

TAFT URGES ALL AMERICANS TO SUPPORT LEAGUE

Former President Banters Medford Crowd and Makes Eloquent Speech for League of Nations—Those Who Oppose Act Are Partisans, Not Americans, He Asserts.

Former President William Howard Taft, who was enroute from Portland to San Francisco, during the train stop at the Southern Pacific depot at 4:20 o'clock Tuesday afternoon appeared on the platform of his coach to greet the assembled crowd, banters the assemblage for a moment or two and then launched into an earnest five minutes address, briefly setting forth the League of Nations peace plan and the benefits to mankind that would result therefrom, dwelt on the horrors of war and the scientific progress fast being made in the art of destroying human life by the wholesale, and pleaded with the people of Medford to study the plan and give it their united support.

The crowd that warmly greeted the former president was small comparatively, not numbering over 300, including the train passengers, as no notice had been given that he was to pass thru the city and only a few citizens knew of the coming of the distinguished visitor.

And until he began his speech those assembled did not know whether or not Mr. Taft was kidding them. He was in excellent humor.

Asks About Rum
"Is this Medford," jocularly inquired the former president as he stepped out on the platform amid applause, with his well known smile. He was assured unanimously that it was the very self-same old town.

"Yes, well do you still make rum here?" This sally went over the heads of the assembled Lincoln club, few realizing that Mr. Taft was making a play upon the fact that Medford, Mass., was years ago famous as a rum-making and rum-shipping point.

"I say, do you make rum here?" repeated Mr. Taft.

"No, we get it at Hornbrook over the California line," several persons answered, thinking that the ex-president was really after information.

Then in response to urgent requests for a speech Mr. Taft said: "I made my speech back there a stop or two at—what was the name of that town now?"

Joshes With Crowd
"Grants Pass," queried the crowd in unison.

"I really don't know" Mr. Taft asserted while there were also shouts of Roseburg and Eugene, and again a chorus shout of "Grants Pass."

"Is that where Flannigan lives?" suddenly and anxiously inquired Mr. Taft.

The crowd did not know who Flannigan was but shouted back a chorus of "Yes."

"But Flannigan's sister lives here" shouted back several of our brightest citizens, and then followed a united chorus of "Give us a speech."

Dropping his banter and becoming serious, tremendously serious and grave, Mr. Taft launched forth into his rapid fire informal speech, which was a gem in its common sense and lofty statements and pleading. It briefly set forth the needs of the world plan to enforce peace and the necessity of stopping warfare.

Pleads for League
In speaking of the horrors of the world war and the scientific progress in wholesale killing inventions Mr. Taft said that in the next great war a poisonous gas would be invented that could kill whole communities or districts at a time.

"You who oppose the League of Nations, are partisans, not Americans. Be big enough and broad enough and American enough to forget partisanship and stand for the welfare of America and of humanity," urged Mr. Taft.

He made it plain that the league's plan was a non-partisan one, and pointed out that the United States was the greatest nation of the world and should assume the responsibilities and burdens of that position now that we entered actively into world affairs; a position into which we had been forced.

"Shall we assume our new burdens in the world's affairs or return to our policy of isolation, grow fat and lazy, and be forced again actively into world affairs as we were before. We had better take this league of nations plan or we will be forced to take something which will be much worse. 'A stitch in time saves nine'."

Mr. Taft praised the good work President Wilson has been doing in behalf of the league of nations plan and said that we should stand unflinchingly by him in the great effort. He also urged that we wake up and get busy in urging our senators and congressmen to stand by the league of nations idea when it is embodied in the peace terms and comes before congress for ratification.

Mr. Taft talked until the train started to pull out and retired into his car amid the cheers and applause of his hearers. He shook hands with all who approached as long as it was possible to do so.

MEDFORD JOINS IN WELCOME TO BOYS OF THE 65TH

Medford was conspicuously on the Portland and Oregon map Monday during the welcoming celebration in honor of the 65th artillery with 25 of her stalwart sons of that famous command marching with the organization in the parade, her mayor marching at the head of the parade with Colonel Kerfoot, commander of the 65th, and Mayor Baker of Portland, and with Mrs. Gates riding incozono at the extreme head of the procession with the chief of police of the state metropolis.

"It was a magnificent home coming to the state for the Oregon boys of the 65th," said Mayor C. E. Gates who with Mrs. Gates arrived home from Portland this morning. "There are only 25 of the Medford and Jackson county boys of the 33 who went originally to France with the 65th with that command now, the others having been either sent to their homes elsewhere from Camp Dix, or having been transferred during the war into other organizations. Our boys are all well, fat and happy at the prospects of soon getting home.

Two Weeks to Wait
"As near as I can learn it will be two weeks yet before the 65th is demobilized at Camp Lewis and the boys can come home.

"They are brimming over with their wonderful experiences in France and with the big receptions and honors the 65th has encountered since arriving in this country. It was difficult at Portland to draw from their talk on their war experiences, as there was so much going on in connection with the celebration. I talked briefly with all the boys. We probably can't get much out of them about their part in the war until they have arrived home and settled down again to humdrum civil life.

"I shall never forget that wonderful scene when the regiment arrived in the Portland depot and relatives from all over Oregon clasped their loved ones. It would wring tears from the eyes of the most hardened to see those mothers and soldier sons clinch and kiss and hang on. It was a sight, too, to see the boys and their girls meet. Such kissing and hugging in public, and oblivious to the crowd of thousands. It was worth 2000 miles to see.

"Two of the 65th soldiers were without relatives and friends and felt rather desolate and overcome with the sight of the many loving reunions. Finally one of them said to his comrade in unfortunate environment: 'Well, old sweetheart, we'll have to love each other.' And then they went to it with kisses and hugs."

Parents Surprised
Mayor and Mrs. Gates had the surprise of their lives not only to see their son, Sergeant George Gates, with a heavy French mustache, but also wearing a military cap or hat of French invention. Several months ago he wrote to them that he was growing a mustache and declared he would bring it home with him. He kept the pledge, but now that he has made good so far he will probably have the hirsute appendage shaved off at Camp Lewis, as it is figured that he would never have the nerve to show up in Medford wearing such a thing.

A number of the other Medford boys of the 65th also had similar mustaches which they intended to spring at home, but losing their nerve they had them shaved off at Camp Dix.

WAS AFRAID TO GO ON TOP OF HOUSE

Painter Was So Weak Could Hardly Walk—Gains Twenty Pounds by Taking Tanlac

"I will cheerfully tell anyone, who is looking for something to build them up, that Tanlac certainly brought me out of the kinks," was the characteristic statement made by John A. Meyers, house painter and decorator of Bearden, Washington, while in Murgittroyd's at Spokane, recently.

"I can't say that I suffered any particular pain," he continued. "I just had no appetite and got into a terribly run-down condition. I believe I could have gone a week without feeling hungry. What little I did eat was forced down and seemed to do me no good, as I lost weight and strength all the time. I had gotten down to almost skin and bones and was so weak that I was actually afraid to go up on a house to paint. My energy all left me and I had gotten to where I couldn't hold out to do a whole day's work.

"I had read about Tanlac being fine for people in a run-down condition, and I now know for myself, for it has put me in shape to where I have already gained twenty pounds. And speaking of appetites, I've got the best one I ever had. Meal times come too slow for me and when they do get around I hardly know when to quit eating. I have gotten my strength and energy back, too, and now I can do as much work as any man my age. I had been losing ground two or three years and nothing ever hit the spot until I got Tanlac, so it certainly is the medicine for me."

Tanlac is sold in Medford by West Side Pharmacy, in Gold Hill by M. D. Bowers, in Central Point by Miss M. A. Mee, in Ashland by J. J. McNair. Adv.

GOLD STRIKE REPORTED ON THOMPSON CREEK

Genor and Williams of Thompson Creek Tuesday brought in samples of rich gold bearing quartz from a strike recently made in their gold prospect near Applegate postoffice. The ledge is 18 foot in width, a 100-foot tunnel has been driven and a shaft sunk 30 feet, and ore ranking from \$10 to \$40 a ton uncovered.

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Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies

Every true mother realizes the fact that her baby's health depends upon her own, that the very vitality of her child is influenced by her own physical condition. How important it is, therefore, to guard against any derangement of the female organs, which induce general weakness, nervousness, constant fatigue and utter inability to properly care for her child. Please remember, that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has brought health and strength to thousands of such mothers.

Mitchell, Ind.—"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound helped me so much during the time I was looking forward to the coming of my little one that I am recommending it to other expectant mothers. Before taking it, some days I suffered with neuralgia so badly that I thought I could not live, but after taking three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I was entirely relieved of neuralgia. I had gained in strength and was able to go around and do all my housework. My baby when 7 months old weighed 19 pounds and I feel better than I have for a long time. I never had any medicine do me so much good."—Mrs. PEARL MUMFORD, Mitchell, Ind.

Good health during and after maternity is a most important factor to both mother and child, and many lotions have been received by the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., telling of health restored during this trying period, by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

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Sprays and douches will never cure you.

Catarrh is annoying enough when it chokes up your nostrils and air passages, causing painful and difficult breathing and other discomforts. But the real danger comes when it reaches down into your lungs.

This is why you should at once realize the importance of the proper treatment, and lose no time experimenting with worthless remedies which touch only the surface. To be rid of Catarrh, you must drive the disease germs out of your blood.

Splendid results have been reported from the use of S. S. S., which completely routs from your blood the Catarrh germs, for which it is a perfect antidote.

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The new "Wellworth" Waists, made in the very latest styles of splendid materials, well worth more than the price, each **\$2.50**

New Crepe de Chine Waists, nicely tailored, well made, good colors, cheap at \$5.00. For this sale only **\$3.69**

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