



CHINA KEEPS PROMISE

AMERICAN BANKERS TO GET SHARE OF LOAN.

State Department Receives Assurances from Peking, Berlin and Paris.

Washington, June 21.—United States banking interests will have an opportunity to participate in the loan of \$27,500,000 which the Chinese government had previously agreed to divide between financial institutions in Great Britain, Germany and France for the purpose of railroad construction. This was made certain to-day when the State Department was informed that the Peking government was entirely willing to keep the promise made to Minister Conger in 1914, that American interests would be consulted when money was necessary to carry on the process of industrial development. China has at no time signified any intention of breaking that promise, but when she began the negotiations for borrowing \$27,500,000 no United States bankers were consulted, nor was the State Department apprised of her intentions.

Secretary Knox learned through the American legation in China that such negotiations were in progress, but he did not dream that the loan was practically apportioned until he was so informed by the British government, through representations made by Ambassador Bryce. He also learned that the British bankers feared that the participation of American financiers in the loan might endanger its consummation. Mr. Knox promptly caused a protest to be filed at Peking and, through Ambassador Reid, informed the British government of the course he had taken. The representations made to the Peking government included a demand that a definite portion of the material to be used in the extension of the railroad should be of American origin, and also that a specific proportion of American engineers should be retained. The conduct of the negotiations at London has elicited the highest encomiums of the diplomacy of Mr. Reid.

The next step in the negotiations consisted, as has been told in these dispatches, of a call from Mr. Mitchell-Innes, British chargé, who, on behalf of his government, expressed the hope that the United States would not deem it necessary to reopen the entire negotiations with Peking, which it was feared would greatly delay the consummation of the loan. Mr. Mitchell-Innes informed Mr. Knox that he was authorized, on behalf of the British, French and German financiers, to say that they would welcome the United States as a participant in the loan. Mr. Knox replied that it was the desire of this government to extend every courtesy and accommodation to the financiers who had negotiated the loan at Peking, and that if they could insure to the United States the utilization of the specified proportion of American material and engineering talent there would be no further insistence by this government on the matter. Mr. Mitchell-Innes informed Mr. Knox that he was authorized, on behalf of the British, French and German financiers, to say that they would welcome the United States as a participant in the loan. Mr. Knox replied that it was the desire of this government to extend every courtesy and accommodation to the financiers who had negotiated the loan at Peking, and that if they could insure to the United States the utilization of the specified proportion of American material and engineering talent there would be no further insistence by this government on the matter.

It only remains now for the British government to indicate that the suggestion of Secretary Knox has been complied with, or for his suggestions to be accepted at Peking, to make possible the conclusion of the loan.

DAM BREAKS, THREE DIE.

One Victim Had Lost Two Sons Similarly at Same Place.

St. Joseph, Mo., June 21.—Through the Missouri River food breaking the dam of the man-made reservoir at the city waterworks pumping plant, six miles north of here to-night, three men lost their lives and five others had a narrow escape from death. John Lewis, watchman at the reservoir, and James Lilliges and the latter's son, John, were caught in the track of a wall of water twenty feet high and carried to their death. Lewis lost two sons by drowning a year ago at the same place. The damage to the waterworks plant is heavy.

Washington, June 21.—Charles Salvey and William Hook, nine and eight years old, respectively, were drowned to-day while bathing in the eastern branch of the Potomac River near this city. The younger boy died while trying to rescue his companion.

Ann Arbor, Mich., June 21.—Oswald Lippold, thirty-five years old, and William Arnold, twenty-one, both of Milwaukee, were drowned in the millrace here to-day while swimming, and William Cole, also of Milwaukee, was rescued in an unconscious condition. Lippold and Cole were teaching Arnold to swim.

MME. SEMBRICH'S FAREWELL.

A Great Audience in Berlin Pays Tribute to a Great Artist.

Berlin, June 21.—Mme. Marcella Sembrich made her farewell appearance on the German stage this evening as Rosina in "The Barber of Seville." A great audience flocked her out about thirty times. The display of flowers was lavish, and there were showers of roses at the last curtain from the wings. Mme. Sembrich picked up the blossoms and threw them right and left into the audience. Between the acts Mme. Sembrich sang Johann Strauss' "Spring Song" and other pieces, which were enthusiastically encored. Finally she sang to her own accompaniment a Polish song.

CURED, HE GIVES \$125,000 FOR OTHERS.

Montreal, June 21.—D. Lorne McGibbon, a leading business man of this city, has decided to contribute \$125,000 for the erection and equipment of a sanatorium for tuberculous treatment, to be erected at St. Agathe, in the Laurentian Mountains. Mr. McGibbon was a couple of years ago a sufferer from the disease, and by advice of his physicians spent much time in the Adirondacks, with the result that he was cured, and is interested in doing something for those less fortunately placed than himself.

Specials: All thru rail tickets between N. Y. & Albany accepted on Day Line Steamers—Advt.

SAW AN OCEAN FIGHT.

Veracious Tale of How a Swordfish Killed a Whale.

Boston, June 21.—A fight between monsters of the ocean was witnessed to-day by the passengers and crew of the steamer Esparta, which arrived here from Port Limon, Costa Rica. The combat occurred south of Nantucket South Shoals Lightship. The combatants were a whale and a great fish believed to have been a swordfish. The whale was vanquished. The whale was the only one of the two fighters visible to the passengers and crew. The great mammal lashed its tail violently, churning the water into a mass of foam, while it was believed to be attacking the swordfish with its jaws. Several irregular plunges appeared to indicate successful attacks by the fish beneath, and finally the whale was seen to throw its massive bulk clear of the water and then sink from sight. The water for a considerable distance about was red with blood, and it was believed the whale had received a mortal wound.

WOMEN REJECT PEACE.

Report of Arbitration Committee Refused by Council.

Toronto, June 21.—The International Council of Women this afternoon threw out the major portion of the report of the peace and arbitration committee dealing with efforts to bring about limitation of armaments, abolition of standing armies, establishment of areas of neutrality and circulation of peace petitions. Frau Stritt, of Germany, third vice-president, said the German people had no sympathy with the movement. Promotion of an annual peace day was recommended on division, Germany, Italy, Sweden and Great Britain opposing the motion. The only part of the report that was carried unanimously was that endorsing the general principles of the council. The committee on traffic in women made a strong recommendation that the employment of girls under fourteen in theatres or public places be prohibited. At the suffrage meeting in connection with the International Council of Women to-night Lady Aberdeen came out for the suffragettes. She said: "I have never before spoken on the question of suffrage for women, owing principally to the fact that my husband, the Earl of Aberdeen, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, occupies a high position in public affairs, but after hearing what has been said to-night before this audience by women from every part of the world, I can no longer keep silent."

HEAT CLAIMS A VICTIM.

Six Prostrations Reported on Hottest Day of Year.

When the mercury rose to the 90 degree mark on the thermometer at the weather bureau, yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, the hottest day of this year was recorded. The intense heat caused the death of Abraham Solomon, a retired glass dealer, of No. 28 West 120th street, who was prostrated while walking home with his wife. He died before medical help arrived. Five heat prostrations were recorded by the police.

DEAD.

SOLOMON'S ABRAHAM, died in front of No. 12 West 120th street, taken to his home, No. 28 West 120th street.

PROSTRATIONS.

COOPER, John, sixty-two years old, of No. 422 East 151st street, overcome in front of his home, taken to Lehigh Hospital.

GLASBROW, Annette, eighteen years old, of No. 58 Morningside avenue, overcome at 100th street and Amsterdam avenue, attended by an ambulance surgeon and taken home.

HOLLAND, John, forty-two years old, of No. 418 East 8th street, overcome at Broad and Water streets, taken to St. Gregory's Hospital.

PATTERSON, Catherine, twenty years old, of No. 2154 Amsterdam avenue, overcome at No. 6 East 110th street, taken to St. Gregory's Hospital.

Unidentified man, about sixty years old, overcome in Tompkins Square Park, taken to Bellevue Hospital.

At 8 o'clock yesterday morning the thermometer registered a temperature of 70 degrees, with the humidity at that time 82 degrees. The mercury rose steadily as the hours passed, but the humidity gradually decreased, therefore driving away the oppressive heat of the forenoon. At 4 o'clock, when the mercury reached its highest mark, the humidity was only 35 degrees.

The numerous parks in the city were crowded all day with men, women and children, who apparently took a day off to enjoy the cool of the shade trees. Coney Island did a rushing business, thanks to the weather, and at night the beach was strewn with sleepers who had come from the city to enjoy a good night's rest. Downtown in the business district many a luncheon consisting of ice cream soda was substituted for a specially prepared meal at a restaurant. The forecast for to-day promises the city slightly cooler and cloudy weather, with possible showers at night.

HEAT PROSTRATES ENGINEER.

Hugh Coughlan, sixty-five years old, a locomotive engineer, of Newark, was prostrated by the heat on his engine in the Pennsylvania Railroad Walden avenue yards in Jersey City yesterday. This is the first heat case of the season for a Jersey City hospital.

HOTTEST DAY IN PHILADELPHIA.

Philadelphia, June 21.—The government thermometer registered 92 degrees at 4 o'clock this afternoon, while those on the street reached 96, by far the hottest day of the season. The suffering from the heat was intense, several prostrations being reported. The relief to-night is slight, the mercury being close to 90 degrees.

TWO DEAD IN BOSTON.

Boston, June 21.—Two deaths, three serious cases of prostration at the hospitals and fully a dozen other cases treated at drug stores and physicians' offices were the outcome of the hottest day of the year in Boston to-day. Officially the mercury rose to 88 degrees, but in the streets it was hovering in the 90s, and with scarcely any breeze blowing the day was full of discomfort to those obliged to exert themselves.

SUICIDE DROPS FROM "L" STATION.

Crippled Flower Seller Jumps One Hundred Feet to Pavement at 110th Street.

A man supposed to be Thomas King, a cripple, about thirty-five years old, jumped from the downtown station of the Sixth avenue elevated road at 110th street at 6 p. m. yesterday, and was instantly killed. A man in the crowd who gathered about the body said that the suicide was Thomas King, who had sold flowers on the street at Sixth avenue and 29th street, and later at 110th street and Manhattan avenue.

Employees of the elevated said that the man walked the platform with a crutch for half an hour, as if waiting for some one. Suddenly he was seen to drop his crutch and vault the rail at the south end of his downtown platform. He landed flat below. Dr. Flitzinger, of the J. Hood Hospital, said that almost every bone in his body was broken. The body was removed to the West 125th street police station.

MR WISE GOING ABROAD

TO TAKE DEPOSITIONS IN PANAMA CASE.

Material Witnesses To Be Examined in Paris by Mr. Lindsay and Mr. Nicoll.

Henry A. Wise, United States Attorney, will sail for Europe on June 30 to be present at the examination of witnesses at Paris in the Panama Canal purchase label case by John D. Lindsay, of counsel for the Press Publishing Company, publishers of "The World," which has been indicted for articles regarding the canal negotiations, printed in October. Mr. Lindsay will sail the following Saturday, possibly on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse. DeLancey Nicoll, senior counsel for the Press Publishing Company, will sail on the Lusitania on June 30, and will be present at the taking of the depositions. Mr. Wise will take depositions of his own, and the counsel for the defendant will be present at the examination of his witnesses. The United States Attorney received an order from the United States Circuit Court a month ago to go to Paris.

Mr. Wise was in consultation with one of the attorneys interested in the case yesterday, and received papers from Mr. Nicoll's office. It may be that Mr. Wise and Mr. Nicoll will be passengers on the same boat. The leave of absence granted to the United States Attorney is for five weeks, which would bring him back the first week in August. Every day of his absence not spent in travelling to and from Paris, will be spent in the French capital on the case.

Mr. Wise had been determined to try the cases against the publishers of "The World" and Caleb M. Van Hamm, the managing editor, who was also indicted, before the summer vacation, but Mr. Nicoll pleaded for delay in order to get the evidence of material witnesses in Paris and to look over the records of the old company. Mr. Wise will have access to the papers of the old company, it was said yesterday, as a representative of the United States court. These papers, it is understood, are kept by the French courts, but the French government, according to counsel interested in the case, has volunteered to give every facility to Mr. Wise and the other lawyers that will aid them in their investigations.

The depositions obtained by Mr. Wise and transcripts of the records of the old company can be used at the trial of the cases in Washington, where, in addition to those against the Press Publishing Company and Mr. Van Hamm, indictments were found against Joseph Pulitzer and Robert H. Lyman, an assistant editor of "The World," and also in the prosecution of the cases at Indianapolis, where Delavan Smith and Charles R. Williams, owners of "The Indianapolis News," were indicted.

The proceedings against "The World" and "The Indianapolis News" were begun in Washington on January 18, when subpoenas for witnesses were issued. Indictments were found there on February 17, and in this city on March 4. The indictments in Washington were against the proprietors of both papers and the editors of "The World," while in this city they were against Mr. Van Hamm and the Press Publishing Company.

An effort is being made in Indianapolis to take Mr. Williams and Mr. Smith to Washington for trial. The complainants in the prosecution were former President Roosevelt, President Taft, Senator Root, J. P. Morgan, Charles P. Taft, Douglas Robinson and William Nelson Cromwell.

RECORD CORN CROP.

Slight Falling Off in Wheat, Says Kansas Expert.

Topeka, Kan., June 21.—Secretary Coburn of the state board of agriculture issued a corn bulletin to-day showing the condition of the most important crops on June 15. He finds that the wheat conditions average 72 1/2 per cent. This, according to those accustomed to estimate such matters, means a yield close to 80,000,000 bushels of wheat. The corn condition is 88 per cent, the highest since 1902. The report says that the general average for wheat for the state at the same time last year was 72.92. Harvesting has begun in some portions of the state and with favorable weather it may be expected to progress rapidly.

MOB-PITTSBURG CHINESE.

Tongs Forbid Wearing of American Clothing—Students Attacked.

Pittsburg, June 21.—Owing to three attacks upon Chinamen attired in American clothing here to-day, the local representatives of the Hip Sing Tong and the On Leong Tong met and decreed that for the present all Chinamen in Pittsburg must wear the Chinese costume. Stirred by the persistent efforts of the detective bureau to find the slayers of Elsie Sigel, citizens have become aroused, and to-day attacked Chinese students of the Carnegie Technical Schools. One of the students, Yip Yuen, brought on the attacks by endeavoring to break away from Detective Shevlin, who was questioning him. The frightened Chinaman, with a mob of five hundred persons in wild pursuit, dashed into the Berger Building, where he took refuge in an office. He was rescued by Shevlin.

DANIEL'S DISCOVERY SHARED.

M. Borrelly, at Marseilles, Also Reports Finding of New Comet.

Paris, June 21.—The director of the Paris Observatory announced at the Academy of Sciences to-night the discovery of the new comet named recently by M. Borrelly at Marseilles and Mr. Daniel at Princeton. As the observations were made about the same time the comet will be designated the "Borrelly-Daniel."

"NOTHING OFFICIAL" ABOUT REYES.

A Bogota Dispatch, However, Strongly Indicates a Revolution.

Bogota, June 21.—Nothing official has been made public regarding the departure of President Reyes from Colombia for Europe. The newspapers, however, condemn the action of the President. The Acting President, Jorge Holguin, has the support of the people in the hope that he will re-establish republican practices in the country, which desires peace.

WHERE TO TAKE LUNCH

And drink the Highest Types of American Wines. H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 135 Fulton St., New York.—Advt.

GET LEON'S ROOMMATE

POLICE ALSO CAPTURE SUN LEUNG.

Chung Sin, Taken Near Amsterdam, Admits His Identity—His Statements Conflict.

Two of the Chinamen badly wanted by the police in connection with the murder of Elsie Sigel were captured yesterday. Chung Sin, the roommate of Leon, was found at West Galway, ten miles from Amsterdam, N. Y., and will be back in this city, in the custody of Detective Forbes, of the Central Office, at 6 o'clock this morning. Sun Leung, the keeper of the restaurant at No. 782 Eighth avenue, and the man from whom Leon and Chung Sin rented their rooms, was arrested in this city and was committed to the House of Detention by Coroner Harburger yesterday afternoon. Chung Sin was arrested by the Amsterdam police yesterday morning. The police in this city were informed of the arrest, and Captain Carey, of the homicide bureau, at once sent Detective Forbes to Amsterdam with a photograph of Sin. A dispatch was received at Police Headquarters from Detective Forbes at 10:30 last night saying that Sin had been positively identified and admitted his identity, and that the detective would reach New York with his prisoner at about 8 a. m.

A third Chinaman is being held at Schenectady until the police are satisfied that he is not William Leon. The Schenectady prisoner bears a striking resemblance to Leon, but the Chinese of Schenectady and this city have been making frantic efforts since early yesterday afternoon to convince the police that he is not the much wanted man.

CONFIDENT OF LEON'S CAPTURE.

The police still have their dragnet out for Leon in all parts of the country. Philadelphia, Chicago, St. Louis, San Francisco and all the large cities are being watched, and steps have been taken to capture him should he attempt to cross the boundary to Victoria, B. C., and take a ship there for China. Captain Carey is confident that the Chinaman cannot get away to China.

Chung Sin was found yesterday morning cooking for Harvey Kennedy, of this city, who has a summer home at West Galway. When he was taken to Amsterdam he admitted his identity and said that he had roomed with Leon at No. 782 Eighth avenue. But he denied knowing anything of Leon's whereabouts, and said that he had not seen Leon since June 7, two days before the murder. Sin said that he left this city on June 10 and that Leon was here at that time.

Sin denied that he was intimately acquainted with Leon, and said that he only went to the Eighth avenue rooms about once every two weeks. He said that he had cooked at a Chinese restaurant at No. 482 West 20th street and that he generally slept in the restaurant. He admitted that he knew Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sigel and Elsie and Mabel Sigel, but said that he had not seen them for some time, although he had been in the habit of visiting at their home. He knew that Elsie Sigel and Leon were on friendly terms, but he had never seen the girl in Leon's room. He said that Leon did not work and that he could talk English fluently. He said that he had no American girl.

SIN'S STATEMENTS CONFLICTING.

Though Sin declared that he left this city on June 10 to take the job at West Galway, a New York newspaper was found on him, bearing the date of June 12, and this paper Sin said he had bought in this city. Many of his statements were conflicting, and he exhibited much uneasiness when talking. He was particularly nervous when pictures of the Sigels were shown to him, though he recognized them all. Sin said he was born in Canton, China, thirty-five years ago. He said that he had a wife in Canton and that he had come to this country about ten years ago. He was a cook, he said, and had travelled about this country considerably, following that occupation. For the last four or five months he had been cooking at the restaurant in West 29th street.

The police think that Sin was trying to make his way to Canada and that his money gave out when he got as far as Amsterdam. It is known that Leon had only a few dollars at the time of the murder. He was known to Chinatown as a cheap Chinese gambler and confidence man who seldom had any money and then only in small sums. It is known that Chung Sin got \$200 from Chu Gain about the time of the murder. Chu Gain's brother says that Sin got the money from Chu Gain the day before the murder, saying that he wanted to go into business and that he would return it in a short time. On the day of the murder, according to the brother, Chu Gain received a message from Sin saying that he was going out of town that day and could not return the money.

THINK LEON TOOK SIN'S MONEY.

It is supposed that Leon worked his confidence game on Sin and left Sin without money to take him beyond Amsterdam, while Leon took the greater part of the money and started in another direction. It is thought that Leon first went south and then west, making for the Pacific Coast, probably Vancouver, B. C. The police said yesterday afternoon that it would be an easy thing for Leon to fix himself up with a queue and Chinese clothes and remain concealed, with the aid of the Chinese Free Masons, for many months, until it would be safe for him to try to leave the country.

While Chung Sin says that he went to his room on Eighth avenue at infrequent intervals, the other tenants of the building say that they often saw him going in and out. The police believe that Chung Sin and Leon left the Eighth avenue house together on the day of the murder. One of the men on the West Shore ferry, at West 42d street, reported to the police of the murder two Chinamen dressed in American clothes crossed the ferry to the Jersey side of the river. He said that the men seemed very nervous, that they paced up and down the forward deck of the boat and that they could hardly wait for the gates to be opened before they rushed ashore. The police have been unable since to get any trace of the two Chinamen on the ferryboat. The man who gave the information at the West 47th street station will be asked to try to identify Chung Sin as one of the men.

NOTHING LEARNED FROM SUN LEUNG.

Sun Leung, the man who is held at the House of Detention, was the proprietor of the restaurant at No. 782 Eighth avenue and the man from whom Chung Sin and Leon rented their rooms. He, like Sin and Leon, is a member of the Chinese Free Masons. He gave the information that he had seen Chung Sin and Leon at the restaurant at No. 782 Eighth avenue, and that he had seen them on the day of the murder. He said that he had seen them on the day of the murder. He said that he had seen them on the day of the murder.

AMERICANS ACCUSED.

Consular Agent and Two Bankers Charged with Fraud.

Paris, June 21.—Christopher J. King, American Consular Agent at Lille, was charged to-day in the Correctional Court, in company with two American bankers of Paris, with selling \$800,000 of shares of a Mexican mine by misrepresentations and fraudulent practices. King set forth that the proceedings were void on account of irregularity by the examining magistrate, but the court rejected this contention. King then announced that he would appeal to a higher court.

ENGLISH MEAT BAN OFF.

Armour Gets One Million Pound Order—Second in Four Years.

Chicago, June 21.—Armour & Co. received a cable order from the British government to-day for one million pounds of corned beef, to be delivered in October. This is the second large order from England since the beef scandals of four years ago. "I regard it as a final seal of recommendation," said Arthur Meeker, of the company, to-night. "For the last four years the American meat product has been the object of suspicion. So strong was the feeling that in many of the British colonies libellous circulars were printed and distributed. During the last year, however, the authorities of England have visited our plants, and the reports are favorable."

A WOMAN'S LONG RIDE.

Mrs. Herbert Wadsworth Breaks Ex-President's Record.

Rochester, June 21.—In an effort to beat the ride of ex-President Roosevelt and the officers who accompanied him, when they made about 120 miles in a day, Mrs. Herbert Wadsworth, of Avon, well known in Washington society and a personal friend of the Roosevelts, started on horseback at 4 o'clock this morning, accompanied by Dr. Grayson. It was said at the Wadsworth summer home at midnight that Mrs. Wadsworth had more than accomplished her task, riding 159 miles in sixteen hours. She herself used eight horses in doing this.

Mrs. Wadsworth went about Conesus Lake twice and to Batavia once, but the fourth part of the ride was to Geneseo, not to Batavia. Dr. Grayson was one of the men who rode with ex-President Roosevelt, and he was with Mrs. Wadsworth throughout the ride. Mrs. Wadsworth stood the ride well.

Mrs. Wadsworth some weeks ago rode from Washington to Avon on horseback.

RECORD TIME TO LONDON.

Mauretania's Passengers Make Trip in 5 Days 8 Hours.

Liverpool, June 21.—The Cunard Line steamship Mauretania has established a world's record for passengers between New York and London. She arrived here at 10:15 o'clock to-night, and thus accomplished, for the first time, the feat of disembarking her passengers on Monday night after leaving New York on Wednesday. Trains were in waiting, so that the actual time between New York and London will be five days and eight hours. The Mauretania clipped another fifty minutes from the best previous eastward record, which is also her own. She accomplished the journey from New York to Queenstown in four days seventeen hours and twenty-one minutes. Her best previous time was four days eighteen hours and eleven minutes. The total run was 2,933 knots, made at an average speed of 25.88. The best previous average speed was 25.70 knots. The day's runs were 592, 606, 609, 602 and 624.

BRITISH TO BUY AIRSHIP.

Large Subscriptions—Plan for Paris-London Service.

London, June 21.—The idea of a public fund for the purchase of an airship is being strongly supported by R. E. Haldane, Secretary for War, who says that the War Office will accept the gift. Many other public men approve the project, and a large list of subscriptions is already announced. It is stated by the Parliamentary Aerial Defence Committee that a plan is on foot to start from Paris to London during the course of the summer a new and powerful airship, which is now nearly completed. This airship is fitted with two propellers and two motors, each of 220 horsepower, and is capable of carrying twenty-five passengers and of developing a speed of between thirty-five and forty miles an hour. The committee has obtained an option for its purchase by the nation.

A NOVEL ANNOUNCEMENT.

Pastor Tells Congregation Wife Has Left Him—Thinks She Eloped.

Newbern, N. C., June 21.—The Rev. Dr. R. C. Beaman, pastor of Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church, one of the leading congregations of this city, startled his hearers at the evening service yesterday by announcing from the pulpit that his wife had disappeared, presumably deserting him. Dr. Beaman went to Durham on June 5 to attend the Trinity College commencement, where he took a part in the programme. Several days later Mrs. Beaman left Newbern, announcing that she was going to her home in the mountains. Since that time nothing has been heard from her. Notes found in different places indicate that she left the city with a male companion. Dr. Beaman does not conceal his belief that his wife has eloped.

MRS. CARSTAIRS GETS HER GOWNS.

New York Customs Officials Held Up Trunks Until She Paid \$500.

Philadelphia, June 21.—When Mrs. James Carstairs returned to her home in this city after her recent trip abroad she was unable to bring her trunks with her and she has suffered great mental anguish, to say nothing of the inconvenience of a held-up wardrobe. The customs officers at New York decided that Mrs. Carstairs had not properly declared her baggage and that several Paris gowns were dutiable. She insisted that the dresses were not dutiable, as she had worn them several times. The customs men were obtuse, however, and she paid \$500 under protest before the trunks were released and forwarded to her to-day.

CORPORATION TAX

PLAN NEARLY READY

THE "TAFT AMENDMENT" TAKING FORM.

Final Touches To Be Given at White House Conference To-night—Its Provisions.

Washington, June 21.—All the material problems which so sorely perplexed the Republican members of the Finance Committee in connection with the "Taft amendment" providing for a tax on the net earnings of corporations have been solved as a result of the series of conferences which began last night at the White House and continued throughout the day. While it is explained that the solutions are not absolutely final, they so far command the support of the President and his advisers and of the Republican members of the Finance Committee that it is hardly expected they will undergo any material change. To-morrow the Attorney General will draft the new amendment, and to-morrow evening the Republican members of the Finance Committee will hold what they expect to be their final conference at the White House, with the Attorney General and Senator Root present.

HOW THE AMENDMENT NOW STANDS.

The provisions of the "Taft amendment" may now be summarized as follows: All corporations will be subjected to a tax of 2 per cent on their net earnings above \$5,000 a year, except that the funds necessary to pay interest on bonds shall be deducted from such net earnings. Bonds, as defined in the provision exempting the funds necessary to pay the interest thereon, do not include income or debenture bonds, or bonds into which the capital stock has been obviously converted, or any bonds in excess of the capital stock of the issuing company.

National and state banks will be subject to the same tax as other corporations, except that in the case of national banks there shall be deducted from the income tax they are required to pay the amount of the tax they pay on their circulation. All corporations will be required to submit to the collector of internal revenue a detailed statement of their gross receipts, operating expenses and any interest they are required to pay on bonds. Of course, where the net earnings fall below \$5,000 no tax will be imposed. This feature insures the opportunity for federal inspection which the President deems so important.

A tax of 2 per cent on the net earnings of corporations would, it is estimated, yield a total revenue of \$40,000,000. From this sum it is estimated that \$15,000,000 must be deducted because of the exemption of funds required to pay the interest on bonds under the provisions of the proposed amendment, so that the total revenue to the government is estimated at \$25,000,000.

It is estimated that the bonds of corporations in this country stand to the amount of their capital stock in the proportion of 7 to 6, so that under the provision exempting from taxation the funds required to pay interest on bonds not in excess of the capital stock, the funds necessary to pay interest on one-seventh of the outstanding bonds would be taxable.

MAY GO TO SENATE WEDNESDAY.

The day began with a long conference at the White House between the President and the Attorney General, who arrived here from New York early this morning. Mr. Wickersham then went to the Senate and held a protracted conference with Senator Root, after which they were joined by Senator Aldrich, and the conference continued for some time. Tentative agreements having been reached on all points in dispute, the Attorney General will redraw the amendment, and it will be submitted to the Republican members of the Finance Committee at the White House conference to-morrow night. If no further changes are decided on, it will be possible to submit the amendment to the Senate on Wednesday, although, as Mr. Aldrich stresses first to go through the form of submitting it to the full committee, it is more likely it will not be submitted to the Senate until Thursday.

This delay causes no anxiety to the leaders, as the debate on the tariff schedules is dragging so that it is now expected they will not be completed until the end of this week, and considerably deferred until next week. The lead-necessarily deferred until next week. The leaders hope to be able to take it up next Monday and to dispose of it and the administrative features of the bill in a week, which would mean sending the measure back to the House by July 3, but their plans have so far gone awry that they are now reluctant to make predictions. The debate on the schedules is taking far longer than was expected, and there is no real sign of the end this week.

PROGRAMME IN THE SENATE.

There will be comparatively little speechmaking on the corporation tax amendment on the Republican side of the chamber, although it is impossible to foresee the amount of eloquence the Democrats may deem it necessary to expend on it. Senator Root will conduct the legal support of the measure for the Republicans. The leaders are determined that the amendment shall be a straight administration measure and shall enter the Senate with the entire and cordial approval of the President. The President will furnish all assistance possible in bringing the Republican Senators into line, and the present purpose is, as soon as the provisions of the amendment have been fully explained, to permit the Democrats to talk themselves out and not to reply to