

WISCO BOOSTERS AT WHITE HOUSE ARE CHEERED UP

President's Attitude Toward Panama-Pacific Fair Site Not Hard to Forecast—Cannon, Also, in Good Humor.

(By the International News Service.)
Washington, Dec. 3.—There was a decided flurry at the White House today when the cream of the California exposition delegation, 25 strong, called by appointment to pay their respects to President Taft at the White House, and later at the San Francisco, first, last and all the time, experience has compelled him for the time to straddle the question, and he so intimated, going so far as to say that he had previously gone on record as in favor of two expositions. "I do believe California is an appropriate place for the exposition," he said. "When do you expect to hold the exposition?"

President Reports on Canal.
"As soon as the canal is completed," responded Congressman Kahn. "It has been stated in the newspapers that it will be practically finished in 1914 and possibly even before that, so that an early completion makes all the more necessary for action at this session of congress."

"That is true," the president replied, "and it looks now as if the work will be far enough along by the middle of 1915 to admit of use of a part of the canal, at least, if any of you have the trouble to read my message you will see that it is made a special feature."

"Of course, we always read all your messages," interrupted one of the congressmen.

"Well, you might not be able to finish this one during the short session," laughingly replied the president.

Continuing he explained that the chief object of his recent trip to the canal had been to verify the reports that work has progressed so far that an opening earlier than that originally contemplated would be feasible.

A Little Joke With Wheeler.
Congressman Julius Kahn presented each member of the delegation to the president and the introductions had scarcely begun when the room was filled with laughter.

"How do you do, Dr. Wheeler?" said Mr. Taft, addressing the president of the University of California. "You have had no hand in running the government for two years now, have you?"

Whereupon the California senator, recalling Dr. Wheeler's friendship with Colonel Roosevelt, joined the president in a hearty laugh at the educator's expense.

Los Angeles Man Who Made Hit.
"Ah, I remember Mr. Scott," said the president, addressing Joseph Scott, president of the Los Angeles chamber of commerce. "His is your booster organization in Los Angeles getting along?"

Mr. Scott had made a particular impression on the president when the latter was in Los Angeles. The question of what Los Angeles wanted of the government was then under discussion and Mr. Scott pointed his plea with story.

"A beggar was seeking alms of an impecunious housewife and was so successful in his plea that she finally relented and said:

"Here is a nickel for you, but remember I give it to you not because you ask me, but because it gives me pleasure to help you." "Well, madame," responded the beggar, "why don't you make it a quarter and have a really good time?"

The point struck home and the president chuckled at intervals over it.

Boosters Call on Cannon.
An hour later the party was received by Speaker Joseph G. Cannon. The aged leader was in excellent spirits and he lived up to his reputation as a story teller. He exchanged a bit of repartee with his visitors and with an arm over the shoulder of Theodore A. Bell he told how Mr. Bell had gone into the Danville district and opposed him on the stump.

"My opponent, as it happened," said Mr. Cannon, "was also named Bell, and long after your Mr. Bell had gone the opposition would bolster up its cause by saying, 'You heard him speak and you saw him. Now, will you vote for him?'"

"Yes, Mr. Speaker," said Mr. Bell, "but you received more votes that time than you did in the recent campaign."

Speaking of the recent campaign, Mr. Cannon said:

"I have seen several political avalanches; but this one was no avalanche; it was not more than a gentle evening breeze compared with the cyclone of 1894."

CUMMINS CALLS ON PRESIDENT TO TALK "PROGRESS"

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message had been discussed in brief. The Idaho senator did not arrive until after Cummins and was "led in lane duck alley" until his colleague had finished.

The Hot Result.
The net result of the conference as now here tonight by those in touch with the administration is a blow to President Taft's plan to heal the ever-widening breach between the regulars and insurgents. Under cover of discussing the message, the executive spent the greater part of today talking over with regulars a plan to appease insurgency and adjust the difference now particularly apparent in senatorial ranks.

Vice President Sherman, Senators Lodge, Burrows, Smoot, Gamble, McCumber, Curtis, Nixon, Clark of Wyoming, Fiske, Flint, Loan and Warren were among the standstillers consulted. Out of these deliberations and with a desire of securing something besides appropriation bills as the coming session, President Taft solved the plan of deferring a little to insurgent sentiment.

With the idea of ascertaining what concessions would gain insurgent support for the Taft program of legislation and start the process of healing

WHOLE JUDICIAL SYSTEM OF STATE CAN BE CHANGED

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appeals, leaving all vital and constitutional questions in the hands of the supreme court. It is argued that the creation of this court would relieve the supreme court of a great proportion of its cases, would expedite business and bring about a speedy trial and determination of cases.

Election by Districts.
It would obviate the necessity of adding justices to the supreme bench, would permit of appeals being heard from the original evidence of cases, decreasing the cost of litigation.

Under the old constitution it was provided that prosecuting attorneys should be elected by districts and should continue in such positions as the legislature should direct. This section is wiped out, leaving no constitutional provision for the election of prosecuting attorneys. It is possible, therefore, for the legislature and the people to leave the prosecuting attorneys as elective offices of four years' duration, as they now are by statute, or to make the office appointive and for a longer or shorter term.

Many lawyers are howling lustily at the provisions of section 3 of the amendment. The first clause of this section provides that the supreme court shall not remain any case for more than the supreme court can say that there was no evidence to support the verdict of the trial court.

May Hold Court Anywhere.
The lawyers contend that this provision makes the supreme court in effect a trial court.

Another clause provides that the supreme court, upon hearing an appeal, may modify the judgment of the trial court, irrespective of error in the trial of the case, if it considers that the verdict of the lower court is sound. Lawyers do not like this clause as it practically puts an end to the present system of long delays and useless litigation on purely technical grounds.

Section 4 of the amendment makes it possible for the supreme court to hold sessions at any place it may decide, provided it holds one term each year at the state capital.

The three-fourths jury verdict of the amendment has been widely discussed and does not meet with objection from the lawyers.

Thanks From Baby Home.
The board of directors of the Baby Home wish to thank all those in and out of the city who sent in Thanksgiving donations.

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FIVE MEN MEET HORRIBLE DEATH IN "HONEY POTS"

Ontario Gold Mining District Collects Death Toll—Others May Have Met Similar Fate It Is Feared.

(Publishers Press Leased Wire.)
Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 3.—Slowly sinking in a sea of mud, at least five men have gone down to death, swallowed in the "Honey Pots" that lie around Frederick House lake, in the newly discovered gold mining region of northern Ontario. The story has been brought from the new gold fields by W. R. McLeay, mining engineer and prospector, of Montreal, who has spent the summer in the Tumms district and who, emaciated and gaunt and aged, has come back to civilization to recover his health. Mr. McLeay says that just before he started the fall rains had converted a large part of the district in sloughs and wide, deep patches of yielding, shaking soil. When he left camp a little more than two weeks ago nearly everything had been eaten and starvation stared the miners in the face.

Walk Into Death.
Some of the miners, in desperation, faced the perils of a long tramp to Franco to bring back food, the general load being 100 pounds of provisions to the man, strapped on the back. The most difficult and deadly part of the journey was along the shore of Frederick House lake, where there was an old Hudson Bay post.

"It was on this part of the trail," said Mr. McLeay, "that I saw, on my way out, two men with loads on their backs slowly sinking down into the mud and disappearing from sight. Their cries and shrieks were frightful to hear. There were several others around, but we could do nothing for the two unfortunate men who were engulfed before our eyes while we stood nearby absolutely helpless to afford any assistance."

"One man told me that he witnessed two stalwart fellows sink to their deaths under similar circumstances, while we were told of a young lad who went to his doom in a like manner lower down the trail. It is quite probable that there were several others who met like fates."

DOES NOT KNOW WOMAN WIFE CALLS HIS AFFINITY

Declaring his wife threatened to cause his arrest on the charge of being affectionate toward a woman he did not know, Ira E. Dutcher has begun suit against Clara E. Dutcher for divorce. He says she also threatened to kill him and called him names on November 3. His wife falls to prepare his meals, neglects household duties and has an uncontrollable temper, he asserts. They were married in Clinton county, Mich., December 24, 1888.

DAILY TALKS FOR MEN ARE PLANNED

Father Huntington of Holy Cross Order Will Speak at Club.

The Rev. James O. S. Huntington, founder of the Order of the Holy Cross, who with Father Roger Anderson has been conducting a parochial mission in Portland for some time past, has undertaken to deliver a series of talks to men, to be given in the convention hall of the Commercial club every day next week, except Saturday, from 10:10 to 12:35 p. m. These addresses will be on the general topic: "Wanted, a Working Faith," and are designed for the needs of busy men.

They have been arranged for this hour at the request of many business men, who have expressed a desire to hear Father Huntington, but have been prevented from attending the regular mission services.

The services will begin promptly at 12:10 and end sharp at 12:35, thus allowing ample time for lunch afterwards. The week following the addresses will be delivered in the basement of the Railway Exchange building. (Entrance on Stark street.)

Father Huntington enjoys the reputation of being one of the most forceful speakers in the Episcopal church. His picturesque personality adds greatly to the weight of his words. Clad in the simple monastic habit of his order he looks as though he had been transplanted from the middle ages. But when he begins to speak of the needs and problems of the present day a person quickly realizes that he is listening to one who is not only deeply interested in the conditions of today, but has made himself master of his subject. Father Huntington's address last week at the Y. M. C. A. has aroused deep interest in him and his work.

ARIZONA CONSTITUTION SOON TO BE COMPLETED

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 3.—Pledged to facilitate the disposition of the remaining propositions for incorporation in the new constitution, the delegates to the constitutional convention are nearing the end of their labors. They expect to conclude the unfinished business before the end of next week, so that adjournment may be taken one week from today.

The constitution of the state board of equalization was fixed today. The body will be composed of the chairmen of the several county boards of supervisors, according to the proposition adopted.

The constitution, when completed for submission to the people of the territory and to President Taft and congress, will probably contain about 12,000 words. This is a conservative estimate by a delegate. Copies will probably be ready for distribution about December 15.

The blood flows through the veins of an average man a distance equal to 50,000 miles a year.

WATER POWER IN COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN PLENTIFUL

10,500,000 Horse Power May Be Developed in Southern Washington, According to Engineer.

By John E. Lathrop.
Washington, Dec. 3.—John C. Stevens, an engineer of the geological survey, tells of an estimated 10,500,000 horsepower available in the Columbia river basin. He has, with the assistance of other engineers, and cooperating with the state of Washington, examined the water powers of the Cascade range in southern Washington.

They refer in their report to these streams, the Klickitat, the White Salmon, the Little White Salmon, the Lewis, the Toutle, and other streams. These rivers with their tributaries will afford about 395,000 horsepower. The Klickitat will furnish 154,000 horsepower at low water. It was surveyed 73 miles along the total fall of 3255 feet. The general elevation of the range is 6000 to 8000 feet.

The three important requisites of water power, rapid fall, abundant water, and comparative uniformity of flow, are found in these streams, and Mr. Washburn believes the great resources of forests, mines and oils in that region offer promise of a good market for the water power.

LAWYERS WILL PLAN JURY AMENDMENT LAW

The Multnomah Bar association, through a committee appointed by President Charles J. Schnabel yesterday, will undertake the task of recommending legislation that should be adopted under the much discussed jury amendment to the constitution, adopted by the people at the recent election. The committee represents all phases of opinion regarding the interpretation of the amendment consisting of the following:

Martin L. Pipes, chairman; James B. Kerr, Supreme Court Justice; Will R. King, A. E. Clark, Thomas O'Day, A. L. Veszie, J. P. Conley, W. M. Davis, Cyrus A. Dolph and R. W. Montague.

Another committee on revision of the law relating to increasing the jurisdiction and membership of justice courts in counties of 50,000 population and over consists of Claude Strahan, chairman; F. S. Stadter, George W. Stapleton, Bert E. Haney and Bartlett Cole.

A third committee was named to extend an invitation to the Commercial Law League of America to hold its annual convention in Portland in July of next year. This committee comprises F. H. Whitfield, chairman; Judge William N. Gatens, Arthur C. Spencer, L. C. Mackay and E. E. Heckbert.

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