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s in Washington From Presiden- Rumors to Oldtime Stories

hington, D. C., Aug. 11.—"Uncle Joe" Cannon reported ving said that he was not a ate for President in 1908, and President Roosevelt working to give the Fairbanks boom , the political situation is g interesting. The open of the President toward the nks boom has caused consid- surprise. Were it only on the of courtesy, politicians be- at Mr. Roosevelt should have nds off the vice president's and have taken no part in ting to discredit his ambition. said on what is regarded as authority that Governor Guild ssachusetts, on his recent visit ster Bay, was given a distinct y the president and Senator to avoid any semblance of warmth on the occasion of President Fairbanks' visit to n. Any way, twice this week overnor of the Bay State has dly avoided any appearance in with the vice president and eliberately foreborne from ac- g any invitation that would him in a position where he be compelled to pay some e to the Indianaian. To re- to "Uncle Joe," no one takes peaker's statement seriously. Cannon is not diminishing his ties in any way, but is seeing to t he gets in touch with the men in the right places, and estern tour he is now making t being undertaken solely for re.

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e formal call has been issued e deep waterway convention to d at Memphis, Tenn., on er 4. It has been addressed to overnors of states in the Missis- Ohio and Missouri valleys, and mayors of cities of one thous- r more population in that great t. President Roosevelt is to e his trip of inspection, when expected to make a stirring on the need for increased portation facilities through the opment of the nation's rivers. need for active development along these lines never was urgent than at the present Canada has grasped the situ- and is constructing the Georg- Bay ship canal which will bring freighters to tide water at treal by a route 500 miles short- han the Buffalo, N. Y., route. will mean that freight rates ically will be cut in two and Canada will again control the t traffic unless some similar rway improvement is under- n quickly by the United States. t the Deep Waterway Associa- is doing for the lakes-to-the- route, the National Rivers & bor Congress is doing for the try at large. The last named nization has labored with cong- during the last six years and kept ever before the national ators the need for appropriating less than $50,000,000 a year to cute the work. The National rs & Harbor Congress still is taining this campaign and is ing to increase its membership s to include every shipper and y community of any size in the d States.

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oth army and navy officers are make a thorough inspection of nses on the Pacific Coast. It is ly probable that another naval on will be created there as a lt of the forthcoming visit to the of Admiral Capps, chief naval structor of the navy, and Admiral les, chief of the equipment bur- Shortly after the departure of two naval officers, they will be owed by Admiral Holliday, chief the bureau of yards and docks. advantages of San Diego for the blishment of a naval station are be examined from all points of by the visiting admirals. San go seems to be the unanimous orite of naval men in the discus- of another naval station large- because of its geographic position reference to the Panama Canal. le the needs of the navy are being investigated, General Arthur Murray, chief of artillery, will undertake a thorough inspection of all the coast defenses. He is now completing an investigation of the coast defenses along the Atlantic coast.

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Word was received this week that Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry in the department agriculture and professor of agricultural chemistry in the George Washington University, will recommend that the American government call an international pure food congress to establish international food standards. Dr. Wiley is at present in Paris on his way back from an investigation of the wine industry in France. While abroad he has conferred with leading French educators on agricultural subjects, and will bring back with him a fund of information that will be of undoubted value in his work in the university. Dr. Richard D. Harlan, special representative of the university also is abroad investigating the colleges of the political sciences in Paris and London, while Dr. James H. Gore, professor of mathematics in the same university, is absent in Holland and Germany on a similar errand. All these men are preaching the idea of the establishment of a great national university at the American capital—a position that the George Washington University is especially well adapted to assume.

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An amusing letter was received this week from Hillmore, S. D., addressed to the auditor of the treasury. It was from W. A. Kappermann, and read: "Having heard that any man having six boys straight is entitled to a prize of $1,500, I send my name, and please let me know whether it is so." Auditor Andrews passed the thing along to Auditor Person, who hails from South Dakota. Mr. Person intends to send the letter to Secretary Loeb and permit him to explain to the South Dakota father that congress has made no provision for such a prize. It is believed that the anti-race suicide talk is responsible for Mr. Kappermann's belief.

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It would appear to be easier to break into government service than to break out. For more than a year U. S. Bratton, United States attorney for the eastern district of Arkansas, has been endeavoring to resign. His second letter of resignation was received here a week ago and forwarded to the attorney general at his summer home at Lenox, Mass. It was finally accepted. Some time ago Mr. Bratton's official conduct was investigated by the department of justice. The charges against him were that he and his law partner were interested in suits against the government pending in the Little Rock land office. The result of the investigation never has been announced.

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Representative Champ Clark of Missouri tells a good story on former Representative Henry U. Johnson of Indiana. It appears that Mr. Johnson was engaged in a debate with an Illinois congressman whom he heatedly declared was an ass. This was unparliamentary, of course, and had to be withdrarwn. On the order of the Speaker, Mr. Johnson said:

"I withdraw the language I used, Mr. Speaker, but I insist that the gentleman from Illinois is out of order."

"How am I out of order" demanded the Illinoisan, red-faced with anger.

"Probably a veterinary surgeon can tell you" retorted Johnson.

This was parliamentary and had to be admitted to the record.

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The passing of George E. Roberts, director of the mint, from government life has caused regret. Mr. Roberts left this week to assume the presidency of the Commercial National Bank, one of the great financial institutions of Chicago. He succeeds to the position left vacant by the untimely death of James H. Eckels, who was Mr. Cleveland's comptroller of the currency. Mr. Roberts made an exceptionally good record in the treasury department. He is a westerner, hailing from Iowa, and for a number of years was a newspaper man.

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According to the Geological Survey, the output of coal in California is decreasing alarmingly. The largest output of that state in recent years was obtained in 1900, when the production amounted to 171,708 tons. It has decreased steadily each year until the production in 1906 was only 25,290 short tons, having a cash value of $60,710. This is due in large measure, according to the report, to the rapid increase in the production of petroleum in California, which has grown from 4,324,483 barrels in 1900 to more than 33,000,000 barrels in 1906. The use of this petroleum as fuel in locomotives and in factories in the state is the true cause of the falling off of coal mining. The Geological Survey parties are now engaged in the investigation of coal fields in southern Illinois and of the slate quarries in Central Arkansas.

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According to rumor, close friends of Secretary Taft are urging him to resign from the cabinet next winter in order to advance his presidential candidacy. They claim that if he were not a member of the administration he would be relieved of the charge of being Mr. Roosevelt's legatee. There is a growing number of Secretary Taft's friends who believe that his chances are being severely injured through having his personality overshadowed by that of the president. At the start, many thought that the Roosevelt "O. K." was an asset that would bring to the secretary's cause the support of Roosevelt people all over the country. It now appears that instead of being an aid it is a decided drawback, and in all quarters there is springing up a sentiment of resentment against any attempt of the president to name his successor. Secretary Taft has kept his own counsel in the matter, and it is not yet known just what action he will take.

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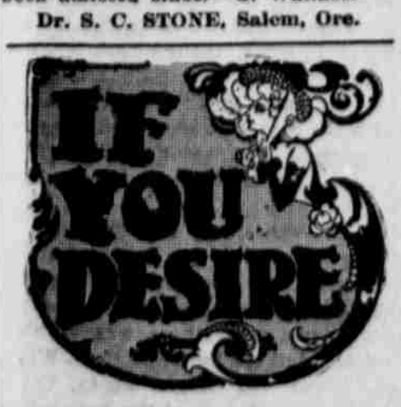

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