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TEN THOUSAND TAFT WINNER
MARK NOW PASSED
IN TARIFF FIGHT

REGISTRATION FOR LANDS ON FLATHEAD CONTINUES UNABATED IN MISSOULA.

IS SURE OF SUCCESS IN GETTING RATES REDUCED ON RAW MATERIALS.

NOTARIES ARE ALL BUSY CONFEREES CONCEDE THIS

The Largest Crowd of the Week Is Seen in City During Yesterday and Last Night, and Many Are Remaining Over Until Monday—Accommodations for Visitors Ample.

After Repeated Visits to the White House and Consultations With the Executive, Doubting Members Are Becoming Convinced That the President Takes Right Position.

The registration in Missoula for the Flathead opening last night passed the 10,000 mark before the notaries closed their offices at midnight. When the official reports to the land office closed at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the total up to that hour, as returned by the notaries, was 8,427. The evening hours were busy and enough were registered to bring the total for the three days up to more than 10,000. There are some of the notaries who do not keep an accurate count of their registrations. Some of them depend upon their cash account and this is not always accurate. Some of the notaries have registered scores of their friends without taking any fee. The mailing of the registration envelopes to Judge Witten is done by the postal clerks separately from the regular mail. The letters are especially stamped, the date line being removed from the cancelling stamp. When enough letters have accumulated to fill a mail sack, the sack is sealed and locked and dispatched to Judge Witten at Court House City. The cancelling machine registers the count automatically and the showing of this machine for the sack which was sent out Friday night was close to 8,000. This would indicate that the count of the notaries has been a little short. But, taking even the low estimate, the 10,000 mark was passed last night.

Washington, July 17.—President Taft will win his fight for free or reduced rates of duty on raw materials. Nearly every member of the conference on the tariff bill conceded this today. The indications are that when the new tariff bill becomes a law, the rates on the articles which the president desired to come in free will be as follows:

Iron ore, free (present rate 40 cents per ton).
Oil, free (now protected by countervailing duty).
Hides, 7 1/2 per cent ad valorem (present rate 15 per cent).
Coal, 45 cents per ton (present rate 67 cents).
Lumber, probably 11 1/2 on rough with some rates on finished. This would be a material reduction throughout the lumber schedule.
When the conferees transferred to the president's shoulders the responsibility of putting the foregoing raw material on the free list it was not believed he would meet with success in bringing about a changed sentiment in relation to these articles. For several days, however, members of congress have been going to the White House and not a few of them came away convinced that the president was right in insisting on lower duties. It was also acknowledged that any reduction in the rates on the pending tariff on these articles would amount to an administration triumph.

Get the Votes.
In effect, the president was told by the conferees that if iron ore, oil, coal, hides or lumber were put on the free list, or the rates reduced below the figures, adopted in the senate, he would have to get the votes.
Cost of 45 cents a ton, it was declared, would prove satisfactory to every section except Wyoming, which fears that the industry in that state might be ruined by cheap Canadian coal.
President Taft will win another decided victory in the Philippine free trade provision. The sub-committee which has been considering this section has decided to permit the free admission of 100,000,000 cigars annually, as requested by the president instead of 70,000,000 instead of being admitted under the senate amendment adopted at the instance of Mr. La Follette. It is expected that the Philippine section, as approved by the sub-committee would be approved by the conferees Monday.

With the exception of rice and the limitation placed upon tobacco and sugar, all articles, "the growth, product or manufacture of the Philippine Islands," will be admitted free. As originally adopted by the house and later introduced in the senate, the Philippine section contained a provision requiring the manufactured articles, in order to obtain the benefits of free trade admission to the United States, should not contain ingredients other than products of the islands.

Table listing names and numbers of registrants for the Flathead reservation.

Increase Shown.
Kalispell, July 17.—There was an increase of nearly 500 in the number of registrations here for lands in the Flathead reservation today over yesterday. The registration today was over 1,500. Today there was an increasing number of applicants from the east, though in the aggregate Washington and Oregon still are in the lead.

ALLEGED MURDERER CAUGHT.

Special to The Daily Missoulian.
Wallace, July 17.—A message received here tonight says that the sheriff of Kootenai county has just captured Arthur Smith, wanted in Spokane for the killing of Ileg Hoffman, a few days ago.

TOO MANY THEATERS FOR THIS PASTOR

Denver, July 17.—Charging that the members of his church are being led away by theaters and other amusements, Rev. Frost Craft, for five years pastor of the fashionable Capitol Hill Methodist Episcopal church, has notified the official board that he intends to ask for a transfer. This announcement was made today following a meeting of the official board last night and has caused considerable stir in fashionable church circles in Denver. It is stated today that members of the church admit the charges made by the pastor and are prepared to pledge more consistent attention to church duties if Rev. Craft will reconsider his determination to resign.

DRAFT OF THE BOND MEASURE COMPLETED

Washington, July 17.—The draft of the bond authorization provision, framed for incorporation in the tariff bill with a view to meeting treasury emergencies, was completed today by Secretary MacVeagh. The draft was put in shape in time for submission to a conference held at the treasury department this afternoon between secretary MacVeagh, Attorney General Wicksham and Chairman Payne of the house committee on ways and means. It provides for an issue of bonds to the extent of the cost of the Panama construction—approximately \$397,000,000, less \$120,000,000 already authorized—not exceeding 3 per cent interest. Secretary MacVeagh's statement last night that the bond resources of the department were ample helped to clear the situation.

OLD SCOUT DIES.

Muskegon, Mich., July 17.—William Fay, part owner when the civil war broke out of the tobacco warehouse which became famous as Libby prison, and a well-known scout after his Union sympathies forced him to leave his home in Richmond, Va., died at his home at Lake Harbor today. Fay was a member of the grand jury that indicted Jefferson Davis for treason.

THE PERSIAN SITUATION



MINERS WRANGLING OVER BUTTE MATTER

CONTRIVERSY GROWING OUT OF STRIKE IS BONE OF CONTENTION IN CONVENTION.

Denver, July 17.—After wrangling all day over the controversy growing out of the strike of the brewery engineers of Butte, Mont., the Western Federation of Miners in convention here, are no nearer a settlement tonight than at any time since the trouble arose. President Meyer's supporters charge the adherents of D. W. Flynn of Butte with stirring up this strife. The Flynn supporters are disaffected with the arrangement effected by President Meyer of the Western Federation and Secretary Probst of the brewery workers, and though clearly in the minority in the convention, were able to prevent the endorsement of the settlement. The controversy will be taken up again when the convention meets Monday. This afternoon "Mother" Jones again addressed the convention. She denounced the action of the Flynn supporters as an endeavor to disrupt the federation for personal preference and in her characteristic language pleaded with the members to cease their senseless strife and devote their energies to whipping the other fellow.

MR. TAFT TO VISIT THE GARDEN CITY

Special to The Daily Missoulian.
Butte, July 17.—The Merchants' association has received information to the effect that, through the efforts of Senators Carter and Dixon and Congressman Gray, President Taft has been induced to include Butte and portions of Montana in his tour of the west. On receipt of a telegram to this effect today, President Charles E. Virden of the Merchants' association wired the president's secretary extending a formal invitation to the president to visit this city.
Missoula is to be included in the president's itinerary.

DECLINES TO HEAR OF HIS FORMAL DEPOSITION

BOUSTED SHAH OF PERSIA REFUSES TO RECEIVE OFFICIAL DEPUTATION.

Teheran, July 17.—Mohamed Ali, the dethroned shah who is now in the Russian summer legation, has declined to receive a deputation to inform him of his deposition. Siphadar and Surdarsal, the leaders of the nationalist movement sent a telegram to the British and Russian legations last night, requesting them to fix a time when his majesty may receive deputations notifying him of the change of sovereignty. The former shah replied this morning through the legation saying that having taken refuge in the Russian legation he had abdicated; therefore he did not wish to receive a deputation sent to inform him of the fact.
Mohamed Ali probably will depart shortly for Russia. It is believed that the queen is desirous of accompanying the former shah, taking with her the crown prince, the newly proclaimed shah.

FIGHT WITH PISTOLS IN STREET

TROUBLE OVER OWNERSHIP OF A COW CAUSES A BLOODY REVOLVER BATTLE.

Union, Miss., July 17.—A cow caused a bloody pistol battle in the streets here today. It resulted in the killing of two men, the fatal injury of two more and the serious wounding of another. All is quiet tonight. The dead: P. J. McDONALD, cattleman.
FETTER McDONALD.
Fetally injured: Cornelius Chisholm, cattleman; Joe Miller.
"The fight was between the McDONALDs on one side and Miller and Chisholm on the other. Chisholm claimed the cow was his property and the McDONALDs disputed his claim. Joseph Miller and Peter McDONALD started the row in front of the Union bank. Revolvers were drawn and the shooting commenced. Who fired the first shot is still a matter of dispute.
Chisholm and E. J. McDONALD came up about this time and joined in the battle. Peter McDONALD was the first to fall. Miller then went down and E. J. McDONALD turned his attention to Chisholm. Finally both men fell. E. J. McDONALD dead and Chisholm mortally wounded.

IS EASY TO COMPILE REPORTS

WICKERSHAM ANSWERS OBJECTIONS OF ACCOUNTANTS TO TAX PROVISION.

Washington, July 17.—Declaring that any corporation that "keeps just and true books of account" can make up the returns required by the proposed corporation tax law, Attorney General Wicksham today made public a letter he has written to a Wall Street firm of accountants, who challenged some provisions of the proposed law as "absolutely impossible of application," and others as violative of all the accepted principles of sound accounting.
Mr. Wicksham points out that the proposed law does not impose a tax on "profits" but on the entire net income over and above \$7,000 received by the corporation, joint stock company or association subject to the law from all sources during such year.
"It may be inconvenient, but it is certainly not impossible for any corporation, which keeps just and true books of account to make up a return such as that required by the proposed law, particularly as the return requires statements of actual receipts and payments and not, as you recommend in your communication of 'expenses incurred,' interest accrued and losses."

FENCE IS TORN DOWN BY ANGRY CITIZENS

Brighton, Colo., July 17.—Indignant at the action of the Union Pacific in fencing its right-of-way 300 feet on either side of the roadbed and enclosing considerable property, shutting off roads and tearing up small bridges, the citizens of Brighton late today tore down the fence. It was reported that the railroad officials had sent a body of armed guards here to prevent such action, but no resistance was made.
The entire matter has been thrown into the courts by the arrest of T. H. Gale, a watchman left by the railroad to protect the fence.

WOMEN IN BALLOON

St. Louis, July 17.—Three women made a balloon ascension here today in the St. Louis Aero club's new balloon Missouri. H. E. Honeywell was the pilot and he was accompanied by Mrs. Honeywell, Mrs. Ida Miller and a woman whose identity was not disclosed.

A MISSOULA GUEST.

Mrs. Tom Webster of Minneapolis is the guest of her sister, Mrs. C. A. Barnes, at the latter's home, on University avenue.

REGISTRATION SIEGE EXISTS
HOURS WILL SHORTEN
AT THE CAR PLANT

NOTARIES FINALLY AGREE TO OPERATE FROM 7 A. M. TO 7 P. M. ONLY.

ENTIRE PLANT OF PRESSED STEEL CAR COMPANY IS STANDING IDLE NOW.

FREE REGISTRY PLANNED STRIKERS VERY SULLEN

Chamber of Commerce Takes Action to Eliminate Several Objectionable Features in Connection With Registration Work, and Is Partially Successful in Its Undertaking.

Factory is in Hands of Armed Force of Deputy Sheriffs, Factory Police and Mounted Constabulary, While the Workmen Are Maintaining a Highly Threatening Attitude.

At the chamber of commerce rooms yesterday afternoon there was an interesting special meeting of the executive committee, called to consider two matters which had come up in connection with the registration for the reservation opening. The first was the methods which had been employed by the agent of irrigated tracts in another state. It being alleged that his advertising matter had been prepared with a view to injuring Missoula with the transients in the city and that it was having that effect. The objectionable advertising circular was submitted and there was found in it a paragraph which painted Missoula's climate and social conditions in anything but a favorable light. The outcome of the consideration of this question was the appointment of a committee to visit the real estate man in question; this committee did its work and the objectionable circular was later withdrawing; it is understood that its withdrawal is to be permanent.

Pittsburg, July 17.—Despite the assertion of President F. N. Hoffstadt of the Pressed Steel Car company that "there is no strike," the entire plant of the company at McKees Rock remained idle and under a state of siege today. With the exception of the office force and some 200 shop employees, most of them gang foremen without men, the plant is entirely in the hands of an armed force of deputy sheriffs, factory police and mounted constabulary.
The strikers maintain a sullen and threatening attitude, but, save a few trivial disturbances, the day passed without serious violence. In a proclamation issued tonight the strikers cite 13 instances of actual wages paid to workmen under the pooling system, which they claim are illustrative of the conditions existing at the McKees Rock plant.
In one instance 45 hours work brought only 90 cents per day; in another a riveter working 130 hours received but \$14.50. It is charged that in not one of the 13 cases cited was the average hour wage more than 17 cents.

The second point considered was the question of the hours of the notaries and their location. Mayor Logan and Charles H. Marsh were named as a committee to interview the notaries and see if there could not be an arrangement made as to hours and methods, which would be satisfactory to the business interests of the city and to the notaries. Last night this committee completed its rounds and at 10 o'clock Mayor Logan reported that an agreement had been reached with the notaries by which their hours for registration will be, henceforth, from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m. After considerable persuasion this agreement was accepted by the most unwilling and the mayor brought back the report. As to the proposition to have all the notaries located downtown, so that registrants will not hike out on the same train that brings them in, there was nothing doing last night.

OIL FIRE RAGES.

Bartlesville, Okla., July 17.—A serious oil fire raged here today. After two tanks, containing 5,000 barrels of crude oil, belonging to the Prairie Oil & Gas company had been destroyed, a cannon was used all day today in an endeavor to check the flames. The fire started yesterday, lightning striking a tank. The loss will be heavy.

MEETING ADJOURNS.

Calveston, July 16.—After electing officers for the ensuing year and selecting New York as the convention city for 1910, the International Longshoremen's association adjourned sine die today. T. P. O'Connor was elected president.

SUCCESSFUL FLIGHT.

Washington, July 17.—Orville Wright made a successful flight in his aeroplane at Fort Myer at 6:53 o'clock this evening. He remained in the air 16 1/2 minutes and circled the parade grounds 15 3/4 times.

PREVIOUS RECORDS SMASHED IN FLIGHT

Minneapolis, L. I., July 17.—A flight of 24 1/2 miles in 53 minutes and 46 seconds was made today by Glenn H. Curtiss in his aeroplane over the Hempstead Plains course for the cup offered by the Scientific American.
In his flight Curtiss exceeded all his previous records and all American aeroplane records for the year. Curtiss also made a flight once around a measured course of one and three-tenths miles for one of the four \$250 prizes offered by Cortland Field Bishop, president of the Aero Club of America, for an aeroplane journey of one kilometer .621 of a mile over a measured course successfully fulfilling the conditions.

REPORTED PURCHASE OF STORES DENIED

Special to The Daily Missoulian.
Butte, July 17.—For a number of days there has been a report in circulation that the Hennessy Mercantile company of this city, the Copper City Commercial company of Anaconda and a number of the larger mercantile firms of Missoula have been purchased by the Claffin syndicate of New York.
Charles J. Kelly, manager of the Hennessy Mercantile company, today put to rest a rumor that the business was about to change hands.
The story persistently circulated was to the effect that the Hennessy Mercantile company had been disposed of by the H. B. Claffin syndicate which operates the M. J. Connell store in Butte. The fact that Louis Stuart, vice president of the Claffin syndicate is expected in Butte tomorrow had given impetus to the rumor.