

NEW YORK WORLD MAKES HOT REPLY TO WHITE HOUSE

Declares President Has Carried Doctrine of Lese Majeste Farther Than Kaiser.

Says He Cannot Muzzle Editorial Policy.

SAYS COUNTRY IS LIBELED

New York, Dec. 16.—The World in its answer to the president's reference to that paper in his special message to congress, says:

"Mr. Roosevelt is mistaken. He cannot muzzle the World. While no amount of billingsgate on his part can alter our determination to treat him with judicial impartiality and scrupulous fairness, we repeat what we have already said, that the congress of the United States should make a thorough investigation of the whole Panama transaction, that the full truth may be known to the American people.

"The World appreciates the importance and significance of Roosevelt's statement when he declared to congress that the proprietor of the World should be prosecuted for libel by governmental authorities and that the attorney general has under consideration the form under which the proceedings against Pulitzer shall be brought.

Doctrine of Lese Majesty.

"This is the first time the president ever asserted the doctrine of lese majesty, or proposed, in the absence of specific legislation, the criminal prosecution by the government of citizens who criticized the conduct of the government or the conduct of individuals who may have had business dealings with the government. Neither the king of Great Britain nor the German emperor would venture to arrogate such a power to himself. John Adams attempted to enforce the sedition law destroyed the federalist party in America. Yet Roosevelt, in the absence of a law, officially proposes to use all the power of the greatest government on earth to cripple the freedom of the press on the pretext that the government itself had been libeled—and he is the government.

Cromwell to Blame.

"It is true that the World printed public reports concerning the Panama canal affair which resulted from William Nelson Cromwell's appeal to the district attorney's office during the recent campaign to prevent the publication of the story which was said to be in the hands of the Democratic national committee. It was Cromwell's own action which raised this issue in the campaign.

"It is true also that when Roosevelt made his attack upon Delavan Smith the World called attention to certain statements which Roosevelt must have known to be false or misleading and appealed to him to end all the scandal by a full and impartial investigation. If this be treason, let Roosevelt make the most of it."

Has a Bad Habit.

"Roosevelt's lamentable habit of inaccurate statements makes it impossible to accept his judgments or his conclusions. In his message he does not state correctly, even so simple a matter as the causes of his grievance.

"The World has never said that Charles F. Taft or Douglas Robinson made any profit whatever. Taft denied that he was concerned in the transaction in any way, which denial the World published and accepted. It would have been equally glad to print Robinson's denial could it have succeeded in obtaining one from him, as it frequently attempted. The World has no evidence that he was associated with Cromwell and would accept his word to that effect, for Robinson is an estimable gentleman of high character, whose reputation for veracity is indefinitely better than that of his distinguished brother-in-law.

"If the World has libeled anybody we hope it will be punished, but we do not intend to be intimidated by Roosevelt's threats or by Roosevelt's denunciation or by Roosevelt's power.

Roosevelt Libels U. S.

"No other living man ever so grossly libeled the United States as does this president who besmirches congress, bulldozes judges, assails the integrity of the courts, slanders private citizens, and who has shown himself the most reckless, unscrupulous demagogue, whom the American people ever trusted with great power and authority.

"We say this not in anger, but in sincere sorrow. The World has immensely more respect for the office of president of the United States than Theodore Roosevelt has ever shown during the years in which he has

Lodge Champions Administration in Senate Debate With Mr. Foraker Over Reinstating Negro Troops

Two Resolutions Introduced Against Use of Secret Service by Executive Department—New Policy for Philippines.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Senator Lodge in a speech opposed the Foraker bill to reinstate the negro soldiers in the Brownsville affair, and favored the Warner bill, outlining a method by which innocent soldiers may seek reinstatement. He declared the Foraker measure destroys the president's power as commander of the army, would ruin discipline and convert the army into a mob ruled by agitators. He declared the evidence shows the soldiers did the shooting.

War Department on Carpet.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The senate adopted the Foraker resolution calling on the war department to furnish information regarding the employment of detectives to shadow negro soldiers dismissed for the Brownsville affair.

Secret Service Probe.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Senator Aldrich introduced in senate the long expected resolution to censure President Roosevelt for his secret service message. It refers to the subject of the appropriations committee and demands an investigation of the whole secret service.

New Philippine Policy.

Manila, Dec. 16.—It is understood that with Taft's inauguration a new policy toward the Philippines will be instituted. Firm restraint will succeed placation. Taft learned while in the Philippines that firm measures are necessary. It is expected Taft will order the prosecution of members of the Philippine assembly who make treasonable speeches and will use strong measures against the agitators and insurgents. Americans will succeed several native provincial governors. Officials already are preparing to put the new policies into effect.

Clothes Line Thieves.

Clothes line thieves were active last night on the north side of the city. The clothes line of H. Pierson, 226 Trimble street, was robbed of towels, underclothing, tablecloths and other articles. After raiding the line the thieves prized off planks to the coal house and stole many buckets of coal. The police are trying to locate the thieves.

EYE OF NEW ERA IN IMPROVEMENT OF INTERNAL WATERWAYS OF THIS COUNTRY

Postmaster F. M. Fisher, who has been in Washington for more than a week, returned last night to Paducah. He expressed himself as particularly impressed with the two big congresses held there, the Southern Commercial congress and the National Rivers and Harbors congress. The former is raising money to erect a big office building in Washington for headquarters, where the south's advantages and demands may be kept constantly to the fore.

In the National Rivers and Harbors congress also the south predominated in representation, although the leading men of all sections were there.

"On the platform," said Mr. Fisher, "was the biggest aggregation of big men I ever saw; President Roosevelt, President-elect Taft, senators, governors and leaders from all over the country. It will have a lower and, by the way, the Ohio river representation was the biggest and best organized.

"That meeting means something. Congress cannot resist that demand. When the president declared we must adopt a policy, not a project, quit dividing the money by congressional districts, and borrow \$500,000,000 on bonds if need be, he took the meeting by storm. As a spectacle, just to see those

maintained his reign of terror, and vilified the honor and honesty of both public officials and private citizens who opposed his policies and thwarted him in his purposes.

Will Continue Fight.

"As far as the World is concerned its proprietor may go to jail, if Roosevelt succeeds, as he threatens; but even in jail the World will not cease to be the fearless champion of free speech, free press and free people."

CHRISTMAS STAMPS.

Tomorrow the Red Cross girls will be in charge of the Christmas Stamp in the lobby of the custom house. Go to them for "first aid"—to your packages. Two of the High school girls will have charge of the sale each day there from now until Christmas.

SIX OLD MEMBERS ON SCHOOL BOARD AETER JANUARY 4

Six members of the present school board probably will be back in the board next year after the board has been reorganized January 4. This is brought about by four of the school trustees elected at the last general election not serving. H. C. Rhodes, George Jacobs and Mote Price declined to serve, and yesterday it was discovered that Frank B. May is not eligible to serve because he is a resident of the Third ward and not the Second, from which he was elected. Jefferson street is the dividing line between the wards, and Mr. May lives on the south side.

It is intended to appoint President J. K. Bondurant, of the Second ward, a member of the new board in place of Mr. May, and from the Third ward Trustee Harry Clements will be appointed to serve out the term of Mr. H. C. Rhodes. Mr. J. W. Leigh may not serve his term and in case of a vacancy from that ward Trustee U. S. Walston will be appointed. No appointments have been considered to fill the places of George Jacobs and Mote Price. Mr. Price may be in the city and there is a possibility of his serving, but he has not announced a definite decision.

For trustee W. J. Hill has been tipped. Mr. Hill is the man for the chair, as since his entrance into the board he has given much of his attention and experience for the benefit of the schools. Mr. Hill has not announced whether he will accept the presidency owing to the press obligations. Trustee C. G. Kelly is tipped to succeed himself as secretary, as so far no one has announced for the place.

WILL ESTABLISH TOBACCO FACTORY

The state board of the Farmers' Union today decided to authorize the establishment of a plant for the manufacture of plug tobacco. The tobacco used will be that which is pledged to the Union. It is probable that the house will be located at Grand Rivers, where the store room is located. Several hundred dollars worth of the stock for the plant was subscribed today.

The Rev. M. E. Dodd went to Martin, Tenn., where he will remain until Friday.

Baptist Association

Fulton, Ky., Dec. 16. (Special.)—The temporary organization of the General Baptist Association of America, was made permanent, and Moderator Bogard made it plain to visiting pastors of the Southern Baptist convention that they would not have the privilege of the floor, when the Rev. R. L. Penick, of Martin, Tenn., asked for recognition. The roll called showed 32 delegates voting and 99 churches affiliating.

CHOOSING JURORS FOR NIGHT RIDER TRIAL SLOW WORK

Union City, Tenn., Dec. 16.—Two hundred and fifty talesmen appeared for the night rider trial. Subpoena servers are having a hard time finding the men. Examination of jurors is slow. The first eight were excused. The judge finally warned talesmen if they expressed an opinion to escape serving they would be held in court. The defense is entitled to 192 challenges and is expected to use all before the jury is complete.

GAMBLERS FINED TWENTY DOLLARS IN POLICE COURT

Result of Game Raided in the "Lower End of Town" by City Police.

Some Old Timers Caught With Cards.

YOUTHS AMONG THE PRISONERS

With the prisoners' bench considered, the largest audience that has faced a Paducah police judge in many a day was before Judge Cross when he opened court this morning. There were in all 35 offenders before the court and the space allotted for prisoners was too small and extra chairs and benches were provided by the jailer.

The principal cause for the presence of so large a congregation was the work of officers in breaking up a gambling resort, which has been conducted "under the willows" on the river bank near the Illinois Central line. Twenty-one arrests were made and of this number 13 pleaded guilty this morning and were fined \$20 and no costs, two boys under 17 were sent to the county court and six cases were continued. All of the defendants were white but one, Splitten Hobbs, who has employed an attorney and will fight his case, claiming he was only an "innocent bystander."

The ages of those arrested range from 13 to 60 years, some of whom were up for their first offense. A number are old time gamblers whose names have been on the court records for a decade. This fact brought forth a lecture and statement from Judge Cross, who said that while a compromise has been agreed to this time, if those men were before him again and were proven guilty they would be given the limit of the law, if he presided.

Those who were fined this morning were Oscar Matthews, Alfred McClure, Elmer Stone, Chas. McClanahan, Joe Travistad, Willie Roberts, Dillingham, Ben Floyd, Jeff Forest, Dick Bell, George Russell, Chas. Holcomb, King Suell, all fined \$20 and no costs. Ray Hines, 13, and Claud Mason, 16, were sent to the county court and the cases against Alfred Stanley, Fatty Stanley, Edgar Holland and Splitten Hobbs were continued.

Marriage Licenses.

George Block and Katie Schmidt. C. O. Bibb and Mary Willis Gallo-way.

Night Rider Cases Go Over

Benton, Ky., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—All the Birmingham night rider trials are postponed to the April term of circuit court. J. A. Farrell was convicted and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary for detaining Mrs. G. C. Barnes at Elva.

FARMERS' UNION WILL ESTABLISH TOBACCO FACTORY

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CASTRO'S PEOPLE TURNED AGAINST HIM AT CARACAS

Willemstadt, Curacao, Dec. 16.—Castro's overthrow is indicated by rioting which followed the capture of warships by Holland. Dispatches from Caracas say the whole town is aroused. Rioting is general. All pictures of Castro were burned. Homes of his supporters are stoned. Police are supporting the rioters. Acting President Gomez has declared martial law, but is powerless to enforce his orders. People believe Castro has fled for good, and are demanding a new government.

License Ordinance Passed With Few Changes and Bucket Shops Prohibited by Same Old Schedule

All Liquor Licenses Come in on Same Condition to Wholesaler, Druggist and Retailer—Increases Revenue \$20,000

Paducah's revenue will be increased approximately \$20,000 next year by reason of the revision of the license ordinance made last night by the general council in committee of the whole and adopted by both boards immediately afterward. The members did not get away until 2 o'clock this morning. Only Alderman Sherrill was absent.

Among the important provisions of the new ordinance is a continuance of the \$2,000 license for bucket shops, which is prohibitive, and the placing of all liquor licenses on a par. There are three grades of licenses: Wholesale (five gallons or more), \$150; quart to five gallons, \$250; retail, \$500. Whatever kind of license is wanted the applicant must file application, publish notice, give bond and be approved by the general council, exactly as is required of a retail liquor dealer. If a druggist wishes to sell liquor he may take out any one of the three kinds. All liquor licenses are forfeitable for violation of the law, and no license, liquor or otherwise, is transferable. Clubs, regularly organized and incorporated, which sell only to bona fide members, will pay \$150 license, but it must be a genuine club and not a device to get around the law.

Another notable change will bring about a reduction of five cents in fire insurance premiums. On account of the \$50 license in vogue the companies have been assessing an additional five cents to premiums. At the suggestion of L. L. Bebout, who appeared on the floor, the license is fixed at \$15 for business up to \$1,500 and 1 per cent on the premiums over that amount. On December 31 of each year agents are required to furnish the city with a sworn statement of their business.

The Meeting.

Mayor Smith was elected chairman last night and he was exceedingly liberal toward all who desired to be heard. He also allowed a recess during the discussion to permit the citizens to talk over the situation privately with the members. Committees of the general council and the mayor had previously gone over the schedules and prepared a tentative draft. A week ago copies of the ordinance were printed and sent to each member, and the meeting was announced in time to give all business men an opportunity to be present and be heard, as well as to ascertain from their councilmen and aldermen the probable raises.

Among those who appeared on the floor were: Representative Eugene Graves and C. W. Morrison, for the merchandise brokers; Isaac Ackerman, for the second-hand dealers; H. C. Rhodes, for the furniture dealers; Judge Lightfoot, for the brewery agents; Hal Corbett, for the skating rink, barbers and bucket shops; Dr. Vernon Blythe, for the physicians; Dr. Voris, for the dentists; L. L. Bebout, for the insurance agents, and Mr. DuBois for the druggists.

All professions were put in at \$15; the foreign brewery agents and the Paducah brewery at \$250; retail merchants at \$25; installment houses at \$50; merchandise brokers at \$25; barbers at \$5 for the first chair and \$3 for each additional chair; skating rinks at \$150 the year or \$15 the week; picture shows at \$100; circuses at \$100 for 50 cent shows and \$50 for lower priced shows, with additional charges for reserved seat and side-show privileges; druggist were relieved from soda fountain and cigar stand licenses and let in at \$25.

Increases from last year notably are: Coal oil dealers from \$125 to \$200; skating rink from \$100 to \$150; theater from \$100 to \$200; ice factory, \$50 to \$75; banks, \$50

WEATHER.



Rain tonight and Thursday, moderate temperature.

PRISONER HITCHED.

Metropolis, Ill., Dec. 16. (Special.)—A few months ago a warrant for disturbing the peace was issued for the arrest of Clarence Arlington, colored, but before the arrest could be made Arlington got wise and took himself to parts unknown and continued to stay away until last week when a feeling of homesickness came over him and he returned. Policeman Wyant gathered him in and when Judge Smith had finished with him he had another fine of \$7.55 also for not paying his street tax. Arlington had no money and was turned over to Street Commissioner Hunt to use on his chain gang; but when taken out Arlington refused to work. The consequence was that Arlington was chained to a post in front of the city hall and left there all afternoon to the gaze of the public. The police say that unless he works this treatment will continue indefinitely.

to \$100, at which price money lenders are let in also; coal dealers, \$40 to \$50; billiard and pool, first table, \$25 to \$50; druggist quart license, \$25 to \$250; retail merchants, \$10 to \$25; plumbers, \$15 to \$25; boarding houses for transients, \$10 to \$20, newspapers, \$25 to 50. Hot tamale vendors will have to pay \$15 license and numerous small license fees are increased slightly.

"Bitts" Owen Free

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 16.—Governor Wilson exercised the pardoning power in the case of a young man who has served six years in the Eddyville penitentiary for stealing 50 cents. In 1902 Perry, sometimes called "Bitts" Owens, was sentenced under a judgment of the McCracken circuit court for six years at hard labor in the state penitentiary for highway robbery. Owens was guilty of taking from a young fellow on the highway 50 cents in money.

SPECIAL POLICE GUARD MURRAY TO AVOID SURPRISE

Murray, Ky., Dec. 16.—(Special.)

—Extra policemen are on duty at night since the soldiers left the county, to guard the town against any surprise attack of night riders, though so far as can be learned there has been no indications of another uprising. Besides the two policemen who are on duty regularly, ex-Sheriff Walter Holland, who was largely instrumental in breaking up the night rider bands in the eastern portion of the county, has been employed by the business men to organize and control a posse of citizens that, while not on duty regularly as himself, would be ready at a moment's notice to respond to an emergency call.

With this arrangement a feeling of security prevails, although there are people who would have been glad had the soldiers been kept in the county a few months longer; or at least until the bitter feeling growing out of the recent races for county officers subsided. But it is pointed out by others that to wait until factional politics dies out in Calloway county would be a long wait, for the record of the past fifty years shows that the county has almost continually been in an uproar over these factions which almost amount to feuds.

With the effort being made to have the last primary settled by the courts, both sides are now whetting their battle axes for the scrap over the election of a circuit judge, which contention has been the bitterest of any other contest for the past twelve years and has resulted in one homicide and some of the most unique prosecutions ever entered of record in court trials.

Where it will all stop is a question that some people would like to have answered. It seems that just about the time the people think they have the faction responsible for trouble in the county down and out, it springs up again.

Chicago Market.

May	High	Low	Close
Wheat	1.06 1/2	1.05 1/4	1.06 1/2
Corn	61 1/2	61 1/4	61 1/2
Oats	52 1/2	52	52 1/2
Prov.	16.05	15.92 1/2	16.02 1/2
Lard	9.35	9.30	9.35
Ribs	8.45	8.40	8.42 1/2

COUNTY WILL NOT RAISE PROPERTY VALUE THIS YEAR

Providing Judge Lightfoot's Recommendation is Followed by Board.

Million Dollars Increase to Meet Expense.

PUBLIC HAS NOT PROFITED

There will be no raises of assessments of property in McCracken county and the city of Paducah for state and county taxation purposes, if the county board of tax supervisors which will meet January 1 acts upon the recommendation that will be made by County Judge Lightfoot.

The county judge has given taxation and county finances a careful study during his tenure of office and has found from past experience that the increase in county revenues by reason of raises of individual assessments by the supervisors has barely equaled the expense incurred by the supervisors in making the raises, and, consequently, this year he will advise the board to meet and ratify the assessment as reported by the county assessor and adjourn.

The saving to the county by the board not meeting at all would equal the revenue that would be derived from a million dollar increase in valuations. In short, the average expense incurred by the board of supervisors is \$1,500, which includes the salary of \$2 a day for the eight members of the board and the same amount to the clerk, besides the fees that are paid the sheriff for serving notices and summons issued by the board.

To gain this back for the county and secure an increase of county revenues of \$1,500 in excess of the amount of the expense incurred by reason of the board having gone over the tax lists, an increase of at least a million dollars must be made. Judge Lightfoot is of the opinion that the board should meet and adjourn probably the same day and thus save the big expense of a 30 days' meeting and let the valuation of property go as assessed by the proper official.

Out-of-Town Couple Marry Here.

At 8 p. m. yesterday at the home of G. T. Gish, on Clark street, Mr. C. O. Bibb and Miss Mary Galloway, both of Sacramento, Ky., were quietly married by the Rev. J. R. Henry, of the Kentucky Avenue Presbyterian church.

Mr. Bibb is a nephew of Mr. Gish and is a prominent young man of Sacramento. He is a son of W. E. Bibb, a prosperous farmer of that section.

The bride is the daughter of the Rev. W. T. Galloway, of Sacramento, pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian church there. She is an attractive and popular young woman.

Mr. and Mrs. Bibb will leave the city next Saturday for Sacramento, where they will make their future home. Mrs. W. E. Bibb, of Sacramento, the mother of the bridegroom accompanied the couple the city.

Street Car Accident

The two-seated wagon in which were seated Mr. and Mrs. Totem Wyatt, Mrs. Mollie Hendrick, Mrs. Kern Boyd and Mrs. Grasse Peatway, all residing near Benton, Marshall county, was struck by the Third street car this morning about 7 o'clock at Fifth and Broad streets. The occupants were thrown to the pavement and slightly bruised. Mrs. Wyatt and Mrs. Hendrick were removed to Riverside hospital, where their injuries were attended. Mrs. Wyatt struck her head on the pavement and cut a small gash and Mrs. Hendrick bruised her back. The mules hitched to the wagon were frightened at the street car and commenced backing. The mules backed around in a circle and the wagon was backed in front of the car.

Loose Leaf Sales

Loose leaf tobacco sold as high as 9 1/2 cents at Bohmer's warehouse today. The sale held was decidedly the best yet held. Buyers present who have not heretofore attended the loose leaf sales were G. H. Warnakin, Clarksville, Tenn., R. B. Walker, Mayfield, J. M. Buckner and Mr. Reese, Louisville. Local buyers were W. T. Grant & company, Vernon Merritt, W. B. Kennedy, M. F. Griffin, D. M. Potts, Stahl & company, W. A. Martin & company, American Snuff company, and T. J. Wright. About 30,000 pounds were sold and the prices ranged as follows: Trash, \$4.50 at \$5.00; lugs, \$6.00 at \$6.50; leaf, \$7.00 at \$9.25.