



ROOSEVELT RUSHES WEST. ON HIS WAY TO TEXAS.

Makes Brief Stops and Talks at Pittsburg and Harrisburg.

Pittsburg, April 3.—The special train bearing President Roosevelt and his party to the Southwest arrived in Pittsburg at 8:45 o'clock to-night. The trip from Washington was without incident, except at Horseshoe Bend, where, in a drizzling rain, the President stopped the train and had the party photographed. In this city the President appeared on the rear platform of the car and was enthusiastically greeted by a large crowd of people. He said he was glad to be able to visit this great industrial city again and that his admiration for Pittsburg was great. Especially was this true, he said, when he considered the majority given him here last November.

STOPS IN HARRISBURG. President Says Taft Is Sitting on the Dominican Lid.

Harrisburg, Penn., April 3.—"I don't exactly say that I need a rest, but I am going to take one in the open, under God's blue heaven," said President Roosevelt to-day, standing on the platform of his special car in the Pennsylvania station and talking with Representative Olmstead, District Attorney McCarrell and Marshal Leonard, in the presence of a great crowd that had gathered at the station to meet him. It was suggested to the President that things would go along smoothly, even in his absence. "Oh, things will be all right," he said. "I have left Taft sitting on the lid keeping down the Santo Domingo matter."

CHEERED AT DEPARTURE. President To Be Absent from Washington About Two Months.

Washington, April 3.—President Roosevelt and his party started for the Southwest at 9:05 o'clock this morning, just five minutes behind the time scheduled for his departure. The delay was caused by one of the horses attached to the President's landau falling on the slippery asphalt pavement in front of the Treasury Building on the way to the station. No one was hurt, and the horse was disentangled from the harness without injury. Cheers and good wishes resounded through the station as the President departed. Among those at the station were many friends of the President, including Postmaster General Cortelyou and Secretary McCall. As General Joseph Wheeler pressed forward through the throng to reach the President's hand, he was roughly thrust back by a policeman. The President saw the predicament of the little old soldier just in time, and, reaching past the officer's shoulder, caught hold of General Wheeler and drew him through the phalanx. Assistant Secretary Barnes brought a number of commissions for the President to sign just before the train started, and the executive signature on one of them was affixed after the wheels had begun to turn. In the party, besides the President, were Secretary Loeb, General S. B. Young, Dr. Alexander Lambert, Lieutenant G. R. Fortescue, one of the President's aids; M. C. Latta and J. L. McGrew, stenographers, a photographer and representatives of the press associations.

MICHIGAN BY 70,000. Republicans Carry State for Supreme Judge and Others.

Detroit, April 3.—Election returns are fragmentary, but the indications are that the Republican State ticket is carried by upward of 70,000 majority. Judge Republican candidates are Thomas B. Moore, of Lapeer, for Supreme Judge (nominated); Arthur Hill, of Saginaw, and W. H. Sawyer, of Hillsdale, for regents of the University of Michigan, and W. J. McKane, of Calhoun county, for member of the State Board of Education.

QUICKEST LINE TO CLEVELAND. TOUR TO SEE WASHINGTON.

Covering principal points of attraction at the National Capital, April 6, via Pennsylvania Railroad. Three-day trip. Rate \$12.00 or \$14.00 according to hotel selected. Itinerary of ticket agents.—Adv.

MEMBERS OF THE PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION.



O. H. ERNST, U. S. A. PETER C. HAINS, U. S. A. T. P. SHONTS, Chairman. CHARLES E. MAGOON, Governor of the canal zone. JOHN F. WALLACE, Chief engineer. M. T. ENDICOTT, U. S. N.

NEW CANAL BOARD NAMED THE WORK TO BE PUSHED.

Complete Reorganization of Panama Commission Effected.

Washington, April 3.—President Roosevelt's order appointing the new Panama Canal Commission, signed Saturday, was issued this morning just as he was departing for the Southwest, and, following his injunction to "go ahead and get busy with the digging," the five members now in the city promptly took the oath of office and devoted the whole day to an executive session in the office of the former commission. Four of them were already familiar with the work in hand, and the fifth, the new chairman, T. P. Shonts, took hold of the gigantic enterprise with that characteristic push which caused the President to select him for the place. Judge Magoon has been the legal counsel of the expiring commission, has twice visited the isthmus, and knows everything that has been done and just what questions require first attention. Mr. Harrod, the only reappointed member of the preceding commission, is perfectly at home on all matters pressing for consideration. General Hains and Colonel Ernst were members of the original Isthmian Canal Commission from 1899 to 1901, which made the choice between Panama and Nicaragua, and their interest in the great waterway has never flagged. General Hains only a few months ago, with the latest official data in his possession, publicly opposed a sea level canal and advocated locks, in order to insure the earliest possible opening of the canal to traffic. Admiral Endicott, the chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks of the navy, is an expert on locks and dams, was a member of the Nicaragua Commission of 1895, and has been frequently called into consultation by the commission in the last year. The executive committee of the commission will meet on the isthmus not later than May 10, and from that time on, it is predicted, "dirt will fly."

MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION.

The personnel of the new commission is as follows: THEODORE P. SHONTS, chairman. CHARLES E. MAGOON, Governor of canal zone. JOHN F. WALLACE, chief engineer. Rear Admiral M. T. ENDICOTT, U. S. N. Colonel OSWALD H. ERNST, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A. BENJAMIN M. HARROD.

These names were announced at the War Department this morning. Secretary Taft made public a statement showing the allotments of salaries to the new commissioners, his own letter to the President and one from Mr. Roosevelt explaining the plan for the reorganization of the commission, the reasons therefor and the particular duties to be assigned to each commissioner. The statement regarding salaries is as follows:

SECRETARY TAFT'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

War Department, Washington, March 30, 1905. Mr. President: In the matter of the reorganization of the Panama Canal Commission, the act of Congress which provides for the canal is to be built, I beg first to call your attention to the extreme measures being proposed. The plan with respect to which you may feel reasonable certainty, first, that it can be practically executed, and second, that the navigable canal will be the one best adapted to the demands which may be made upon it by the commerce of the world.

PROBING OF EQUITABLE BEGUN. GOVERNOR ANNOUNCES IT AFTER CONFERENCE WITH HENDRICKS.

Tarbell Sells Future Commissions for \$135,000—Controversy at White Heat—Alexander, Harriman, Platt and Crimmins Statements.

CLIMAX OF THE EQUITABLE TANGLE.

Governor Higgins and Francis Hendricks, State Superintendent of Insurance, announced at Albany that an investigation of the affairs of the Equitable Life Assurance Society had been begun. Gage E. Tarbell received \$135,000 from the society in lieu of all future commissions he might receive on policies. President Alexander reaffirmed his charges against Vice-President Hyde, declaring that he had usurped the president's authority and acted without his knowledge. E. H. Harriman asserted that neither he nor any of the railroads in which he was interested had ever sold a bond to the Equitable. John D. Crimmins denied that the City Trust Company had received any money on deposit from the Equitable. A resolution was introduced in the Senate for a legislative investigation of the Equitable.

HYDE LAUNCHES BOLT. Accuses President Alexander to His Face of Bad Faith.

The investigation announced as begun in the foregoing dispatch is in accordance with a request received from President Alexander of the Equitable more than a month ago, according to a statement issued from the office of Superintendent Hendricks here. The investigation will include examination of officers of the society as well as an inspection of the account, and an auditing of the expenditures. It will probably disclose officially what was learned yesterday, that Gage E. Tarbell, second vice-president of the society, and head of its agencies, on the day he entered the fight to oust Mr. Hyde, sold out all his commissions on future policies for \$135,000. This transaction, an agreement between Mr. Tarbell and President Alexander, was never passed on by the executive committee or any other official body of the society. Conference followed conference on both sides yesterday. The situation is now practically where it was before any mutualization plans had been agreed on. President Alexander and his adherents are working tooth and nail to out Mr. Hyde. He is beginning a desperate fight not only to retain his place in the society, but to clear himself of the charges brought against his business career and his personal character.

MINER SUES PEABODY. Union President Asks Total of \$300,000 Damages.

Denver, April 3.—Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, to-day filed a complaint in the United States Circuit Court against James H. Peabody, formerly Governor of Colorado; Sherman M. Bell, formerly adjutant general, and Adjutant General Bulkeley Wells, who was military commander in Telluride when that city was under martial law.

GREENE TO SELL HOUSE. The General Will Make Buffalo His Permanent Home.

Buffalo, April 3.—General Francis V. Greene said to-night that Buffalo was to be his permanent place of residence hereafter, and that he had reached this decision about a year ago. At about the same time he gave instructions to his agent in New-York to sell his New-York house, and that place has been on the market since then.

POLICE MAKE MURRAY HILL THEATRE CLOSE.

There was no performance of "Captain Barrington" at the Murray Hill Theatre last night. George Washington, in the person of William Branwell, an actor, spoke to the populace from the theatre steps, and told it why. The Building Department, acting with the police, declared there could be no performance so long as inflammable scenery was used.

OVER SUNDAY ATLANTIC CITY TOUR.

April 3, via Pennsylvania Railroad. Rate, \$10 or \$11, covers two days' hotel board. Beach hotels at full rate.—Adv.

EXPLOSION ENTOMBS 50. THIRTY THOUGHT DEAD.

Accident at Leiter's Mine Laid to Accumulated Gas.

Benton, Ill., April 3.—Some fifty miners were entombed to-day in Joseph Leiter's mine at Zeigler by a terrific explosion of gas, and it is probable that thirty of the buried men are dead. Thus far four bodies have been found. The explosion, it is said, was due to the fact that the Leiter mines are not worked on Sunday, thus allowing gas to accumulate in the lower workings. When between thirty-five and forty-five miners had descended into the mine to-day to resume work, a terrific explosion blew the works at the mouth of the mine high into the air. One of the steel cages was blown to the surface from the bottom of a 500-foot shaft. The shock of the explosion was felt at Benton, twelve miles northeast of Zeigler. A teamster driving along a road half a mile from the mine was covered with falling cinders, and debris covered the floor of his wagon half an inch deep. One miner was killed and four were severely injured at the mouth of the shaft in which the explosion occurred. The work of rescue was begun at once by miners, who were arriving when the explosion took place. But the main shaft was demolished so that rescue work has to be carried on through the airshaft. This has hindered the work of adding the entombed men to such an extent that when darkness fell to-night only three bodies and one injured man had been brought to the surface. These bodies were found forty feet from the bottom of the air shaft, and this is as far as the rescuers have been able to penetrate. A committee of union miners from Duquoin and other neighboring mining towns, headed by District President Morris, hastened to Zeigler soon after the explosion occurred and offered their aid. The bodies of the dead are so blackened that they cannot at once be identified. The injured miner brought out of the shaft, it is said, cannot live. C. E. Childers, a striking Zeigler miner, last October predicted in a printed article that an explosion was likely to occur on account of what he termed improper ventilation of the shafts. There was much excitement among miners when the accident became known because there had been a strike of long duration and many conflicts had occurred between strikers and non-union miners. An all day investigation tends to show that the catastrophe was due to the accidental explosion of accumulated gas.

WHEN YOU ARE SICK USE.

Dewey's Port Wine and Grapes Juice. H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 128 Fulton St., New-York.—Adv.

SENATE PASSES TAX BILLS. BOTH JAMMED THROUGH.

Strict Party Votes—Elsberg Vigorously Attacks Measures.

Albany, April 3.—To avoid the pressure being exerted on the party leaders by the opponents of the pending stock and mortgage tax bills they were both jammed through the Senate to-night by a strict party vote and in the face of the most sensational opposition of the New-York City members, culminating in the declaration by Senator Elsberg that all hope of carrying New-York City this fall in the Mayoralty election was being deliberately sacrificed. The measures were passed by a strict party vote of 33 to 14, Senators Milby, Burr and Stevens being absent.

WHEN YOU ARE SICK USE.

Dewey's Port Wine and Grapes Juice. H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 128 Fulton St., New-York.—Adv.

WHEN YOU ARE SICK USE.

Dewey's Port Wine and Grapes Juice. H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 128 Fulton St., New-York.—Adv.

WHEN YOU ARE SICK USE.

Dewey's Port Wine and Grapes Juice. H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 128 Fulton St., New-York.—Adv.

WHEN YOU ARE SICK USE.

Dewey's Port Wine and Grapes Juice. H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 128 Fulton St., New-York.—Adv.

WHEN YOU ARE SICK USE.

Dewey's Port Wine and Grapes Juice. H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 128 Fulton St., New-York.—Adv.

WHEN YOU ARE SICK USE.

Dewey's Port Wine and Grapes Juice. H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 128 Fulton St., New-York.—Adv.

WHEN YOU ARE SICK USE.

Dewey's Port Wine and Grapes Juice. H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 128 Fulton St., New-York.—Adv.

WHEN YOU ARE SICK USE.

Dewey's Port Wine and Grapes Juice. H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 128 Fulton St., New-York.—Adv.

WHEN YOU ARE SICK USE.

Dewey's Port Wine and Grapes Juice. H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 128 Fulton St., New-York.—Adv.

WHEN YOU ARE SICK USE.

Dewey's Port Wine and Grapes Juice. H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 128 Fulton St., New-York.—Adv.

WHEN YOU ARE SICK USE.

Dewey's Port Wine and Grapes Juice. H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 128 Fulton St., New-York.—Adv.

WHEN YOU ARE SICK USE.

Dewey's Port Wine and Grapes Juice. H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 128 Fulton St., New-York.—Adv.