

# TAFT'S CAMPAIGN IS TO BE BUSINESS MEN'S STRUGGLE

### Chairman Hillis of Republican National Committee Asserts Newly Named Executive Committeemen Will Fight.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
New York, July 20.—Emphasizing his former statement that he intended to make the reelection of President Taft a business man's fight, Charles D. Hillis, chairman of the Republican national committee, this afternoon announced to the members of the executive committee which will handle the fight under his direction. Twelve men were named by him, and all of them have agreed to devote all of their time from now until election day making the fight. The committee as announced by Chairman Hillis, following a long distance telephone talk with President Taft in Washington, was as follows:

J. T. Adams, Dubuque, Iowa; Charles F. Brooker, Ansonia, Conn.; Frederick Goodrich, Indianapolis, Ind.; Alvin T. Martin, Norfolk, Va.; T. J. Niedringhaus, St. Louis, Mo.; Samuel A. Perkins, Tacoma, Wash.; Alfred T. Rogers, Madison, Wis.; Newell Saunders, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Charles B. Warren, Detroit, Mich.; Roy O. West, Chicago, Ill.; Ralph Williams, The Dalles, Ore.

The assignment of the new committeemen were also announced by Chairman Hillis, as follows:  
New York headquarters: Brooker, Esterbrook, Goodrich, Martin and Saunders; Chicago, Adams, Niedringhaus, Rogers, Warren and West; Pacific coast, city to be selected, Perkins and Williams.

**Pleased With Outlook.**  
"We are very well satisfied with the outlook," said Hillis today. The members of the executive committee will begin their work immediately. They will take off my shoulders as much as possible the detailed work of the campaign, so that I can devote my attention to the things that absolutely require my attention. This committee is made up of men who have the interest of the Republican party at heart, and they will aid materially in getting things running properly and keeping them so. This is to be a business campaign. We will run it in the same way as any business should be run, and we are confident that we will attain our end, the reelection of President Taft.

**Barnes Not On Committee.**  
"The treasurer of the committee and the advisory committee which is to be appointed probably will be announced next Monday. Some names were expressed because William T. Barnes, Jr., the New York boss, who was so influential in winning the fight at Chicago for President Taft, was not on the executive committee. It was explained, however, that Barnes had expressed an unwillingness to serve. It is understood that he pointed out that it would be absolutely necessary for him to give all of his time and attention to the campaign in New York state, and that he would be in such close touch and that Hillis could reach him at any moment's notice should it become necessary.

**MRS. GRACE WILL FACE HUSBAND'S CHARGE IN COURT**

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had left the house sometime during the day and had gone to Newnan, Georgia, to visit her mother-in-law.

That evening Mrs. Grace was arrested at Newnan and brought back to Atlanta. On facing her husband the latter directly accused her of shooting him and leaving him to die alone.

**Wife Denies Charge.**  
Then Mrs. Grace told him unless he withdrew the accusation she would take the power of attorney, which he exercised, away from him.

This threat seemed to have the desired effect for Grace at once declared that he must be mistaken.

The power of attorney, she threatened removal of which she requested, was drawn the accusation for the time being, was in regard to her former husband, Grace was to have gone to Philadelphia on the day he was shot to arrange for the mortgage.

Mrs. Grace admits that she did not leave her husband until after 11 o'clock on the day of the 6th. She says that her husband had complained of not feeling well, but she supposed he would soon recover from the indisposition and go to Philadelphia in the afternoon, as planned. She says she went to Newnan to see her husband's mother and to join the former on a later train and go to Philadelphia with him.

On the other hand Grace says that he awoke about 6 o'clock on the morning of the 6th with a burning sensation in his side. He didn't know what was the matter with him and requested his wife to call a doctor. He says Mrs. Grace made a pretense of going to the telephone and calling up a physician, but that in reality she never took the receiver from the hook. But on the contrary, she stuffed the instrument to prevent it from ringing.

Grace charges his wife with having heavily drugged him before shooting him. He says, accounts for the fact that neither the report nor the accompanying the shot wounded him.

The motive for the crime, as given by the prosecution, was to obtain the \$25,000 life insurance policy held by her husband and of which she was the beneficiary.

In reply to this the attorneys for Mrs. Grace say that their client is wealthy in her own right and had no need of the insurance money. They also claim that she is not the type of woman capable of such a deed and state that she was genuinely in love with her husband and he with her until outside influences began to work on his mind.

**A Spectacular Courtship.**  
The courtship of Eugene H. Grace and his wife, who is about 20 years his senior, was as spectacular as it was brief.

Mrs. Grace was the widow of William H. Opie, a wealthy Philadelphia tailor. And before his death from blood poison in February, 1911, his wife had already become known as "Daisy of the Leopard Skin," because of her mania for coats made from the skin of that spotted animal.

After the death of her husband, from whom she inherited \$100,000, Mrs. Grace became a conspicuous figure in the gay life of the Pennsylvania metropolis.

About this time her eyes had been attracted by the tall form of a handsome young man of immaculate attire. Then the tall young man saw the leopard furs and the vivacious face they carried and a mutual attraction sprang



Eugene Grace, whose charge of attempted murder by wife will be tried in court.

up. An introduction was obtained and as a result, Eugene H. Grace was married to Mrs. Opie in New York at the Little Church Around the Corner, in March, 1911, less than one month after the death of the bride's former husband.

Grace, at that time, was a bond salesman who had ambitions to become a building contractor. Finding his wife disposed to further this ambition he took his bride to Atlanta, where he set himself up in business.

But he did not prosper. He and his pleasure loving wife lived rapidly and spent lavishly. Instead of applying himself to business, it is said, he devoted himself to pleasure. And he was obliged to keep drawing on his wife's resources until at last, it is asserted, he was about to go to Philadelphia to mortgage their last piece of property, their only remaining asset, when he was shot.

In a letter to his wife, shortly before their marriage, Grace made this confession: "I have been a rank failure and can truthfully say it was caused by woman."

Also in another letter to his wife he wrote: "What I have witnessed and I say this absolutely free of a sentimental feeling, has been a revelation to me in that it shows the finish of such fast living to be death. I shall never again be misled by the sweet silver tongue of an accomplished, morally perverted woman into the depths of depravity. Neither shall I again drink whisky."

From the time Grace was found in his home, wounded and alone, it was never thought until recently, that he had any chance whatever, to live. At first his entire body was paralyzed. But he gradually gained control of the upper part of his body and now only the lower portion is useless. Even this, his physicians believe, will be finally overcome.

**Mrs. Grace Stands Alone.**  
He has made several ante mortem statements, at times when it was thought he was dying, and in each one he has sworn to his convictions that his wife first drugged and then shot him, for the sole purpose to get his insurance money. That he has always loved his wife, he does not deny, although he claims to be indifferent to her fate now. In the beginning his people stood by Mrs. Grace, even going so far as to assert that Grace was not in his right mind, but the latter's repeated accusations, and the knowledge of other and mysterious circumstances, that will be revealed at the trial, have turned them all against her.

In passionately declaring her innocence Mrs. Grace affirms that she has always loved her husband and now loves him and that to accuse her of attempting to shoot him to death is a monstrous injustice.

**JAPANESE EMPEROR IS AT DEATH'S DOOR; NO HOPE IS ENTERTAINED**

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late hour she was in communication by telephone every few minutes with the mikado's son and heir, the Crown Prince himself, but just recovering and still confined to his bed from a severe attack of chicken pox.

The members of the cabinet spent the night with their telephones at their bedside and carriages waiting at their doors, ready to rush them to the palace at the first summons.

**Mikado Never Shows Self.**  
The Mikado Maruichiro has never been much more than an idea to his people. To the elect he appears for a few moments twice yearly at a ceremonial garden party, but the masses have not only never seen him, but have never even seen his carriage roll past, or so much as the streets cleared for his passage. The crown prince is known about Tokio as a man of flesh and blood, for he has ventured out and shown himself, though always elaborately surrounded by his attendants.

The dying mikado has been widely proclaimed as the man who modernized Japan who gave it a constitution and made it a first class power. In reality, he has had little to do with shaping its destinies. For 46 years he has lived the life of a recluse—an almost imaginary figurehead for a government in which an oligarchy of ministers have been and still are, despite the so-called constitution, the real power.

**TICKLES FIANCEE INTO FAINT; GOES TO JAIL**

South, Pa., July 20.—Instead of leading Katie Holt to the altar, Richard Bem started for Allegheny to serve six months in the workhouse.

The two got a marriage license and Bem called on his fiancée last night to arrange for the wedding. They got into a friendly tussle and Bem tickled the girl's arm around until he dislocated it. When she began crying Bem tickled her in the ribs to make her laugh. Miss Holt screamed and pleaded for him to desist.

Finally she became unconscious. Today she swore out a warrant for Bem's arrest on a charge of assault and battery. She told the magistrate that Bem tried to "tickle her to death."

# Does Swartz Speak Truth in Declaring Against "Beautiful Makeup of Woman"

### Men and Women, Whose Opinions Are Worth While, Express Themselves on Immodesty of Milady's Summer Garb Cited by New York Murderer.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Denver, July 20.—"I am guilty. I am insane, caused by the beautiful makeup of women." These words contained in the written confession of Nathan Swartz detailing why he murdered little Julia Connors in New York recently, have caused a widespread controversy among clubwomen, ministers and others bring to an acute issue the problem of the present day dress of women.

"Could it be possible that the present day summer gowns of women, fashioned to bring out the lines of the figure distinctly would have an effect upon man that would bring him to a crime so terrible as the Connors murder?" was the question asked today of a number of prominent persons.

Some of the opinions expressed are: Governor Shaffroth: "Of course, I'm not up on it in any way, but I can't see anything wrong in women's costumes. They look pretty good to me. Not ever having had experience in anything like the Swartz matter, I really could not say whether a sane man could or could not be incited to crime by a tight dress."

Rev. Dr. David H. Fouse: "In answer to the first question, I think that the extremes of fashion are improper. About Swartz I think that unquestionably he speaks a widespread commentary of men upon the extremes of femininity dress of the present day."

Mrs. Helen Ring Robinson, clubwoman and writer: "No, I certainly do not think that present day feminine day dress is either immodest or immoral. There are women, of course, whose very personalities could make a hoop skirt immodest, but that should not be ascribed to the costume."

Rev. R. F. Coyle: "While I think that women's clothes of today are far from being proper, I think that any man who committed a crime of that sort simply because the dress caused his admiration, must be a degenerate."

Mrs. G. Chandler Phipps, society woman: "In the first place, I do not think that women's fashionable garb nowadays is immodest. Like anything else, of course, it can be carried to extremes, in which case it is naturally not right."

Judge Ben Lindsey: "Although this is the first time I have ever thought of it, there is a possibility that the murderer told the truth. In my experience in the children's court, I have found that there is a certain mysterious power of attractiveness in the person that may incite degenerates to crime."

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New York, July 20.—Mrs. Julian Heath, president of the Housewives' league, tonight said:

"There is no doubt in my mind that the present day dress of women is both immodest and ugly. I cannot see why mothers allow their daughters to

dress so and mingle so freely with young men as they do. It is not surprising that we have crimes like the Julia Connors murder. No doubt that Nathan Swartz was insane and a degenerate, as no sane man would have committed the crime he did; but then again there are a great many degenerate men around and all women should be careful."

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Boston, July 20.—Warden Benjamin Bridges of Charlestown Prison, said:

"In my opinion there was more truth than cowardly excuse in the reason Nathan Swartz, murderer of Julia Connors, gave for his terrible act. The average normal man cannot conceive what dire results can be laid directly to the door of certain styles of tight fitting dresses. Many of the poor fellows serving time for somewhat similar crimes are of the Swartz type. Of course they have been started wrong. Their stunted, degenerate minds were incited to crime by the charm-displaying costumes worn on the streets by women."

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Chicago, July 20.—Professor H. A. Carr, of the department of psychology at the University of Chicago, said:

"Dress never made a criminal of any normal man, nor did modesty in attire curb the criminal impulses of a sexual degenerate. The declaration of Nathan Swartz that he was incited to his awful crime by the suggestion in Julia Connors' dress, is the expression of the untutored mind, seeking in that ignorance to attribute its error to some fault in the victim."

**NOT A SUBJECT FOR ARBITRATION IS CLAIM**

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Washington, July 20.—That no law pertaining to the connection of American citizens with the Panama canal is a fit matter for arbitration, was the

assertion of Senator Smith of South Carolina, in a speech in the senate today. He said:

"If we decide that our title to the Panama canal zone is such as to make it practically United States territory insofar as our relations with foreign countries is concerned, then it follows that any law we make in reference to our own citizens' use of this property, where it applies to our citizens alone, is not a matter for arbitration."

**Seven Her Lucky Number.**  
(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Marshalltown, Iowa, July 20.—If a combination of seven means luck, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Tisdale of this city should be particularly fortunate. She arrived at 7 o'clock, is the seventh member of the family, weight seven pounds, was born in the seventh month at No. 7 South Seventh street.

## LOGGING ENGINEERS ASKED FROM COLLEGES

(Special to The Journal.)  
Tacoma, Wash., July 20.—A congress of Pacific coast loggers will be held in Tacoma Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The congress hopes to have logging engineering made a feature of college work and Alex Polson, state senator and a big Grays Harbor logger, will make an address on "Why has not the Logging and Lumber Industry Occupied an Equal Position with Other Industries in Our Colleges?" The claim is that logging engineering is as much an exact science as hydraulic engineering.

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