Knuppenberg and family, Mr. Knuppenberg being the head of the syndicate which recently purchased the Oregon Coal and Navigation Company's holdings on Coos Bay. Last night, a southwest head-wind made it rather rough and caused considerable seasickness. The Breakwater will sail for Portland at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

The Breakwater passenger list was as follows:

Mr. Hammond, Mrs. Hammond, M. C. Smith, Geo. Hollister, Henry Hoek, F. Langdon, Capt. Darwint, J. H. Stein, Mrs. R. Hostiers, M. Estey, B. C. Paul, W. A. Davis, H. A. Davis, Miss Wheelan, A. R. Bean, Mrs. Knuppenberg, Miss Knuppenberg, Miss I. Knuppenberg, M. N. Knuppenberg, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Durrett, Mrs. Homme, J. B. Jacobs, Jno. Foster, Miss Coombs, D. H. Butz, Mrs. Butz, G. Allen, A. Fostumbur, Gus. Allen, Mrs. Nickum, Mrs. Knapp, Mrs. Christenson, I. Christenson, Sens Christenson, Ralph Christenson, D. Christenson, H. S. Niel, A. S. Eldridge, Mrs. Eldridge, G. W. Campbell, I. Posey, Mrs. Posey, Miss Posey, Mrs. Jacobs, Miss Jacobs, H. W. Orwandy, I. M. Grossnor, E. Johnson, W. E. Coombs, D. L. Buckingham, L. R. Browning, Mrs. Browning, Mrs. Arnold, S. N. Arnold, Wm. Tuller, L. A. Parkurst, A. Adolphson, D. Dobbins, S. Craft, E. W. Jensen, Mrs. Brauler, F. J. Brauler, A. H. Armstrong, W. A. Reed, Mrs. Reed, A. C. Pence, J. L. Newell, C. Dillaboy, A. Nelson, W. Eldridge, W. G. Chandler, J. H. Neep, G. W. Averill and Mrs. Coombs.

HAS ACCIDENT ON AEROPLANE

Wilbur Wright Has Motor Explode During Ascension In France.

(By Associated Press.)

LEMANS, France, Oct. 30.—While Wilbur Wright, the American aviator, was making a flight this morning, the motor of his machine exploded. Wright landed without injury. The aeroplane was not otherwise damaged.

Steamer BREAKWATER sails from Coos Bay for Portland SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, at 2 P. M.

REDFIELD SUES TUG COLUMBIA

Owners of Schooner Sue Owners of Coos Bay Tug For \$2,400 As Result of Trouble Near Empire Recently.

(Special to The Times.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 30.—Suit for the recovery of \$2,400

damages said to have been suffered by the schooner Redfield due to the opening of seams when the vessel grounded near Marshfield last July, was begun yesterday by the owners of the schooner against the owners of the tug Columbia which had the Redfield in tow at the time. It is alleged that mishandling by the tug caused the Redfield to go aground.

ALMOST PANIC AT COQUILLE

Crowd in Moving Picture Theatre Has Narrow Escape During Excitement.

COQUILLE, Ore., Oct. 30.—For a few minutes the other night, it looked as though the large crowd in the Dime moving picture theatre would be thrown into a panic, and many injured as a result of the machine and film catching on fire.

The electric lights had just come on and the moving picture show got under way when the film broke and the loose end swinging round, striking the reostat, catching on fire. All who have seen a bit of celluloid burn can imagine how rapidly this blaze gained headway. Wm. Wilson, who was operating the machine, describes what followed as next to an explosion. He endeavored to throw the burning film from the booth, in which he failed, and was severely burned about the hands and face in the attempt. The fire boys had the hose-cart on the scene in a very short time, but a garden hose which was found handily at the Skookum restaurant had been brought into play and the fire had been extinguished before it was necessary to turn on a big stream.

There was considerable excitement among the crowd in the hall, but no one was injured. It began to look as though some one might get trampled upon, all at first starting for the front of the building but Mr. Campbell, the carpenter, who had that day swung a pair of large doors in the rear of the building, who was present at the time, called the attention of the people to these, and this so divided the crowd that no one was hurt. The building was slightly damaged, but the greatest loss was that of the films, this amounting to about \$400.

BRYAN AND TAFT DIVIDE

Rivals Separate After Almost Hand to Hand Combat in Syracuse Last Night.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—Taft and Bryan after an almost hand to hand struggle last night for the support of Syracuse and Onondaga county, Taft speaking at two meetings and Bryan at four, parted company today and probably will not come within point blank range again. Taft remains in the hotly contested territory of New York state. Bryan goes to take a hand in the final fight of the Democrats for the electoral votes of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. Bryan traveled through Ohio today delivering speeches at various places. Oneida, Rome, Utica and Batavia are among the places on Taft's schedule for today with a night meeting at Buffalo.

Indiana is the center of activity of Chafin. The Independence party campaign, it was announced today, will be closed in a big meeting in Brooklyn tonight and another tomorrow night in Manhattan.

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KUPPENBURG SYNDICATE PLANS TO DEVELOPE LOCAL PROPERTY

LEAGUE WILL SELECT MEN

Citizens Organization Adopts Platform and Prepares For City Caucus.

Thursday evening, November 12, the Civic League will meet at the Finnish hall to select candidates for councilmen and recorder which they will support in the city caucus November 16. This was determined at last evening's meeting when the league adopted a platform and discussed affairs in general. The platform adopted is as follows:

"We pledge candidates to an honest, straight, forward, economical business administration, and to reduce the debt of the city in all legitimate means possible."

The platform was drafted by a committee consisting of F. W. Rieder, Thomas Coke, C. H. Marsh, George Baines and S. B. Cathcart. Jesse Luse was first appointed a member of the committee, but later Mr. Cathcart was selected in his place, Mr. Luse being busied with other matters.

C. H. Marsh in reporting for the committee said they had attempted to draft a platform that would eliminate personalities and petty contentions, making one that every good citizen could subscribe to. He said that he understood others had prepared drafts of platforms that would stir up factional rows. L. A. Liljeqvist and others approved of Mr. Marsh's statement and the platform was adopted by unanimous vote.

L. A. Liljeqvist introduced a resolution that all citizens be invited to attend and participate in the meetings of the league with the exception of the one prior to the caucus when the organization will select its candidates. It was voted down.

There was considerable discussion as to the salaries that should be allowed. It was largely confined to the recorder's office. The consensus of opinion was that one man should act as city clerk and city recorder. Instead of paying the city clerk \$100 per month and the recorder \$50 per month more, it was stated that one good man should be paid a fair salary. Some thought the league should go on record as to what the recorder should be paid. Others insisted that should be left to the council. Some suggested that \$80 per month with the perquisites of the recorder's office would be enough. Others declared that the recorder should not be allowed to accept any perquisites and that he should be paid at least \$100 per month. The discussion ended with a resolution providing that the council should be given full power to fix the salary being laid on the table.

John Butler was appointed a member of the executive committee to fill a vacancy caused by the removal of Wm. Hutcheson to Klamath Falls.

SOCIAL LEADER NEAR DEATH

Mrs. Wm. Astor, Head of New York's 400, Is Reported Dying.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—Mrs. Wm. Astor, for twenty years the acknowledged leader of New York society, is critically ill and several of her relatives have been summoned to her bedside. She is said to be more than 80 years old. Mrs. Astor has been in failing health for the past two years.

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New Owners of Oregon Coal and Navigation Company Discuss Project.

STOCKHOLDERS WILL INSPECT HOLDINGS

Rumor of Deal For the Lilliam Mine Cannot Be Confirmed Today.

M. N. Knuppenberg and Col. D. H. Butts, two leading members of the syndicate which has purchased the Oregon Coal and Navigation Company's property on Coos Bay and the steamship M. F. Plant, arrived here on the Breakwater this morning. They will spend sometime here going over the property to determine the best means of developing it. Other members of the syndicate, the personnel of which was printed in The Times yesterday, are also expected here within a few days.

"There isn't very much we can say at this time in addition to the information already given out," said Mr. Knuppenberg today. "I am highly enthusiastic over our newly acquired property and Col. Butts, who is our president, wanted to look it over. Other members of the company are expected here within a few days."

"We expect to proceed to San Jose, Cal., in a week or ten days. Mrs. Knuppenberg and children are with me and Col. Butts is accompanied by his wife, I have not decided yet whether to make our home here, but we will spend the summers here."

Urges Harbor Improvement.

"The people of Coos Bay must get together and urge the further improvement of the harbor and bar. The accident to the M. F. Plant last week demonstrated this. The loss falls on us, but we are glad that no lives were lost. It is remarkable that the vessel and all wasn't lost. The accident should be a warning to the government and to everybody interested that the bar must be improved. We hope to have Senator Heyburn come down and inspect the bar, and interest him in the necessity of improving this harbor. We will be glad to cooperate in every way possible for the development of the Bay."

Lillian Mine Deal.

It has been reported that Mr. Knuppenberg and his associates are negotiating for the purchase of the Lillian mine and property. It was stated that an offer had been made and rejected and that a second offer had been made. The property is owned by L. J. Simpson and the Bank of Oregon, and has been regarded as one of the best coal properties in this section.

Mr. Knuppenberg refused to discuss the matter today.

In regard to the report that the new company would put a second steamship on the run between Coos Bay and San Francisco, Mr. Knuppenberg said it would not be done before the first of the year, probably. He said that the development of the property would be rushed as rapidly as consistent and what it will necessitate doing will be hard to forecast.

DO NOT KNOCK.

All the world knocks a knocker. This increases the din of the avvil chorus. Don't even knock a knocker; don't listen to him. Where there is no ear, there no sound is. The knocker will not knock long where no appreciation is shown.

Knock not, lest ye be knocked. We can find something to knock in everyone, and everyone can find something to knock in us. Be charitable to others and you will show the truest charity toward yourself. Knocking is the sign of envy. The knocker envies his stronger brother, so he takes out his little hammer and futilely, but none the less irritatingly, taps him.

Are you voting in The Times' Prize Contest?