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TAFT FAVORS LONG TERMS

President Says Good Congressmen Should Be Re-elected by States.

SAYS EAST RECOGNIZES THIS BUT WEST DOESN'T

In This, President Declares, Small Eastern States Are Able to Dominate in Congress—West Has Too Many One Termers—States Gain in Many Ways, He Says, By Policy of Re-electing—Congressman Dick Endorses Taft's Sentiment.

Washington, April 1.—President Taft in an address before the Ohio society of Washington last night pointed out that the dominating power of the eastern states in congress lies in the fact that they keep men in office when they place them there. He contrasted the influence of the east in legislative work with that of the west. "Why is it," asked the president, "the small states of the east exercise so much power in congress? It is not because an eastern man has any more capacity in the matter of legislation than a western man. It is because when the eastern states get a good representative they keep him as long as he lives and then he has an influence that vastly exceeds the mere numerical representation of population."

"I don't know whether this is quite germane to the subject of this occasion, but it occurs to me to say this because I feel as though we are all interested in having Ohio make herself felt in the legislation of this country by adopting a system that will certainly bring about the weight she is entitled to."

Dick Endorses Words. When the president had concluded, Senator Dick, who was on the platform, grasped his hand and shook it enthusiastically. The senator whose term expires with this congress and who has a hard fight ahead for re-election, said something to Mr. Taft who laughed aloud and said to the assemblage of men and women from his native state:

"Senator Dick has just told me that he heartily indorses everything I have said on this subject." The president was the guest of honor at a meeting called to organize an Ohio society in Washington. Justice William R. Day presided and subsequently was elected president of the society. "There is only one thing I want to say about Ohio that has a political tinge," he said, "and that is I think a mistake has been made of recent years in Ohio in failing to continue as our representatives the same people term after term. I am for continuing the representation as we have it, so that the representatives shall be the foremost in both the halls of legislation."

WOMAN ENTERED DOCTOR'S ROOMS DAY AND NIGHT

Watska, Ill., April 1.—Evidence in the Saylor murder trial today was such that before the court permitted the witnesses to testify, bailiffs cleared the room of women and girls. William Claussen testified that Mrs. Saylor entered Dr. Miller's office alone at all hours of the day and night. Claussen's story was introduced by the state in support of the theory that Miller killed Saylor in a quarrel over relations with the woman.

National Banks Must Report.

Washington, April 1.—The comptroller of the treasury today called for a statement from the national banks up to close of business on March 29.

WISE MEN MADE FOOLS BY A PRACTICAL JOKER

One of the best jokes of "All Fools Day" was perpetrated upon the members of the local bar. One of the employees of the court house at 9 o'clock called up every attorney in the city and told them that they were wanted at the court house at once. Accordingly the lawyers made haste to gather at the court house. Upon their arrival Col. Raley was just launching forth into his argument on the water suit which contains about as much interest for those not directly connected with it as a Sunday school would have for a bowery sport. Raley took their appearance as an indication that they were desirous of hearing his argument and he is said to have fairly poured forth eloquence

GIRL BRINGS HER KIDNAPERS \$10,000

Louisville, Ky., April 1.—That eight year old Alma Kellner, who was kidnaped last December, will be returned to her parents next Sunday in return for a ransom of \$10,000 was the statement today of friends of the Kellners. The ransom is said to have been delivered by Fred Fehr, uncle of the girl who left several days ago for the appointed place to deliver the money and get the child. No criminal proceeding will follow.

EIGHT BURNED TO DEATH IN BIG FOREST FIRE

Dry Prong, La., April 1.—One woman and seven men were burned to death while fighting a forest fire near here today. The woman was Mrs. Mattie Ivy. The men were employed at lumber camps which they were endeavoring to save from the flames. Several mills and much standing timber has been destroyed.

TWO BOYS FROZEN TO DEATH IN COLORADO

Loveland, Colo., April 1.—Two boys were frozen to death in a blizzard that has prevailed for the last three days, according to reports from Greeley today. They are Kost Nasus and Willie Hayworth. Their bodies were found near Hayworth's ranch house.

BETTING IS EVEN ON ATTELL AND MORAN BOUT

New York, April 1.—Betting is even on the scheduled ten round fight between Abe Attell and Owen Moran tonight. Both express the utmost confidence of winning.

JOHNSON DENIES HE GUZZLED JOY WATER

SAYS BUBBLES HE DRANK "WAS MINERAL WATER"

Chicago, Ill., April 1.—When questioned today concerning the report that he drank enough wine to float a battleship at a birthday dinner last night, Jack Johnson snorted. "Them bubbles was only mineral water," he said. "I don't mind what you say about me speeding, but you want to be mighty careful about reflecting on my character." Continuing, he said: "I want to say right now, that almost all of the statements giving the impression I am not taking the best of care of myself can be branded as false."

RICKARD WIRES GLEASON TO BRING JACK BACK

San Francisco, April 1.—Jack Gleason, New York. Don't come back unless you bring Johnson with you. This is final. "Tex" Rickard. This message was received in New York by Gleason today. Rickard says he is getting tired of Johnson's antics and the constant scrapes he is getting into and it is wearing on the Nevada man's nerves. "We have had enough horse play from Johnson," said "Tex" today, "and it is about time he was getting down to serious business."

PRESIDENT TAFT GIVES UP PLAN OF ALASKA TRIP

Washington, D. C., April 1.—President Taft today definitely decided not to carry out his plan to visit Alaska during the approaching summer and announced he will go directly to his country home when congress adjourns.

COMMITTEE IN LIVELY ROW

Chairman Nelson Accuses Attorney Brandeis of Withholding Testimony.

GREAT WORD BATTLE FOLLOWS THE CHARGE

Bullinger Investigating Committee Indulges in Animated Powwow When Nelson Hurls Charges at "Prosecution"—Committee Practically Upholds Chairman—Affair Rose During Examination of U. S. Attorney Todd.

Washington, April 1.—Chairman Nelson of the congressional committee today accused Attorney Brandeis, representing Glavis, with concealing certain testimony from the committee. Brandeis indignantly denied the charge and a lively row ensued between the members of the committee. The trouble was precipitated during the examination of U. S. District Attorney Todd of Washington, by Brandeis.

Representative Graham moved that Chairman Nelson's remarks be withdrawn. A hubbub followed with all of the committeemen talking at once. Finally order was restored and Senator Sutherland and committeemen seemed evenly divided in the matter. Committee, however, practically sustained Nelson when it voted 6 to 3 in favor of Representative Olmstead's motion to lay the Graham motion on the table. Todd's testimony was to the effect that he never told Special Agent Jones that Federal Judge Hanford of Washington was "constitutionally opposed" to land fraud cases and it was no use to attempt prosecutions. Todd branded Jones' testimony as absolutely false.

COWARDS LEAVE MAN TO FATE.

Injured Man Left in Car Which Runs Away—Fatal Hurt.

Vancouver, Wash., April 1.—W. N. Kersten, while working in a logging camp 12 miles from Yacolt yesterday fell on the blade of an axe, seriously cutting himself. Four companions placed him on a logging train and started for Yacolt. While on a steep grade the car broke from the engine and Kersten's four companions jumped to save their lives, leaving the injured man on the train. A mile further on the Kersten was thrown from the car but lit in a heap of loose cinders. The car continued into the Yacolt depot where it smashed into a train standing there, fortunately injuring no one. Kersten in the meantime was picked up by the engine which had started with him. He has a bare chance of recovering.

SOCIETY GIRL DOING LONG DISTANCE WALK

San Jose, Cal., April 1.—After covering the thirty miles between Burlingame and San Jose in 1-2 hours, Miss Eleanor Sears, a society girl, who is walking from Burlingame to Del Monte on a wager, was hot and she showed fatigue, but remained firm in her resolve to cover the 108 miles in 55 hours. At 5 o'clock she resumed her journey, taking a brisk gait which quickly took her out of the city and along the Monterey road toward Gilroy, where she hopes to stay for the night. She reached Edenville, eight miles south of here, at 7 p. m., and Coyote, five miles further south at 8:15.

JEFF AND PARTY LEAVE FOR TRAINING QUARTERS

Los Angeles, April 1.—Jeffries and party are scheduled to leave Los Angeles Sunday for San Francisco from where they will leave in a day or two for the Rowardenna training camp. Jeff declared today his weight is between 225 and 250 and says he is in excellent trim.

JURY IN MOORE CASE CAN'T AGREE; SENT BACK

Portland, April 1.—The jury in the case of W. H. Moore, ex-president of the Oregon Trust & Savings bank tried on a charge of receiving deposits after the bank was insolvent, reported at ten today it couldn't agree. Judge Brown said the jurymen back although there is little hope that an agreement will be reached.

Wolter Pleads Not Guilty.

New York, April 1.—Albert Wolter today was arraigned on a charge of murdering Ruth Wheeler, whose mutilated body was found in his room and pleaded not guilty. The trial will be called April 11.

Election in Spain.

Madrid, April 1.—General parliamentary elections will be held in Spain this month, and the campaign was commenced amid scenes of great excitement today.

300,000 MEN CEASE WORK

Miners in Bituminous Coal Fields of Twelve States Lay Down Tools

FAILURE TO ADJUST WAGE DIFFERENCES IS CAUSE

Miners in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Arkansas Are Idle—Operators Confident That There Will Be No Coal Famine—Mine Officers Say Walk Out is not a Strike.

Indianapolis, April 1.—Three hundred thousand organized miners of the bituminous coal fields of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Arkansas quit work at midnight pending settlement of a new wage scale. President Thomas E. Lewis of the miners union declared that a total of 300,000 men had quit work.

No call for a conference between mine operators and miners has been issued here as far as could be ascertained. The miners officials hope for an amicable settlement within thirty days.

Officers of the United Mine Workers of North America declared the walk out was not a strike, but merely a suspension of work because no wage scales had been made to replace the old scale, which expired with March. The miners demand an increase of pay, in some instances of five cents a ton and in some instances more, with certain changes in working conditions.

Confidence was expressed by the operators that there would be no general coal famine, large supplies of fuel having been stored in anticipation of the walk out.

While the miners predict the suspension will be cut short by a prompt signing of wage scales, some of the operators maintain the mines may be kept closed for a month, or longer.

The first settlement came in an announcement from Brazil, Ind., the center of the Indiana block coal field, where the demand for a five cent increase was granted. The conditions in the various states, reported to the national union headquarters, follow: Illinois, 300 mines closed and 75,000 miners out; joint conference on wages called for Monday in Chicago; operators say men demand increase of ten cents a ton; possibility of a four month shut down; two months supply of coal on hand; no immediate coal famine in Chicago.

Indiana—18,000 miners out; conference arranged for Wednesday at Terre Haute.

Pennsylvania—40,000 men ordered out; temporary scale expected by Saturday; settlement of the powder question to be held in obedience.

Iowa—Every mine in Iowa ordered closed pending settlement of the wage scale.

Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Arkansas—comprising the southwestern interstate fields—35,000 miners out; early settlement expected; miners assert they have \$400,000 to carry on the fight.

Ohio—Miners ordered to quit at midnight; state leader declares it is brief suspension; at Lorain, steel plant shut down and threw out 4,000 workers because of shortage of coal.

Reviewing the situation, President Lewis said: "When the national executive board adjourned last night, we all felt the prospect was very satisfactory for the miners. In many districts it is now only a question of the miners and operators sitting down together and talking over business."

"In Eastern Ohio, where we expected strong opposition, it is reported three of the largest companies are ready to sign the contract we formulated at our recent meeting in Cincinnati."

"In Indiana and the Hocking district in Ohio, we will reach a settlement next week. There probably will be more difficulty in Western Pennsylvania and in Illinois, where the powder and shot firers wage questions are involved."

3000 go Back to Work.

Indianapolis, April 1.—Three thousand miners of southern Indiana went to work today owing to the rapidly waning which operators and representatives of the mine workers reached an agreement on the wage question. The end of the strike of seventeen thousand miners in that territory is in sight and will probably be brought about today.

PORTLAND MARKET HOLDS THREE RECORD PRICES

Portland, April 1.—One load of steers from Lowden, Wash., sold at Stockdale today at \$7 per hundred weight, the highest price ever paid for steers on the Pacific coast. Portland now holds the high record price for cows, steers and hogs.

MANY BABIES ARE LEFT ON DOORSTEPS

Des Moines, Iowa, April 1.—With the authorities and scores of Iowa citizens aroused by the recent discovery on doorsteps of very young babies packed in ventilated suitcases, the police of Des Moines are working today on the theory that the infants have been left by representatives of an organization that is reaping a rich harvest by traffic in babies. Humane officers estimate that more than fifty babies have been disposed of by the suitcase method in the last three months.

NO LAWS TO PUNISH JAPANESE SPIES CAUGHT

Washington, April 1.—When Secretary Dickenson returns from his vacation he will have hard work finding a way to punish the Japanese spies captured while making plans of fortifications at Manila. The laws don't provide for such cases. Legal experts on American and Spanish laws have gone over the case and as a result congress may be asked to enact a special law governing similar cases. As yet the incident of the detection of the spies at work while sketching the corregidor fortifications has not become a subject for diplomatic interchange between the two nations.

RAILROADS RAISE RATES ON MANY COMMODITIES

Chicago, April 1.—Western railroads belonging to the Western Trunk line association are preparing to raise their rates on many commodities mentioned are brick, cement, steel, iron products, agricultural implements and drainpipes.

WILL FINISH THE COE RESERVOIR

FURNISH DITCH CO. ASKS BIDS ON WORK

Company Itself Will Complete Concrete Core and Build Sluiceway—Rest of Work to Contractors—To Be Completed by Fall.

Arrangements are now being made for the resumption of work on the dam and reservoir for the Furnish-Coe irrigation project. The Furnish Ditch company, which is handling all the construction work upon the reservoir and ditches of the project, is now advertising for bids for the completion of the big task at Horseshoe curve.

As announced in the advertisement the work will include about 140,000 cubic yards of earth excavation, 3000 cubic yards of solid rock excavation and 1200 cubic yards of concrete work. Specifications for the work may be seen at the office of the Furnish Ditch company or in Portland.

Already the Furnish Ditch company has built the concrete core of the dam from bedrock to the surface of the river. The company has also been at work upon the sluiceway which is to be 400 feet long, six and one half feet deep and 15 feet wide. This sluiceway is to be constructed through solid rock and will be lined with concrete.

According to E. P. Marshall, superintendent for the ditch company, the company itself will complete the work on the core of the dam and will also complete the sluiceway. The remainder of the work upon the dam and reservoir will be awarded to contractors. The ditch company is building the core of the dam and the sluiceway because the safety of the reservoir depends upon the efficiency of this work.

Though no official announcement has been made regarding the time for the completion of the work upon the reservoir and dam, it is understood that the work is to be completed before high water time next fall.

MORE INDIAN LANDS ARE PUT ON MARKET BY AGENT

For the first time since the retirement of Major O. C. Edwards as agent of the Umatilla Indian reservation, the government is now advertising for bids for the purchase of Indian lands on the reservation. Though but two pieces of forty acres each are being advertised at present, Major Swartzlander says he is going to revive the custom and that all Indians deemed "responsible" by the government will be given an opportunity to dispose of their allotments to the highest bidder. Owing to the fact

TWOHY BROS. HAVE THE JOB

Yoakum-Pendleton Line Alterations to Be Made by Big Contracting Firm.

PENDELTON WILL BE HEADQUARTERS

Contractors Will Operate Out of This Place and Pay Men With Checks Drawn Upon Pendleton Office—Superintendent Was Here Night Before Last—Work to Start Within Ten Days—Brandon Coming.

Work upon the line changes between Yoakum and Pendleton will be started within the next ten days. The work will be done by Twohy Bros., the big contractors, and Pendleton will be their headquarters. A large portion of the supplies used will be purchased here and the workmen will be paid from an office to be established in this city.

All of this is in accordance with a report now in local circulation and which has all the earmarks of being entirely authentic. Thus far no official announcement regarding the work upon the line changes has been made and at the local O. R. & N. office all employees declare they know nothing of what is to be done.

However, it is known that night before last Superintendent Boss, of the Twohy Bros. concern, was in the city and that he was accompanied by two members of the Twohy family. While here the men took up the proposition of securing warehouse room for the storage of their supplies and made many other inquiries. To local parties with which they talked they stated that they desired to operate out of this city and would pay their men with checks drawn upon their Pendleton office.

After being in the city for several hours the party left on a westbound train for the Deschutes region where Twohy Bros. are now building the Deschutes road for the Harriman people.

It is also reported that H. A. Brandon, who was in charge of the building of the Umatilla Central road and had charge of other construction work will be here to supervise the work on the Yoakum-Pendleton district.

ATTEMPT MADE TO REPEAL PAYNE-ALDRICH TARIFF BILL

Washington, April 1.—An attempt to repeal the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill was made in the house late today by Representative Fitzgerald, democrat, of New York. He moved to amend an appropriation by repealing the tariff bill. Cannon ruled he was out of order, whereupon Fitzgerald appealed from the rulings. On a motion to lay the appeal on the table, a roll call was demanded and the motion to table was carried.

NORTHWEST STATES NOT AFFECTED BY BIG STRIKE

Helena, Mont., April 1.—The leading northwestern coal producing states are not affected by the general coal strike order as the Montana contracts between miners and operators do not expire until September and in Wyoming and Washington August 1st. A conference between the operators and miners has been called for Montana in August.

POSSE GIVES UP HUNT FOR MURDEROUS MINER

Tacoma, April 1.—Paul Martina, a Pittsburg miner who Tuesday night shot and seriously wounded Mine Foreman Folsbeck is still at large and the posse has withdrawn from pursuit. All trace of the fugitive has been lost and the hunt will be dropped. Excitement in the little town has subsided and work in the mines resumed. Folsbeck will recover.

that none has been sold since the Edwards regime several hundred acres of desirable wheat land will be placed upon the market during the next few months. Every acre of the reservation land which passes into the hands of white owners, increases the value of the taxable property in Umatilla county by at least \$50, while much of the land to be sold will bring nearer \$100 per acre. The date of sale for the two small farms now being advertised will be May 25.