

TAFT PROTECTS PET COURT BY USE OF VETO

Legislative Executive and Judicial Appropriation Bill Disapproved by President—House Will Attempt to Pass It Over His Head

Resolution Introduced to Curb Presidential Veto Power—Congress May Adjourn This Week

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—President Taft has sent congress his veto of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill. He disapproved the bill because it abolished the commerce court and provided for a seven year rule for all clerks in the government service.

After the veto message was read Congressman Johnson of Kentucky moved that the house pass the bill over the veto. Two hours debate on such action was then agreed upon.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—A resolution proposing that the constitution be amended to curb the presidential veto power was introduced in the house today by Representative Stevens of Nebraska. It provides that the house and senate may override the veto by a majority vote instead of two-thirds.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—Leaders in congress today declare that only two things can prevent adjournment on Saturday—the possibility that President Taft will veto the "budget bill" because it abolishes the commerce court, and a possible fight over the conference report on the Panama Canal bill.

The conferees' agreement to eliminate the provision for free tolls for American vessels engaged in foreign commerce is expected to precipitate a fight in both houses.

The naval, pension and appropriation bills are expected to pass. The house probably will reject the senate amendments to the cotton bill which repeal most of the Canadian reciprocity agreement. The sugar and excise tax bills probably will be allowed to die. The house is expected to accept the senate's parcel post amendment to the post office bill.

DENOUNCES IN HOUSE DEFENSE "CHICAGO CRIME"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—Red hot denunciation of representatives Bartholdt of Missouri and Mandell of Wyoming for their speeches defending the republican national convention for re-nominating Taft, was voiced in the house today by Representative Warburton of Washington.

"Those speeches," Warburton declared, "show how utterly unfitted and unequalled both these gentlemen were to act as judges in the contest at Chicago between President Taft and Colonel Roosevelt. Both were grossly partisan."

Analyzing the selection of the Washington delegates to the Chicago convention, Warburton charged that the Roosevelt delegates to the Washington state convention were denied tickets of admission and were excluded from the hall. Warburton ridiculed Bartholdt's statement that he had a "front seat" in the national committee and listened to all the conferees.

"About 30 or 35 men sat in those front seats," said Warburton, "but they only heard such evidence as they desired to hear. They sat in the front seats and listened and listened and listened, but, in the end, they remembered only what the bosses wanted them to remember."

NINETEEN MINERS KILLED 1,200 FEET UNDERGROUND

ABERNANT, Ala., Aug. 15.—Nineteen miners are dead here today, as the result of gas explosion in the Abernant mines. Seventeen of the bodies have been recovered.

ASKED TO DEFEND BECKER.



MARTIN W. LITTLETON

Following the raising of a fund of \$50,000 to defend Charles Becker, a lieutenant of police in New York, held for the murder of Herman Rosenthal, Martin W. Littleton admitted that he had been asked to assume charge of the defence.

SCHEPP IS NOW ON HIS WAY BACK TO SCENE OF CRIME

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—Dismissing his dilatory tactics when threatened with arrest under a federal warrant, Sam Schepps, held at Hot Springs, Ark., for complicity in the murder of Gambler Herman Rosenthal, changed front again today and is now enroute to New York in custody of Assistant District Attorney Robert Rubin, and County Detective Stewart, according to a statement issued here by District Attorney Charles S. Whitman. The route the officers took with their prisoner is being kept a secret. When the grand jury resumed its investigation today officers of several banks were waiting in the corridors of the Criminal Court building to testify. It is believed these men were called to give testimony concerning deposits made by Police Lieutenant Charles Becker, who is said to have deposited \$50,000 in several institutions during the six months preceding the murder on a salary of \$185 a month. The bank accounts of other higher-ups in the police department, suspected of sharing in the \$2,400,000 yearly graft squeezed from New York gamblers by the police, will also be inspected.

POLICE SEEKING CHILD MURDERER

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Aug. 15.—Although the entire department is working in a fever of determination, the police today have been unable to capture Charles E. Greenfield, who they believe is the murderer of his eight-year-old step-daughter Vivian. The child's body, the throat bearing a gaping cut, was found Tuesday in a Venice lodging house.

In spite of a letter Greenfield wrote his wife, declaring that he would take his own life, the police do not believe he is dead. They support this belief by the following argument: Examination by physicians showed that the child was murdered early Tuesday morning. Greenfield did not leave the room where the body was found until 3:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Nearly 100 cigarette ends were found on the floor in the room indicating, the police say, that for hours Greenfield pondered his course and finally disappeared. The fact that he was seen in Los Angeles Tuesday, they say, indicates that he decided not to fulfill his threat to leap into the ocean at Venice.

Police of every California city have been furnished a description of Greenfield, and a score of detectives have been detailed to the search.

GENERAL WM. BOOTH IS STEADILY SINKING

LONDON, Aug. 15.—General William Booth, head of the Salvation Army, is steadily sinking today. He is unconscious most of the time and his end is believed to be near.

BOWERS, ET AL OF ASHLAND SEEK REASON WHY

Reports From Ashland to Effect That Men Who Checked County in Its Efforts to Build Bear Creek Bridge, Would Stop Contractor

Removal of County Property Without Authority May Be Basis of New Suit to Check Work

Reports from Ashland reaching Medford today are to the effect that Benton Bowers and S. A. Carleton of that city are much disgruntled at the fact that Contractor Perham is proceeding with the construction of a new bridge over Bear Creek in this city, and that they may bring a new suit to stop the work basing it upon the removal of county property without authority. In his suit the county court is to be restrained from "giving away" the old structure over Bear Creek.

It is reported that Bowers, Carleton, et al. of Ashland were disappointed in the restraining order issued by Judge Calkins of Ashland inasmuch as it simply enjoined the county from paying for a new bridge over Bear Creek and did not enjoin the contractor from proceeding in the matter. That Contractor Perham would be willing to go ahead with the work and "take a chance" did not occur to them. Now, fearing that Medford will actually get a new bridge, they are considering a suit to restrain the county court from giving the old bridge to Medford or else bring proceedings against Perham for the removal of county property without authority. In other words Perham may find himself charged with "theft."

As the work of tearing down the old bridge over Bear Creek proceeds it becomes more and more apparent how dangerous it was to traffic. The sills and stringers at each end were badly rotted so much so that spikes may be pulled from the timbers with the fingers. The steel work is also in a very poor condition.

Contractor Perham is making fast time in tearing down the structure. A temporary crossing will be completed by tonight.

HUNDREDS OF FISHERMEN DIE

MADRID, Aug. 15.—Batting for their lives in a terrific storm off the north coast of Spain many fishermen were drowned, according to advices received here today.

It is reported that 119 perished at Balboa alone.

DARROW MAKES A MASTERLY PLEA FOR LIBERTY

Every Art of the Orator is Employed by Attorney in His Own Defense—Pathos, Sarcasm and Wit is Used

Devotes His Time Today to a Review of the Testimony by Witnesses for the State

HALL OF RECORDS, LOS ANGELES, Cal., Aug. 15.—His face streaming tears the jury which is to decide whether he shall go to the penitentiary or be a free man weeping like children and with a not a dry eye in the crowded court room, Clarence S. Darrow today placed his fate in the hands of the twelve men who will deliberate on their verdict within a few short hours. The famed attorney made the greatest oratorical effort of his long career. He played on the feelings of the jury and his audience as a master touches the keys of a great organ.

As Darrow made his last plea the chimes of St. Vivian's Cathedral a block away, where a wedding was being held, rang joyfully through the court room. Sobs were audible dur-

THE SPOILED CHILD.



WOULD HAVE SENATE ORDER ATTORNEY GENERAL TO ACT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—The resolution of Senator Pomerene of Ohio directing the attorney general criminally to prosecute the individual defendants on the oil and tobacco trusts cases was debated in the senate today. Pomerene demanded that the senate take the matter out of the committee's hands and consider it on the floor. Sutherland called the resolution "one of the most astounding, ever presented to congress," adding: "It is absolutely insane. It would mean an invasion by congress of the rights of another branch of the government."

RAILROAD LANDS WILL NOT BECOME SUBJECT TO ENTRY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—The senate today passed the house bill relating to land suits brought forth by the government in Oregon to reclaim public lands in which the railroad company to which they were granted failed to fulfil the terms of the grant.

The bill provides that none of the lands thus reverting to the United States shall become subject to entry. Its effect will be to confirm in possession of their property those who purchased lands from the railroad in good faith.

BOISE, Idaho, Aug. 15.—Progressive leaders today declared a full progressive state ticket will be planned in the field for the fall elections. As a result of the refusal of Paul Clagstone to be a candidate, progressives are undecided as to who shall head their ticket.

ULSTER REBELS RECEIVE WARNING FROM MINISTRY

LONDON, Aug. 15.—Reiterated declarations of Irishmen opposed to home rule that "Ulster will fight" brought forth today what is declared to be a semi-official warning from the government that all those leaders who counsel sedition and rebellion will be given short shrift if a shot is fired.

This dictum of the government was practically announced today by Sir William Byles, a leading Liberal, who announced that treason-felony indictments are now being drawn up against certain leaders of the Ulstermen, and that, if warfare in Ulster comes, these leaders will be immediately arrested and held criminally responsible. Sir William Byles' announcement is taken as a practical warning from the ministry to the Irish Protestant leaders to cease inviting to treason.

Adding to the significance of Byles' warning, the Dundee Advertiser which is considered the personal organ of Winston Churchill, first lord of the admiralty, declared today that the government is watching Andrew Bonar Law, Sir Edward Carson, F. E. Smith and others who have advocated the doctrine of armed resistance.

WEST AGAIN SAYS HE'S NOT CANDIDATE

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 15.—Governor Oswald West today announces he will not be a candidate for re-election. He stated he believed he could carry on his present crusade for the improvement of moral conditions throughout the state better if he removed the impression that he was acting with a view to furthering political ambitions. Governor West is a Democrat.

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—Today's opening stock market developed an even amount of gains and losses. Union Pacific, Reading, St. Paul and Northern Pacific were inclined to some heaviness. Hill issues were firm and the coppers held fairly steady. The market closed dull.

RESTOCK RIVER WITH MILLIONS OF TROUT FRY

Most Successful Season in History of Elk Creek Hatchery—10,500,000 Salmon Fry, 1,600,000 Steelhead and 100,000 Cut-throats Liberated

Rainbow Trout Eggs Taken From Fish Lake on Umpqua and Liberated in Rogue Tributaries

Over ten and a half million salmon eggs and over 1,600,000 steelhead or rainbow trout eggs and 100,000 cut-throat trout eggs were taken, hatched and liberated this season in the Rogue and its tributaries, the trout fry being kept to the fingerling state, by the United States Bureau of Hatcheries at the Elk Creek hatchery, working in conjunction with the state fish and game association.

"This has been one of the most successful seasons on Rogue river which the Bureau of Fisheries has experienced in many years," says Supt. Henry O'Malley. "During the fall of 1911, 4,830,000 chinook salmon eggs were collected at the station located near Trail. On the Lower Rogue river near Grants Pass, we collected 5,726,000 chinook salmon eggs, making a total of 10,556,000. These were hatched and then liberated into Rogue river and its tributaries."

Collecting Trout Fry

"During the early spring, steelhead and cut-throat trout eggs were collected at Elk creek near Trail, also in Applegate creek, results being about 200,000 steelhead trout received at Elk creek and 48,000 cut-throat trout. The larger portion of the eggs collected at Applegate creek were shipped to Rogue river, there being 1,221,260 steelhead trout. These were hatched at Rogue River station and when they reached the feeding stage, W. L. Finley, state game warden, at the request of the Rogue River Fish Protective association and approval of the State Game and Fish Commission provided ample funds for feeding them and also paid for lumber to construct extra troughs at the station located near Trail as well as for labor in connection with the feeding. These fish were held up until the early part of August are being liberated into the main Rogue river and its upper tributaries."

"Much credit is due Hugh C. Mitchell who is fishulturist at this station for the fine lot of fish he has liberated this summer and we feel sure that results will be forthcoming from planting such fish for they were strong, vigorous and healthy, and of a size amply able to take care of themselves."

Kept as Fingerlings

"In addition to this, the cut-throat trout were also fed to the fingerling stage and liberated into the river. Mr. Finley also provided funds for the collecting of rainbow trout eggs at Fish Lake some 45 miles from Trail, Oregon. A portion of these eggs were hatched out and liberated into Fish Lake, the balance, some 255,000, were packed out to Rogue River station to be hatched and liberated into this river. It is understood the funds for this work were provided by the Game department and, of course, comes from the licenses paid by the rod and line fisherman of Rogue river."

Mr. O'Malley will be at the Elk Creek hatchery Sunday.

ONLY THREE MILLION FOR ASTOR BABY

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—That little John Jacob Astor, the two days old son of Mrs. Madeline Foree Astor, widow of Col. John Jacob Astor, a Titanic victim, will have to worry through life on the \$3,000,000 provided for him in his father's will, was indicated here today in a statement issued by Henry Gildersleeve, Mrs. Astor's attorney.

"Mrs. Astor," said the attorney, "has always expressed satisfaction over the provision of the anti-nuptial agreement, and also with her husband's will. The question of provision for the posthumous child has not been discussed, but a contest over the will is not probable."

STOCK MARKET STEADY

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WOULD CONVICT THEMSELVES

"Gentlemen, to convict would be to convict you of being party to this plot to entrap the life and the liberty of (Continued on Page 6)