

NATION MAY FORCE PRESIDENT TO RUN

Leaders Believe Popular Sentiment, by 1908, Will Be Insurmountable.

THIRD TERM OBJECTION COINED BY ROOSEVELT

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By W. W. Jermaine.

Washington, Oct. 22.—The liveliest political subject in Washington just now is as to whether President Roosevelt will accept re-nomination under any circumstances. Three months ago this question was promptly and emphatically answered in the negative by every man who stood in a close relation to the president. Now it is different. It is the firm conviction of three-fourths of the leaders of the republican party that popular sentiment will so shape itself before the national convention of 1908 as to amount to a call to duty upon the president.

Really His First Term.

As a matter of fact, strictly speaking, it is his first term to which the people have elected him. The question of a second or a third term is not figuring prominently as a reason for the president's accepting or declining the nomination. The real question is, can the president, who has created by his own aggressive policies an unusual situation in his party, refuse to carry out the work he has so well begun? It is apparent now that many of the reforms which the president has suggested and some which have already begun, or will have been started before the convention meets in 1908, will not be perfected at the end of his present term of office.

Cannot Decline, He Says.

"I have believed for six months," said Mr. Babcock, who is an unusually far-sighted politician, "that the president will be re-nominated. He will be re-nominated under circumstances which will not admit of his declining. The policy has been created which no other candidate would name could so well meet. I know it is distasteful to the president to have the leaders of his party speculate on the subject of his declining another nomination. I hesitate, therefore, to express an opinion for publication, but the conditions ought to be patent to any one. The people will demand the president's re-nomination and how can he decline it? I believe he would be elected by a much more pronounced popular majority than was given to him in 1904."

Root, Taft and Shaw Inactive.

It is significant that men like Root, Taft, and even Shaw, who have been mentioned as presidential candidates, have taken no steps to make an organization. Secretary Shaw has recently given his friends an impression that his presidential candidacy is out of commission. Mr. Shaw has said privately to friends that he has no intention of accepting re-nomination.

Oil King's Lips Sealed

Rockefeller Refuses to Discuss Verdict Against Standard Oil

Journal Special Service.

Cleveland, Oct. 22.—John D. Rockefeller said yesterday that his present unexpected return to his Forest Hill home in Cleveland was in no way influenced by the recent legal troubles of the Standard Oil company at Findlay. When asked what view he took of the verdict and what he thought its future results would be, Rockefeller replied: "Of course I have my own opinion regarding that verdict and I feel confident that my opinion on that subject coincides with that of a great many people. I should not care to discuss my views on the matter publicly as I am sure it would not be proper for me to criticize the court."

FAILURES FOLLOW SLUMP

Two New York Firms Go Down when Stocks Break.

New York, Oct. 22.—The suspension of P. T. White, a heavy trader, was announced on the Consolidated Stock exchange today. Under the rules, Mr. White will have twenty-four hours to fulfill his contracts.

UNSEEN ASSASSIN KILLS 2

Fires Thru Window, Slays Widow—Posse Chases Suspect.

Cole Camp, Mo., Oct. 22.—While Mrs. Alice Winemiller, a widow, was sitting with her five children in their home near here last night, shots were fired thru a window and Mrs. Winemiller was instantly killed. Her son, aged 14, was badly wounded.

More Reforms Due.

In the next session of congress the president will recommend many reforms. He will outline his inheritance

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EDISON TRIUMPHS; FINDS RARE POWER

'Wizzard' Declares He Has Invented Long-Sought Storage Battery.

Horses Will Be Driven into Obscurity by Discovery, He Says.

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New York, Oct. 22.—Thomas A. Edison has accomplished a surprise for the world. He has worked out successfully the problem of cheap power. He promises to put on the market within six months a new storage battery which will enable every man to travel in his own private carriage at about the cost of carfare. Without danger, without breakdowns, without cost, almost a carriage, once supplied with the new power for \$200, will travel without repairs for fifteen years for 100,000 miles if necessary, says "the wizzard."

Edison reiterates the declaration that he has invented a storage battery which will solve the problem of congested traffic in the big cities of the world as soon as he can manufacture enough of the batteries. He is erecting two large factory buildings, now nearly completed, and is installing in them new machinery especially for the manufacture of the motor battery.

"In fifteen years from now the horse will be a curiosity; we shall be paying 50 cents to look at him in sideshows," said Mr. Edison to an interviewer.

"Last year you were sure that you had solved this problem?" he was reminded.

"Yes, last year I was sure," replied Mr. Edison, "but now I am dead sure. There is a difference between the two. It's one thing, for instance, to be sure and another thing to be—Wall street sure."

"I never believed that nature, so prolific of resources, could provide only lead as material ingredient of the battery," said Mr. Edison. "I have always found her ready for any emergency, and based on this confidence I have not hesitated to bet my life on it."

"I discovered that nickel rust was as good as lead. Then I thought I had accomplished the task."

Cobalt a Lucky Find.

But he hadn't, to the satisfaction of his commercial instinct. The question of the weight of the battery was most important, as was that of its durability.

"Nickel rust failed, other things failed, everything the ingenious Edison, with his trained, scientific mind could conceive, failed."

"Then I tried cobalt," he said, and thrust the statement with a broad smile.

"And it worked?"

"It certainly did, but cobalt, being one of the rare metals, the problem was not solved. I scoured the country to find cobalt and discovered lots of it in Canada, in Wisconsin, in Oregon and in Kentucky. Then I knew that I was all right."

MESSAGES 5 YEARS ON WAY

Buoys Contain Notes from the Baldwin-Zeigler Expedition.

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Buffalo, Oct. 22.—Two buoy messages, sent afloat near Franz Josef land by the Baldwin-Zeigler polar expedition in 1901 have been found and forwarded to Evelyn B. Baldwin, the founder of the expedition, who is now in this city. The messages were picked up on July 10, 1906, on Moffen island by Captain Stronstrom of the whaler Gottfried. The messages are typewritten on film paper and show the effects of their journey in the Arctic sea. The messages were an appeal for a supply of coal, the lack of which forced the expedition to turn back.

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BUTTE CHILDREN BECOME BANDITS

Two Take Watch and Money from a Lad of 13 at Point of a Revolver.

Special to The Journal.

Butte, Mont., Oct. 22.—Apparently, the "Amalgamated Order of Holdups," which has been doing a landoffice business in Butte and vicinity for several months, has reduced the age limit and taken into its ranks a few children.

At any rate, Arthur Hornberg, the 13-year-old son of M. A. P. Hornberg, a well-known business man, was held up last night by a pair of youthful bandits who had a revolver almost as big as they were.

The young desperadoes conducted things in a decidedly workmanlike manner, not even forgetting to tell young Hornberg to "skidoo" after they had rifled his pockets.

Hornberg says he was returning to his home about 8:30 when two boys on the other side of the street called upon him to "come over to them."

"I did not do it at first," said young Hornberg, "and one of them pulled out a big, blue-looking gun and pointed it at me. It was a real pistol all right. Neither of them wore masks, but I did not know either of them. After they held me up and took my watch and money, a girl living near by said she heard them quarreling over a division of the spoils and also saw their revolver."

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From Senate to Jail

Former United States Senator, Who Enters Jail Today to Serve a Term of Six Months for Wrongful Conduct While a Senator.

Jail Doors Open to Admit Burton

Former United States Senator Surrenders and Will Serve Six Months' Term.

St. Louis, Oct. 22.—Former United States Senator J. R. Burton of Kansas, accompanied by his wife and niece, arrived this morning from his home at Abilene and surrendered, preparatory to serving his sentence of six months in the Ironton, Mo. jail.

Apparently Mr. Burton has changed little since he was tried and convicted a year ago in the federal court here of having accepted \$2,500 for services rendered in the Rioito Grain & Security company of St. Louis before the post office department at Washington in a fraud order proceeding.

As he stepped from the train this morning he said:

"I am feeling very well, exceedingly well, under the circumstances. Perhaps the trees, the bluffs and nature generally look sweeter to me this morning than they shall for some time, but I don't let myself think about that. I expect to go to Ironton today and begin the life that is laid out for me."

Proud of Her Husband.

After taking breakfast at the Union station, the former senator went to the offices of his attorney, F. W. Lehmann, and preparations were begun for the official surrender to the United States marshal.

Mrs. Burton maintained her composure remarkably well. "I never was more proud of my husband than at this moment when he is on his way to jail," she declared at the Union station. "I know who our friends are and I intend to be friendly to them, but I shall reserve the right to say who shall be my friends."

THREE BOXCAR THIEVES SENTENCED.

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Bed Wing, Minn., Oct. 22.—Frank Kelly, Frank Rush and Ed Jenkinson, boxcar burglars, were sentenced to one year in state's prison by Judge Williston today.

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