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REGULARS ARE PREPARING TO DODGE TARIFF

Talk in Washington is to Effect That No Change Will Be Made Next December

TARIFF BOARD A FETTER WITH TAFT

But Even if He Advises Revision, Regulars May Refuse to Assist in the Work

(By Victor Elliott.)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—Whether any tariff legislation need be expected prior to the presidential election is the question that is now being discussed about the corridors of the capitol building and among the house and senate democrats and republicans who are still here. It is also being given consideration in presidential circles. Members of the cabinet are giving considerable thought to the question. While a number of cabinet meetings have been held at the White House concerning routine governmental affairs, a number of informal gatherings of the cabinet have also recently been held for the purpose of going over this question, and its possible bearing on the coming campaign.

Only the other Sunday about twenty of the foremost leaders of the republican party met at dinner at a country club near this city, and held a conference as to the outlook in the coming campaign, the principal topic of conversation being a "revision" of the tariff. Rumor has it, for nothing was allowed to become public of the meeting, that Senator Root, who was the host, presented the question to the president, his political advisors and the other republican leaders who were gathered at the dining table. It was gathered from the stand that President Taft has taken in regard to the "scientific" tariff board, but on no other basis.

Standpatters Hopeful.
Senator Root, Senator Penrose and others, it is reported pointed out to the president that it would be possible to prevent tariff revision in the senate at the next session of congress. If the party leaders in the republican ranks could be made to urge it upon the rank and file of representatives Dwight, of New York, the republican whip of the house of representatives, also was of the opinion that the efforts to prevent a too drastic revision of the tariff could be kept well in hand in the house.

CANON AND WHISTLES GIVE DEAFENING FAREWELL TO TOGO

SEATTLE, Aug. 29.—Amid the booming of cannon and shrieking of whistles, Admiral Count Hethachiro Togo sailed for home today on the steamer Tambara Maru. He will reach Yokohama September 12, completing a tour around the world which began when he sailed from Japan to attend the coronation of King George at London last June.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL WILL TURN DOWN DEMANDS

President Park Shows Road Has Decided Not to Hold Conference

CHICAGO, Aug. 29.—W. L. Park, vice president of the Illinois Central, today indicated that officials of the road are determined not to deal with the federated shop employees, representatives of whom are now here from the south. In his official statement Park said:

"We received from the International Union of Marine Engineers a request for a conference and have said to them that we will meet accredited representatives of organizations with whom we have contracts and will discuss matters connected with their work."

Park refused to amplify the statement, but representatives of the labor unions said the statement indicated refusal to treat with federated employees. President McCroery of the federation said:

"We have known all along that the company would meet the representatives of the nine unions, and some of our men appointed to meet the officials of the road have not arrived, and by tomorrow we will be able to make public the details of our conference."

MANY REFORMS ARE PROPOSED FOR MEXICANS

National Convention Gets Through With Platform That Fairly Groans With Its Burden of Pledges

OLD CONSTITUTION IS REAFFIRMED

Indians and Laboring Men Are Promised Their Rights, and Olive Branch Held to Central America

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 29.—Wearied by the exercise of their constitutional, but hitherto unused right to nominate candidates for the presidency and vice presidency, the delegates to the first national convention of the progressive party late tonight adopted a platform that says beneath its burden of reforms. Tomorrow it is expected that nominations will be made, and the first work done will be adoption of the various planks of the platform.

The first plank was accepted only after a noisy debate. It provides for the strict maintenance of the constitution of 1857. The convention pledges its candidates to carry out the principles of anti-re-election, and work for a revision of the election laws. Another plank provides for revision of the system of taxation, and favors the development of the national resources, and promises to combat monopoly and special privileges; favors reform in the judicial and legal system, and the improvement of the educational system of the country is also promised.

CHAMP CLARK WILL ANSWER PRESIDENT

Speaker Says He Will Get After Tariff Board and Others

QUINCY, Ill., Aug. 29.—Champ Clark, speaker of the house of representatives, who spent the day and night here, did not learn of President Taft's keynote speech, delivered at Hamilton, Mass., Saturday, until late today and immediately said he would reply to it.

President Taft will hear from me for 1 am going after him with hammer and tongs, said Mr. Clark. "The insurgents can take care of themselves, but I will reply for the democrats."

Mr. Clark's hosts said the speaker was exercised over the president's speech and that the speaker had intimated that he would have something to say about the president and the tariff board in particular.

They said Mr. Clark has not the most favorable opinion of the members of the board as experts of tariff and that if the report of the board is needlessly delayed the source of income of the board may be cut off by the lower house of congress.

Mr. Clark will also review the history of the tariff legislation in the recent congress and will show that more time was spent on the Underwood bill than on the Payne-Aldrich-Smoot bill. Mr. Clark considers that President Taft did not state facts in his Hamilton speech.

COAST STORM DAMAGE GREAT

Six Torpedo Boats of the Navy Picked Up Like Straws and Thrown Upon Beach

11 DEAD AT CHARLESTON

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—The storm which swept the south Atlantic coast Sunday and yesterday left its imprint on the United States navy. Six torpedo boat destroyers were wrecked from their moorings and tossed high and dry on the beach at the Charleston navy yards. Many buildings of the navy yard were wrecked, but no lives lost.

The navy department does not estimate the damage, but authorized the first expenditure of \$15,000 for the most urgent work. The force of the wind is indicated in its treatment of the torpedo boats. These were tightly fastened to stall like wharves of the inner harbor, but were picked up and tossed on the beach like straws.

Major General Wood tonight was informed that sixty buildings at Fort McArthur, Ga., were damaged by the storm.

Eleven Dead at Charleston
CHARLESTON, S. C., Aug. 29.—Charleston is slowly recovering from the effects of the storm. A large force of laborers is clearing the street of debris, and train service is now approaching normal. So far as ascertained, eleven persons were killed in the county, and more than a score injured. The property damage is \$1,000,000. Shipping was hit hard, but it is impossible now to fix the damage. Heavy rains at night inundated many houses, cellars and stores.

FISHER FAVORS LEASING PLAN

Secretary in Alaska Points Out the Objections to Federal Operation of the Coal Fields

PEOPLE NEED COAL NOW

VALDEZ, Alaska, Aug. 29.—Secretary of the Interior, Fisher, reached here at noon yesterday. Soon after he started over the Valdez-Fairbanks military road to Keystone canyon, the scene of the battle of rival contractors a few years ago. The secretary said, regarding the problem of opening the Alaskan coal fields, while guarding against monopolistic control, that it was offering a choice between absolute government control and the leasing system. The leasing system, he said, was in successful operation in Montana and Colorado.

He regarded the government operation of the mines as impracticable unless coupled with government ownership and operation of transportation lines. The government entry into the transportation field would be a step so large, and part of the nation yet opposed to it, that he considered the enactment of a leasing act better than that of embarking the government in the course of railroad and mine operation.

Meantime, the pressing need of Alaskans is for the early delivery of coal at reasonable rates for domestic use; consequently the leasing plan appears to him the more feasible. However, he is not committed to this plan, and the only serious difference was with those who, like the framers of some memorials presented to him during the trip, declare themselves unalterably opposed to this or that plan, and instead of being willing to examine the merits and drawbacks of all methods proposed. The party left on the steamer Tahoma tonight for Seward.

ASHURST AND CUNNIFF NEARLY COME TO BLOWS

ROBS EMPLOYER FOR THE NEEDY

Remarkable Case of New York Man Who Takes \$6200 and Gives All to the Poor

IS OFFERED HIS OLD JOB

NEW YORK, Aug. 29.—To provide comforts and outings for aged poor people, a long trusted bookkeeper turned thief, it was demonstrated in court of general sessions before Judge Swann today. His thefts, amounting to \$6200, were all spent in charity.

The young man, who in some respects acted like the old knights of the road who gave largely to the poor whom they held up, is Richard Packard, 38 years old, No. 1912 Eighty-third street, Brooklyn.

The defendant for ten years had been a confidential bookkeeper for the firm of Harris Brothers & Bartlett, at No. 546 Broadway, Manhattan, and in the last five years had managed to get away with sums aggregating \$6200. He was indicted for grand larceny and arraigned today for sentence on his plea of guilty. The court listened to a wonderful story as told by the employer of the defendant and decided that he would take a month to consider the disposition of the case. In the meantime Packard will remain in the Tombs.

Does Not Spare Himself
While awaiting the sentence that was to be imposed today Packard wrote a long letter to the judge and told of the causes which led him to turn thief. He said that he had been able to take the money and by his system cover up the larcenies. He was frank with his confession of guilt; but it looks now as if he did not give himself a fair show. He did not tell of the benefactions he had showered on the poor, the weak and infirm. He kept back the fact that not one cent of this money which he had stolen had been spent on himself. It remained for his employer to take the stand and tell the whole story of Packard's doings.

"It was a madness for honors and ambitions for advancement in fraternal orders that led to my ruin," Packard wrote to Judge Swann. He declared that he was an Odd Fellow and that he had held the office of noble grand in Germania lodge, the oldest, it is said, in the city. Further he said that he was a director of the Odd Fellows' home and their orphan asylum at Mamaroneck.

"I spent the money which I stole from my employers, simply to be classed as a good fellow," he continued. "I was presented with gold watches, silver handled umbrellas and other rich gifts, and in order to obtain these baubles I had to uphold myself. I did not have the money myself, so I stole it all from my employers."

"Good Fellow" to Orphans
The facts as brought out in the court room showed that Packard tried

OPPOSE REPEAL OF BANKRUPTCY ACT

American Bar Association Meets in Boston for Its Annual Session

BOSTON, Aug. 29.—The results of years of investigation by more than a dozen committees on the intricacies of the various branches of law and legal procedure were presented tonight before the thirty-fourth annual session of the American Bar association. The convention opened in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, with the president's address, delivered by Edgar H. Farrar of New Orleans. The annual reports of standing committees were adopted tonight. One of the speakers was Baron Uchida, Japanese ambassador, on "Teaching of Jurisprudence in Japan."

Festivities of Yavapai Democratic Senatorial Campaign Open in Dillon's Store Yesterday

WEBSTER'S UNABRIDGED IS ASHURST'S MAINSTAY

Meanwhile Prescott Assumes Gala Appearance and the Angry Men Are Kept Apart by Crowd

(Special to The Review.)
PRESCOTT, Ariz., Aug. 29.—The democratic senatorial contest opened with fitting exercises here today, when Henry F. Ashurst and Michael C. Cunniff entered into an acrimonious discussion which, had it not been for the restraining efforts of vigilantes, would have resulted in personal injury to the principals.

Festivities Open.
The affair took place in the store of Joe Dillian, chairman of the Democratic Central Committee, at noon. Cunniff was standing in the store when Ashurst entered, and the latter, on seeing Cunniff, shouted:

"Sir, you are guilty of promulgating a slander!"
A long and heated argument followed, in which bystanders with difficulty restrained the men from indulging in fist fights, and finally Cunniff emerged from the store and started to walk up the block. Ashurst attempted to follow, but the crowds in the store each time held him back. Finally he broke through the crowd, came out in front of the store and commenced to address the crowd on the sidewalk, saying:

"I am sorry I was forced to indulge in an episode of this sort, but no man can attack my character and honor."
Cunniff Rushes Back.
Chancing to look up the street he saw Cunniff. "There goes the defamer, the coward," Cunniff heard this and started back, and the crowd on the sidewalk rushed Ashurst into the store.

Cunniff, exhibiting all the signs of getting riled, turned back and forward in front of the store, his shoulders hunched and hands clinched behind his back, and his head lowered. After a time he cooled down and walked away.
During the discussion the words, "liar" and "defamer," could be heard as far as the defamer. Men in nearby offices heard the disturbance and every window was filled. Crowds going to dinner were attracted by the noise and gathered in front of Dillon's. For a time North Cortez street took on the animated appearance of a statehood celebration.

This is the second fight of Ashurst since he thought statehood would be granted Arizona. His former fight was with Mike Burns over politics May 31. When interviewed in his office by the Review correspondent, he gave the following statement:

"Ashurst Has 'Rights.'
"The fact that I am a candidate for the United States senate does not in any way invalidate my rights as a citizen, and I intend to defend those rights whenever and against whom ever it may be necessary."
"After thirty-five years residence in Arizona I have never shown any cowardice. I have nothing further to say regarding the matter."
Cunniff when interviewed at the Hotel St. Michael and asked if he had any statement to make regarding his spirited discussion with Ashurst this morning, replied that "he had no knowledge of any such occurrence," and upon being told about the story, he said the story was incorrect.
"My conversation with Ashurst today was of no more significance than any other conversation which I have had with any other earnest worker in the cause of good government."

BAD FOREST FIRES
LIVINGSTONE, Mont., Aug. 29.—Three forest fires are burning in Park county tonight, being the most destructive in upper Deer creek, at the west end of Mount Baldy. Rangers and farmers near by are fighting the flames.

BUILD INTO SPOKANE
WINNIPEG, Aug. 29.—It is announced at the offices of the Canadian Northern today that the company is to build into Spokane from Kamloops, B. C.