

EVENTS OF THE DAY

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week. Presented in Condensed Form, Most Likely to Prove Interesting.

Fire partially destroyed the Grand opera house, Nashville, Tenn. Loss, \$50,000.

General Uribe-Uribe, the Colombian revolutionary leader, has been sentenced to death.

Henderson will enter the race in Iowa for governor against Cummins. Vindication is his plea.

Burglars entered a New York house while the family were at dinner and stole \$8,000 worth of jewelry and clothing.

Burglars blew open the safe in an Albuquerque, N. M., jewelry store and secured \$2,000 in money and jewelry.

The postmaster general has ordered that the postoffice physician be abolished in all postoffices in cities under 500,000.

President Palma says the treaty between Cuba and the United States has been sent to the Cuban minister at Washington.

General Toral, who commanded the Spanish army at Santiago de Cuba at the time of the town's surrender, has lost his reason.

Secretary Root has set down the estimates for continuing contract work on rivers and harbors nearly \$2,000,000, leaving the total amount \$10,570,000.

Vice President Bird, of the St. Paul railroad, declares that the rates are too low.

French miners are likely to reject the terms made by the arbitration commission.

An earthquake at Guarda, Spain, resulted in a serious loss of life and destruction of much property.

The king of Siam has cabled his thanks to the president for the kindly reception accorded his son the crown prince.

The re-election of Joseph G. Cannon, of Illinois, makes it almost certain that he will be chosen as speaker of the house.

Governor Yates, of Illinois, is in a very critical condition and is said to be worse than at any time since he was taken sick.

General Miles, in his annual report, recommends better fortifications for the Pacific coast and also better barracks for the men.

Chicago housewives are solving the servant girl problem by demanding that help shall have diplomas issued by the Housewives' association.

Twenty-five hundred Chicago carmen will receive 10 per cent increase in wages as the result of the arbitration of the differences between employers and employees.

The rebellion in Venezuela is now practically ended.

A heavy loaded trolley car in Kansas City jumped the track, killing two people and injuring six.

There will be 386 members in the next congress, of whom 206 will be Republicans and 180 Democrats.

England will use \$40,000,000 the coming year to aid her subjects in the Transvaal and Orange River colony.

A steamer and schooner collided off the Boston harbor, resulting in the drowning of the captain and three of the crew of the latter vessel.

A French steamship company is negotiating for the establishment of a line connecting San Francisco, the Hawaiian Islands and Australia.

An appropriation of \$250,000 has been recommended for the erection of eight lighthouses on the Alaskan coast, in addition to those now provided for.

Twelve people were killed and 50 injured in an accident in New York. A large crowd had gathered to celebrate their election victory and an explosion of fireworks and bombs resulted in a panic.

Commissioner of Immigration North has been directed to inquire into the Universal Brotherhood scheme and decide whether or not they should be allowed to take charge of children and educate them.

The Cuban Congress has reconvened and President Palma's message is hopeful of reciprocity.

Treasurer Roberts' annual report shows the finances of the United States to be in excellent condition.

Physicians are baffled in a case at Bellevue hospital, New York. The patient is turning entirely black and is slowly dying.

The coal strike commission has submitted a copy of Mitchell's statement for the miners to the coal operators to make their reply.

The 11 Cuban children, who came to this country to join the Universal Brotherhood in California, will be returned to their homes.

An old bridge across one of Portland's gulches collapsed precipitating five persons and a team to the ground below. Fortunately, no one was seriously injured.

Senator Quay may be prosecuted for using his own letterheads in soliciting campaign funds.

The motorman and co-conductor of the electric car which collided with President Roosevelt's carriage waived examination on a charge of manslaughter and were released on bonds of \$5,000 and \$2,500 respectively.

The Nicaraguan cabinet has resigned, but the president refuses to accept.

A passenger train on the Northern Pacific collided with a freight near St. Paul, killing two men.

The Kaiser's visit to England is expected to bring about more friendly relations between the two powers.

STRIKE BOARD TAKES A REST.

Finished Its Tour of Inspection—Miners Will Be Heard November 14.

Mahanoy City, Pa., Nov. 7.—The Anthracite Strike commission ended its tour of investigation in the coal fields in the Panther Creek Valley yesterday and will return to their homes today, and will meet again at Scranton on November 14 to take the testimony of the miners. The largest day's work of the entire trip was accomplished yesterday when the commissioners made a complete inspection of two large collieries and a tour of the region lying between Mount Carmel and this city.

Six working days have been consumed in traveling from place to place in the anthracite coal regions, and the arbitrators feel that they are now qualified to sit in judgment on the controversy between the mine owners and their employees. In all, the commissioners were lowered into seven mines of varying conditions and went through several breakers. They met the general superintendents, the mine superintendents and foremen of the various collieries visited, and also personally talked with the grimy coal diggers in the dark gangways and chambers hundreds of feet below the earth's surface. They will be able to understand questions and ask questions where they would not have been able to understand them if they had not been underground.

HELD FOR ELECTION ACCIDENT.

Manager of Fireworks Display is Charged by Coroner with Manslaughter.

New York, Nov. 7.—With a list of 12 persons killed and 74 injured before him, Coroner Scholer today began an investigation of the explosion of fireworks in Madison Square Tuesday evening. He held John Craig in \$18,000 bonds on a charge of manslaughter in the first degree. Mr. Craig, it is alleged, was in charge of the explosives at the time of the accident.

Two boys, who were carrying boxes of explosives, were sent to the house of detention by the coroner as witnesses. All the rest of the 10 prisoners were discharged.

The coroner says there were seven bombs. An attempt to shoot off the first failed, he said, but it detonated, and thus caused the explosion of the other bombs. There were 10 bombs and four mortars weighing 150 pounds each.

IMMENSE CUSTOMS RECEIPTS.

October Imports at New York Largest on Record, with One Exception.

New York, Nov. 7.—October was, in amount of customs receipts and in number of consignments imported, a record "current" month at this port. The only month which ever exceeded it in print of customs receipts was April, 1897, and this was the record month of the year when a new tariff was about to become operative, and an unprecedented rush to get goods into the country was made. Last month's receipts were \$17,250,000. The receipts in April, 1897, were \$17,700,000. The month was also a record breaker for deliveries at the Appraisers' stores. The number of packages received was 50,551, and deliveries 49,400.

Oil Quelled the Waters.

Port Townsend, Wash., Nov. 7.—The Austrian steamer Java has reached this port from Moji. After leaving Tanager straits the Java encountered the full force of a typhoon. Heavy seas swept over the steamer, banging life-boats, awning frames and even washing the tarpaulins away that covered the hatches. Fortunately bags of fish oil were then hung along the steamer's side and prevented the seas from breaking, although a heavy, confused sea threatened momentarily to engulf the steamer. Had the Java been loaded, the officers think, the steamer would have been lost. The Java proceeded to West Seattle.

Decides Against Strikers.

Paris, Nov. 7.—The arbitrators in the miners' strike in the department of Pas de Calais today gave a decision against an increase of the present rates of wages, holding that the rates are proportionate to the selling price of coal. Annexed to the decision was a written declaration of the representatives of all the companies in that district to the effect that old-age pensions for workmen would be raised. The delegates of the miners are dissatisfied with the decision, and expect to carry the matter to the chamber of deputies.

Boxers At Work.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 7.—The steamer Shinano Maru brings news that anti-foreign placards are scattered all over Chengtu, and the Boxer disturbances are now rife throughout that province. The report that their female leader, Kwan Ying, or "Goddess of Mercy," was captured is untrue. The Boxers' female leader is but 17 years of age, and the woman captured and beheaded was over 60. The Boxers continue to raid out-of-the-way villages, and several churches have been burned and converts massacred.

To Prevent Rice Famine.

Manila, Nov. 7.—The Philippine commissioners have taken firm measures to prevent the rice famine, which is threatening many provinces. They today appropriated \$5,000,000 (Mexican) for the purchase and transportation of rice to be sold to the sufferers at a cash price covering the cost. Governor Taft will control purchases and sales. The coastwise companies have memorialized the commission denying the existence of a pool.

Fifteen Hurt in Collision.

New York, Nov. 7.—The west-bound Black Diamond express on the Lehigh Valley road, which left Jersey City at noon, was wrecked east of Newark about 12:20 p. m. Fifteen passengers were more or less seriously hurt, one coach and the engine being overturned. The express ran onto a siding and collided with an engine.

THE ELECTION

How the Vote Went in the Various States.

WASHINGTON VOTE

ENTIRE STATE GOES REPUBLICAN BY 10,000 MAJORITY.

Idaho Republicans Win by About 6,000—In California the Strongest Fight is on Governor, with Pardee, the Republican Nominee, in the Lead—Returns from Other States.

WASHINGTON.

Seattle, Nov. 6.—The state of Washington has gone Republican, so far as returns now in show, by at least 12,000 majority for supreme court justice and congressmen. King county alone contributes between 4,000 and 5,000 to these majorities. The legislature on joint ballot will stand at least 110 Republicans to an opposition of 226. The Republican majority is more likely to be increased than lowered by the full returns, which are coming in slowly from more distant precincts.

The next senate will be constituted as follows: Republicans, 32; Democrats, 8. Two districts are still in doubt. The house: Republicans, 78; Democrats, 9; seven districts still uncounted.

The west side of Washington presents almost a solid Republican delegation. Two new Democratic senators go from the west side. These are W. H. Moore, of Seattle, and John E. Earles, of Whatcom.

Spokane, Nov. 6.—With Okanogan county to hear from, the Republicans have elected east of the mountains in Washington three state senators and 28 representatives. The Democrats have elected three senators and 11 representatives. These figures may be changed a couple of votes by later returns, but those to hand are nearly complete. There are four doubtful districts yet to hear from.

Spokane County.

Spokane, Nov. 5.—The Republican congressional ticket has a majority in Spokane county of from 1,200 to 1,500. A little time seems that the Democrats have carried seven of the 12 legislative candidates, and the Republicans five. Of these five, three are understood to be for Ankeny for senator, and two for Wilson. The Republicans have carried their county ticket, with the exception of treasurer and coroner. Rasher and Graves, Dem., for the state senate are elected.

Yakima County.

North Yakima, Nov. 5.—Election returns are coming in slowly. In the city Jones leads the congressional ticket. He is over 300 ahead of the Democratic candidate. Hadley, for judge, leads by 175.

Walla Walla County.

Walla Walla, Nov. 5.—Indications point strongly to the election of the entire Republican legislative ticket. The Republicans lose the auditor and one commissioner. Returns are coming in slowly, only 13 out of the 26 precincts of Walla Walla county having been heard from. The congressional vote gives the Republicans 250 majority.

Thurston County.

Olympia, Nov. 5.—Thurston county shows large gains in the majorities over the election of two years ago. Returns from the 14 largest precincts give the Republican congressional ticket 500 majority over the Democratic.

Okanogan County.

Spokane, Nov. 5.—Eleven precincts out of 24 reporting in Okanogan county show that the Republicans are carrying the state ticket, with the Democrats breaking even on the county ticket and leading on the legislative.

Whitman County.

Colfax, Nov. 5.—Complete returns from 20 out of 88 precincts in Whitman county show a Republican landslide. Indications point to the election of the entire Republican legislative and county ticket, with the possible exceptions of auditor, superintendent and surveyor. The Republican congressional ticket carries the county by a big majority.

Pacific County.

Ilwaco, Nov. 5.—Returns are coming in very slowly. Republican congressional candidates are in the lead.

Mason County.

Olympia, Nov. 5.—Incomplete returns received from Mason county show the state ticket to have been carried by the Republicans by at least 100 majority.

Stevenson County.

Stevenson, Nov. 5.—Returns from four of the principal precincts in the county indicate the election of the Republican ticket by a small majority. This is usually a strong Democratic county.

Stevens County.

Colville, Nov. 5.—The count in nine out of 51 precincts in the county, not including Colville or Northport, give Cushman, Jones and Humphrey a very small lead.

Columbia County.

Dayton, Nov. 5.—All the Republican congressional candidates have won in Columbia county, with majorities approximating 200 each. For supreme judge, Hadley has about 200 majority. Sixteen precincts are complete here, and only three to hear from. It is an even break in the legislative race.

Cowlitz County.

Kalama, Nov. 5.—Complete returns from four precincts in Cowlitz county, and incomplete returns from five more, indicate the election of the head of the Republican ticket by at least 50 majority. Van Name, the Democratic candidate for state senator, is probably elected by 150 majority; Chapman, Democratic candidate for representative, may be elected by a narrow margin.

Kittitas County.

Ellensburg, Nov. 5.—Returns are coming in very slowly. Five precincts show heavy Democratic gains, but the Republican congressional ticket is well in the lead.

Lewis County.

Chehalis, Nov. 5.—Returns from 10 precincts give Cushman, Jones and Humphrey, Rep., a lead of 600. The vote is lighter than it was two years ago.

Pierce County.

Tacoma, Nov. 5.—The Republicans swept Pierce county and elected their entire ticket by good majorities. The two state senators and 10 representatives are supposed to be against a railroad commission.

Klickitat County.

Goldendale, Nov. 5.—The Republican ticket has carried Klickitat county by 400 majority. The Democratic candidates for county auditor and sheriff are elected, while the Republicans elect the rest of the county ticket.

Chelan County.

Aberdeen, Nov. 5.—The indications are that Chelan county has given a big majority for the entire Republican ticket.

Garfield County.

Pomeroy, Nov. 5.—Despite rain and blustery weather, with snowfall in mountain precincts, a heavy vote was polled. The Republicans claim to have elected the legislative ticket. The Democrats claim the prosecuting attorney, auditor and sheriff.

Clark County.

Vancouver, Nov. 5.—The election passed off quietly in this city and county. It is conceded, however, that the entire Republican ticket is elected. Complete returns from six precincts in the county gives Jones, Cushman and Humphrey, Republican representatives, 530; Cottrell, Holcomb and Cole, Democratic representatives, 240; Rank, Rep., legislature, 512; Parcel, Rep., legislature, 499; Emonds, Dem., 20; Ricker, Dem., 301.

Adams County.

Ritzville, Nov. 5.—Incomplete returns from seven precincts in Adams county show that the Republicans elect representative, auditor, clerk, surveyor, superintendent and two commissioners; the Democrats, treasurer and sheriff, with the assessor in doubt. The Republican nominees for congress are well in the lead.

IDAHO.

Boise, Idaho, Nov. 5.—While exact figures from yesterday's election are not yet at hand, enough is known to assure a Republican majority on the entire state ticket of some 6,000. French, for congress, leads his ticket, in most sections. Counties that were supposed to be certainly Democratic have swung into the Republican line. Figures from Shoshone show that the Republicans have carried that county by at least 300, and elected their legislative ticket. Ada county has given a majority of 700; Nez Perce and Latah, 400 to 800 each. Throughout the southeast everything is Republican so far as heard from, and it is believed to be a clean sweep in that section. Banock county gives Morrison, Rep., for governor, 300 majority. There French did not do so well, his lead being comparatively small. Republicans will have 47 members of the legislature, a majority of 13 on joint ballot. The count is progressing very slowly. Republican claims are sustained, so far as the vote is counted.

CALIFORNIA.

San Francisco, Nov. 6.—Complete returns from San Francisco and partial returns from all over the state indicate that George C. Pardee, the Republican nominee for governor, is elected by a majority of 2,000 or 3,000. Complete returns from 1,185 precincts out of 2,277 in the state outside of San Francisco give Pardee 69,460; Lane, 60,637. The complete vote in San Francisco stood: Pardee, 24,129; Lane, 33,687. The legislature, which will choose a United States senator, is largely Republican on joint ballot. The Republicans have lost two members of congress—Kahn, in the Fourth, and Lund, in the Fifth. They will be succeeded by Livernash and Wynn, Union Labor-Democratic candidates.

NEW YORK.

New York, Nov. 5.—In spite of a phenomenally large vote in New York and Kings county for Bird S. Coler, Dem., the returns, as far as received, indicate the re-election of Benjamin B. Odell, Rep., to the governorship of New York state by 1,160 plurality. Coler's plurality in Greater New York exceeded 115,000, but even that large vote was not sufficient to overcome the Republican majorities from up the state.

MONTANA.

Butte, Mont., Nov. 5.—Late returns from the various outlying counties indicate the election of the entire state Republican ticket. Counties heretofore Democratic report Republican land-slides. Lewis and Clark county Republicans claim the election of six out of seven members of the legislature.

ELECTIONS IN OTHER STATES.

Ohio—Indications are that the Republicans carried the state by over 70,000.

Minnesota—Returns so far indicate that Van Sant, Rep., is elected governor by 30,000.

Illinois—Republicans have carried this state by 45,000. Democrats lost three congressmen.

Michigan—The Republican majority is between 30,000 and 40,000. Eleven of the 12 congressmen are Republicans.

Missouri—Indications point to a Democratic plurality of at least 20,000. New Hampshire—Republican plurality in this state will be about 8,000.

Tennessee—Twenty-two counties heard from give Frazier, Dem., for governor, a majority of 37,000.

Pennsylvania—The Republicans elected their governor by 175,000. Indiana—This state went Republican by 25,000 to 40,000.

Maryland—Republicans elected four and Democrats two members of congress.

New Jersey—The Democrats made heavy gains, but their control of the state is doubtful.

Kansas—Entire Republican ticket elected by at least 40,000.

Connecticut—The full Republican ticket was elected by 15,000.

Massachusetts—Bates, Rep., for governor, received a plurality of 37,000.

Florida—There was no opposition to the Democratic ticket, which swept everything.

Alabama—The state ticket went Republican by 25,000.

Rhode Island—Democrats elected governor. Republicans captured all other state officers.

West Virginia—Republicans elected only one member of congress out of nine.

South Carolina—The Democratic ticket carried everything without opposition.

Iowa—The state went Republican by 75,000.

Nebraska—The result on governor is doubtful. Republicans elected the rest of the ticket.

Wisconsin—Wisconsin has gone Republican by at least 35,000 plurality.

North Carolina—Democrats elected everything by overwhelming majorities. Mississippi—A light vote was polled. There was no opposition to the Democratic ticket.

Georgia—A solid Democratic delegation was returned to congress.

Arkansas—All of the seven Democratic nominees were elected to congress by big majorities.

Colorado—Republicans carried state ticket, but one or more Democratic congressmen win.

Nevada—Entire Republican ticket elected.

South Dakota—Republicans control state, but Democrats made heavy gains.

TREATY HELD UP.

President Palma Has Pigeon-Holed Cuba's Reply to the United States.

Washington, Nov. 8.—Contrary to the common understanding here, it appears that the draft of the Cuban reciprocity treaty has not yet left Havana on its return to Washington, but instead is now reposing in a pigeonhole in the desk of President Palma. The misunderstanding as to the location of the treaty arose from a statement from Minister Squiers at Havana that he expected the treaty to be sent the day following the sending of his message.

The Cuban habits of procrastination, rather than any disposition to actually refrain from entering into treaty obligations with the United States, are supposed to be the reason for delay.

In view of the fact that the treaty has not yet come here, nor has Mr. Squiers had a look at it, it follows that the United States government is officially ignorant of the nature of the changes that the Cubans desire to make in the convention. Of course, generally, these are known to be connected with the increase of the rebate to be allowed on Cuban sugar and tobacco entering the United States, and there are indications that the administration may be willing to yield slightly on this point if no unreasonable delay is exhibited in the negotiations on the part of the Cubans. The rate of rebate proposed in the original convention is 20 per cent, and it is gathered that the Cubans want 50 per cent. This rate cannot be allowed, in view of the belief that congress would certainly not sanction such a cut in duties, but between these figures there is so wide a margin that there is room for compromise on a basis that might be acceptable to both sides.

The cooling station matter is, for the time being, held in abeyance, the 10,000 tons of coal belonging to the United States navy now lying in a warehouse at Trisornia is being diminished, according to the needs of the navy in Gulf waters, so that the Cuban complaint of the existence of an American naval station in Havana harbor is adjusting itself without friction, and, indeed, it is said that the matter has not been officially mentioned lately.

GUNBOAT TO HIS RESCUE.

United States Will Compel Release of Her Consular Agent by Venezuelans.

Port of Spain, Island of Trinidad, Nov. 8.—The United States gunboat Marietta arrived yesterday at Barcelona, Venezuela, in order to compel the revolutionists there to release the United States consular agent, Ignacio H. Baiz, who was arrested for refusing to contribute to a forced loan. Mr. Baiz is the richest man in Barcelona, and a man of high position. The treatment to which he has been subjected is only an incident similar to many others which have occurred in every part of Venezuela.

The seaport town of Higuerote, Venezuela, was occupied for three hours yesterday by forces landed from the Venezuelan gunboat Crespo. The landing party is said to have caused great damage to property owned by Spanish and French residents, and the French warship D'Estrees has left Guayana to investigate the matter.

The Dutch cruiser Holland and the Italian cruiser Giovanni Bausan have arrived at La Guayana.

DANISH ISLAND DEAL.

People Who Blocked Sale of West Indies Are Badly Disappointed.

Copenhagen, Nov. 8.—The time for subscribing to the stock of the Danish West Indian company has expired. Of the \$1,000,000 nominal capital only one-fifth was subscribed for, notwithstanding the advertisement given to the Prince Frederick taking stock. The promoters, who are anti-slavery, are disappointed because of the weakness of the sentiment in favor of aiding the West Indian plan. The leaders of the movement intend to appeal to King George, of Greece, Queen Alexandra and the dowager empress of Russia to buy shares. The banks and a few individuals will probably face the matter and stand the losses, since the treaty providing for the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States was rejected partly on account of their promises.

Robbers Blow Up Bank Safe.

Hutchinson, Kan., Nov. 5.—Robbers blew open the safe of the Tampa state bank near here [and took \$3,800 in cash, escaping on a hand car. The safe was blown all to pieces.

CANTEN FAVORED

GENERAL CORBIN SAYS TEMPERANCE MEN SO DECLARE.

Annual Report of the Adjutant General Deals with Every Feature of the Army—Says Every Regiment Should Have Its Marching Song—More Amusement Should Be Provided.

Washington, Nov. 10.—The annual report of Adjutant General Corbin, of the army, deals with every feature of the army, and begins with a statement showing that the army is to be reduced by December 1 to 60,000 men, of which about 2,877 belong to the staff departments. The report shows that during the fiscal year, 35 officers were killed in action or died of wounds or disease; 21 resigned, and 68 retired. Of the enlisted men, 1,277 were killed or died of wounds and disease; 35,806 were discharged on the expiration of service; 5,498 were discharged for disability or dismissed by order of court martial; 4,667 deserted; two were missing, and 203 retired.

General Corbin has the following to say regarding the canteen:

"The restoration of the exchange, as it existed before the passage of the act of February 2, 1901, prohibiting the sale of beer, is desired and urged by the great majority of officers and men, and by none more than those of pronounced temperance views. Numerous reports confirm the views long held by this office that the old exchange contributed to sobriety, health and contentment of the men. The increase of desertions, and of trials for infractions of discipline is, by those best informed, attributed to the abolition of the former privileges of the exchange."

In conclusion the report says:

"The instruction for men in vocal music would be a step in the direction of contentment and better discipline. Every regiment should have its marching song. Frequent practice in singing, particularly during the long winter evenings, would do much to make the men satisfied to remain in quarters and away from the baleful influence of the barrooms that exist in too great numbers in the vicinity of our military posts. These barrooms are under the protection of the license law of the several states, and are beyond the control of the military authorities."

FOR OREGON STUDENTS.

Society of Sons of American Revolution Offers Prize for Best Essay.

The Oregon society of Sons of the American Revolution at Portland offers three prizes of \$25, \$15 and \$10, respectively, for the best essay written by any student in any public school in Oregon, on any one of the following four subjects:

The Battle of Bonker Hill.
The Burgoyne Campaign.
The Treason of Benedict Arnold.
The Partisan Warfare in the Carolinas; Marion, Sumpter and Pickens.

Essays are limited in length to 2,500 words; must be written on legal cap on one side of the paper in the student's own handwriting and must be accompanied by the certificate of the principal of the school attended by the author, to the effect that the author is a bona fide student in the school and has been in attendance therein not less than six weeks during the school year of 1902-3. Essays must be forwarded to the chairman of the committee in charge, Wallace McCamant, 34 Concord building, Portland, so as to reach him not later than January 15, 1903.

In awarding the prizes the committee will be governed by these considerations: Historical accuracy, manner of treatment, orthography, grammar, syntax and punctuation.

Any additional information relative to the competition may be obtained from Wallace McCamant, chairman.

OPERATORS PROMISE.

Coal Barons Will Abide by the Findings of the Peace Commission.

Washington, Nov. 10.—Colonel Carroll D. Wright and General John A. Wilson, members of the anthracite coal strike commission, held a brief interview with the president today. They reported that the individual operators in the anthracite region had agreed to abide by the findings of the commission and had so notified Judge Gray, the chairman. President Roosevelt was particularly pleased with this information, as it tended materially to simplify the problem which the commission has to solve.