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GOMPERS ELECTED AS PRESIDENT

Contest for Position Which Was Expected Did Not Occur—One Nomination Made.

THE VOTE WAS UNANIMOUS

Leading Officers Elected in Same Manner—John Mitchell Gets Place of Second Vice President.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 22.—A resolution introduced by Delegate Berger to increase the members of the executive council from nine to eleven was reported adversely today by the committee on laws in the Federation of Labor convention. The report of the committee was adopted. The report of the grievance committee, unfinished last night, was then taken up. It related to international affairs of local unions, and for the most part its sections were approved without debate.

The election of officers was taken up at 10 o'clock. Delegate J. J. Creamer, of the machinists, named President Samuel Gompers for reelection. There were no other nominations, and on motion of W. D. Ryan of the miners the secretary of the convention was instructed to cast the unanimous vote of the convention for Mr. Gompers. This was done and he was declared duly elected. The applause that greeted the announcement was flattering in the extreme and it was long before Mr. Gompers could make himself heard when he arose to thank the delegates. He spoke at considerable length promising to attempt as much for trade unionism in the future as he had in the past.

For the first vice-president, Delegate Feruseth nominated for re-election James Duncan. Delegate Swift moved that the secretary be instructed to cast the unanimous vote of the convention for Mr. Duncan. This motion was carried and Vice-President Duncan was re-elected. For second vice-president, Delegate Driscoll, of Boston nominated John Mitchell, who was also elected unanimously.

ROBBER DRIVES AWAY WITH LAGRE SUM

Unprotected Mail Wagon Containing \$10,000 Nabbed By Unknown Party In Chicago.

CHICAGO, Nov. 22.—The Chicago postoffice was robbed of probably \$10,000 in a daring manner today. Two registered mail sacks containing money were left in an unprotected wagon in front of the Masonic Temple while the mail carrier went into the building. When he returned the horse and wagon had disappeared. The robber had evidently been awaiting an opportunity to jump into the rig and drive away. The rifled sacks and the horse and rig were afterward found.

SHOOTING WAS DONE IN SELF DEFENSE

Not a Cold Blooded Murder As the First Reports Tried to Make It Appear.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The state department today received reports from Minister Hunter at Guatemala City and Consul-General McNally at the same place regarding the case of Godfrey Hunter Jr. and Secretary Bailey of the American legation there, who were parties to the shooting affray resulting in the death of William Fitzgerald yesterday. McNally's latest advice gives an aspect of shocking and cold blooded murder making it appear that Secretary Bailey was a party to the crime, holding up Fitzgerald with a revolver in front, while Hunter shot the man from behind. Minister Hunter's statement is a flat

contradiction of this report. He says his son Godfrey and Secretary Bailey while sitting on a bench in the public park were attacked by Fitzgerald who struck young Hunter and snapped a pistol which failed to explode. Hunter thereupon shot and killed him. The existence of a conspiracy between members of the American colony, including Consul General McNally is charged by Dr. Hunter. It is known here that a bitter personal feud has existed for several years between Dr. Hunter and McNally. The state department will wait to hear the Guatemalan government's statement before taking action in the matter.

HOSPITAL FOR CHINESE WILL BE ESTABLISHED

Chinamen Who Have Completed Medical Studies Will Apply For Permission to Follow Profession

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Steps are being taken in this city for the establishment of a Chinese hospital which it is believed will be the first regular institution in this country. Many of the celestials residing in the Pell street section, known as Chinatown, are said to have lost their jobs sticks and the beating of tom-toms as cure-alls and propose to establish a hospital, the staff of which shall be entirely Chinese who have completed their studies in this country.

SHORT IN ACCOUNTS

Used Post Office Funds to Pay His Debts—Attempts Suicide.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 22.—Charles H. Royer, a druggist, has been arrested by detectives of the postal department in connection with his drugstore business. Royer had charge of a sub-postoffice and he is said to be short in his accounts with the government to the extent of \$1400. Before the arrest was made, Royer attempted to commit suicide by taking carbolic acid. It is alleged that he admits the shortage, saying that he paid the money to creditors but intended to replace it soon with the aid of friends.

WHEAT CREATES PANIC

Sudden Rise in Cereal Causes Flour To Make Advances.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 22.—Wheat scored highest since 1899. After a wild scramble among the panic stricken shorts to cover contracts, December closed at 1.40 1-4. Another sensational advance was scored on the curb after the regular market closed. May rose to 1.41 1-2 and December reached 1.41 3-4. After that local millers advanced prices of flour 20 cents per barrel as a result of the further rise in wheat.

"AMERICAN BOY" SETTLED

Fund Distributed to Donors and Battleship Declared Off.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 22.—The account of the "American Boy" fund was finally settled today at the bank where it was deposited by its distribution to the donors. The American Boy was to have been a battleship built by the contributions of the boys of America to replace the Maine, lost at Havana, as conceived by Ranking Good, a school boy of Cincinnati.

INVENTOR OSBORNE DEAD.

PALMISTO, Cal., Nov. 21.—John W. Osborne, an aged scientist and inventor is dead at his home here. For many years Osborne was connected with the United States patent office in Washington. He was the inventor of many of the appliances which revolutionized color printing.

ARE THERE FOR KEEPS

Boer Delegates Must Remain Away From South Africa.
NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—According to a dispatch from The Hague to the Times by way of London, permission to return to South Africa, has been refused to the Boer delegates, Wessels, Fischer and Wolmarans.

BAD RELATIVES STOLE HIM AWAY

Vanderbilt's Grandson Tells Hard Luck Story That Sounds Very Straight.

LOST FOR SIX LONG YEARS

Attempt to Have Man Adjudged Insane Will Probably Lead to Some Very Sensational Disclosures.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—William S. Vanderbilt Allen, great grandson of Commodore Vanderbilt, society man and artist and formerly well known here and at Newport, who disappeared mysteriously six weeks ago, has been during that time an inmate of a private sanitarium in Connecticut.

His whereabouts became known when he was brought to New Rochelle for examination before a commission as to his sanity. The action was brought by E. H. Sutton, of Bloomfield, N. J., who is related to Allen. Sutton told the commission that Allen had suffered from hallucinations that he was pursued by creditors and asked that he legally be committed to an asylum, no such step having previously been taken.

Allen then addressed the commission in carefully chosen language. He was utterly in the dark, he said, as to why the proceedings had been brought and he asked for counsel. He was kidnapped six years ago, he declared by two doctors.

"They took me from my sister's room at Rye, where I was visiting," he continued. "They came there pretending they were detectives who were interested in a case of mine in New York. They got me to drive with them to Port Chester.

"When we got to the station, I was snatched up by two attendants, placed on a train and taken to Connecticut. I was placed in a sanitarium there. At first I was allowed the privilege of the laboratory, but for the last nine months I have been confined to a ball room.

ROOSEVELT HONORED BY PATRIOTIC CITIZENS

Students Escort Executive to the Hall Where An Audience of 2000 People Waited His Coming.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 22.—President Roosevelt accompanied by several members of the cabinet spent today in this city. During the afternoon the president was the chief speaker at the exercises incident to the dedication of the new Central high school for boys. The president tonight responded to a toast during the founders' day banquet at the Union League club.

Upon the president's arrival at the Central high school he was met by the entire students in a body, bearing small American flags. The audience arose as the president entered the hall, amid the plaudits of 2000 persons. For fully five minutes he stood facing the cheering assemblage before he could proceed with his speech.

MOTHER IS HEROIC

Plunged Into Stream and Brought Her Boy's Body to Shore.

VANCOUVER, Nov. 22.—At Shoal

Bay yesterday afternoon nine year old William Graham fell into the water from a log boom. His mother plunged into the stream and brought him ashore, but efforts to resuscitate him were unavailing.

IS FAVORABLY DISPOSED TOWARD CANAL TREATY

President Will Call Special Session of Congress if Necessary to Attend to the Matter.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—President Marroquin of this republic, in a personal interview has made this official statement regarding the canal question cables the Herald's correspondent at Bogota, Colombia:

"I am favorably disposed toward having signed a canal treaty with the United States and I already have ordered that the next elections be held on January 1 and that the results be ascertained in a shorter time than usual.

"If the war in the republic is not ended by that time I shall convocate congress in March so that the first business to be taken up will be a canal treaty with the United States."

General Rafael Reyes has not been called on to occupy any official post. If he comes here it will be entirely in a private capacity.

Dr. Martinez Silva, formerly Colombian minister to the United States has been liberated after several months imprisonment. No changes have taken place in the ministry. Exchange has gone to 12,000 percent.

YALE DEFEATS HARVARD

Football Game Played Before 30,000 Spectators.

NEW HAVEN, Nov. 22.—Yale university established her supremacy on the football field today by defeating Harvard in the annual game in unmistakable style. When time was called in the darkness of early evening, the score stood 13 to 0, and Yale's shouting thousands overwhelmed their victorious heroes.

Nearly 30,000 spectators witnessed the great game, under weather conditions that could not have been improved from the standpoint of the on-lookers.

INVESTIGATE QUINGLEY SCHOOL

Immigration Officials Inquire Into Famous Brotherhood.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Nov. 22.—Commissioner-General of Immigration Frank P. Sargent, accompanied by Congressman-elect Daniels, has made an examination of the Universal Brotherhood Schools conducted by Mrs. Katherine Quigley, at Point Lome. An investigation has also been made by a committee of state officials but nothing regarding the result of the inquiries has been made public.

SURVIVORS ARE IN TERRIBLE DISTRESS

Rich Men Are Made Paupers and Death and Devastation Reign Everywhere.

AN UPRISING MIGHT OCCUR

Suffering for Want of Food Beginning to Be Felt Throughout Republic—No Relief in Sight.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 22.—The Picayune today prints the following letter:

"Port Barrios, Guatemala, Nov. 4.—Refugees who have arrived here this week from western Guatemala report a terrible state of affairs as a result of the eruption of Santa Maria volcano. The country for a radius of over 20 miles has been made a desolate waste, and every vestige of life destroyed. The loss of life is estimated at over 7000. The great majority of the victims are Indians. Ten Indian villages, each with a population of from 50 to 5000, were wiped out, the rude huts being buried beneath tons of volcanic debris. All of the coffee plantations in the volcanic zone are ruined and their owners left penniless.

"The greatest distress prevails throughout the central and western portions of the republic, and even on the eastern coast the effects are felt in the scarcity of money and the rise of exchange. Even in Guatemala City the inhabitants are suffering for food. The government is unable to relieve the distress and suffering people are on the verge of revolution. The only thing needed to start an uprising is the appearance of a leader."

ROOT REDUCES EXPENSES

Next Year's Expenditures Will Be Marked Decrease Over Current.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—Secretary Root has succeeded in effecting a marked reduction in the amount of money required for the support of the army and the war department. Excluding the river and harbor appropriations, the secretary said the estimates for next year show a net increase of \$31,430,000 compared with the estimates submitted to the current fiscal year. Estimates for a military establishment show a net reduction of \$21,852,921 from the estimates for 1903.

SHERIFF IS DROWNED

BUTTE, Nov. 22.—A special to the Miner from Fort Benton, Mont., says R. L. Conaster, ex-sheriff of Valley county was drowned yesterday near Glasgow.

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