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PRESIDENT SIGNS STATEHOOD BILL; RECALL OMITTED

Taft Affixes Signature to Compromise Measure With Two Most Important Provisions Eliminated.

MATTER OF ENTRANCE NOW UP TO TERRITORIES

Only Refusal of Commonwealths to Accept Changes Can Stop Admittance.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Aug. 21.—President Taft this afternoon signed the bill admitting Arizona and New Mexico to statehood. Only the refusal of the two territories to comply with the conditions imposed by congress can now operate to prevent them from entering the union in about three months.

Under the provisions of the bill New Mexico must veto the proposal of making its constitution more susceptible to amendment. Arizona is required to eliminate the recall of judges provision from its constitution.

These steps taken, the election of state officers and congressmen must then be held.

TERRITORIES' STRUGGLE TO BE TAKEN INTO UNION CONTINUED FOR YEARS

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Aug. 21.—Following the story briefly told of the long struggle of New Mexico and Arizona for admission to the union:

1848—Treaty of cession of New Mexico, then including Arizona, to the United States by Mexico was signed with promises of speedy statehood.

1850—Convention assembled in Santa Fe to formulate a constitution for the state of New Mexico. It was later adopted by the voters, but congress refused to pass the necessary statehood act, owing to the Clay compromise.

1863—Congress passed an act dividing New Mexico and making its western half the territory of Arizona, until such time as the people should apply for and obtain admission to the union as a state.

1875—Both houses of congress passed an enabling act for New Mexico and Arizona.

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BLACK GHOST OF GRANTS PASS NOT SEEN FOR 2 WEEKS

Threat of Shooting Believed to Have Discouraged Veiled Apparition, 7 1-2 Feet Tall and Dressed in Black.

(Special to The Journal.) Grants Pass, Aug. 21.—For over two weeks now no one has seen the strange apparition that has been roaming the streets of Grants Pass at night intervals. When it was permitted quietly to become known that guns would be used next time the apparition appeared, the manor of the individual immediately decided it was time to quit.

But while the "black ghost" was in its heyday, there was excitement among Grants Pass women—and among some men. The apparition would appear generally about midnight. It seemed immensely tall in the warm moonlight—perhaps seven and one half feet. It was dressed in female clothes, and wore a heavy black veil. A six foot man wearing such a dress, however, and with thick soled shoes would appear at night that tall, especially at a little distance. The dress was wholly black.

When anyone drew near the "black ghost" it would flee precipitately. Several persons claim to have pursued it to the river, where they say it climbed the high steel bridge and with a wild shriek jumped into the water, disappearing without leaving a ripple on the surface.

The first appearance was a month ago, but other individuals say they saw the same specter during the next week. Others caught sight of the weird thing on the same nights in different parts of town. Timid people were greatly excited.

The favorite stamping ground was the east side near Rogue river, where the "ghost" had ready access to the bridge when pursued. Sometimes it would run on all fours over the bridge before disappearing.

So many persons of veracity claim to have seen the "black ghost" that no one doubts its existence. The cleverness with which capture has been escaped has been remarkable. At first city and county officers were noncommittal regarding the phenomenon, but the eye witnesses became numerous enough to make the situation public property two weeks ago, although no hint of it was permitted to get to outside papers.

"The Other Woman"



Beautiful young Beulah Binford, who will testify at the trial in Richmond of Henry Clay Beattie, charged with the murder of his wife, which begins today.

BEATTIE, ON TRIAL, SEEMS TO ENJOY GRIM SENSATION

Young Virginia Banker, Accused of Murdering Wife, Pale and Nervous, but Shows No Other Emotion.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chesterfield Courthouse, Va., Aug. 21.—Henry Clay Beattie Jr., pale and nervous, but otherwise showing no sign of emotion, settled himself stolidly in his chair beside an array of counsel in the little courthouse here today when the court refused to grant a stay of trial on the indictment for the murder of his wife, Mrs. Louise Wellford Owen Beattie, on the Midlothian pike near Richmond, July 18.

The attorneys for the defense urged a week's delay, but Judge Watson overruled the motion. Beattie was called to the bar of the court and his lawyers moved to quash the indictment. This also was denied. Beattie then entered his plea of not guilty.

Girl Is Not Present.

Beulah Binford, the 17-year-old girl who bore Beattie a son and for whose sake he is said to have killed his wife, was not present. The authorities, deeming her presence unnecessary, left her in the Henrico county jail.

The crowd inside and out of the tiny courtroom was large.

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REV. JOHN REEVES DRIVEN TO SUICIDE BY COST OF LIVING

Pendleton, Or., Minister Gets Poorer and Poorer; Finally, Too Proud to Accept Aid, He Kills Himself.

TRUE WIFE, ONCE RICH, STICKS LOYALLY BY HIM

While She Gets Breakfast So He Can Go to Work Early, He Gives All Up.

(Special to The Journal.) Pendleton, Or., Aug. 21.—Supposed to have been despondent over the difficulties of providing for himself and family, Rev. John Reeves, a well known Methodist Episcopal South minister of this city, this morning about 5:30 o'clock placed a revolver to his head and killed himself, death resulting instantaneously.

He was found half an hour later by his wife in the woodshed, where he had fallen. He leaves three young children by his present wife and four grown sons by a former marriage, one of whom, DeGarris Reeves, is principal of the Vancouver, Wash., high school, and two others of whom live in Seattle.

Rev. Mr. Reeves had risen early to take the train to Weston, his old home, where he intended to solicit life insurance. His wife was preparing breakfast at the time of the suicide, but the report of the revolver was muffled and she thought nothing of the sound.

Reeves' recent life had been romantic. For the past 30 years he has been a minister. At one time he was pastor of the elder of the Kentucky conference. His second marriage was with the daughter of a wealthy family of the Blue Grass state—and was against the wishes of the bride's parents. Soon after he came to Oregon and was pastor two years at Weston and three years ago came here. The local M. E. church south had become extinct and he had no pastorate, but frequently supplied in the Methodist and Presbyterian pulpits and sold life insurance.

He became poorer and poorer, but would not receive charity from the Masons, of which he was a member, or from the church. His wife stood by him loyally, though her parents had offered her a home for herself and family if she would come back to them.

ROTARIANS OPEN MEETING; MERRY SONGS RING OUT

City's Guests Made Joyful by Matchless Day and Glad Welcome, Give Vent to Happiness Within Them.

SESSION PRESIDED OVER BY PRESIDENT HARRIS

Waldemar Seton Gives Address as Representative of Mayor.

The gates of Portland swung open their widest this morning, giving entrance to the winged rotary wheel.

So much did the spirit of exuberant good fellowship communicate from brilliant day to enthusiastic people that when Waldemar Seton, representing Mayor Rushlight, made the address of welcome to the National Association of Rotary Clubs of America, meeting in the convention hall of the commercial club, he said he had no key of the city to offer the delegates, because for their coming all doors are opened and the city is at their disposal.

C. C. Chapman, speaking for the state of Oregon, followed, saying that for the first time in August in five years, the smoke veil that usually hides the mountains from the city had been lifted, that rain had fallen especially to clear the view for Rotarians and that they might look and see with crystalline clearness, silver peaked Mount Rainier, domed St. Helens and Adams, and Mount Hood, the mountain of personality, the pride of Oregon.

Delegates Arrive.

President Paul F. Harris, presiding over the meeting, said that it was such prospect of welcome and enjoyment that had won for Portland the big convention when the other large cities of the United States were fighting for it.

Several hundred delegates came to Portland this morning from Seattle and Tacoma, having come from the cities of the east and middle west via special train on the Canadian Pacific. They were greeted not only by a large reception committee from the strong Portland Rotary club, but also by the delegates.

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Sister of Colonel J. J. Astor's Fiancee Wishes She Were Man to Punish Critics

Miss Katherine Force, who wishes she were "a man" to punish the critics of the Astor Force union. Miss Force, who is a sister of Madeline Talmage Force, the fiancee of Colonel John Jacob Astor, declares that the Rev. Mr. Richmond's calling alone protects him from "other than legal action."



(United Press Leased Wire.) Fairfield, Conn., Aug. 21.—Mrs. Force and daughter Katherine, mother and sister of Madeline Force, fiancee of Colonel John Jacob Astor, left today for Ashbury Park. They will join the party now cruising off the coast in Astor's yacht.

MALTHUSIANS ASSERT RACE SUICIDE HAS MADE FRANCE RICHEST COUNTRY

(United Press Leased Wire.) Paris, Aug. 21.—That race suicide has been of incalculable value to France in bringing about both material and educational prosperity is the contention made by the officials and leaders of the Malthusian society of France, which opened its annual convention here today.

France, with the lowest birth rate of any civilized nation, is now, and for years has been, it is asserted, the richest country in the world, proportionate with its population. According to Edmond Thierry, the noted political economist, the total of the combined private fortunes of France was \$12,800,000,000 in 1848. At the present time the total stands at \$57,456,400,000, and the gain in wealth has been far ahead of the increase in population.

If the private wealth of the republic were distributed each of the 39,278,000 inhabitants, men, women and children, would be worth \$1,462. Counting four to a family this would give each French family a fortune of \$5,848. No other nation approaches these figures, nor is there any other country in which wealth is as evenly divided as in France. Swollen fortunes in the republic are few and extreme poverty prevails to a much lesser extent than in any other land. The disciples of Malthus attribute all this to the limitation of population urged by the great English economist.

With the last decade, workingmen as well as the middle class have become converted to the doctrine of race suicide and as a rule have only from one to three children. With the population remaining almost stationary and the increased mortality has more than offset the increase in population. Illiteracy is practically non-existent in France. With fewer children, better care and better education result.

President Taft Will Lay Cornerstone.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Aug. 21.—President Taft today accepted an invitation to lay the cornerstone of the new Oakland (Cal.) city hall, thus clinching his intention to go west this fall.

BUTTS HIS BRAINS OUT AGAINST WALLS OF DUNGEON AT LINNTON ROCKPILE

Perry M. Barker, aged 52 years, son of a prominent Oregon pioneer, Hiram Barker, was found dead this morning in a dungeon at the Linnnton rock pile, where the man had been thrown last night after an unsuccessful attempt to compel him to keep to his bed. Barker butted his brains out against the concrete walls of the cell, it is believed. Barker, who is well to do, but who has been dissipating for years, was sent to the rock pile on August 18 for 10 days on a drunk and disorderly charge. Since going there he has suffered considerably from delirium tremens and last night became violent. Night Watchman Gustavson put him in the dungeon with nothing but his undershirt and a blanket for protection.

At 5 o'clock this morning when a guard called at the cell, Barker's body was found lying on the floor of the cell, with blood covering his body and his skull crushed in. His body was covered from head to foot with bruises, and bears evidence of having been frightfully beaten.

Inquiry Ordered.

As the result of his death, a thorough investigation will be conducted by Deputy Coroner Dunning to determine whether or not the bruises were self-inflicted, and to place the blame on the proper party.

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PHILLIPS, DANIELS, ARRAIGNED TODAY, PLEAD NOT GUILTY

Neither President Nor Cashier of Defunct Commercial Bank Has an Attorney; Case Comes in October.

CHARGE IS TAKING MONEY INTO AN UNSOUND BANK

One Depositor Is Woman Who Mortgaged Home to Help Consumptive Son.

(Special to The Journal.) Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 21.—President H. C. Phillips and Cashier G. W. Daniels of the defunct Commercial bank of Vancouver, which closed its doors on December 15, 1910, owing depositors approximately \$385,000, were formally arraigned in superior court at 10 o'clock this morning, and each entered a plea of not guilty. Neither was represented by an attorney. Their cases will be called at the October term of the superior court.

Each was charged with having received deposits in an unsound and unsafe banking institution which he knew or had reason to believe was unsafe and unsound. One charge is of receiving \$1531.10 from Mrs. Mary E. Hamilton on December 16, 1910, three days before the bank closed.

Mrs. Hamilton's home is at 410 West Ninth street in Vancouver. About 10 minutes before closing time on Friday, December 16, 1910, according to Mrs. Hamilton, she deposited \$1531.10 in the bank, the money being the proceeds of a mortgage which she had placed on her city home at the corner of Ninth and Park streets, the money being raised to take care of a son, 20 years old, who was at the time in a hospital in Albuquerque, N. M., suffering from tuberculosis.

The other complaint was made by W. M. Farrell, who deposited \$800 in gold in the institution on December 16, 1910.

Information in the case were filed in the superior court on July 15, 1911, and on the same date Phillips and Daniels were arrested. They were released on \$10,000 bail each, and these bonds will be allowed to stand till the final trial in October.

BRITISH UNIONS THREATEN A NEW RAILROAD STRIKE

Labor Leaders Charge That the Railroad Companies Are Breaking Faith by Discriminating Against Some Men.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Liverpool, Aug. 21.—The lockout of the dockworkers here was settled tonight and the men were ordered to return to work immediately. With the difficulties of the railway employees already adjusted and the dock men now returning work, the general strike is believed to be at an end in Liverpool.

More than 50 vessels have been in the harbor for the last 10 days waiting to be unloaded. Atlantic liners are continuing to leave port as rapidly as they are coaled and provisioned.

(United Press Leased Wire.) London, Aug. 21.—Charging that the railroad companies are breaking faith by discriminating against some of the strikers, Secretary Thomas of the Railway Employers' association today threatened a renewal of the strike unless the companies' promises of impartial reinstatement are fulfilled to the letter.

The government is expected to force adherence to the agreement by the companies, however, and it is believed there is little danger of further hostilities.

Thousands of men returned to work today. Only employees of the North-eastern railroad are refusing to resume, asserting that the agreement does not cover their union and demanding a weekly wage of \$5.50 for an eight hour day.

The victory of the railway workers is expected to encourage employees along other lines. Street car men already are reported to be secretly voting on a strike proposition.

Liverpool, Aug. 21.—Railroad employees will return to work here tomorrow and it is expected that the dock workers' trouble will be settled speedily. Food conditions in the city have improved greatly and a general feeling of optimism prevails.

The Atlantic liners Celtic and Caronia sailed last night and other ships, delayed by the strike difficulties, weighed anchor this morning.

The dockworkers at Hull are reported as preparing to strike and a strike has been dispatched to guard the harbor there. Carters and freight handlers at Manchester today had not resumed work and additional troops are on the ground to help prevent further rioting.

DELEGATES TO ROTARIAN CONVENTION NEED NO KEYS TO PORTLAND BECAUSE ALL DOORS ARE OPEN TO THEM



Group of Rotarian visitors and members of reception committee who accorded guests rousing reception.