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WEATHER

Rain this afternoon and tonight. Thursday unsettled; warmer tonight and colder Thursday.

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FORGOT ABOUT TAFT

Cadets Help Girls Pass Time at White House.

JUST BY PURE ACCIDENT

Object of Visit Lost Sight of in Pleasant Company.

PAYNE CALLS ON PRESIDENT

Permanent Tariff Commission Discussed—Invitation to Attend Dinner to Nathan Straus.

A squad of West Point cadets—in full uniform and wearing those rakish gray capes that button in the back—and a group of Montana seminarians, mostly hobbled and hatted, furnished most of the interest around the White House executive offices this morning.

The cadets marched in behind Senator Dick of Ohio, who is a real general in the militia, and who frames military legislation when he isn't otherwise engaged. The seminarians were escorted by Senator Tom Carter of Montana, famous for his conversational powers and his whiskers.

Introductions Smooth Way.

The two delegations met in the wide reception hall of the White House, while waiting for a chance to shake hands with the President. Everybody tried to look distant and haughty.

Then Senator Dick grinned at Senator Carter and Senator Carter winked at Senator Dick. A few minutes of formal introductions, there was a brief but spirited engagement and both sides capitulated unconditionally.

Half an hour later, when an usher emerged from somewhere or other to announce that the President was ready to take on all comers, or words to that effect, the two senators had a lively time segregating their charges and getting them into line for the hand-shaking process.

"Well, aren't you glad you met him?" Senator Carter asked one of the seminarians, as they emerged from the President's private office.

"Indeed I am," she replied. "I wouldn't have missed the chance for a day, isn't he perfectly adorable in that gray uniform?"

"I met the President," explained the senator.

"Did you?" the maid commented, quite ungrudgingly. "Mr. Taft is a very pleasant man. How much does he weigh?"

The senator changed the subject. Then he mopped his brow. Senator Dick mopped his forehead. Then they shook hands and their charges away in different directions.

Congressional Callers.

A few members of Congress were among the President's callers this morning. Representative Sereno Payne of New York, chairman of the House ways and means committee, was with Mr. Taft for quite a little while.

When he looked up to see that he had been discussing with the President the proposition for a permanent tariff commission, he expressed a belief that within a reasonable time a bill on this subject will be drawn that will be approved at both ends of the Congress. He was quite positive on this point.

Henry W. Schloss, president of the Castle Brand Company of New York, said the President had a very pleasant time with Mr. Taft at the banquet in New York January 31 in honor of Nathan Straus, the millionaire philanthropist.

Mr. Schloss explained to the President that the function was to be strictly non-partisan and that the most prominent in New York, of all shades of political belief, were members of the committee having charge of the bill. He also mentioned the fact that Mr. Strauss is a member of the board of directors of the Castle Brand Company.

Delegation for Judge Brooke.

A non-partisan delegation of lawyers from that section embraced within the eastern judicial district of Michigan called on the President today to urge him to appoint Judge F. L. Brooke of the Michigan supreme court as United States judge for the eastern Michigan district, to succeed Judge Swan, who has announced his intention of retiring.

In the delegation were Judge W. L. Carpenter, Harrison Greer, C. D. Joslyn, Edward Lightner, George B. Verkes, State Senator Guy L. Miller and State Senator James M. McLaughlin. They assured the delegation he would take the recommendation under consideration, but gave no hint of his attitude concerning the appointment.

Representative Kahn of California, chairman of the House committee on claims, called at the White House today on the President's invitation, to discuss the Panama war claims bill, which was passed by the Senate and referred to the committee of which Mr. Kahn is chairman just before Congress adjourned last June.

The President told Mr. Kahn that, in his opinion, the Panama war claims bill should be taken on this measure before Congress adjourns. Mr. Kahn promised to get busy and see what could be done.

Representative Kahn of California, who has not been heard from for some time, was in his own town in 1915 in connection with the completion of the isthmian canal has led to his own christening as the "one-man exposition," talked with the President today upon that subject.

"No matter what else I may have to discuss," said Mr. Kahn, smilingly, as he left the White House. "It is perfectly safe to say that I also talked about the Panama war claims bill. It is perfectly safe to say that I also talked about the Panama war claims bill. It is perfectly safe to say that I also talked about the Panama war claims bill."

Row About a Name.

The Tottenville-Bentley Manor row is still on. The controversy as to whether a little Staten Island post office shall be called Tottenville—a mouth-biting patriotic name in honor of the British general who called some red-hot Tories—has been brought down to Washington on a number of occasions.

Today a delegation of Bentley Manors, not satisfied that they would get a vast amount of money from the Post Office Department, called on President Taft and asked him to intercede. The name of the post office is again Tottenville, after having been changed back and forth several times.

The President promised to think it over.

College Socialists Will Meet.

DIED IN HIS SLEEP

Dr. D. Elmer Wiber a Victim of Acute Indigestion.

APPEARED IN GOOD HEALTH

Stricken Upon Return From Attending Masonic Meeting.

NATIVE OF THE DISTRICT

Educated Here and Attained High Rank in Dental Profession. Prominent in Fraternities.



DR. D. E. WIBER.

Dr. D. Elmer Wiber, a dentist who had offices at 1320 F street northwest, died in his sleep at an early hour this morning. His death was entirely unexpected. He was prominent in Masonic circles, and last night attended a meeting in Mount Pleasant held for the purpose of organizing a new lodge.

Dr. Wiber was born in the District of Columbia May 13, 1868, and was educated in the public schools of the city. He studied and graduated in dentistry in a local institution, and during his lifetime achieved success in his chosen profession.

Prominent in Athletics.

He took a keen interest in athletics and all forms of outdoor sports. In addition to his Masonic affiliations, he was one of the foremost workers in the Knights of Pythias, the past supreme representative of the Knights of Pythias, and represented the District of Columbia at the last meeting of the grand council, which was held in New Orleans last winter.

In the athletic life of Washington he was well known as a promoter of many athletic events, both here and at Washington Grove, Md. He organized and contributed much in the building up of the Washington Grove Athletic Association.

As a Mason he was a member of Pentapolis Lodge, No. 194, of Gaithersburg.

Dr. Wiber was also interested in church work, and had been for some time clerk of the First Presbyterian church, and had a class of twenty young men in the Sunday school.

Secretary of Dental Society.

At the time of his death Dr. Wiber was also secretary of the District of Columbia Dental Society.

He is survived by a widow, who was Miss Hughes, daughter of Dr. Hughes, a physician of this city, and two children, Ralph and Gertrude, who are pupils at the McKinley Manual Training School.

Arrangements for the funeral have not been completed.

A serious illness from the Masonic meeting between 11 and 12 o'clock last night, and was not apparently suffering from any serious ailment. He complained of a pain in the stomach, which was credited to some nixice pie he had eaten for luncheon and at dinner later in the day.

Growing worse, his wife resorted to the usual remedies, but they were of no avail. When she discovered that breathing had stopped, she called for a physician, who had just been summoned. Dr. Wiber had died from the pressure of the gas upon the heart, caused by acute indigestion.

ROBIN NOT IN SANITARIUM

Alleged Bank Wrecker Was Refused Admission.

NEW YORK, December 28.—A staff of experts, under the direction of Bank Supt. Cheney, is investigating the affairs of the Northern Bank of New York, whose suspension yesterday brought to light the news that Joseph G. Robin, who held control of the bank, had been committed the night before to a sanitarium.

It was learned at the district attorney's office shortly before noon today that Robin had left the sanitarium at Central Valley, N. Y., to which he went early this week, and was now said to be at his home in this city. The sanitarium authorities, who were known for at least a week, refused to receive him as a patient.

Robin not only controlled the Northern Bank, but was also president of the State Insurance Hotchkiss, largely controlled several other companies.

The real condition of the Northern Bank probably will not be known for at least three weeks. In the meantime the state bank and insurance officials indicate that they will not be allowed to undergo another examination as to his mental condition.

How the Northern Bank and its branches probably will be paid in full. The stockholders will share in only be conjectured.

STRIKE IN ITALY IMMINENT

Railroad Men Prepare Secretly, While Government Worries.

ROME, December 28.—The agitation among the railway men in favor of a strike to enforce their demands for increased wages continues, but with great secrecy. The employees consider that their chance of success depends largely upon surprising the authorities.

The government is doing its utmost to check the movement. It is realized that a serious situation would result if more than 50,000 men who have voted in favor of a strike should go out.

MAY NOT FARM JOBS

Teachers Not Authorized by Law to Hire Substitutes.

OPINION OF THE AUDITOR

Opportunity for Shiftlessness Foreseen by Tweeddale.

RULE ONLY THING TO PREVENT

Point Raised in Case of Two Employees Whose Places Are Vacated After Sixty Days.

Questioning the legality of the methods in effect in the schools regarding the paying and employing of substitute teachers, Alonzo Tweeddale, auditor for the District, today submitted to the controller of the Treasury a questionnaire which may be answered in such manner as to entirely upset the schools' system of substitute teachers, make their tenure of office absolutely worthless and require quick, clear and strong legislation to have the necessary corps of substitutes retained in the schools.

The cases of two well known teachers are cited to the controller as the tests for the whole school system. Miss Katherine Reed, who has been ill since the opening of school, has had employed in her place Miss Louise Kingsley. Miss Florence Jenkins has been absent about six months, and in her place has been employed Miss Ruth Gonzenbach.

Substitutes for Absentees.

It is the rule of the board of education that when a teacher is absent she provide a substitute for her place. In the cases mentioned the substitutes were to be paid by the regular teachers, in accordance with custom, and following an order of the board of education.

For sixty days the arrangement ran on. At the end of the sixty days the absent teachers' names dropped from the roll automatically, according to law. Then it became necessary to employ "temporary teachers" for the places mentioned.

A technical difficulty then presented itself, having to do with the groups and classes and basic salaries, the knowledge of which scarcely any man has in its complete complexity. This difficulty technically as to what salary to pay to these two temporary teachers was too great for the school officials, and was sent along to the auditor of the District, who found the additional difficulty, which must be sent to the controller for settlement.

The auditor does not question the need for substitutes. He makes that plain in his letter to the controller.

Auditor Tweeddale's Opinion.

"So far as I can discover," he says, however, "there is no legal authority for the employment of substitutes by teachers in the public schools of the District of Columbia, except it be authorized under the rules of the board of education, and for this purpose Congress has not at any time made a specific appropriation."

A teacher gets her pay from the District disbursing officer after a check has been made on the roll of the board of education. The pay roll, with the certification of the teacher's presence thereon. The pay roll certifies that the teacher has performed the service required by law, and that no person on the roll is paid for any period of absence in excess of that allowed by the law.

"Under the rules of the board of education," continues Mr. Tweeddale's letter to the controller, "it is probable that teachers who have been certified as having rendered service have been paid the substitute teacher at a rate and in a manner prescribed by the rules of the board of education, and have been paid the substitute salary provided for the position of teacher."

Pay and No Work Possible.

By the orders which placed the two substitutes, Miss Kingsley and Miss Gonzenbach, in the places made vacant by the absence of the regular teachers, the board of education has, in effect, ordered service to be rendered by a substitute teacher at a rate and in a manner prescribed by the rules of the board of education, and have been paid the substitute salary provided for the position of teacher.

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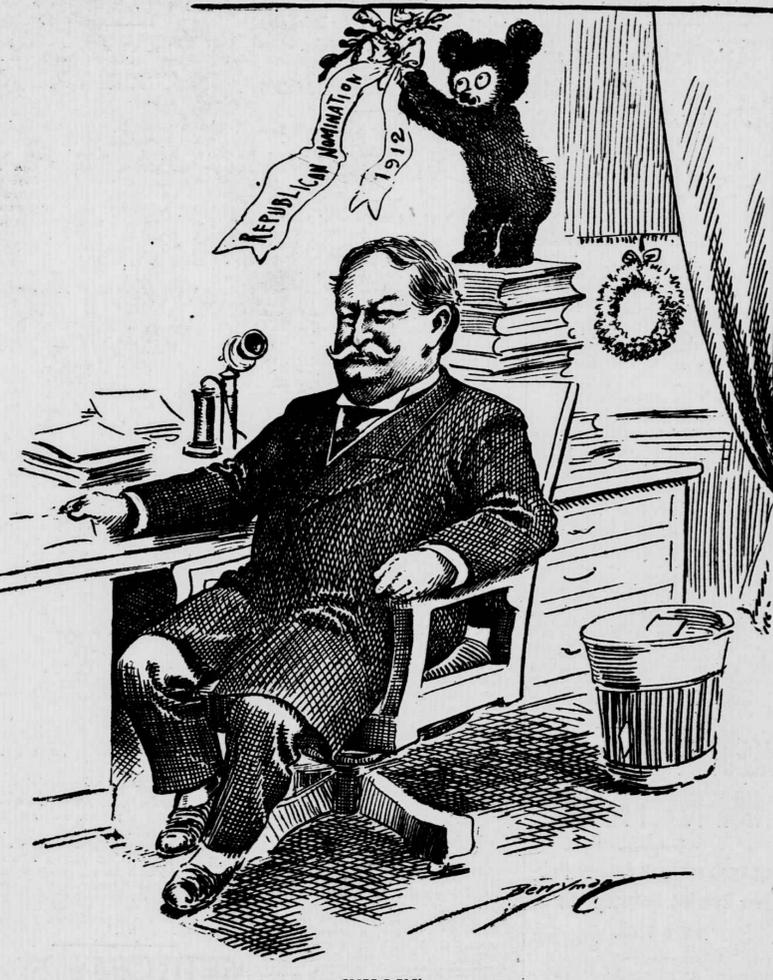
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SEGREGATION LAW TEST

IS TO BE HEARD TODAY

Case Against Landlord of Negro Tenant to Be Tried in Police Court.

BALTIMORE, Md., December 28.—The first test case of the West segregation ordinance will be heard before Justice Tyson at the northwestern police station, at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The case involves a colored tenant, who is being sued by a white landlord for the purpose of testing the segregation ordinance.

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MOB SETS UPON TROOPS;

FAILS TO LYNCH NEGRO

Furby, After Hours in Airtight Vault, Safe in Clarksburg Jail.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., December 28.—William Furby, who was saved from the vengeance of the mob gathered at Weston to lynch him for the alleged assault on Flora Anglin, a member of one of the most prominent families in Lewis county, was brought to jail here this morning by a Clarksburg company of the National Guard.

He was kept here for two hours, when a train was due for Moundsville, the seat of the state penitentiary, and when that arrived he was placed on board. He was closely guarded during the journey and will be kept in the penitentiary until the time for his trial.

Two Soldiers Battered Up.

As the troops were about to place Furby on the train at Weston early in the day, after he had been locked up for hours in a safe, the mob pressed closer, and today Private Arthur Vannort of Clarksburg is in the hospital here suffering from a wound in his head, while Lieut. R. Lynn (O'Brien) has recovered from the beating he received.

Furby showed the effects of his trying experience while in jail here. He pleaded to be taken to some place where he would be safe from the crowd which terrorized him in Weston.

Furby was tried yesterday at Weston for assault on Flora Anglin, a farmer's daughter. She identified him and he was convicted.

The sheriff and a squad of deputies started to bring him to the jail here. A mob gathered at the station and prevented the officers from getting on a train. They took refuge in the express room.

Word was sent to the governor. He ordered the National Guard to Clarksburg and other places.

Girl's Father Incites Mob.

The appearance of the father of Miss Anglin, an aged man, with long gray whiskers, upon the platform of the station, telling the crowd that the story of his daughter was as true as steel, set the mob wild. Prosecuting Attorney Swint made continued attempts to appeal to the people from a truck on the platform, but when drawn from beneath him and the crowd yelled him down. The officials were wholly unable to cope with the situation.

The mob finally burst open the door of the express room. All the window lights were broken and the mob demanded the negro.

Then the man was pushed into the airtight vault of the express company in the railway station for safe keeping. It was decided that the arrival of the mob, though that might mean death to him.

Girl's Story of Attack.

At the negro's trial the Anglin girl took the stand after all other witnesses and spectators were excluded from the courtroom. She said Furby attacked her while she was returning from the dairy on her father's farm last Saturday night. He dragged her from beneath him and she was about to murder her by strangulation when a railroad flagman came to her rescue.

"The negro ran to a horse tied nearby and made off, but the animal fell, throwing him. His shoulder was dislocated and he was easily captured.

Following the trial a mob collected at the station and demanded the negro, but with the organization of a large squad of special deputies and the regular force Sheriff Perry G. Alfried got the negro to the railroad station. He planned to take the 5:30 train for Clarksburg.

It was an hour late, and the mob meanwhile grew to such proportions that when it did arrive the authorities were unable to carry out their plans.

COUNTERFEITING PLANT

AND THREE MEN CAUGHT

Raid in Brooklyn Discovers Dangerous Factory of Bad Money.

NEW YORK, December 28.—Further arrests, government officials said, might be made today in connection with last night's raid in Brooklyn, which unearthed one of the biggest and best equipped and most dangerous counterfeiting plants which have ever been discovered.

A large lot of spurious quarter dollars, mostly in partly finished shape, was found in a heap on the floor of a ramshackle building in the rear of a tenement. In an adjoining room a man was caught filling molds with hot metal.

There were over 500 pounds of metal in various stages of progress toward the coinage state in the plant. The secret service men who made the raid took three prisoners, two of whom are Frank Stielberg and John Dross. The name of the third man was not immediately made public.

The federal officials have been working on the case for four months, since the circulation of a large number of coins of small denominations on street cars and elevated lines was noticed. They estimated the total value of their seizure at the Brooklyn plant at \$5,000.

HISTORIANS' BUSY DAY.

Many Events on Program for Convention at Indianapolis.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., December 28.—With several committee meetings, a number of discussions on various phases of American history and a reception tonight, today promised to be the busiest of the four-day convention of the American Historical Association and its allied societies, the Ohio Valley Historical Association, the Mississippi Valley Historical Association and the North Central History Teachers' Association, which began yesterday, and will continue through Friday.

The day started with the committee meetings at 9 o'clock, to be followed by a session of the North Central Association of which Dr. James A. Woodburn of Indiana University is president.

GIRL FATALLY SHOTS MAN.

Young Woman Says Rejected Suitor Attacked Her With Knife.

UNIONTOWN, Pa., December 28.—Washington Height died early today from a gunshot wound said to have been inflicted by a rejected suitor. The girl was at her home at Republic last night. The girl was at the home of William Taylor, when Height entered and, it is stated, renewed the suit so often rejected.

The girl became angry and Height attempted to walk home with her. When in front of her brother's house, she says, he pulled a knife from his pocket and attacked her. She did not hesitate, but shot him. Miss Meade hastened to tell of the tragedy and the man was taken to the hospital. The woman was arrested.

There were no witnesses to the tragedy, but a part of the girl's story has been substantiated.

Daring Diamond Robbery.

TAMPA, Fla., December 28.—Smashing a plate-glass window with a heavy weight, quickly seizing a tray of diamonds and dashing up a stairway a few feet away, an unknown thief last night completed one of the most daring robberies ever known in Tampa. The thief escaped by a rear stairway. The gems were valued at more than \$5,000.

AMBROSIA IS HELD

His New Suit Displeased Appetito, Witnesses Say.

VICTIM WAS INTOXICATED

Peacemaker Stabbed by Man Who Was Afterward Killed.

FOUR WOUNDS FROM BULLETS

Two Knife Cuts Also Found by Physicians on Body of Slain Man. Defendant Is Committed.

"There was no woman in the case. The shooting was the result of a drunken brawl." This declaration was made by Detective Oriani this morning, when Coroner Nevin was about to begin the hearing of testimony at the inquest held at the morgue over the body of Angelo Appetito, who was shot and fatally wounded by Giovanna Ambrosia.

A verdict holding Ambrosia to await action by the grand jury was rendered. The defendant was committed to jail.

The morgue was crowded with Italians, friends of the prisoner and of his victim. Coroner Nevin and Assistant United States Attorney Turner, expert witnesses and the jury were present.

Giovanna Ambrosia, accompanied by Policeman Cowne, who had arrested and disarmed the prisoner, Appetito, was given a seat at the table with his counsel, Attorney Walter P. Plumley.

Six Wounds on Body.

The first surprise came when Dr. Charles S. White, deputy coroner, related the numerous pistol and stab wounds Appetito had received.

"There were four distinct gunshot wounds," said Dr. White, "and two stab wounds under his right arm."

One bullet wound was in his neck, one in his second rib, one in the left side and a fourth