

Interest to White House events today. Mr. Taft feels that he has accomplished all that he set out to do at the present session of Congress, and the fact that the publicity bill is to be added to the achievements seemed especially to please him.

Despite the criticisms that have been heaped upon him, Mr. Taft, according to his close friends, believes he has given his party a good record, and when it comes to the campaign this fall the President in whatever he has to say will not attempt to pass the new tariff law by, but will defend it again.

Fight on House Bill.—Washington, D. C., June 20.—Instead of reaching a vote today on the House postal savings bank bill, as had been confidently expected, the Senate apparently was farther from that consummation when it adjourned today than when it convened.

Late in the day, and following speeches in opposition to the House measure, Senator Bacon offered an amendment striking out the provision regulating the investment of deposits in government bonds, and the motion was pending when the Senate adjourned.

The principal speech in opposition to the House bill was made by Senator Cummins, who contended that that measure was a radical reversal of the Senate bill.

Mr. Carter to reconsider his motion to concur, and pursue the usual course of asking for a conference. To do otherwise would be to confess failure, he said, and he would not have the Senate surrender without a struggle.

He voiced special objection to the provision of the House bill governing the control of the savings bank system by trustees and the withdrawal of deposits. He contended that in both respects the House bill was diametrically opposite from the Senate bill.

To both changes he was so radically opposed that he checked off that he have no postal savings bill that to take the House bill, he declared.

He contended that the influence of the local banks would be used against postal deposits with the result that there would be much complaint and much discrimination.

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Approved, Wm. H. was signed with a gold pen made to order by Postmaster-General Hitchcock, who has done much hard work in writing the bill through. "Taft" was written with a big blue pen, and the signature of the delegate, James T. Williams, Jr., was written with a gold pen.

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Chief of Police Rafael Lopez, of Cananea, has resigned and disappeared. It is said that he left in response to warnings that his fate would be the same as that of the Mayor and chief of police of Culiacan, who recently were killed.

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The matter had previously been referred to a subcommittee consisting of Messrs. Burke and Hirschberg and the members of the Council, and the subcommittee retained T. W. Cochran & Co. and Richeson & Wright, who assessed the property at \$26,550.75, and presented a bill of \$610 for making the sale. The bill was returned, the committee holding that the agents were entitled only to a fee for assessing a value, and not a commission on the sale. Later it was ordered to reserve sixty feet for the extension of Federal Street, and as a compromise settlement, it was recommended that the property be sold to the Hebrew Cemetery Association, and the expenses of the assessment and of making the transfer, the city council, and the city council.

The vote stood 6 to 4, as follows: Ayes—Messrs. Bennett, Butler, Burke, Gentry, Hirschberg and Umlauf. Nays—Messrs. Gentry, Mitchell, John J. Mitchell, Nelson and Hobson. Mr. Snook Elected.

It was reported by a committee that First Assistant Superintendent Beverly C. Lewis was not a candidate for re-election. On nomination of Dr. R. H. Snook, formerly a member of the Main Street drug store, was elected to the position from July 1. Captain Herndon, who was formerly the first assistant superintendent, and Mr. Florence W. McDougall, matron. The other officers are to be appointed by Superintendent C. G. Well.

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On motion of Mr. Gentry, A. R. McCauley, a druggist at Louisiana and Washington, was appointed as dispenser for the first district, in place of R. L. Harrison, who was represented as not being a resident of the city. The other dispensaries were again designated as heretofore, notwithstanding the protest of Chairman Hobson, who asserted that the places were useless and should be abolished.

Around the Hotels Jefferson—J. P. DeBerry, Norfolk; Helleman Wilson, P. G. Cosby, Lynchburg; Dr. Thomas A. White, Franklin; Allen A. Ward, Alexandria; Beverly D. Tucker, Lynchburg; W. G. Dunnington, Farmville; W. T. Palmer, Lynchburg.

Lexington—E. D. Lockery, Clarksville; G. E. Wade, Keysville; W. B. Keys, E. Johnknecht, Rock Castle. Richmond—H. G. Ginter, Fredericksburg; L. H. Mitchell, Lynchburg; J. Stein, Norfolk; Richard P. Bell, Staunton; E. A. Schubert, Roanoke; S. H. I. Becker, Roanoke; R. E. Patton, Staunton; G. L. Cohen, Stuart's Draft.

Murphy—B. F. Buchanan, Marion; J. W. Wright, Roanoke; O. A. Irvine, A. Matthews, Oak Hill; S. W. Sale, Louisa; T. H. Talwell, Lynchburg; W. P. Gibson, Leesburg; A. B. Moore, The Plains; A. C. Tucker, Clarksville; A. V. Brader, Baconian Springs; H. W. Dew, Lynchburg; Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hudson, Columbia; J. Griffin, Lynchburg.

Normal—G. R. Falgout, Clifton Forge; Miss M. B. Donis, Tid