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Roosevelt Thinks Big Business Leaders Prompted by Like Spirit in Both Cases.

THERE IS NO HOPE OF REWARD

Tells of Dealings With "Bosses" and His Personal Relations With Barnes.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., April 23.—Theodore Roosevelt told on this the second day of his cross-examination in William Barnes's suit for \$50,000 alleged libel, about his dealings with the "bosses," his personal relations with Barnes and his ideas about campaign funds of millions of dollars. He mentioned the famous half million dollars which Thomas Fortune Ryan contributed to the presidential cause of Alton B. Parker, and swore he never had seen a list of the names of the persons who helped swell the \$2,000,000 fund used in his own campaign for the presidency.

The list contained initials of men whom the Colonel readily identified as being allied with the country's most powerful business and financial interests.

In speaking of the Ryan contribution, the witness gave it as his opinion that a leader of big business who contributes a half million dollars to help elect a candidate for President of the United States is prompted by the same spirit which would cause him to donate a similar sum to a church, and that such a contributor has no more hope of reward in one case than he has in the other. Personally, he said, he would have been very much surprised if many masters of big business had not contributed to the Republican campaign of 1904.

PLAN REALISTIC WAR GAME

Fletcher Will Have Such Knowledge as Could Be Gained of Real Enemy.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The Atlantic Fleet's war game in Narragansett Bay next month will have a greater degree of realism than such exercises in the past. Plans have been worked out by the general board and the Naval War College, instead of by the commander-in-chief and his staff, as usual, so Admiral Fletcher will have only such knowledge of the imaginary enemy as could be gained of a real enemy in time of war.

Secretary Daniels, in signing the necessary orders for the war game to-day, said the plans worked out had been recommended by Rear-Admiral Bradley A. Fiske, retiring aide for operations. Mr. Daniels thinks the game, as played according to the new plans, will be more instructive, and will mark the beginning of a new policy in developing strategical studies for the navy.

IN HONOR OF MRS. JACKSON

Memorial Ceremony Held by D. A. B. at Closing Session.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Major-General A. W. Greely, United States Army, retired, in a speech to-night before the twenty-fourth annual Congress of the Daughters of the American Revolution, declared the time was past when a man was called on to prove his patriotism by the sacrifice of life, and the duties of patriotism were to live for country, rather than die for it.

"Patriotism of the future," said the general, "will be spiritualistic, and not materialistic."

Miss Mabel Boardman, of the American Red Cross, was another speaker. A feature of the closing program was a memorial ceremony in honor of Mrs. Thomas J. (Stonewall) Jackson.

Mrs. William Cumming Story, president general of the congress, announced to-night that she would not again seek re-election.

DISCOURAGES SIGHTSEEING

Bryan Refuses Passports to Persons For Mere Pleasure Trips.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Secretary Bryan in a letter made public to-day reiterates the announcement that the State Department does not deem it advisable to issue passports to persons who wish to visit belligerent countries of Europe for mere purpose of sight-seeing or pleasure.

"All American citizens going abroad are advised to carry passports," wrote the secretary in response to inquiries, "and it is absolutely necessary for persons visiting belligerent countries to carry them. However, I am obliged to inform you that the department does not deem it advisable to issue passports to persons who wish to visit belligerent countries for the mere purpose of sight-seeing."

ESTIMATES BY REDFIELD

Thinks Exports for Current Fiscal Year Will Reach \$2,750,000,000.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Secretary Redfield laid before the Cabinet to-day estimates that American exports for the current fiscal year will reach \$2,750,000,000. The secretary took reports to the Cabinet meetings, showing that exports of breadstuffs last month amounted to \$55,000,000, compared with \$50,000,000 in March, 1914. Breadstuffs exports since war's outbreak have totaled \$1,000,000,000.

Half of all exports during the eight months ending February 28 went to British territory, as against 45 per cent a year ago in the same period, a Department of Commerce analysis shows. French territory ranks second, having displaced Germany from that position.

AT LEAST 14 DROWNED

Floods Sweep Away 200 Dwelling Houses on Outskirts of Austin.

AUSTIN, TEXAS, April 23.—Fourteen persons are known to have been drowned in the flood which swept down Shoal and Waller creeks, on the outskirts of Austin, during last night's rains, washing away more than 200 dwelling houses. Eleven other persons, not accounted for, are believed to have lost their lives. The property loss is estimated at \$500,000. Ten inches of rain fell within two hours last night, the creeks rising rapidly and overflowing their banks before residents of the lowlands could be warned. Twenty bridges were washed away.

The missing include George Whittington, son of A. G. Whittington, of Houston, vice-president of the International and Great Northern Railroad.

ATTEMPT TO HOLD UP TRAIN

Bandits Partially Shooed Baggage Master, Then Escape.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
NEW ORLEANS, La., April 23.—In an attempt by bandits to hold up the Washington and New York mail train at the Louisville and Nashville Railroad to-night, Peter Marcy, baggage master, was shot and injured, perhaps fatally. The safe in the baggage car was dynamited. The robbers, who boarded the train at a Mississippi station, escaped in the suburbs of New Orleans, and are being pursued by police forces, following a fusillade of shots near the train. Passengers were not molested.

JOHN D. ON LONG AUTO RIDE

Drives 200 Miles From Tarrytown to Brother's Camp at Barry Pond.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
TARRYTOWN, N. Y., April 23.—J. D. Rockefeller is at Barry Pond, the camp of his brother, William Rockefeller. He drove the 200 miles in his automobile, and enjoyed it so well that he intends to return the same way on Sunday. It was the longest auto ride he has ever taken.

FLEET TO USE CANAL

Daniels Denies That Earth Movements Cast Doubt Over Plan.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Secretary Daniels reiterated without qualification that the Atlantic Fleet will pass through the Panama Canal next July, denying that earth movements had cast doubt over the plan.

FIGHT FOR 500-PAGE "SECRET BUDGET"

Police Investigators Want All In- formation Adduced by Vice Commission.

COMPROMISE IS AGREED TO

City Attorney and Stenographer Will Prepare Excerpts Relat- ing to Police Department.

"I am ready to quit this investigation right now and here. We have not got the information we should have—the information we need—and I want the public to know it."

Alderman W. W. Workman thus declared himself to the Council committee investigating the Police Department last night. His dramatic protest against the procedure came after the committee, by a vote of 4 to 3, had refused to adopt a resolution calling upon the Vice Commission to produce, for the information of the investigators, what is known as the "secret budget."

The resolution was offered by Mr. Workman, Alderman Clarence A. Sinton and Councilman Clarence A. Sinton, and was voted on by Mr. Workman, Chairman Barton H. Grundy and Councilmen Edgar B. English, E. H. Ferguson and George W. Rogers, who voted against the demand for the "secret budget."

WANTS ALL THE EVIDENCE, INSTEAD OF FRAGMENTS

Alderman Workman had no sooner voiced his protest than Alderman Melton sprang to his feet, exclaiming: "I want to say exactly the same thing. We should have the 500 pages. We can better judge the case if we have all of the evidence, instead of fragments. This information, which is denied us, has been given to others. One minister has preached a sermon on it. I presume he saw the 500 pages, for he is quoted as saying in his sermon, 'I speak from the book.'"

Attorney Murray M. McGuire, counsel for the Vice Commission, interrupted Mr. Melton to declare that the "secret budget" had been handed promiscuously about. Mr. McGuire declared that so far as he was aware, Rev. H. D. C. MacLachlan, D. D., the minister referred to, had never inspected the 500 pages of memoranda. He said he was positive that no person not a member of the Vice Commission except himself had ever handled the secret budget. He had it in his possession, but did not examine it.

THINKS A FEW PEOPLE HATE THE VICE COMMISSION

"I believe," said Mr. Workman, "that a few persons ran the Vice Commission; that just a few were diligent in questioning the witnesses they had before them, and that men went before that body making statements in which they risked life, lawsuits and other perils. We should know what those statements are, who made them, who asked the questions and everything that transpired before the Vice Commission."

An animated debate ensued. Motions and resolutions were put, withdrawn, amended. Finally the investigating body adopted the following:

"Resolved, That the Vice Commission furnish to the City Attorney all testimony in its possession, and the City Attorney, with the aid of the official stenographer, take all the testimony therefrom that refers to the Police Department and furnish copies to this committee."

The resolution was carried, 6 to 1. Councilman English voting in the negative.

McGUIRE PLEADS AGAINST OPENING "SECRET BUDGET"

The lively episode in the investigation came after the crowd of spectators had departed. The committee took a recess at 11 o'clock. The spectators left under the impression that an executive session was to be held. Only four members of the committee, a few policemen, a commission's clerk and the newspaper reporters remained.

Attorney McGuire argued and pleaded earnestly against bringing the "secret budget" into the committee's hands. He suggested that the 500 pages be submitted instead to City Attorney Pollard, and that the City Attorney be instructed to hold conference with him, the Vice Commission's counsel, such testimony as Mr. Pollard might select to be then handed to the committee.

Alderman Workman and Melton declared that the inaccuracies in the Vice Commission's report were a sufficient reason for making a close examination of the full budget, witnesses having testified earlier in the night to such inaccuracies as the mention of McGuire's name in the commission's report by mistake for Wells, and the naming of a house in one locality for a house in another.

ENGLISH WANTS ALL PAPERS BURNED AT ONCE

"I have heard," said Alderman Workman, "that the whole of the 500 pages or some part of that record went before the Ministerial Union."

Attorney McGuire assured the Alderman that he was misinformed.

Councilman English, who voted against every motion designed to bring the "secret budget" or any part of it before the committee, made a vain effort to have the body request the Vice Commission to burn the whole of the testimony bearing upon vice conditions. His motion was defeated.

The names of two more of the members of the Police Board were called by a witness during the session, but nothing to the discredit of either was said by the witness. He was Harry P. Sweet, patrolman, who was recalled for cross-examination on his previous contradiction of statements accorded to him in the Vice Commission's report. The discrepancies were inconsequential, except as showing that the record was subject to challenge as inaccurate.

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JOHNSON COMPANY OFFERS CONCESSIONS

With the vote a tie and the motion defeated for want of a majority, Attorney-General Pollard was appointed a committee of one to confer with the authorities of the B. F. Johnson Publishing Company on the matter of further concessions. Mr. Pollard reported at the evening session of the board that, upon being informed of the defeat of its blanket offer, the Johnson Publishing Company, through its president, indicated its willingness to allow the same 10-per cent discount, which was the inducement held out in the blanket offer, if the board would adopt its arithmetic and Fifth Reader.

Mr. Pollard moved that this second offer be accepted, but the motion again failed. The vote on this motion ended the consideration of the Johnson offer, and the board promptly adopted a motion providing for the selection of the remaining textbooks one at a time.

MEANS SAVING TO PEOPLE OF STATE OF LARGE SUM

Although the defeat of the Johnson offer, the acceptance of which he strongly advocated, brought a degree of disappointment to Superintendent Stearnes, he was not at all downcast at the result, and accepted his defeat with good nature. The acceptance of the Johnson offer, he maintained, would have meant a substantial saving without a sacrifice in quality.

Mr. Stearnes estimated, however, that even under the selections ratified last night, the State will effect a saving of approximately \$100,000, as compared with the prices it would have paid had it adopted the books on the preferred list of a year ago at the prices then listed. The whole agitation, he said, has resulted in material voluntary reductions on the part of competing publishers and a \$100,000 saving to the people of the State.

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FIGHTING north of Ypres, in Belgium, in which the Germans forced the French to retire to the west side of the Ypres Canal, approximately five miles, holds the chief place in the latest news of the European war. Field Marshal Sir John French and the Paris War Office charge that the Germans used asphyxiating gas bombs, the effect of which, according to Paris, was felt over a distance of about a mile and a quarter behind the French line, and which the British field marshal declares caused the French to retire "overwhelmed by the fumes."

As a result of the French retreat, the British line, according to General French, remained intact, except on the extreme left, where the British had to readjust their line to conform with the new French line.

A bombardment by the French also forced the Germans to evacuate Embreure, west of Agrecoourt, and Paris asserts that in the forest of "The Cow's Head" other trenches have been taken, two ammunition depots have been blown up and a company of German infantry has been annihilated.

In the east only isolated battles are in progress, and, although both Petrograd and Vienna claim their respective troops have made progress at various points, each agrees that, as a whole, the situation remains unchanged.

Nothing has come through to explain Great Britain's announcement that steamer traffic between the British Isles and Holland has been suspended.

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WALSH MAKES STATEMENT

Chairman of Industrial Relations Commission Says Information Contained in Correspondence Means That Hearings Will Be Reopened.

KANSAS CITY, MO., April 23.—Information contained in letters and telegrams passing between John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and officers of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company, made public here to-night by Frank B. Walsh, chairman of the Industrial Relations Commission, caused Mr. Walsh to announce that the hearing concerning the coal miners' strike in Colorado would be reopened and Mr. Rockefeller recalled to the witness stand.

Beside Mr. Rockefeller, there will be called to testify J. F. Welborn, president of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company; L. M. Bowers, chairman of the company's executive committee, and Mr. Lee, Mr. Rockefeller's publicity agent. The hearing will open in Washington on May 4, Mr. Walsh said.

The correspondence was obtained by Mr. Walsh from Mr. Rockefeller's New York office in compliance with a demand of the commission. It was not forthcoming, Mr. Walsh announced, in time for its contents to be used at the recent hearing in New York, and he considered the information in it of a character to warrant reopening of the hearing.

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ATTORNEY-GENERAL WILL APPEAL FROM DECISION

ALBANY, N. Y., April 23.—Attorney-General Woodbury to-night said he would appeal from Justice Hendrick's decision granting Harry K. Thaw a jury trial.

"It is the opinion of the Attorney-General's office," Mr. Woodbury said, "that the court is without discretionary powers to grant a jury trial on the return of a writ of habeas corpus to test the sanity of Mr. Thaw. I shall ask for a stay on the execution of the order granting such a trial until the matter can be heard by the appellate courts."

DUTROW WINS IN LONG NEWPORT NEWS CONTEST

D. A. Dutrow was elected superintendent of schools of Newport News, to fill the vacancy caused a year ago by the resignation of Willis Jenkins on account of ill health. The board had deferred accepting the resignation of Mr. Jenkins in the hope that he might recover his health and resume his work. It was accepted formally yesterday.

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CONTRADICTORY REPORTS AS TO ACTUAL RESULT

Use of Asphyxiating Gas Bombs Charged in Paris Official Statement.

EUROPE HIGHLY EXPECTANT

LONDON, April 23.—With a big battle developing near Ypres, in Flanders, and reports of a prospective naval engagement in the North Sea and of preparations for a combined naval and military attack on the Dardanelles, or some other vital spot in Turkey, Europe to-night was highly expectant.

That a severe engagement has taken place near Ypres is confirmed by official reports, but these are so contradictory that the actual result of the preliminary fighting is not known. It would appear, however, that the failure to recapture it, the Germans have begun an offensive from the northeast against the Anglo-French line in front of Ypres, some of such bloody battles last autumn, and also against the Belgian line further west.

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