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## GOOD ROADS FOR JACKSON SEEM CERTAIN

Leading Taxpayers of County Call On County Court and Urge That Body to Call Special Election to Authorize Indebtedness.

### WILL ACT ON MATTER LATE THIS AFTERNOON

Little Doubt But That Court Will Call Election—Many Speak—Are Heard.

If the expression of a large number of the leading tax payers of the county have any weight with the county court that body will this afternoon call a special county election for the purpose of authorizing and indebtedness on the part of the county for the purpose of constructing the best system of highways in the state in this county. A great number of tax payers descended upon the court Wednesday afternoon and boosted for better roads. Many addresses were made and the county court stated that they would make a decision in the matter Thursday afternoon. It is believed that the court will call such an election.

None of the speeches made during the afternoon was applauded like the one made by C. C. Beckman, of the pioneer banker of Jacksonville who stated that if the county should vote to issue warrants for the purpose of building better roads that he would take \$100,000 of the issue at par. He urged the court to call such an election.

A large number of speakers from Medford addressed the court. Among these was Dr. J. F. Reddy, J. L. Hamersley, John M. Root, L. E. Wake-man and John D. Olwell.

## BANK TRUST TO BE PROBED?

Attorney General Wickersham Finishes Investigation of National City Company and It May Lead to Congressional Inquiry.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 3.—Whether the "bank trust" will be the subject of government investigation will be made public shortly when Attorney General Wickersham submits his report on the matter to Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh. It is understood that Wickersham has concluded his investigation and that the report is now in the hands of his stenographers.

Wickersham's investigation was made in the particular case of the National City Company, a corporation recently formed by the National City Bank of New York. The National City Company is said to be the parallel of other companies in other cities. It is said the report is unfavorable to the trust companies, specifically stating that deposits of stocks and bonds with them must be bonafide.

## HOUSE TO PASS COTTON SCHEDULE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 3.—With the democratic steam roller in good shape, there is every expectation today that the house will pass the Underwood cotton schedule revision bill before adjournment. It imposes an average duty of 37 per cent advalorem on cotton manufactures, against approximately 48 per cent under the present law.

## OREGON GIVEN AN ADDITIONAL CONGRESSMAN

Senate Adopts Without Rollcall House Bill Fixing the Number of Representatives in the Next Congress at 433—Burton Amendments

### REAPPORTIONMENT LEFT TO STATE LEGISLATURES

Candidates for the House Can Be Renominated in the Same Way as Candidates for Governor.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 3.—The senate today adopted without rollcall the house bill fixing the number of representatives in the next congress at 433.

As passed the bill was changed in two particulars, both of them amendments by Senator Burton. One provides that candidates for the house might be nominated in the same manner as candidates for the governorship. The other was that re-districting shall be done by state legislatures except in those states where the initiative and referendum is in force where those laws might be invoked.

## THEIVING BANKER COMMITS SUICIDE

Former President of Pearl, Ill. Bank, Charged With Embezzlement of \$40,000, Kills Himself With Penknife in Jail Cell.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 3.—Carey A. Manker, former bank president of Pearl, Ill., who was charged with embezzlement of \$40,000 and who gave himself up here last week, died today at the Emergency Hospital as a result of self inflicted stab wounds in the neck from a rusty penknife. Chief White is anxious to ascertain whether the knife was passed to the banker-prisoner at the station.

Manker's death is the tragic climax of a three years evasion of justice. He fled from Pearl in December, 1908, immediately following the exposure of his \$40,000 embezzlement. Taking his family of three daughters and one son to Eagle, Nebraska, to live with his wife's mother, he hurried to Canada. He returned to this country later and last April came west. He worked as carpenter, draughtsman, waiter and dishwasher under an assumed name. When Manker reached San Francisco he was penniless and ill. A hotel keeper gave him food and endeavored to find employment for him. Failing to secure work, Manker decided that he could stand it no longer, went to the police station and surrendered himself.

## CHRISTIAN CHURCH PROPERTY SOLD FOR ANNEX TO HOTEL MEDFORD

The Rau-Mohr Company closed a deal today whereby they become the owners of the Christian church property, corner of West Sixth and Ivy streets.

The price paid was \$13,000 and the property has a frontage of 140 feet on Ivy street and 100 feet on Sixth street.

The Rau-Mohr Company is the leasee of the new Medford hotel and the recent purchase made by the company is property joining the hotel on the north.

The company will at once commence the construction of a building which will be 100 feet deep with a frontage of 50 feet on Ivy street. This building will be used for sample rooms for commercial men, sleeping apartments for the hotel help and

## PEACE PACTS SIGNED WITH TWO NATIONS

Treaties Between United States and Great Britain and France Signed in Presence of President and Cabinet—Most Sweeping Measure.

### ALL DISPUTED QUESTIONS SETTLED BY ARBITRATION

Signatory Powers Agree to Refer Every Issue, Even Those Concerning National Honor.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 3.—In the presence of his cabinet members, who were invited specially for the occasion, President Taft signed the most sweeping arbitration measures in the history of the country.

Secretary of State Knox brought the treaties to the white house. Ambassador James Bryce came from his summer home at Seal Harbor, Me., to sign for Great Britain.

Great surprise was expressed when it was discovered at the last moment that France was not represented by an officer of the diplomatic service. At the eleventh hour, however, Viscount Saint Phaul, vice consul of France at New York, was designated by the French government to witness the signing in behalf of his country, the French chag "d'affaires" being unable to reach Washington in time.

The treaties signed today are practically identical. They bind the signatory powers to arbitrate all disputes unsettled by diplomatic exchange, even including questions of national honor. They are believed forever to have done away with the possibility of war between Great Britain or France and the United States.

The treaty between Great Britain and the United States was signed at 3:14 o'clock. Secretary Knox, for the United States and Ambassador Bryce signed the Anglo-American treaty, while President Taft and Secretaries Nagel and Wilson looked on. Knox then signed a copy of the French treaty identical with that which had been already signed in Paris.

## LAW SUITS BEGUN TO KNOCKOUT REFERENDUM

PORTLAND, Or., Aug. 3.—Following the discovery that hundreds of names appearing on the referendum petition against the University of Oregon appropriation were forgeries, civil proceedings to have the petition declared invalid will be commenced immediately by the university board of regents.

Federal Judge Bean, a member of the board, said that the suit probably would be started in the name of a Eugene, Or., taxpayer.

Several professional petition circulators are under arrest in connection with the forgeries found in the documents.

### WAR HERO TO BE GUEST AT WHITE HOUSE.



Admiral Count Heihachiro Togo, hero of the battle of the Sea of Japan, will be received and entertained in Washington on August 6 by representatives of the United States government. He will also be a guest of the President at the White House.

## ADMIRAL TOGO SENDS GREETINGS BY WIRELESS TO AMERICAN NATION

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—Admiral Togo today sent a message to the United Press from the steamer Lusitania, which was then off Nantucket, expressing the gratitude and pleasure his position as the guest of the nation inspired. Togo said: "I am looking forward with the greatest pleasure to my visit in your great country. I wish to express my gratitude to President Taft and his cabinet for their invitation and to the American people for the kind welcome which I am assured they will give. My greatest wish has been to visit the United States."

"I am coming in the spirit of a student and an anxious inquirer to see your wonderful civilization and learn something of your marvelous progress in science, manufacture and commerce. I am going to leave my program entirely in the hands of the American people, knowing that I shall be well looked after. I have just experienced the time of my life at the coronation of King George. Every hand was extended in friendship to me. I am looking forward to an equally good time in America and my heart is filled with gratitude and friendship."

## NO PROGRESSIVE MEASURES YET

Insurgents Hope to Pass Bills for Direct Election of Senators and for Publication of Campaign Expenses Before Session Ends.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 3.—With not a single measure bearing the "progressive" stamp finally approved as yet by congress at the present session, leaders of that faction of the republican party today declared they had strong hopes of getting some of their measures made law.

The bills for the direct election of senators and for publicity of campaign expenses by congressional and senatorial candidates, they believe will be passed before the session ends. Both measures are today in conference, also is the LaFollette wool bill.

The statehood measure is certain of support when it comes before the senate and the house bill providing for its re-submission to the voters probably will be adopted.

The bill as passed provides for an increase in representation as follows:

- Alabama 1, California 3, Colorado 1, Florida 1, Georgia 1, Idaho 1, Illinois 2, Louisiana 1, Massachusetts 2, Michigan 1, Minnesota 1, Montana 1, New Jersey 2, New York 6, North Dakota 1, Ohio 1, Oklahoma 3, Oregon 1, Pennsylvania 4, Rhode Island 1, South Dakota 1, Washington 1, Utah 1, West Virginia 1, Texas 2, Washington 2.

In the 21 other states now admitted there is no change in representation. The bill provides for one representative each from Arizona and New York.

An amendment by Root (republican, New York) to retain the present membership in the house was defeated, 23 to 47. An amendment by Gronna (republican, North Dakota) to make it 405 was beaten, 22 to 47. The two amendments were intended

## RICH RECLUSE DIES IN SECLUSION

Multi-millionaire's Purposeless Life Ended—Kept Standing Order for 18 Bottles of Ale and Three Quarts of Whisky—Had Negroes Sing.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Aug. 3.—After four years spent as a recluse in a sunny apartment in the Hotel Van Nuys here, during which time he was clad nearly always in pajamas, "Major" William Arthur Phipps, multi-millionaire, is dead. The end followed an attack of uraemia of 48 hours duration.

In four years residence in the hotel Phipps left his room but twice. He had 50 face towels and 70 napkins each day and had his bathtub filled at least 20 times every 24 hours.

He kept a standing order at the hotel bar for 18 bottles of ale and three quarts of whisky. Once each month he had a quartet of negroes come to his apartment and sing to him. He employed two valets each working a 10-hour shift; a negro waiter, a butler and a maid each for his wife and his mother-in-law who lived in an adjoining apartment. Phipps was 55 years of age.

## FRANCE SIGNS PEACE TREATY WITH AMERICA

PARIS, Aug. 3.—France placed today her seal of approval on the arbitration treaty with the United States. The document was signed by Minister Desolles, United States Ambassador Robert Bacon and M. Jursarand, French ambassador to the United States, acting as witnesses.

To reduce the southern democratic representation which would be increased by the re-apportionment as adopted.

## CLUBWOMEN AID GIRL WHO SHOT SPOUSE

Moved by Plight of 19 Year Old Girl Wife, Who Murdered Husband After Enduring Cruelty 15 Months, Social Leaders Plan Assistance.

### HAS NO REGRETS EXCEPT FOR HER SOBBING MOTHER

Not Believed Any Jury Will Convict and If It Does, Governor Will Be Asked to Pardon.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 3.—Police Judge Deasey refused today to fix bail in the case of Anna Langley who shot and killed her husband, James Langley yesterday afternoon, although urged to do so by Chief of Police White, Police Commissioner Joseph Sullivan and William McDonold.

"I will not establish such a precedent," Judge Deasey said. "I wish first to receive the verdict of the coroner's jury. If you gentlemen can rush that matter I will at once set a low ball for the girl's release."

Moved by the plight of 19 years old Anna Langley, who today faces a charge of murder here after having killed her husband when goaded to desperation by fifteen months of abuse, clubwomen of the city already are planning to save her from the punishment of the law.

Few of them believe any jury will convict the girl, but if a conviction is obtained, petitions for pardon will be presented to Governor Johnson in the confidence that mercy will be shown.

"I couldn't sleep last night," the girl wife said piteously. "It wasn't that I was afraid or had any regrets. It wasn't that. I was thinking of mother, though." Her clutch of her sobbing mother's arm tightened. "And it was a strange place to sleep, anyway. The matron was so kind to me. But there were negro women, and awful people from the Barbary coast, and talk such as I never heard. They kept coming and going all night. It was like some horrible procession. It was no place to sleep."

"No, I have no regrets at all. There is nothing to regret. I had to. Now I have mother again just as I had when I was a little girl before I married Jim and used to tell her everything."

"There is one thing about it that comforts me," said the girl. "Mother is going to get back her girl. I don't know what they will do with me. I don't think I care much. I couldn't endure things as they were any longer anyway. It doesn't seem to me that the law would kill me for shooting him—after what he said. He said that thing to me, and said he was going to kill me. Then I shot him. I believe they will let me go home to my mother and try to be good over."

In the neighborhood of the Gafney's home, nothing is heard but praise of Anna Langley and condemnation for the man who sought to degrade her.

## WIDE SPREAD FAMINE THREATENS BRITAIN

LONDON, Aug. 3.—The price of meat and provisions today rose sharply as a result of the dockworkers' strike and a widespread famine is threatened.

Ben Tillet, leader of the strikers, declared that the International Transport Workers' Federation is ready to join the strike and tie up all shipping between American and European ports.

Replying to criticism of the strike because of the food situation, Tillet said: "I care as little about the public's food as the public cares about ours."

Edward Murphy Jr., Dead. LONG BRANCH, N. J., Aug. 3.—Edward Murphy, jr., former New York senator and a power in democratic politics in that state, died here today.

## WILSON UNDOES WORK OF HIS OWN CHEMIST

Secretary of Agriculture Fought Willey All Along the Line and Upheld Manufacturers of Benzate of Soda-Preserved Canned Goods.

### USED DEPARTMENT FUNDS TO PROTECT THOSE PROSECUTED

Referee Board Organized and Put into Action for the Very Purpose of Aiding Preservative Users.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 3.—How James Wilson, secretary of agriculture, fought the chief chemist of his own department, Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, and upheld the manufacturers of benzate of soda-preserved canned goods was revealed here today before the house committee which is investigating charges against Wiley.

The disclosure came from Dr. Remsen, chairman of the board which pronounced benzate a safe preservative in the face of Dr. Wiley's insistence that it was injurious.

Remsen testified that funds were taken from the bureau of chemistry appropriation to pay the expenses of two members of his board who testified in the prosecution here of manufacturers who used benzate. Remsen said Secretary Wilson had authorized the testimony given in Indiana, saying that the accuracy of members of the board had been questioned and it was their duty to defend themselves.

Stenographic notes of the hearing Wilson gave to the saccharine manufacturers, introduced today, uphold the charge made by Reporter Willis that Wilson had declared the Remsen board was appointed solely for their protection. The notes read:

"I must say frankly to you men that the referee board (the Remsen board) was organized and put into action for the very purpose of over-serving the interests of manufacturers so you would have a safe hearing." In the revised copy of Wilson's remarks "safe hearing" had been changed to "sane hearing."

## SAM COEN TALKS OF FORGED NAMES

Tells Judge Slater in Salem About Operations With Referendum Petitions—Makes Complete Confession Regarding Forging of Names.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 3.—According to Judge W. T. Slater of this city, Sam Coen of Portland made a complete confession before him yesterday of frauds and forgeries in the University of Oregon referendum petition. Coen's confession brought to light no features, further than those which the investigating committee found, but in telling of the affair, Coen implicated men who are already in jail in Portland or under arrest, and he gave six other names of men who were connected with the Ellis petition frauds.

## REACTIONARY TONE IN STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK, April 3.—At the opening today the stock market developed a reactionary tone. There was a sprinkling of gains in the active issues but this was more than offset by losses elsewhere. Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis lost 3 1-2; General Electric 1 3-4 and Utah Copper 1 1-4. Buying orders in the Standard stocks finally checked the decline and recovery over yesterday's final prices were general. The market closed firm. Bonds were steady.