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The weather—Occasional rains tonight. Wednesday probably fair.



PRESIDENT DIAZ IS LIVING IN FEAR OF ASSASSIN'S HAND

All Food Is Tested for Poison Before It Goes on the Table of the President of Mexican Republic.

SLEEPING APARTMENTS CHANGED EACH NIGHT

Messengers Are Searched Before Admitted to the Executive Palace.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Mexico City, Dec. 20.—That President Diaz fears assassination, and has taken the precaution of having his food tasted and his sleeping apartments effectually guarded was learned today.

SAN FRANCISCANS WANT NO MONEY FROM UNCLE SAM

Kahn Wants to Kill Off Old Resolution Asking for \$5,000,000 for Fair; Louisiana Member Objects.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Dec. 20.—The spectacle of a congressman desiring to withdraw from committee a bill for a government appropriation of \$5,000,000 for his constituency and of another congressman opposing the motion was presented today in the house of representatives.

Representative Wickliffe, Democrat, Louisiana, representing the city of New Orleans, objected to the motion of withdrawal.

KNAPP NOW JUDGE OF COURT OF COMMERCE

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Dec. 20.—The appointment of Martin A. Knapp to be a judge of the United States commerce court was confirmed this afternoon by the senate.

The senate committee on commerce this afternoon decided to report favorably the nomination of C. C. McChord and B. C. Meyers to be members of the interstate commerce commission.

THREE ARRESTED IN FIGHT ON IMMORAL CONDITIONS THREATEN TO EXPOSE GRAFT

John Kokouras and James Starvas, proprietors of the Stockholm lodging house at Third and Everett streets, and A. Georgi, proprietor of a saloon and lodging house at Second and Main streets, were arrested this morning by Deputy Sheriff Leonard, completing the list of people indicted by the December grand jury as a result of its investigations into moral conditions.

TAFT HAS GREAT FAITH IN TARIFF COMMISSION PLAN

Serene Propagandist Urges His Formula as Cure for Evils of Partisanship and Sectional Favoritism.

"COST OF PRODUCTION" OBTAINABLE, HE THINKS

Points With Pride to Panama Canal; Railways Menace Water Competition.

(Copyright, 1910, by the United Press.) Washington, Dec. 20.—An intimate, personal interview with President William Howard Taft, such as any citizen of the republic might have if it were possible for each to call upon the president at the White House and talk over affairs uppermost in his mind, would bring the visitor face to face with an executive who is fighting an effort to destroy his non-partisan permanent tariff commission plan, and who is prepared to give reasons why every American should swell with pride at the successful construction of the great Panama canal.

The trained judicial mind of the chief magistrate is quickly concentrated upon the subjects which his caller suggests for discussion. He is all attention, all interest. Whether talking or listening he is alert, enthusiastic, forceful.

Such a visitor representing the United Press, and so admitted, was seated and immediately put at his ease by the president's geniality. Then followed a conversation bearing upon two subjects, chosen from dozens of topics. The permanent tariff commission was taken up first. The president freely stated those personal opinions and beliefs which form the basis of his earnest hope of making the commission an accomplished fact.

WHAT WIFE EARNS BELONGS TO HER

And to Make Sure She Gets It Divorce Court Gives Her Half Plus \$500.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Seattle, Dec. 20.—Andrew Yosting, a Russian emigrant, came to this country 20 years ago, bringing his wife Anna. Since then he has worked and saved his money, although in the meantime living frugally and denying proper support to his wife.

Yosting, notwithstanding his long residence in the United States, has not learned the language. He gave his evidence through an interpreter.

CHICAGO TEAMSTER KILLED BY STRIKER

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, Dec. 20.—John Donnelly, a teamster employed by garment manufacturers whose employees are on strike, was shot and killed today. The police are seeking his assailant among the striking garment workers.

DONOR OF PEACE FUND AND SOME OF TRUSTEES



Andrew Carnegie, the veteran ironmaster, and some of the trustees who will have charge of his \$10,000,000 peace fund. From left to right, upper row, are George W. Perkins of New York, financier and philanthropist Andrew Carnegie, the donor of the fund; Elihu Root, United States senator, ex-secretary of state, and ex-ambassador to Great Britain. This fund is in 5 per cent first mortgage bonds and will yield \$500,000 a year.

STRIKEBREAKERS HIDE WHILE MOB DISMANTLES CARS

Night Ambuscade Formed, In- to Which 12 Crews Fall, Incident of Winnipeg Strike; Other Unions Support.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—Strike disorders resembling somewhat those of the street railway strike four years ago last summer broke out last evening. Twelve of the largest cars were sent out about 10 o'clock to Weston to bring Canadian Pacific railway employees to the city.

When the cars arrived at the railway shops' station they waited for passengers, but all the employees passed them walking home. After a few minutes' wait the streetcar crews decided that a trap had been set for them and decided to start their cars back.

While the crews were holding a council in the dark and in the midst of a blinding snow-storm, the spot became black with men. The crews had barely time to escape to the cars and hide under the seats before a fusillade of missiles began. This bombardment was kept up until every pane of glass was broken and the cars in other ways rendered useless for service.

YEAR'S END EDITION OF THE JOURNAL

Oregon's Diversified Interests to Be Set Forth in Detail That All May Learn of the Opportunities Offered

11,202 NAMES ON RECALL PETITION

Anti-Gill Document Guarded at City Hall, Seattle, by Welfare Leaguers.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Seattle, Dec. 20.—The monster petition demanding that a recall election be held to determine the tenure of Mayor Hiram Gill was filed today with the city comptroller. The total number of names signed to the petition is 11,202, of which 631 are duly qualified women voters.

The petition will be guarded at the city hall by members of the Welfare league, the organization that started the recall movement and forced the police scandal investigation by the city council.

Seattle, Dec. 20.—Mayor Gill will not discharge Chief Wapenstein as a result of the graft committee's findings. "I'm not going to fire him because those fellows say so," said the mayor this morning. "I'm going to read this testimony, then I'll do what I think best."

"Remove Wapenstein as chief of police," was the recommendation of the graft investigating committee before the city council last night, after the most exhaustive investigation of the underworld Seattle has ever known.

BILL TO STRENGTHEN PURE FOOD MEASURE

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Dec. 20.—In order to conform with the pure food laws, all packages of foods will have to bear a statement of the exact measure of the contents on the label, if a substitute bill to be submitted to the house today by Representative Mann of Illinois becomes a law.

FULL COMMITTEE VOTES TO ACQUIT ILLINOIS SENATOR

Report of Sub-Committee on Privileges and Elections Adopted; Committee's Vote on Report Not Announced.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Dec. 20.—A report extenuating Senator William Lorimer of Illinois from charges that he secured his election to the United States senate through legislative bribery was formally adopted today by the senate committee on privileges and elections.

The committee instructed Chairman Burrows to submit a report along the lines of the report made by the sub-committee that conducted the direct investigation. Senator Burrows will probably file the report this evening. It is not known as yet whether the report will be unanimous.

The death knell of "suspension of the rules" day was sounded yesterday, so far as the present session is concerned, through the instrumentality of Speaker Cannon, who thereby got a unique revenge.

Yesterday was "suspension day" and the provisions were the calling up of bills from the "unanimous consent" calendar, consideration of motions to discharge committees of certain measures, and finally requests of members to suspend the rules and pass measures on the calendar.

MARKET FULL OF CHRISTMAS TURKEYS; BEST BIRDS CAN BE BOUGHT FOR 25C A POUND

More turkeys are now offered to consumers than ever before for Christmas. Prices are very weak in the wholesale market, and at retail it is definitely noted that anyone can get the best freshly killed birds at 25 cents a pound—and there are indications of even less money being charged.

SUPREME COURT MAKES RULING ON NEW AMENDMENT

None but Extreme Cases to Be Acted Upon in Original Jurisdiction of Habeas Corpus Applications.

COURT IS DIVIDED UPON THE QUESTION

Justice King Holds Decision Is Step Toward Suspension of Habeas Corpus.

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.) Salem, Dec. 20.—By a decision handed down today the state supreme court declines to exercise in any but extreme cases the original jurisdiction in habeas corpus applications conferred by the constitutional amendment adopted at the last general election. The court was divided upon the question. Justice McBride, Justice Eakin concurring, held that the court may exercise a wide discretion as to whether such applications shall be entertained. Justice Will R. King dissenting, held that the conclusion reached by the majority of the court is "a long stride towards a suspension of the writ of habeas corpus."

The question arose in the matter of the petition of Archie M. Jerman on behalf of Francesco Roberto and Lorus Martinez, asking for a writ of habeas corpus on the ground of irregularities in the judgment of the trial court. The amendment to the constitution, adopted in the November election, provides that "the supreme court may in its own discretion take original jurisdiction in mandamus, quo warrant, and habeas corpus proceedings." The case at bar was the first application for the exercise of the original jurisdiction thus conferred on the supreme court. Justice McBride's opinion was in part as follows:

"We are of the opinion that it was not the intention of the framers of the late amendment to thrust upon this court the burden of hearing, considering and deciding in the first instance every application for quo warrant, mandamus and habeas corpus which should be presented to it. Such a construction would overwhelm us with a mass of original business, including the examination of witnesses, hearing arguments of counsel and considering the merits of the causes presented, which would interfere seriously with those duties for which this court was primarily constituted: namely, The hearing and decision of cases coming here in the usual manner upon appeal. And we are also of the opinion that, before taking jurisdiction in any of the cases enumerated, we should carefully consider first, the condition of the business of this court; second, the hardships to the petitioner."

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TAFT'S MERCY TO A DANNY DEEVER

John Wynne's Mother Obtains Commutation to Imprisonment for Life.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Dec. 20.—Answering a mother's plea, President Taft today commuted to life imprisonment the death sentence imposed upon John Wynne, who was to have been hanged for the murder of A. F. McKinnon, a shipmate on the United States transport Rosecrans. Wynne had developed a dislike for McKinnon and in November, 1908, at Honolulu, while intoxicated he saw McKinnon asleep and crushed in his head with a hammer.

The commutation, in the president's handwriting, states: "Where the purpose to kill was formed in a drunken brain, the intoxicated condition rebuts the inference of the premeditation necessary for murder in the first degree."

NEW TEXAS TO BE ONE OF GREATEST OF DREADNAUGHTS

Contract for Battleship Let to Newport News Shipbuilding Co., the Only Bidder, at \$5,830,000.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Dec. 20.—The contract for building a new battleship to be named the Texas was let to the Newport News Shipbuilding company today by the navy department. The successful bid was of \$5,830,000, and was the only one received.

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DISTINGUISHING FEATURE IS ENGINE EQUIPMENT

Old and Otherwise Discarded Type Restored on Account of Fuel Economy.

When completed the Texas will be one of the most formidable dreadnaughts afloat. The distinguishing feature will be the engine room, where the old type reciprocating engines will be installed. Although this type of engine was discarded when the turbines were perfected, it is said the old engines are more economical in regard to coal consumption, and are therefore more desirable for ships of the Texas type.

PHILANDER KNOX FACES HARD TASK

New Treaty Coming Up; Japan and Pacific Coast to Please at Same Time.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Dec. 20.—The problem of avoiding an affront to Japan and at the same time pacifying the people of the Pacific coast who would protest against any concessions to the Japanese, confronts Secretary of State Knox, who is preparing a preliminary agreement on which a new treaty with Japan is to be based.

The proposed treaty will replace that ratified by the United States and Japan in 1894. The treaty at present in existence provides that it may be denounced after July 17, 1911, by either party's giving a year's notice. Neither has as yet denounced the existing agreement, but it is believed both governments will desire changes.

MEN OF ULSTER READY TO FIGHT

At Prospect of Home Rule for Ireland They Place Orders for War Munitions.

(United Press Leased Wire.) London, Dec. 20.—A crisis in Ulster as a result of the return of the Liberal party to power is indicated in dispatches received from Ireland today. The opponents of home rule for Ireland as part of the Liberal program for the coming parliament, have subscribed \$50,000 for warlike measures. Bids for 20,000 rifles have already been asked and bids for 1,000,000 rounds of ammunition were sought today.

Even the most peaceful of Ulster men admit that armed resistance will follow if parliament should grant home rule in Ireland.