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TAFT IS GIVEN GREAT OVATION

Large Columbus Crowd Listens To President's Troubles

Calls Roosevelt Dangerous--Declares That Policies Pursued By His Administration Were Inaugurated By Predecessor Who Now Assails Them--Expresses Belief That Dissolution Of Standard Oil Company Was Good Thing For Country

Columbus, O., May 9.—When he appeared in Memorial hall President Taft was given a great ovation by the large crowd assembled to hear him defend his administration from the attacks of Colonel Roosevelt and take a few whacks at the sage of Oyster Bay. His remarks were greeted with loud approval.

In his address he vigorously denounced Colonel Roosevelt's attacks. These he termed absolutely unjust and uncalled for. As to many of the issues upon which his predecessor is fighting him, he said they were policies which Colonel Roosevelt himself has advocated, both as president and as private citizen.

He scored Colonel Roosevelt as an advocate of class hatred and a man who is appealing to the element of discontent. "It is dangerous to put such a man in the office of president," he said.

"Mr. Roosevelt is not a safe man for this country to trust, with his ideas as to the recall of court decisions," he declared with emphasis.

The president defended his action in prosecution of the trusts and especially the dissolution of the Standard Oil company. In most of these actions, he said, he was following out the plan adopted by Mr. Roosevelt as president, who in turn was criticizing him because the results obtained do not seem to be the best remedy. This, however, the president denied. He said it was his opinion that the dissolution of the oil trust was a good remedy.

Greatest applause greeted him in his defense of his advocacy of the Canadian reciprocity.

Says Teddy Now Howling.
"Mr. Roosevelt is now howling to the farmers that it was a measure intended to harm them and is playing for their support on this issue. I deny it was against the interest of the farmer, and I will not change my opinion for I don't care how many votes. The treaty was killed by the Canadians and is now a dead issue, but Mr. Roosevelt is using it for political purposes against me. He himself advocated the measure and wrote articles commending it, but now he is explaining that he did not understand it and is sorry he supported the measure," Mr. Taft said.

Answering the colonel's charge that he was using public office patronage to obtain his renomination, he said 70 per cent of the present public officeholders were Mr. Roosevelt's appointees, and a majority of

them are now fighting for the colonel's re-election.

President Taft spent a busy day in Ohio, which started at Batavia early in the morning. At Portsmouth the president said: "I'm up against the wall and I'm being hit. I'm being hit below the belt and I'm here to fight," he continued, and the crowd yelled with delight.

At Winchester, Seaman and Peebles the president was speaking in Adams county, where Judge A. Z. Blair disfranchised for several years nearly 2,000 men for being concerned in vote-buying and vote-selling, although he did not know this until later. The humorous side of the situation appealed to one man who was on the station platform at Seaman. "What's he talking to these people for?" he asked, "they're all disfranchised and can't vote for him."

President Taft will spend eight days, beginning next Monday, campaigning in Ohio. His itinerary covers practically every city of more than 5,000 inhabitants. He will zig-zag across the state several times both north and south, and will make about 100 speeches in all, or an average of about 10 a day.

ROOSEVELT PLEASSED

Hears Good News From Several States In West.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., May 9.—As the reports of the Roosevelt successes in Texas, Washington, Kansas and Minnesota roll in on top of the Maryland victory, the colonel is overjoyed.

Ohio is in the foreground as the next and almost the final battlefield. Colonel Roosevelt refuses to comment on the outlook, saying: "I'm a better warrior than a prophet." But from his air of confidence he evidently believes Ohio will declare for him.

The ground for the Ohio fight is being gone over most carefully. No detail is being lost sight of. The colonel is going a day ahead of time previously announced, leaving on Monday instead of Tuesday. William Ward and James Garfield were among those who went into conference with the colonel especially on the Ohio situation.

AS YOU LIVE IT

Emma Calve, grand opera prima donna, has announced her marriage to Marie Gaspey, the tenor.

The dead body of Anna Becker, 40, was found in Little Walnut creek at Groveport, O. It is thought she committed suicide.

INQUIRY INTO STEEL SITUATION BEFORE SPECIAL EXAMINER HENRY P. BROWN WILL CONTINUE IN NEW YORK FOR TWO MONTHS



New York, May 9.—The investigation into the steel business of the country begun as a preliminary to the government's suit to dissolve the United States Steel corporation by Henry P. Brown will continue for at least two months. The evidence that Mr. Brown gathers will ultimately be

turned over to the United States circuit court at Trenton, N. J., where arguments will probably be heard within a year. Jacob M. Dickinson, special assistant to the attorney general, and Henry E. Colton are in direct charge of the government's case. The corporation's counsel are Richard V. Lindabury, Cordenio A. Severance and Raynal C. Bolling. Wallace Buell of Port Chester, N. Y., and George E. Holton, president of the Bryden Horse-shoe company of Catasauqua, Pa., were witnesses the first day.

TELLS HOW STEEL TRUST BURNED THE RECORDS

New York, May 9.—In the steel trust hearing before Examiner Henry P. Brown, Jacob M. Dickinson, special assistant attorney general, succeeded in drawing from Harry A. Whitney the story of the destruction of hundreds of documents bearing upon the connection of the Amer-

ican Steel and Wire company with the wire rope pool.

The papers in question were the basis of the injunction by which the government attempted to restrain the steel corporation from destroying any more evidence in connection with the wire pool indictments. Among them

were letters said to reveal the connection of the United States Steel Products company with the wire pool and its participation in the fixing of prices. They had been returned by the United States district attorney to the American Steel and Wire company with the understanding, the government contends, that they were to be preserved.

Under questioning from Mr. Dickinson, Mr. Whitney related how early in November or late in October he had, acting under instructions from Vice President Baackes, superintended the destruction of the documents, which were burned beneath the boilers of the north works of the American Steel and Wire company at Worcester, Mass.

HARMON ENTERS DENIAL OF BRYAN'S CHARGE

Findlay, O., May 9.—William Jennings Bryan sprung the biggest sensation of his Ohio tour here when he gave out a carefully prepared statement charging that the friends of Governor Harmon during the latter part of June, 1908, tried to purchase delegates instructed for Bryan. Bryan says that if Governor Harmon will deny in writing that such

an effort was made, he will produce the letter in which the offer was made.

Harmon Enters Denial.
Columbus, O., May 9.—Governor Harmon issued a signed statement in the presence of his presidential campaign manager, Hugh Nichols, in reply to the charge of William J. Bryan made at Findlay. The governor said: "I emphatically deny that anyone authorized to act in my behalf or with my knowledge or consent, offered to purchase delegates in June, 1908, or at any other time."

Titanic Relief Fund Grows.
New York, May 9.—With a fund nearing \$120,000 back of it, the Red Cross emergency relief committee is still working at high speed to relieve the financial distress caused by the Titanic disaster.

Carson—Who was it said "deeds speak louder than words?" Gebhardt—Must have been a real estate agent.

FIND BODY IN RIVER

Lima, O., May 9.—Foul play is believed to have caused the death of Thomas Shea, an Indianapolis railroad man, whose mutilated body was discovered in the Ottawa river.

ALDERMAN BANKRUPT

Columbus, O., May 9.—A. Dean Alderman of Marietta, who was deposited as postmaster of that city last week, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy. His liabilities are given at \$12,223 and his assets at \$3,250.

FATE OF HUFFMAN HINGES ON ALIBI

State Will Attack Testimony of Senator's Colleagues.

Columbus, O., May 9.—After taking two days to select a jury, the retrial proper of Senator Isaac E. Huffman of Oxford, Butler county, charged with bribery, began in Judge Rath-mell's court with the statements of the case by the attorneys.

Prosecutor Turner's opening statement showed that the state will vigorously assail the alibi pleaded by Senator Huffman in his first trial, when the jury disagreed, and which will be his defense again.

After reciting the familiar story of the alleged bribery brought out in previous trials, Prosecutor Turner said:

"The defense will say that Senator Huffman was attending a taxation meeting that afternoon after the adjournment of the senate, and that he did not leave there until 6 o'clock, after which he went out with his wife to dinner. We will show you that the senate adjourned between 3 and 3:30 that afternoon, that Senator Huffman did attend a meeting of the committee on taxation, but that before 6 o'clock he left the meeting and went to the Chittenden. He was there between 5:30 and 6."

Allen Andrews of defendant's counsel declared in his statement: "All you have heard is the conjuring up of a Chicago crook. They have used a confessed bribe-giver to inculpate an alleged bribe-taker."

Cops Watch Speeders.
Youngstown, O., May 9.—Police-men in citizens' clothes and mounted on motorcycles have been detailed to arrest automobile speeders. A noticeable decrease in speed violations has been noted.

LIVE STOCK AND GRAIN

CHICAGO—Cattle: Receipts, 21,000 head; beefs, \$5.90@8.90; Texas steers, \$5.50@7.25; western steers, \$5.00@7.00; stockers and feeders, \$4.15@8.50; cows and heifers, \$2.75@7.50; calves, \$5.00@8.00. Hogs: Receipts, 20,000 head; light, \$7.25@7.75; mixed, \$7.50@8.25; heavy, \$7.00@7.50; rough, \$7.35@7.55; pigs, \$4.85@6.95. Sheep and Lambs: Receipts, 18,000 head; native sheep, \$4.50@7.50; western, \$5.00@7.60; native lambs, \$5.90@9.20; western, \$6.25@9.25; yearlings, \$6.00@8.50. Wheat—No. 2 red, \$1.17@1.19. Corn—No. 2, 80¢@80¢. Oats—No. 2 white, 58¢@58¢.

EAST BUFFALO—Cattle: Receipts 2 cars; export cattle, \$7.10@7.45; shipping steers, \$7.10@7.35; heifers, \$6.50@6.85; butcher cattle, \$7.10@7.35; fat cows, \$3.25@5.25; bulls, \$4.00@6.10; milkers and springers, \$25.00@45.00; calves, \$8.00@8.50. Hogs: Receipts, 15 cars; heavies, \$8.10@8.20; mediums, \$8.00@8.10; Yorkers, \$8.00@8.10; pigs, \$6.75@6.85; roughs, \$6.90@7.10; stags, \$5.50@6.00. Sheep and Lambs: Receipts, 43 cars; yearlings, \$6.75@7.25; wethers, \$6.50@6.75; mixed sheep, \$6.00@6.25; ewes, \$5.50@6.00; lambs, \$6.00@8.50.

PITTSBURG—Cattle: Receipts: light; choice cattle, \$8.25@8.60; prime, \$7.75@8.15; tidy butchers, \$7.25@7.55; heifers, \$5.00@7.50; fat cows, \$3.50@6.50; bulls, \$4.50@7.25; fresh cows, \$25.00@60.00; calves, \$5.50@7.50. Hogs: Receipts, 10 cars; heavy hogs, mediums and heavy Yorkers, \$7.90@7.95; light Yorkers, \$7.00@7.25; pigs, \$6.00@7.00. Sheep and Lambs: Receipts: light; prime wethers, \$5.75@6.00; good mixed, \$5.40@5.70; fair mixed, \$4.75@5.30; lambs, \$4.00@8.00; spring lambs, \$7.00@11.00.

CINCINNATI—Cattle: Receipts, 1,064 head; steers, \$4.50@8.00; heifers, \$4.00@7.50; cows, \$2.25@6.50; calves, \$3.00@7.50. Hogs: Receipts, 2,805 head; packers, \$7.65@8.00; common sows, \$5.00@7.15; pigs and lights, \$5.00@7.30; stags, \$4.00@6.00. Sheep and Lambs: Receipts, 424 head; sheep, \$2.75@5.00; lambs, \$5.50@7.50; spring lambs, \$6.00@9.50. Wheat—No. 2 red, \$1.24@1.25. Corn—No. 2 mixed, \$2.00@2.05. Oats—No. 2 mixed, \$3.60@3.85. Rye—No. 2, 96¢@98¢.

CLEVELAND—Cattle: Receipts, 150 head; choice fat steers, \$7.00@7.25; fair steers, \$6.00@6.75; heifers, \$5.00@7.00; fat cows, \$3.50@6.25; fat bulls, \$5.50@6.50; milkers and springers, \$20.00@60.00; calves, \$4.75@6.80. Hogs: Receipts, 1,000 head; mediums, \$7.90; Yorkers, \$7.90; pigs, \$6.60@6.75; roughs, \$6.90; stags, \$5.75@6.00. Sheep and Lambs: Receipts, 600 head; choice clipped lambs, \$7.75@8.00.

TOLEDO—Wheat, \$1.19@1.20; corn, \$1.15@1.16; oats, 60¢; cloverseed, \$12.90.

NEW BREAK IN LEVEE

Lets Loose Another Great Volume Of Water

Death, Destitution And Distress Follow In Wake

A Prosperous Town In Louisiana Completely Submerged

FIND DEAD IN DESERTED HOMES

Couriers Go by Horse and Boat to Warn People That Deluge Is Approaching—Rescuing Party In Steamer Picks Up 750 Refugees Who Had Spent Three Days Huddled Together Like Animals on Top of Dike.

New Orleans, May 9.—Moreville, a prosperous town, was completely submerged when the Bayou des Glaces levee, near the great Torras crevasse, broke and let loose upon the area flooded sugar country another great volume of water.

The destitution and distress that follows in the path of the crevasses had a practical demonstration at Melville, when the steamer Whitman with 750 refugees from the McRea section landed here. Huddled together like cattle, these unfortunates had been on the levees for three days.

Immediately following the break couriers were sent on horseback and by boat, where the water was deep, to warn everyone within reach, but fears were expressed that a number of people had been trapped. The panic-stricken people of the interior continue to tell of seeing many persons drown, and more than once rescue parties have entered humble homes to find only the dead bodies of their former inmates.

DROWNED IN CREEK

Chardon, O., May 9.—Mary Hollo-wich, the year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Holowich, drowned in a pail of water. Mrs. Holowich left the little girl in the house while she went out to milk the cows. The pail of water was on the porch. The child fell into it and was unable to get out before death came.

THE FIRST CLAIMANT

Columbus, O., May 9.—Henry E. Shaffer, 24, employed at the Paulding Cement company's plant in Paulding, was the first person killed who came under the new compensation act. Under the provisions of the act his dependents will be awarded \$2,400 damages.

KILLED IN RIOT

San Diego, Cal., May 9.—A policeman was shot in the back, another's head was cut open by a thrown hatchet and an unidentified man was killed here in a night precipitated when policemen were fired upon from windows of a house occupied by members of the Industrial Workers of the World.

CINCINNATI FIREMAN ENGULFED IN FLAMES

Cincinnati, May 9.—With his clothes a raging mass of flames, Captain Jack Conway of the salvage corps, and hero of many fires, took his most sensational and perhaps his last ride. With his entire company he was blown out of the Prestolight company fire by a series of six explosions of gas tanks. Practically every member of the salvage corps was burned. Efforts were made to smother the flames that licked the giant form of the heroic Conway, but the chemical mixture burned fiercely into his flesh. As the automobile

sped to the hospital bystanders saw in anguish the spectacle of Captain Conway virtually transformed in a pillar of fire.

NABS GOVERNOR'S DOG.

Columbus, O., May 9.—In a raid on the residence district Dog Catcher Ketcham picked up Governor Harmon's pet collie and carted it off to the dog pound, in company with a bunch of other pedigreed canines.