

HOT ON TRAIL OF ROOSEVELT

MARCONI

Appears Third Time before the Federal Senate Preparing Committee.

WASHINGTON, April 29.—Endeavoring to further repudiate intimations that he had sought to suppress or delay news of the Titanic disaster, Marconi, inventor of the wireless telegraph, appeared today for the third time before the Senate committee.

POSTAL

As Just Passed on at Washington for West Virginia State.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 29.—A postoffice has been established at Spice, Pocahontas county, four miles from Academy, with Lockard, W. McCoy, as postmaster.

The order discontinuing the postoffice at Krise, Fayette county, has been rescinded by the postoffice department.

James M. Ross has been appointed postmaster at Coco, Kanawha county, in place of J. C. Ross, removed.

ELKS

Of the State Will Hold Their State Reunion Here September 17-19.

The next annual meeting of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks Reunion Association of West Virginia was held here September 17-19. The date was fixed at a meeting of the association's executive committee in Parkersburg Sunday.

While in that city the members of the executive committee and the state officials were entertained at the Elks' club where an elaborate dinner was served. Those there for the meeting were President Max G. Whitten, of Bluefield; Jay Reefe, vice president, Clarksburg; A. E. Scherr, chairman, Charleston; John Kee, Bluefield; and C. E. Schmidt, Wheeling, members of the committee. Other persons attending were H. E. Bidde and R. H. Moon, both of Parkersburg; and H. A. Heinze, exalted ruler, of Clarksburg.

MEETING TONIGHT

At Waldo for Purpose of Organizing a Local Chautauqua.

The meeting to consider the organization of a local chautauqua is to be held tonight in the assembly hall of the Lincoln hotel instead of Saturday night as has been reported through a mistake. If the chautauqua is organized the grounds at the Central school building will be used for it.

Lewis O. Jones, of Chicago, representing the Lincoln Chautauqua Association, is here for the purpose of accomplishing the organization. All persons interested in chautauqua work are urgently requested to attend the meeting.

COAL COMPANY

Property of Great Value is Sold by the Bankruptcy Court.

CHARLESTON, April 29.—The Nuttallburg Collieries Company was sold Saturday by the Kanawha Banking and Trust Company, trustee, of this city, under a decree in bankruptcy. The company owns 3,800 acres of coal lands in Fayette county. The property was purchased by William E. Deegans for \$140,000. The coal is of the highest grade in the state, bringing much above the market price.

Is President William H. Taft Today in the Bay State.

EPISODE IS UNIQUE

Voting There Will Begin Early and Last into the Night.

BOSTON, April 29.—An episode unique in American politics marked Massachusetts today. Colonel Roosevelt and President Taft followed the same track and made final speeches of the presidential pre-convention campaign.

About the time the colonel left Boston, the president entered the state at Attleboro. At the beginning the colonel was thirty miles ahead of the president, and when the colonel leaves the state tonight at Pittfield, the president will be completing his last speech at Lowell. Voting will begin at 6 o'clock tomorrow morning, but the last ballot will not be thrown until 10 o'clock at night. No result is expected until late.

Flatly contradicting President Taft, Colonel Roosevelt during his campaign of Essex county today issued a statement replying to that of the president last night concerning the Harvester trust. The colonel said: "I clearly remember Mr. Taft as being present at the cabinet meeting when it was discussed and taking part in the discussion."

SECRETARY REED

Will Be Elected Twice This Year is the Prediction of Friends.

The Hon. Stuart F. Reed, secretary of state, who visited relatives here over Sunday went to Fairmont today to look after his political fences for re-nomination.

Mr. Reed Friday night addressed an immense audience at Pennsboro at the high school commencement there and received an enthusiastic reception. His address was on "Some Ideals of Human Development."

It is predicted that Mr. Reed will win twice this year—first at the June primary and second at the general fall election. Reports from all parts of the state show his campaign in splendid condition and his thousands of friends and supporters feel very confident of his nomination and are sure he will sweep the state this fall.

FINES IMPOSED

Upon Several Persons in Police Court by the Mayor.

For being drunk in the street yesterday, a young man was fined \$3 and costs this morning in police court by Mayor Frank R. Moore. The fellow had no money but a policeman took him around to a friend, who paid the fine.

At Sunday morning's session of the court, John Epperson was sentenced to serve three days in jail in default of paying a fine for street drunkenness. Another fellow who was arrested for insulting women in the street forfeited a cash bond of \$6.50 by not appearing for trial. Five others had charges of drunkenness filed against them. Three paid the usual fine of \$3 and costs each, another forfeited a cash bond of like amount and the other was deported in default of payment.

MORGUE SHIP

Is Delayed by Bad Weather and Will Not Arrive until Tomorrow Morning.

HALIFAX, April 29.—The following wireless was received today from the Mackey-Bennett: "Delayed by bad weather. Will not enter port until 9 o'clock Tuesday morning."

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Perry H. Taylor and Frankie B. Perry and Lorenzo Dow Miles and Anna May Hildebrand.

TAFT TOWERS

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 29.—The following is a list of delegates to the Republican national convention up to date:

Table with columns: State, Taft, Roosevelt, LaFollette, Cummins. Lists delegates for various states including Alabama, Alaska, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Philippines, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, Wisconsin, and Totals.

WEEK OF GLOOM FOR ROOSEVELT FORCES

President Makes a Great Clean-Up of Convention Delegates.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 29.—It was a week of gloom for the Roosevelt camp, the week just ended—a gloom attributable not only to the immediate developments and results, but also to the prospects divulged by a glimpse into the future.

Forty-four delegates were selected last week. Senator Cummins saved four in Iowa and his convention strength is now 10. Colonel Roosevelt captured nine. Four of them, the Missouri delegates at large, the Taft managers say were taken by a resort to treachery and breaking of pledges and agreements on a par with the general character of the campaign by and for him, and which will compel a contest for the delegates in question before the national committee in June. Placing these four delegates in the Roosevelt column, the third-term candidate now controls 203 convention votes.

In all the other contests President Taft swept the platter clean. Iowa instructed its delegates at large for him, and another Iowa district fell in line. Five Louisiana districts instructed for him. Rhode Island came across unanimously. Another Michigan district spoke out. North Carolina made its first break for him, the uninstructed delegation from the First district being composed of one Roosevelt and one Taft man. Altogether he took thirty-one delegates, and the number of delegates now instructed for him or pledged to him is 421. Fourteen more were assured by the primaries in Nevada and New Hampshire, both of which resulted in decisive victories for the president.

Interest now centers in the Massachusetts primaries Tuesday. President Taft has entered into the contest in a way to quicken the pulses of the American public. The fighting spirit within him fully aroused, he struck out from the shoulder and in all of his speeches called a spade a spade. It was a proceeding not to his liking, but he was forced into it, and his words have given the American people pause. Unless Colonel Roosevelt captures the Massachusetts delegation of thirty-six, his campaign is at an end.

W. W. Hickert, of Troy, was in the city Monday on a business visit.

FORCE

Used by B. & O. When West Virginia Northern Refuses to Make Terms.

MORGANTOWN, April 29.—Four hundred men with plenty of bosses tore up a quarter of mile of the West Virginia Northern railroad Saturday afternoon, and by Sunday morning they had moved a city block to make room for the new tracks of the Baltimore and Ohio at Tunnelton. A new station house arose on the site of the new terminals and the roof was put on yesterday evening.

The West Virginia Northern is owned by J. H. Weaver, of Philadelphia, and for some time the Baltimore and Ohio has endeavored unsuccessfully to secure a transfer of the tracks. Suitable terms were not made and the drastic action of Saturday night and Sunday followed. General Manager Mast, of the West Virginia Northern, who is his own station agent, left Tunnelton on the last train Saturday afternoon. Litigation is expected to follow.

SETTLEMENT

Of Trouble between Engineers and Managers is Probably in Sight.

NEW YORK, April 29.—With Commissioner Neill and Judge Knapp conferring again today with representatives of fifty eastern railroads, there was expectation that within a week some definite plan would be formulated to bring about a settlement between the engineers and general managers' association. Neither side will discuss the proposals for settlement for publication.

HOME FROM MOBILE.

W. W. Wheatley, the stogie manufacturer, returned home yesterday after a ten days' trip to Mobile, Ala., and other southern cities. He reports a very pleasant trip and while not disappointed in the country visited he returned with a very good opinion of Clarksburg and West Virginia in general.

Senator Benjamin Bailey, of Gratton, was a prominent Sunday night visitor here.

MEN FREE FROM FACTIONS FOR STATE'S LEGISLATURE

Dr. Hatfield Declares Should Be Chosen by the Republicans.

MAKES A VISIT HERE

Candidate for Governor Seeking Earnestly to Reunite the Party.

After spending several days in Parkersburg and counties adjoining Wood county, Dr. H. D. Hatfield, candidate for the Republican nomination for governor, spent Monday here before going to the northern panhandle. After canvassing that section of the state, he will make a return visit here and stay several days meeting the voters.

Dr. Hatfield expressed himself as highly pleased with the enthusiastic reception given him by a large number of voters in the Parkersburg section of the state. Enthusiasm and thousands of warm assurances of support have marked his many visits in his campaign and he assures the Republican voters of the northern end of the state that he will poll a very large vote in the southern end as that section famous for rolling up big Republican majorities is anxious that the next governor hail from that part of West Virginia.

As a candidate for the governorship, Dr. Hatfield reiterated his declaration at Parkersburg that he knows no factions in the party and that he is not a candidate of any faction. He stands as a loyal representative of the party and is conducting his campaign as such. Dr. Hatfield also reaffirmed his declaration that if nominated and elected governor his official acts as chief executive of the state would conform to his primary campaign pledge that he knows no factionalism. Every Republican as well as citizens generally will be given a hearing and they will be treated fairly and right.

The burden of Dr. Hatfield's campaign efforts is to do everything within his power to have a reunited party in this state and he believes that he has adopted a course that will bring that about and enable the party to achieve a greater victory next fall than ever.

Personal ambition, he states, is second to his desire that the Republican party redeem the legislature as the period of the state's development is crucial and it needs the safe guidance of the Republican party and the application of the great fostering principles of the Republican party.

"It is important that the legislature be Republican," said Senator Hatfield, and I hope the party will nominate strong, clean and able men to represent the people in that body. I am really more solicitous that the legislative part of our state government be Republican than that the people should elect me as their governor, although, of course, I will appreciate the high honor thus conferred, if it be their pleasure, and devote my whole time and best efforts to keep faithfully the trust reposed in me and to serve our people to the best of my ability ever keeping in mind the best and highest interests of the people of the state."

Dr. Hatfield added in expressing the desire to have the next legislature Republican that he thought it best for the party in the various counties to nominate so far as possible men for the legislature free from factionalism and thus aid in the movement to reunite and strengthen the party and assuring complete triumph at the polls in November as well as resulting in a legislature free of all embarrassments that arise from factionalism.

Special stress is placed by Dr. Hatfield on the fact that the southern section of the state, where he lives and is loved by the people, has never had a governor, although it has played an all-important part in the election of Republican governors the last sixteen years, and that section asks for recognition in this respect the first time in its history. It does not come as a demand but with a feeling of justice and right for party loyalty and overwhelming Republican majorities. Republicans throughout the state readily see the justice of such recognition and the party advantage in granting it.

The canvass of Dr. Hatfield has not been limited to any particular element of the party. He appeals to Republicans alike, no matter what their past or present positions politically.

HARVESTER COMPANY MUST DEFEND SELF

FUNERAL

Of Mrs. Joe Brasseur, of Industrial, Will Be Held Tuesday Morning.

The funeral of Mrs. Joe Brasseur, aged 53 years, wife of Alfonso Brasseur, of Industrial, who died at her home there Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock, will be held at the Church of the Immaculate Conception Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, the Rev. James Kennedy celebrating a high mass. The burial will follow in the Holy Cross cemetery.

Mrs. Brasseur was a good Christian woman and had a large number of friends who were greatly shocked to hear of her death, although it had been expected for some time.

The deceased woman is survived by her husband, a son and two daughters. The son, Jules, lives at Industrial. The daughters are Mrs. Ferdinand Chapelle and Mrs. Casto Bertaux.

TAP LINES

Are Held by the Commission Not to Be Common Carriers.

WASHINGTON, April 29.—Tap lines are not common carriers according to a decision by the Interstate Commerce Commission today. The commission holds that each case must be determined on its merits, it being clear that some would be called tap lines are entitled to privileges of common carriers.

It is significant that in every one of thirty-six cases passed upon by the commission none of them is a common carrier with respect to services it renders the proprietary company. The investigation involved more than 2,000 industrial railroads.

FIRST MICHIGAN

Car Received Here is One That is Arresting Wide Attention.

The latest arrival in the city in the way of an automobile is the fine Michigan "40" which was received by L. D. Thompson, the local salesman. It is a beauty in every detail and has already made many friends among those who have seen it.

Mr. Thompson has sold the Thompson garage to his brother, D. Scott Thompson, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., who will take charge of it on the first day of May. After that time Mr. Thompson will give his undivided attention to the sale of the Michigan and other cars which he is the distributor for in this territory.

SPECIAL TERM

Of the County Court, is Called for the Coming Wednesday.

There will be a special term of the county court Wednesday to act on the petition of the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland to be released from the bond of Etta M. Pickard and Charles C. Double who are administering the estate of Guy Pickard, to hear the petition of Flora D. Hupp to have Truman J. Coffman removed as administrator of A. L. Hupp, to appoint and qualify administrators, to establish roses and look after other road business, to grant certificates to persons on which to obtain notary public commissions and to qualify notaries public.

SPECIAL TRAIN GOES OVER UPON ITS TOP.

CRITTENDON, Ky., April 29.—A Carolina special on the Cincinnati, New Orleans and Texas Pacific railroad was overturned half a mile south of here today while running at high speed and two passengers were seriously and four slightly injured.

Suit Will Be Brought Tomorrow to Dissolve That Big Trust.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 29.—A civil trust suit will be filed in Minneapolis tomorrow seeking a dissolution of the International Harvester Company. It is the culmination of an investigation extending over five years. During the last few months Attorney General Wickersham and counsel for the corporation have endeavored to agree on a plan of disintegration that would meet the ends of the law, but without success and the suit will be decided in the courts.

ABROAD

Gov. Fleming and Party Leave for Several Weeks Trip in Europe.

A Fairmont party composed of ex-Governor A. B. Fleming, Miss Virginia Fleming and Miss Caroline Ward, the latter a granddaughter of Governor Fleming, passed through the city last night for New York from which port they will sail today for Europe. The trip is being taken as one for recreation for Governor Fleming, who will return to this country after the middle of June. George W. Fleming, of Baltimore, who had been at Fairmont for some time, accompanied his father and sister to New York and will see them safe aboard ship today.

MACVICAR TONIGHT

City Government Expert Will Speak in the Court House Then.

W. P. Lovett, staff correspondent, in the Grand Rapids Press, said the following about John MacVicar, of Des Moines, Ia., municipal government expert, who will speak in the court house here at 8 o'clock tonight and use lantern slides to illustrate his lecture on the commission form of government: Des Moines lays payments on honor, but the contribution of the human head is brains, not blocks, and one man directs all of it, John MacVicar. He follows the motto, "Make municipal government an asset instead of a liability." MacVicar is a \$10,000-a-year man, drawing \$3,000.

EXAMINATIONS

To Be Held to Fill Vacancies in List of National Guard Officers.

CHARLESTON, April 29.—Three examinations to pass upon applicants for promotion in the national guard will be held at different points in the state June 3. This action is due to vacancies among the officers of the guard, and is necessary before promotions can be made. The three points are Huntington, Fairmont and Parkersburg. Those who will conduct the examination at Parkersburg are Major John B. Payne, Captain T. R. Cowell and Captain Marian R. Stone.

At Huntington Major C. C. Host, Captain Fred W. Lester and First Lieutenant John S. Sheppard. At Fairmont Captain John Henshaw, Captain Edward B. Carakodan and Lieutenant Fred M. Boso.

FLEMINGTON

Woman Will Be Buried Here in the Holy Cross Cemetery.

Mrs. Annie Skunka, aged 24 years, wife of Alex Skunka, of Flemington, died in a local hospital Monday morning after a two weeks' illness of a complication of diseases. The funeral will be held Tuesday morning in the church of the Holy Rosary, the Rev. F. J. Prisy, pastor, celebrating a high mass. The burial will follow in the Holy Cross cemetery.