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PRESIDENT TAFT SURE ROOSEVELT IS OUT OF RACE

It Is Said Taft Has Colonel's Assurance He Will Not Run

TAFTS SERENITY SIGNIFICATIVE

It Was Rumored Yesterday at the National Capital That Roosevelt Has Notified a Certain High Official That He Would Take no Active Interest in Coming Presidential Campaign.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—A special Washington dispatch to the Herald says:

President Taft's serenity, in the face of a widespread propaganda for the nomination of Col. Theodore Roosevelt for the presidency, now is explained by an authoritative statement that Mr. Roosevelt recently told a member of the Taft cabinet that he would not accept if nominated.

Careful observers have noted that since just before Christmas Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson has paid at least three visits to Oyster Bay. Mr. Stimson was Mr. Roosevelt's unsuccessful candidate for governor of New York last year. Secretary Meyer, who was the only Roosevelt cabinet officer retained by Mr. Taft, has conferred with Col. Roosevelt within the last two weeks. It has been a matter of quiet comment in Washington that if relations between Oyster Bay and the white house were severely strained it would be difficult for any cabinet officer to be visiting Mr. Roosevelt frequently, and really next to impossible for Secretary Meyer or Secretary Stimson to do it, they having been formerly so close to him.

It now is learned in an authoritative quarter that Mr. Roosevelt told both of these cabinet officers that he was not, and would not, be a candidate for another nomination, and that to one of them he said he would not accept if nominated.

HEAD ON COLLISION IN RAGING SEA

American Light Vessel Has to Fight With Fierce Storm

ALARM BY WIRELESS BRINGS AID

Service Craft and Four Masted Schooner Have Head on Collision off Cape Hatteras. Commissioner of Lighthouses Gets C. Q. D. Message.

NORFOLK, Va., Jan. 23.—During the height of a storm at the Diamond Shoals, off Cape Hatteras, on January 9, Light Vessel No. 71, of the United States lighthouse service, was run into by the four-masted schooner, John Bossert of New York. Commissioner Putnam of the bureau of lighthouses, department of commerce and labor, has just received a detailed report from Thomas Jacobson, master of the light vessel, describing the collision and the work done by his crew during the night following.

Notwithstanding the damage, the light on the vessel was kept burning and she remained on her station until relieved by Light Vessel No. 69, which on telegraphic orders, was sent from New York as soon as news of the accident was received by the bureau of lighthouses. The keeping of this vessel on her station during the severe weather was of great importance to the safety of the shipping along the Atlantic coast. The report says:

"The schooner was going at the rate of 8 or 9 knots and struck this vessel on the starboard side, completely demolishing that side of the boat. Considerable damage was done to the wireless station and gear."

The Weather.

Fair tonight and Wednesday; light to moderate southwest to west winds.

FOREIGN POWERS FAIL TO RECOGNIZE CHINESE REPUBLIC

For the Present They Will Not Consent to a Republic

FEAR DISRUPTION IN THE NORTH

Manchus Thwart Plan of Premier to Flee to Tiensin—Foreign Powers Fear Outbreak in the North if They Recognize Republic—Legations Expect Intervention in the Near Future.

PEKING, Jan. 22.—Fearing a condition of chaos in Peking and north China, the powers have agreed for the present not to recognize the Chinese republic. It is furthermore agreed that this recognition, if it should come later, will not be given by any one power independently, but by all the interested powers jointly after consultation with one another.

This stand taken by the powers will serve as a friendly indication to the Chinese republicans that they cannot expect endorsements from the outside world until some satisfactory agreement is made between north and south China, and that any plans they may have for leaving the status of north China unsettled until the republic is a recognized nation must necessarily miscarry.

The state department takes the view that an agreement between Yuan Shi Kai and the republicans is still likely. Attempts of the republicans to disregard Yuan Shi Kai's influence in the north and arrange for a provisional government in Peking are considered entirely impracticable. Either an agreement between the north and the south on a common form of government, or a provisional government for the north and for the south pending ultimate solution of the problem, are the only two contingencies which seriously command international attention.

ITALY AT ODDS WITH FRANCE

Turkish Nurses Must be Released Says French Republic

DEMONSTRATION MIGHT TAKE PLACE

Italy's Naval Engagements in the Near East Likely to Cause the Country a Great Deal of Trouble. Britain to Take Action.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—Italy's naval activity in the near East seems likely to lead to serious international complications, according to a Paris dispatch to the Chronicle. Unless Italy gives France satisfactory explanations for the seizure of French steamers, France will send a naval demonstration against Italy.

Surrendered Under Orders.

PARIS, Jan. 21.—The new version of the Trent case, namely, the seizure of Turks on board the French steamship Manouba a neutral vessel, overshadows all other news today.

It now appears that the captain of the Manouba, which included among its passengers 29 Turkish nurses of the Red Cross Society, only surrendered the Turks on orders from the French embassy at Rome. It had previously been reported that the captain had disembarked the Turks on his own initiative at Cagliari, in Sardinia and was then permitted to leave the port. The French foreign office declares that no such orders emanated from Paris, but that on the contrary, the consuls had been instructed through the embassy to oppose all surrender.

It is further stated that the question of the Turkish nurses on board the Manouba was discussed by Premier Poincaré and the Italian Ambassador, Signor Tittoni, Wednesday, the Ambassador declaring that he was fully satisfied with the premier's promise that they should be subjected to rigid scrutiny at Tunis.

NEWS THROUGHOUT THE NORTH STATE

North Carolina News : : : In Brief

Republican Committee.
GREENSBORO, Jan. 22.—Republican State Chairman John M. Morehead today issued a call for a meeting of the state committee in Raleigh Wednesday, February 28th. The object stated is "To designate the place and date for holding a state convention, to name delegates at large to the Republican National Convention and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the state committee."

Wired Sheriff He Had Killed a Negro
CLINTON, Jan. 22.—Mr. Raymond Corbett, a highly respected citizen of lower Sampson, wired the sheriff here that he had killed a negro named McNeil last night in self-defense, and for the coroner to come and hold the inquest. None of the particulars are known at this writing. Capt. C. M. Faircloth, who was recently cut on the neck by his negro tenant, Harvey Rich, is improving nicely. They seem to have eluded the bloodhounds by getting in a vehicle and driving. Rich is a small, black, bullet-headed negro.

Charlotte Man Dies of Injuries.
CHARLOTTE, Jan. 22.—L. D. Caldwell died in a local hospital tonight from injuries received in a wreck on the Southern railway, nine

miles from Charlotte last evening. The accident occurred at the Catawba river bridge when a run away caboose and box car smashed into the rear of a local freight train. Mr. Caldwell was a native of Charlotte, but had been superintendent of the water and light department at Kings Mountain for some time.

Paul Hemphill Dies in Hospital.
CHARLOTTE, Jan. 22.—Paul Hemphill, a prominent South Carolina lawyer, died at the Presbyterian hospital here today after a protracted illness, aged 50. He was a brother of Dr. C. R. Hemphill, president of Union Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., and was connected with one of the oldest and most prominent families in the Palmetto state. He is survived by a widow and three children. The body will be taken to Chester, S. C., his home, tomorrow for burial Wednesday.

Car Kills Child.
CHARLOTTE, Jan. 22.—In attempting to dodge a rapidly moving vehicle, Virginia, the pretty five-year-old daughter of Mr. Lloyd Withers, a prominent business man, was run over by a street car on South Tyron street late this afternoon and instantly killed. The body of the little victim was badly mutilated.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS FROM EVERYWHERE

What the World is Doing—Told by Wire

Canadian Ex-Premier to Speak.
CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—The Belleville club of Chicago, at its second annual dinner to be given at the Hotel La Salle tomorrow night, will have as its guest of honor and principal speaker the Right Honorable Sir MacKenzie Bowell, K. C. M. G., former premier of Canada. The club is composed of Belleville men who formerly lived in Belleville, Ontario.

Iowa Buttermakers Meet.
MASON CITY, Ia., Jan. 23.—The growing importance of the dairying industry in Iowa was evidenced by the large and representative attendance here today at the opening of the annual convention of the State Buttermakers' Association. The business sessions of the convention are being held in the court house and will continue three days. In connection with the gathering there is an elaborate exhibition of dairy products and dairy machinery.

Hearing of Diegel Appeal.
COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 23.—The appeal in the case of Rodney J. Diegel, former sergeant-at-arms in the Ohio house of representatives, came up for hearing in the state supreme court today. Diegel is under sentence of imprisonment for complicity in legislative bribery.

FIRE CONSUMES RESIDENCE

Mr. B. F. Tyson and Family Routed Out of Their Home

LOCAL FIREMEN DO THEIR BEST

About 3 o'clock this morning, in the dead hours of the night when all the town was wrapped in slumber, the family of Mr. B. F. Tyson, living on the corner of Evans and Ninth streets, were aroused to find that their house was on fire. When discovered the end of the kitchen next to the house was burning briskly. Both Mr. and Mrs. Tyson went to work trying to put out the fire, and at first thought they had succeeded, but the flames had soon reached and burst through the kitchen roof and through the porch connecting the house, and they saw their efforts to

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NEW YORK WEL- COMES MEMBERS OF ROYAL FAMILY

The Duke and Duches of Connaught Arrive in New York

ACCOMPANIED BY PRINCESS PATRICIA

Governor General of Canada, Wife and Daughter Guests of Ambassador Reid—Their Visit Purely Social and Taft Does Not Feel Offended at Not Extending Their Trip to Washington.

OTTAWA, Jan. 22.—Canada's governor general, the Duke of Connaught accompanied by the duchess and their daughter, the Princess Patricia, left here this afternoon for New York, where they will visit Whitelaw Reid, the American Ambassador to Great Britain, and Mrs. Reid.

The ducal party left on the car Cornwall and York, in which the present king of England traveled through Canada as the Duke of York several years ago. This car is believed to be one of the most magnificent ever built.

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—The arrival here tomorrow of the Duke and Duchess of Connaught will mark the first visit of British royalty to New York city since 52 years ago, when the then King Edward VII, traveled from New York to the far west, where he hunted the buffalo. The leaders of society here have prepared to extend a welcome befitting the royal visitors. Whitelaw Reid, Ambassador to the court of St. James, who, with Mrs. Reid, will act as host and hostess of the ducal party, which will arrive aboard the duke's private car, Cornwall and York, attached to a regular train due Monday at 7:26 a. m.

When a man is so afraid a young woman might wet her feet that he wants to carry her across the street they aren't married yet.

GOMPERS DEFIES SENATOR HEYBURN

President of A. F. of Labor Asks Senator to Make Charges

GOMPERS DENIES GUILT OF CRIME

Mr. Gompers Invites Idaho Senator to Produce in a Court of Law Evidence to Substantiate His Accusations. Burns Again at It.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 22.—Senator Heyburn of Idaho, is challenged by Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, in an editorial in the February issue of the American Federationist, to produce in a court of law any evidence which he may have of any illegal acts performed by Mr. Gompers.

The editorial is based upon the occurrence in the Senate last Thursday when Senator Heyburn declared that no communication should be received from Mr. Gompers "because of the facts disclosed in the McNamara trial and subsequent thereto." The Idaho senator also declared that Mr. Gompers was not a citizen and, therefore was not qualified to address a communication to Congress or to the government.

Referring to his challenge to Detective W. J. Burns and the latter's sponsors, to prove in a court of law any charge which either or all of them may bring against him, President Gompers, addressing Mr. Heyburn, continues:

"I now and here include you and I defy you and challenge you to produce in a court of law any such evidence. You will observe that I especially state 'in a court of law' rather than under the constitutional protection which surrounds your privilege to wag your unbridled tongue in indirection and insinuation."

LORIMER WITNESS TO FACE BURNS IN WASHINGTON

E. Hines Who Testified For Senator Angry At Bribe Story

QUICKLY COMES FROM CHICAGO

Millionaire Declares is Anxious to be Brought Face to Face With Detective Burns to Answer All Charges—Burns is to Follow Lorimer on Stand Before House Committee.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The article in The Post yesterday morning announcing that William J. Burns, the famous detective who brought about the capture and conviction of the McNamara brothers, had been engaged, for several weeks, on the Lorimer case, created a sensation among statesmen in Washington. Perhaps not more than half a dozen senators knew that Burns was doing his work, and the announcement that he was prepared to submit evidence to the committee came as a startling surprise both to the senate and to those who have charge of the defense, before the committee, of the Illinois senator.

Detective Burns is in Washington ready to bring his evidence and his witnesses before the committee whenever they call for him. Last night he declined either to deny or affirm the article published yesterday.

"That is a matter about which I cannot talk," said Mr. Burns. "Whatever may have been accomplished the committee knows, and any statement bearing upon this matter must come from that source. The committee is in session and I am in Washington. Whenever the committee wants me I shall be prepared to take the witness stand and give such information as I may have and produce the witnesses called for. As to the accuracy of the published reports, I have nothing to say."

BURGLARS CARRY AWAY HEAVY SAFE

Unable to Force Locks, They Cart Heavy Safe

ITS CONTENTS OF LITTLE VALUE

Safe Which Contained Articles Worth About \$100.00 Taken Away From Pool-Room Which was Victimized in Similar Way Sometime Ago.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 22.—Falling to open a safe in the poolroom of Alexandria Satterwhite at 1920 Fourteenth street northwest, yesterday morning, burglars took it away in a pushcart through the rear door and disappeared. The safe weighed half a ton and was locked with a combination. Entrance to the poolroom had been made through a rear door by a duplicate key.

The mysterious disappearance of the safe recalls to the police a similar theft of a smaller safe, weighing about 800 pounds about ten years ago from a poolroom run by Satterwhite at Twentieth and K streets northwest. The poolroom had been sold to Charles Crutch and soon afterward the safe disappeared and was found a year later in Rock creek. Persons in the vicinity of the Fourteenth street poolroom said they heard a noise at the rear of the building about 6 o'clock yesterday morning. A pushcart stored in the rear of the poolroom was missing yesterday, and its wheels made distinct marks in the ground from the rear door, which indicated the safe had been taken away on the cart.

Police of all precincts were notified to search vacant houses and vacant lots for the safe. Satterwhite said the safe contained several cheap watches and papers valued at \$100.

