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YESTERDAY WAS

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STEEL AND OIL TRUSTS AND TAFT

REPUBLICAN CAMPAIGN MANAGERS MAKE DESPERATE EFFORT TO OFFSET EFFECT OF ROCKEFELLER STORY

Carnegie Also in the Van as Supporter of Taft. Roosevelt and Cabinet Officers Consider Serious Situation

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Chicago, Oct. 31.—John D. Rockefeller's statement advocating the election of William H. Taft has dropped like a bomb into the political situation. Coming as it does in conjunction with Andrew Carnegie's indorsement of the Republican candidate, it has increased the confidence of the Democrats that Bryan will be elected, and has also brought again to the surface all the bitterness that has been injected into the campaign by the Standard Oil disclosures.

From all sides comes the reverberating crash of the renewed conflict. So critical is the situation considered that President Roosevelt has again jumped into the fight with a statement repudiating Rockefeller's indorsement of Taft and branding it as "a trick so palpable that it can deceive no one."

Taft, Bryan, Mack, Kern and all the other Republican and Democratic leaders have come forward with statements relating to Standard Oil's indorsement of the Republican candidate for president.

The Democratic leaders believe that Rockefeller's announcement that he is supporting Taft will have the same effect as Burchard's famous "rum, Romanism and rebellion" speech in 1884, that, intended as an indorsement of Blaine, defeated him on the very eve of election and resulted in the election of Cleveland.

The president's statement was given out impersonally at the White House, as follows:

"At the White House the announcement of Mr. Rockefeller, through the press agent of the Standard Oil company, is regarded with some amusement, in view of what the administration has done to the Standard Oil company and of the bitter hatred borne by the Standard Oil company to the administration. It is a perfectly palpable and obvious trick on the part of the Standard Oil people to try to damage Taft, a trick so palpable that it can deceive no one."

Chairman Hitchcock was the most disturbed man in the national committee. Hitchcock saw that the game was all up with Taft unless the people could be persuaded that the Rockefeller interview was "all a political trick." The understanding is that a tremendous amount of influence was brought to bear on Rockefeller to have him repudiate the interview. This effort, it is reported, failed entirely and the oil magnate refused to give out a refutation of his published views. The situation grew desperate and Hitchcock notified the president and Mr. Roosevelt felt that it was about time to do something before the Taft cause was put upon the road to oblivion.

Early in the day, before the national committee realized the serious nature of the oil trust indorsement, the White House delegation of Taft workers delivered a telegram to the White House, in which they pointed out that the campaign managers considered that the Rockefeller interview was a "damaging mistake." Then the president got busy and gave out his White House bulletin.

CARNEGIE CAUSED GREAT TRAGEDY

Bryan Calls Attention to Closing of Homestead Steel Works.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Richmond, Ind., Oct. 31.—Bryan created enthusiasm here today when he played Carnegie, Taft, Rockefeller and Root in a speech before an immense crowd.

"Carnegie is supporting Taft," said Bryan, "and says my election would be a tragedy. Well, Carnegie is familiar with tragedies, as the closing of the Homestead steel works was a tragedy, but the voters will hardly uphold Carnegie's views."

"Root says I should not be elected, as Taft is temperamentally better fitted to enforce the laws than I am. That is possibly true from Root's standpoint, as Root began his legal career by defending Boss Tweed, and from that standpoint, of course, he was speaking."

"Rockefeller is supporting Taft. Why? Haunt! Taft shown by all his utterances that he favors the trusts? He won't disturb them if he is elected. Roosevelt demands the election of the man he named as the nominee of the Republican party, because he knows he has prostituted the high office of president by bringing it into the arena of politics."

Bryan opened his tour of Indiana today at Union City with a speech early this morning. He spoke at Winchester and here.

This afternoon he is to speak at Newcastle, Muncie, Anderson, Kokomo, Peru, South Bend and other places, before going to Chicago tonight.

BRYAN CONTRIBUTORS SEND \$6,380 TODAY

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, Oct. 31.—The Democratic national committee today announced contributions aggregating \$6,380, including the following:

William F. Sheehan, New York, and A. Bergey, Wisconsin, \$1,000 each. W. A. Page, Illinois; Edward S. Stokel, Pennsylvania, and E. S. Johnson, South Dakota, \$500 each.

Charles S. Thomas, Colorado, and W. E. Hull, New York, \$250 each. S. Bennett, Oregon, \$150. F. O'Brien, Arizona; J. Harvey McCarty, California; George R. Williamson, Colorado, and the Democratic special committee of Portland, Or., \$100 each.

BUY BOXES AT HOME

"While we think the consumers of the Willamette valley are loyal to our box manufacturers, we are sure that many big orders find their way to outside factories," said O. H. Schwerdtmann, secretary and manager of the Oregon Box & Manufacturing company. "It is not encouraging to home industry to see support going to outsiders who do not pay taxes or employ labor in our state. The people have it in their power to build up Oregon rapidly, and one of the best known methods is to patronize our own institutions and make it possible for them to be equipped with the most modern facilities to compete successfully with the big concerns of the east. Educate our people to be loyal to home industry."

JOHN D.'S FAMILY DENY BAD FAITH

Insist That Rockefeller Absolutely Sincere in Supporting Taft.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 31.—Relatives and close associates of John D. Rockefeller declare that the announcement of his support of Taft is the logical outcome of his statements early last fall.

"It is foolish to suppose that Rockefeller made the announcement for the purpose of hurting Taft," said W. C. Rudd, a brother-in-law of the oil king. "Rockefeller made an announcement early in the campaign approving Taft's candidacy for the presidency and he has always been a Republican. His support is merely that of a party man."

A straw vote was taken at the police station here this morning and the result was Bryan 9, Taft 6.

Wasco County Rancher Also Agrees to Throw in His Hand's Board.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) The Dalles, Or., Oct. 31.—Murdoch McLeod of Kingsley, Wasco county, wanted a man to work on his big ranch. He came to this city and sought the aid of the officials to get a man from the jail. He procured one who had served his time this morning, and in earnest made this contract with him: "I want to have you understand that you are to work for me under this contract. If Taft is elected I will pay you \$15 a month and board. If Bryan is elected I will pay you \$10 a month and board."

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ROOSEVELT SAYS "TRICK" NO GOOD

Declares It Will "Fail Absolutely"—Issues Another Frantic Ukase.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Oct. 31.—President Roosevelt today authorized the following statement:

"The president has received numerous letters and telegrams showing that John D. Rockefeller's trick, doubtless made by agreement with the Democrats, will fail absolutely. "It is self-evident, as Taft says, that if Rockefeller really wanted him elected he would have kept quiet."

The following telegram was made public: Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 31.—To President Roosevelt, Washington, D. C.—The labor vote will not be deceived by Rockefeller's trick. We will bury him with Tom Johnson. This country is as safely Republican as are Ohio and the electoral college. (Signed) L. Faulker, president of the Window Glass Workers of America.

A conference this afternoon between the president and Attorney Frank B. Kellogg, the chief "trust buster," indicates that a new move in the government's suit against the Standard Oil company may be made on Monday.

After the conference Kellogg said positively that under no circumstances would immunity be promised or given for the stairways and elevator of the federal cases against the Standard Oil.

LOSES DIAMONDS WORTH \$1,500

Well Known Sporting Man of the Northwest Held Up at Spokane.

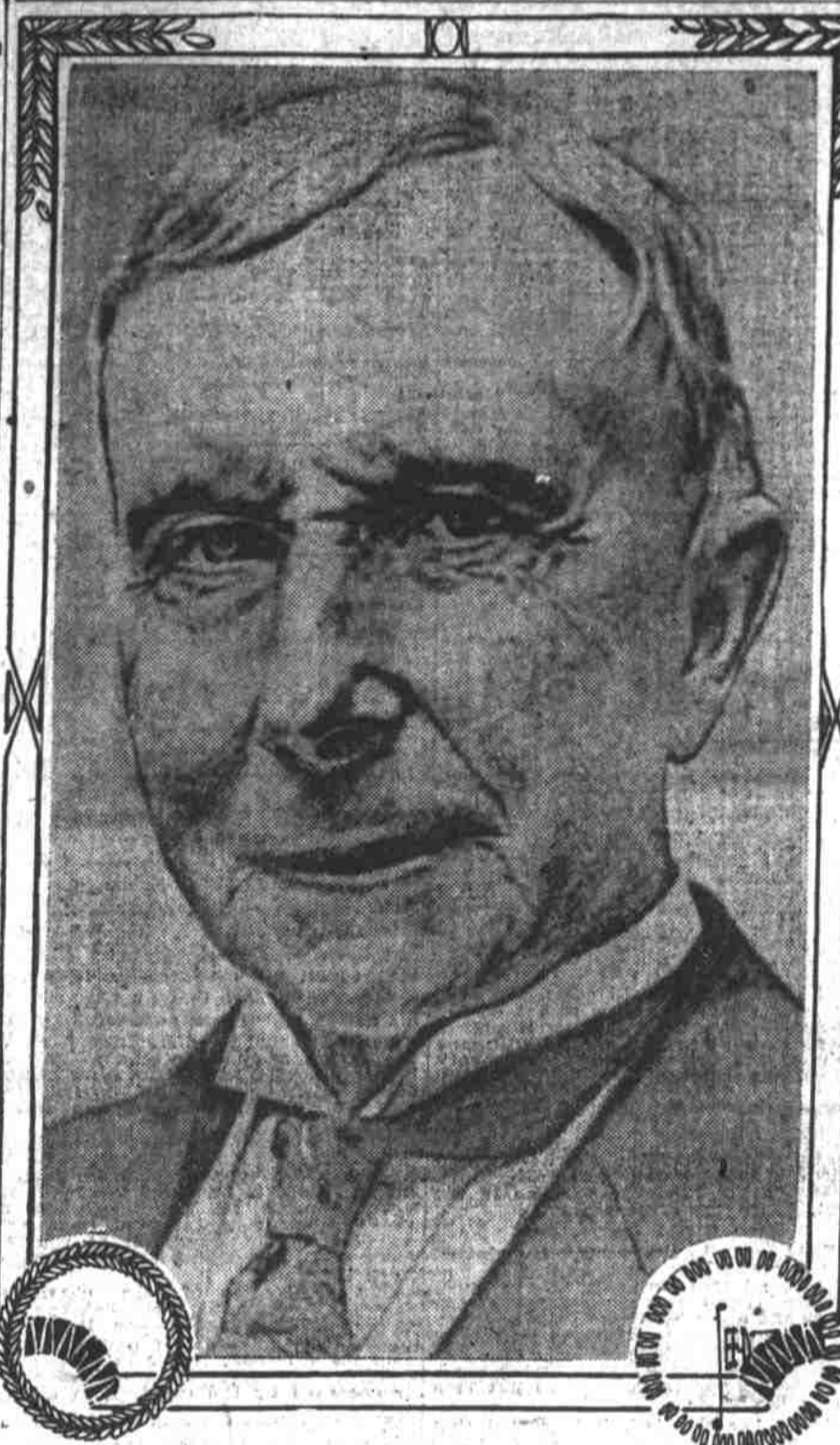
(United Press Leased Wire.) Spokane, Wash., Oct. 31.—Ralph Dodd, former Northwestern league umpire and a well-known sporting man, was held up here last night and robbed of two diamonds worth \$1,500. The men followed him from the downtown section, where he had bet \$1,000 on Bryan. The holdups escaped.

PANIC IN FACTORY; SIX GIRLS INJURED

(United Press Leased Wire.) St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 31.—Six girls were seriously injured today in a rush of 100 panic-stricken women operators for the stairways and elevator of the Isaac Epstein pants factory after an alarm of fire had been sounded.

Two hundred operators were working on the sixth and seventh floors of the building when the cry of fire was raised. In the rush to safety that followed, the stairway became jammed with fighting, struggling, frenzied young women. Those who were hurt were foremost in the throng and fell under the feet of their terrified companions.

Howard Hill, a negro elevator operator, retained his presence of mind and took all the girls to safety.



John D. Rockefeller, President of Standard Oil, Supporting Taft for "Business Reasons."

"DENIALS WON'T GO; THE PEOPLE KNOW"

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Chicago, Oct. 31.—The Chicago Journal today said editorially: "The announcement that Rockefeller would vote for Taft has stirred up a terrible hornets' nest in the Republican party. Oh, yes, 'little attention was paid'; merely a cabinet meeting of all the cabinet officers not out on the stump for Taft, and merely a presidential proclamation and wild denials from Candidate Taft and Chairman Hitchcock that not a penny of Standard Oil money has swelled their campaign fund."

"Little attention," indeed! The people of the United States know just what value to place on such denials as those of Taft and Hitchcock. They remember that in 1904 Judge Alton B. Parker accused Roosevelt of receiving the support of the Standard Oil company, and Roosevelt virtuously denied it. They remember the subsequent revelation that \$100,000 of Rockefeller money was used to help Roosevelt. His fat-fryer, Cortelyou, asked for more and was shown the door.

"They remember how Roosevelt then appealed to practical E. H. Harriman, and how Harriman dug up \$260,000, of which \$30,000 was from Rogers, Archbold and Rockefeller, and which Harriman says turned 80,000 votes in New York state alone.

"Denials won't go. The people know Rockefeller is telling the truth. They know Standard Oil is behind Taft and wants to elect him. Taft knows it. Roosevelt knows it. Hitchcock knows it."

RECEPTION TO SENATOR BOURNE

Enthusiastic Sentiment Is Manifested for Willamette Project.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Corvallis, Or., Oct. 31.—An open and free Willamette and an enthusiastic sentiment in that behalf were incidental to a reception given by the Commercial club to Senator Bourne here last night.

Senator Bourne made a brief address, in which he pledged his loyal support to the Willamette project, and set forth the importance of placing ample statistical information in the hands of the delegation.

Walla Walla, Wash., Oct. 31.—Guy Risdon is in the Spokane county jail, and will be returned to Walla Walla today to be tried for swindling J. J. Olinger, a million farmer out of \$50. The offense is alleged to have been committed during the fair. Olinger was to be let in on an easy thing, and gave \$500 to a couple of tons to bet for him on a "fixed" race. They promised to meet him after the race, but they never showed up. Risdon was tried to Boise and then to Spokane.

FARMER OLINGER WAS DEAD EASY

But One of the Two Touts Who Stung Him Is in Jail Already.

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ONLY \$50,000 BANQUET WILL BE TENDERED. J. J. HILL

Sheriff Makes Good Showing for Multnomah County—Few Citizens Fail to Meet Assessments Promptly—Pay in \$2,868,587 for 1907.

Less than \$50,000 now remains uncollected of Multnomah county taxes for 1907, on a total tax roll of \$3,225,547.75. This is 3.4 per cent of the personal and .03 of the real estate, but exclusive of the \$229,000 O. R. & N. tax, which the sheriff has been enjoined from collecting, and also nearly \$2,000 more that the Marshall-Wells company has held up by an injunction.

Deputy Sheriff S. B. Martin, who has charge of the tax collection department, has completed the figures of collections up to October 5, on which date the second installment of taxes became due. Since that time about \$4,000 has been paid. At that time the unpaid personal amounted to \$30,499 and the unpaid real estate to \$21,032. This is an unusual showing, special effort having been put forth this year to make a clean sweep. Countless statements and reminders were sent out.

On the personal tax roll Multnomah county will no doubt compare favorably with other large cities of the country. In New York, for instance, the unpaid personal for 1907 amounts to 48 per cent, compared with 24 per cent here. In other years, there was a 47 per cent delinquency in 1906, 47 in 1905, 46.8 in 1904 and 49 in 1903. Personal tax is most difficult to collect, for there are hundreds of people assessed in small amounts who move around, and many others who are reluctant to pay.

The only large gaps left in the personal roll in this county are those that the sheriff has been restrained from collecting. The O. R. & N. tax taken up the fight in the courts, and the Marshall-Wells company is also trying to escape the taxes levied against it. The personal roll in 1907 stood at \$300,283.40, this being 26 per cent larger than for the year previous. In the face of the large increase in the roll the showing of delinquency is considered particularly gratifying.

The real estate roll delinquency will be still further reduced by the issue of certificates by the sheriff under the new law to persons who come forward and pay taxes. The certificates will bear three years' interest until redeemed, and after three years the holder may foreclose the owner's interest. Then all certificates which are not redeemed are claimed to be sold to the state, and all delinquency wiped out.

Following are the figures showing the delinquency on the tax roll on October 5: Total 1907 tax roll \$3,225,547.75 Penalty 4,811.62 Interest 1,516.00 Sheriff's assessments 1,594.47

Total sum to be collected \$3,233,129.83 Paid to county treasurer \$2,868,587.07 Three per cent rebate allowed 75,108.76 Errors and double assessments 4,812.50 Held up by O. R. & N. 229,758.00 Marshall-Wells Co. injunction 3,834.00 Unpaid personal 30,499.21 Unpaid real estate 21,032.33 Total \$3,233,129.83

NO SMOKING IS LATEST RULE

New Order Will Be in Force on All Closed Cars After November 5.

There is to be no smoking on the closed streetcars of Portland after November 5. On the same date the new streetcar rule relative to the far stop at crossings is to go into effect. The new rule is to be in effect since May 1 and has been changed in accordance with action taken by the city council several days ago.

The new order, which is to be printed on cards and placed in all the streetcars, is as follows:

"Cars will stop, when signalled, at any point indicated by street signs, and on the further crosswalk of all streets, except at crossings of other car tracks, where the stop sign will be placed on the near side, in accordance with city ordinance. No passengers will be allowed to ride on the front platform except on cars which have three compartments or pay-as-you-enter cars."

Smoking is to be permitted on the open cars, but is to be prohibited on the further crosswalk of all streets, except at crossings of other car tracks, where the stop sign will be placed on the near side, in accordance with city ordinance. No passengers will be allowed to ride on the front platform except on cars which have three compartments or pay-as-you-enter cars."

When the new stop order went into effect in May passengers were not allowed on the front platform of the cars and smoking was permitted only on the rear side. Owing to the fact that the front platform is still often used by passengers sitting on and off the cars, no one will be allowed to ride on the front and except on cars with the three compartments or pay-as-you-enter cars are to have.

Railroad Magnate to Be Guest of Chamber of Commerce Next Friday Night—Dinner to Celebrate the Opening of North Bank.

Francis I. Clark, president of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railroad, and officers of the Chamber of Commerce, were notified today by J. J. Hill that Mr. Hill and his son, Louis Hill, president of the Great Northern, will reach Portland Friday morning, November 6, and will spend the day and evening in Portland and leave for the north at midnight.

The Chamber of Commerce officials immediately began to arrange for the banquet which the chamber will tender Mr. Hill Friday evening in celebration of the opening of the North Bank road. General Charles S. Beebe, chairman of the entertainment committee, who is in charge of the arrangements, has prepared to have the banquet given at the Commercial club at 6:30 p. m. Friday evening. Both J. J. Hill and Louis Hill will be asked to speak, while C. F. Swigert, president of the chamber, will preside.

President Howard Elliott of the Northern Pacific, which is a half owner of the new line, will be the guest of honor of the chamber at the banquet. However, President Clark of the North Bank received a letter from Mr. Elliott a few days ago in which he had to go to New York in the near future and it is not known whether he will be able to come to Portland for the opening.

Owing to the fact that the official news of Mr. Hill's coming to Portland was not received until this morning, the committee in charge of the banquet has not completed the details of the program and will not have them ready, possibly, until Tuesday. It has been decided, however, to have each guest enter Portland over the new line, probably being taken to the freight depot at Tenth and Gilman streets.

President Elliott will leave on Monday night for Spokane to meet the Hill special, and will spend Wednesday with the Hill party in Spokane. They will come down over the new line Thursday, making enough stops to show the officials of the line thoroughly. The Hill party will leave for Tacoma, Seattle and Vancouver, B. C.

FARMERS JOIN THE LANDSLIDE

At Muncie, Ind., 604 Republicans Hand Bryan a Written Pledge.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Muncie, Ind., Oct. 31.—When he stopped here today in his tour of Indiana Bryan was presented with a pledge signed by 604 farmers saying they had always been Republicans but would vote for him. The candidate thanked the farmers and his words were greeted with a storm of applause. Bryan said: "I am glad to hear that you have always been Republicans, and I am glad to hear that you are now voting for me. I am glad to hear that you are now voting for me."

Roosevelt's statement that Rockefeller's support of Taft is intended as an injury is ludicrous. Roosevelt wanted the support of Rockefeller for his candidacy for the presidency until after election. Rockefeller probably thought his support of Taft would help the Republican candidate, as he believes he is doing the lord's service when he fastens the yoke of monopoly on the neck of the people.

18-YEAR-OLD BOY IS VICTIM OF GUN

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) The Dalles, Or., Oct. 31.—William Harvey, 18 years of age, of Mosier, was hunting yesterday near his home and shot himself. Relatives and friends searched for the boy all night.

The body was found this morning by his uncle, Perry Harvey, face downward. The bullet pierced the lad's forehead. The boy's hand in his pocket indicated accidental shooting.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Harvey, owners of a large ranch near Mosier.