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## BOOM STARTED FOR ROOSEVELT IN QUAKER CITY

Paper Pleading With Him to Accept Nomination Is Rapidly Signed

Within Two Hours Names of 2,500 Are Penned to the Request

"Must Not Surrender Trust Till Work Is Done," Is Its Argument

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 7.—Gathering in size like a rolling snowball, a third term boom for President Roosevelt has started in Philadelphia. It is in the form of a petition asking him again to accept a nomination for the presidency if it is offered to him, and within two hours after it became known that such a petition was being formed more than 2,500 had placed their names on the list of petitioners.

The petition was prepared and a notice placed in the window of a Chestnut street store, asking the public to join in the movement. The petition reads in part:

"To his excellency, Theodore Roosevelt, president of the United States: We, the undersigned, citizens of the state of Pennsylvania, having a full appreciation of your efforts in behalf of the United States, and believing that your continued refusal to accept the nomination for president for a full term will result in retarding if not entirely stopping the excellent work so far carried on by you in our behalf, hereby earnestly petition and request that you allow your name to be used as a candidate for president at the coming presidential election.

"In thus petitioning you we have in mind the reasons you have assigned for declining to allow your name to be used at the coming convention, but feel that the benefits to be derived by the country and its citizens from your continuance in office so far outweigh the objections made by you, that the office you hold should be regarded as held in trust for all citizens, which trust you should not surrender so long as your work is incomplete and a substantial number of citizens desire its retention."

## UNION LABOR TO HAVE INFLUENCE IN CAMPAIGN

Vote Is Strong Enough to Turn Tide in Many Sections Where It Has Grievances

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL. WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The labor union element will figure to a greater extent in the next campaign than it ever has up to now. There seems little likelihood that any declaration will be made for or against the candidate of either one of the great political parties on the presidential ticket, though circumstances might possibly arise which would lead to endorsements either in different localities or throughout the country.

It has been considered good policy not to have the labor union endorsements go entirely to candidates of any one party, and the men who have succeeded at the polls have been pretty evenly divided between the democrats and the republicans. In many sections of the country the labor vote is strong enough to turn the tide in favor of any man that it indorses.

Wherever union labor has a grievance the effort will be made to place a satisfactory candidate in the field, and wherever possible a man who is actually a member of a union.

## LABOR PARTY WILL TRY TO RE-ELECT ROOSEVELT

Fearless Stand Against Trusts Makes Him Only Available Candidate, Is Statement

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL. NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Members of the independent labor party, composed of delegates from labor organizations, at a meeting held today unanimously decided to work for the renomination of President Theodore Roosevelt for a third term. They issued a statement declaring:

"President Roosevelt's fearless stand against corporations has won him the admiration of great masses of the working people of the country.

"We consider him to be the only available candidate, and hope that the republican national convention will decide on him as presidential candidate.

"We believe that Governor Hughes would do the republican party more harm than good, and that he would run behind his ticket in New York state with as large a vote as the majority which elected him governor.

"If Bryan succeeds in forcing his nomination upon the democratic convention we are of the opinion that he will be beaten worse than before."

## Register NOW, Republicans

If you don't want Herin to rule you, get on the register before April 15.

Old registration has all expired—you must register again before April 15 or you can't vote at the May primaries.

Registration closes April 15.

Last day on which registered voter can move to another precinct and not lose his primary vote, April 6.

Registrar's office in the old city hall open from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Register NOW, Republicans

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## SPECIAL BOARD NAMED TO PASS ON SULPHURING

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Tribunal's Investigations May Bring Members to Coast at Early Day

Decision Is to Be Considered as Final on Acts of Pure Food Bureau

By Ira E. Bennett. SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL. WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Several members of the California congressional delegation this morning held a further conference with Secretary of Agriculture Wilson regarding the sulphur controversy. Secretary Wilson assured the Californians that the board now being appointed, which is to pass final judgment upon the decisions of the pure food bureau, will have all the time and funds necessary with which to make a thorough and impartial investigation of the use of sulphur in the drying of California fruits.

This investigation, said the secretary, will probably include a visit to the field by the board and the holding of public hearings in California. The names of the members will not be given out until the entire board has been selected, and it is the desire of the department that the work shall be so thorough and so unhampered by previous decisions that the conclusions of the board shall be considered final.

It is not probable that Dr. Wiley will make further public reports on the subject, as all future complications are to be submitted to the new board.

## Seize a Japanese Ship Carrying Rebel Arms

Chinese Customs Cruisers Capture Vessel and Important Deliverments May Follow

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL. HONGKONG, Feb. 7.—Important developments are expected from the seizure of the Japanese steamer Satsuma Maru II, which had four cases of rifles and 50,000 rounds of ammunition aboard.

The cargo was destined for Chinese revolutionists, but was consigned to high Japanese officials.

Chinese customs cruisers have seized another Japanese steamer, with arms and other munitions of war intended for Chinese revolutionists. The steamer was at anchor in Chinese waters off Macao.

It has been escorted by a cruiser and three Chinese gunboats to Canton. It is understood that the Japanese entered a protest against the seizure.

## TAFT ARRANGES TWO SPEECHES FOR THE WEST

To Make Address in Michigan and One to Republican Club in Missouri

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Secretary Taft expects to leave Washington tomorrow and be absent from the city at least a week, during which time he is to speak at Kansas City, Mo., and Grand Rapids, Mich., and to deliver the diplomas to the graduating class at West Point.

The secretary on Monday will address the Young Men's republican club of Missouri at Kansas City. Thence he goes by way of Chicago to Grand Rapids, where on February 12 he is to deliver a speech at the banquet in celebration of Lincoln's birthday. From Grand Rapids the secretary goes to West Point to attend the graduation exercises at the military academy on February 14.

## PLANS TO SLAY WIFE'S FAMILY; KILLS HIMSELF

C. A. Shubert's Meditated Crime Disclosed by Wife at Inquest

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL. PETALUMA, Feb. 7.—Charles A. Shubert committed suicide with a shotgun last night at Orchard station, according to a coroner's jury, while temporarily insane. His wife testified that her five years of married life had been lived in terror because of her husband's threats to kill her. Her evidence proved beyond a doubt that Shubert had planned to exterminate the whole Rees family, his wife's people. Shubert was 30 years old and a native of Massachusetts. His father and mother reside in Oakland.

## MEN ON CRUISER HURT

PARIS, Feb. 7.—Admiral Philibert, commanding the French naval forces in Moroccan waters, telegraphs that 14 sailors were wounded, five of them seriously, as the result of an accident to the boiler of the cruiser Jeanne d'Arc off Tangier today.

Frank H. Hitchcock, who will resign from postoffice department to manage Secretary Taft's campaign.



## Start Bonfires in Joy Over Hargis' Death

Kentucky Mountaineers Celebrate Passing of the Noted Feudist Leader

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL. JACKSON, Ky., Feb. 7.—Last night a rider made his way up Hell-for-Sartin creek through the darkness. His mule stumbled over the boulders. Now and then he drew up at a safe distance from some mountain cabin huddled in the shadows of the pines. As he called the door opened silently. No light was shown, but the man of the cabin stepped silently out, his Winchester over his arm, ready for what might come.

"Judge Jim Hargis was kilt today by his son Beacher," was the low voiced word of the messenger.

The man of the cabin turned silently to take the good news to his wife. The Paul Revere of the mountain clung to his mule and rode on, carrying the news that peace had come to a troubled country.

Tonight bonfires are blazing on the mountain tops to celebrate the killing. Beacher Hargis, who shot and killed his father, was arraigned today in court on a charge of murder. He was held for further examination on Monday. The body of his father lies in a \$1,500 casket, which he ordered himself two weeks ago.

## Warren Oliver, Lincoln Elector, Dies

California Pioneer and Worker for Free State Passes Away in San Jose

SAN JOSE, Feb. 7.—Warren Oliver, a California pioneer and who was a member of the electoral college which named Lincoln for his second term as president, died here today, aged 93 years. At the time the question of whether California should be a free or slave state was uppermost Oliver visited nearly every hamlet in the state, urging freedom for the blacks.

Oliver was born December 11, 1815. He came to California in 1850, settling first in Placerville. Isaac Oliver, perhaps the most prominent of early California ministers, induced him to continue preaching in California.

In 1864 Oliver was elected to the electoral college. After the election of Lincoln he went to witness his inauguration. The party returned by boat around Cape Horn. Somewhere along the coast of South America they met a vessel from San Francisco, which gave them the first tidings of the assassination of the president.

## FEDERAL NET SPREAD FOR RICH LOTTERY MEN

Secret Service Chief Wilkie Sends Aids to End Gambling in Chicago

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL. CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—Coupled with the arrival of special agents working from the Washington office of Secret Service Chief Wilkie, federal officers have prepared to undermine two wide spreading lotteries that reap thousands of dollars each month in Chicago. The headquarters of the concerns are known, and it is said that the federal officers have enough evidence to proceed.

Steps were taken to call a special grand jury which will hear evidence against 80 submanagers reaching from Portland, Me., to Seattle, Wash. These men, the secret service agents assert, are ready to plead guilty.

The plans are part of the policy of Chief Wilkie to destroy lottery gambling in the United States, and follow directly upon the heels of the indictments returned at Richmond, Ky., in which 11 men were cited. One of those named is a millionaire, and it took the secret service men six months to obtain the evidence. Thousands of dollars have been expended by the federal detectives, and one traveled 10,000 miles to gain evidence.

## HITCHCOCK TO RESIGN; WILL WORK FOR TAFT

Assistant Postmaster General to Forward Secretary's Campaign

On Him Will Fall All Details in Rush for Republican Nomination

"I Invited Him to Assist Me," Says Vorys, Who Gives Resignation's Date

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Announcement was made today of the approaching retirement of Frank H. Hitchcock, first assistant postmaster general. He will assume the management of the active campaign of Secretary Taft. The date of the retirement will be about February 15.

Hitchcock will be succeeded by Dr. Charles P. Grandfield, chief of the bureau over which Hitchcock presided. He has been actively identified with the postal service for 20 years.

Hitchcock was requested by Secretary Taft to undertake the management of his campaign not only because he is widely known throughout the country and has had valuable experience, but because he felt the necessity of having a man in charge of the infinite variety of details to whom he could refer questions constantly arising.

Secretary Taft, in order to dispose of the great amount of work incident to the direction of his department, has been obliged for several weeks practically to exclude himself from visitors. He is under a severe mental and physical strain for from 16 to 20 hours every day.

President Roosevelt joined with Secretary Taft in requesting Hitchcock to undertake the campaign work. Hitchcock's plans have not been given out, but it is assumed he will devote his attention to the secretary's campaign in all parts of the country except possibly Ohio, which is being looked after by Arthur I. Vorys.

## "INVITED TO ASSIST"

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Feb. 7.—The following statement was given out here tonight by Arthur I. Vorys, manager of Taft's campaign:

"I have invited Frank H. Hitchcock to assist in the management of the campaign. He will tender his resignation as first assistant postmaster general to take effect February 15. He will come here to confer with me about the division of the work."

## RUSH IN AUTOS TO NEW GOLD DISCOVERY

Many Persons Leave Reno for Ledge Unearthed by MacKidon Brothers

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL. RENO, Nev., Feb. 7.—In a mad rush for the scene of a rich gold discovery 80 miles east of here, near Lovelock, 50 prospectors have fled in automobiles to stake every inch of ground surrounding claims located last Saturday by the MacKidon brothers. The news of the strike caused the exodus, and tonight there was not a "rent" machine left in Reno.

The discovery was beyond the first range of hills west of Browns station, and at a point about 10 miles from that station. It is a short distance from Lauries Wells, where a strike was made last spring that occasioned some excitement for a time, but eventually "petered out."

The present strike gives better evidences of permanency, besides being much richer. The rock is of the gold spangled, gold studded variety, which is comprehensively denominated "picture rock," and it has been found in several places in the neighborhood of the original strike, indicating that there is a considerable lode of it. The range in which it was found is said by those who have prospected Humboldt county extensively to be a continuation of that in which the Seven Troughs strike was made.

## FATHER ASKS COURT TO GRANT HIS SON DIVORCE

Reno Dentist Wins Decree From Dora Chaffee Jones of San Francisco

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL. RENO, Nev., Feb. 7.—Judge W. D. Jones, father of Dr. J. B. Jones, pleaded with the district court here today to grant his son a divorce. The court acceded, and the plaintiff, husband of Dora Chaffee Jones of San Francisco, was granted a decree on the ground of desertion.

Dr. Jones, who is a dentist here, told the court that his wife left him prior to April, 1906, and went to live in San Francisco. He said that the earthquake damaged her home there, and hearing of it he tried to get her to come back here, but she refused.

C. W. Morse, trust magnate, who finds ocean voyage necessary to recover peace of mind while creditors attach his property.



## Mrs. J. P. Morgan Loses Jewels Worth \$20,000

Wife of Millionaire Robbed of Gems by Professional Thief on Train

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL. GALVESTON, Tex., Feb. 7.—Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan of New York, who is en route to Los Angeles, was robbed somewhere in Texas before reaching El Paso.

She is traveling in the private car Independence, with Mrs. J. N. Nappen of Providence, R. I., and Mrs. J. Meredith of New York, as her guests. They left New Orleans on Wednesday night with the private car attached to the regular westbound Southern Pacific train, and stopped at Beaumont, Houston, San Antonio and El Paso.

At the latter place today it was reported that the car had been entered and robbed of several thousand dollars' worth of jewelry and valuables and money. The report had it from \$1,000 to \$20,000, but members of the Morgan party would admit nothing.

The police believe the thief is a professional traveling on the same train.

## Prepares to Coal Big Fleet at Cavite

Navy Department Admits That Battleships Will Be Sent to Philippines

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Instructions have been issued to the bureau of equipment of the navy department to begin arrangements for coaling the 16 battleships of Rear Admiral Evans' fleet in the Philippines this fall. The coal supply at Cavite is to be kept at 135,000 tons. Arrangements to coal all of the ships from lighters are to be made and such other material procured as can be of assistance in taking care of the fleet and such other vessels as the navy department desires to send along with the battleships.

The navy department thereby admits that the fleet will probably reach Cavite by fall, and also indicates that plans are under way to send six or eight of the vessels from San Francisco to Cavite with Rear Admiral Evans.

## REDUCES DUTY ON SUGAR

BERLIN, Feb. 7.—The reichstag today adopted a resolution to reduce the existing duty on sugar from 14 to 10 marks per metric hundredweight beginning in April, 1909.

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## MORSE IS FOUND ON CAMPANIA

Colossal Confidence Man, Under an Assumed Name, Lands at Queenstown

Will Stay Ten Days, "Partly for Pleasure," and Then Will Return

Affairs of Bank of North America Will Be Rectified, He Says

Fallen Ice King, Who Froze Gates and Others, May Be Indicted

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE CALL. QUEENSTOWN, Feb. 7.—Charles W. Morse arrived tonight on the Cunard liner Campania under the assumed name of C. M. Moore. He was sitting in the smoking room, enjoying a game of cards with three other men, when the correspondent addressed him.

He at once admitted he was Morse, and giving up the game of cards, took the correspondent to one side.

"I will return to America next week and set matters right," he said. "I am now going to Liverpool." "Where are you going when you reach Liverpool?"

"Oh," he replied, "that is my business. When I return to New York the Bank of North America will be reconstructed and I will see that all matters are rectified."

Morse said the reports that he had run away from his creditors were "mere New York sensations."

"It can be stated with certainty," he added, "that my stay here will not exceed 10 days, and that I will then return to New York. I came over partly for business and partly for pleasure."

During the interview Morse was cool and collected, and other passengers said he was so all the way across.

## COLOSSAL CONFIDENCE MAN

The departure of Morse for Europe on the Campania last Saturday has brought to light transactions that stamp him as the most colossal confidence man of modern times.

As the representatives of his creditors delve into his affairs they are forced to the conclusion that in all his transactions he used the money of others, pyramiding one flimsy scheme on top of another, until the wobbly structure, overloaded, caved in at the first breath of suspicion.

In the Bank of North America there is a \$600,000 loan standing against Morse that has been running for years—ever since the days when he ran the American Ice company from a small cove into a berg and left his associates frozen at the peak.

This loan has been traced back to a transaction in which Morse caused John W. Gates, Charles M. Schwab, Isaac Guggenheim, Charles T. Barney, and perhaps John F. Carroll, an aggregate loss of \$5,000,000 and completely wiped out a horde of smaller speculators.

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## Impertinent Question No. 37

When Is it Time to Go Home? For the most original or wittiest answer to this question—and the briefer the better—The Call will pay FIVE DOLLARS. For the next five answers The Call will pay ONE DOLLAR each. Prize winning answers will be printed next Wednesday and checks mailed to the winners at once. Make your answer short and address it to IMPERTINENT QUESTIONS, THE CALL

Winning Answers to "What is a Transatlantic Marriage Like?" \$5 prize to Richard Ingalese, 45 West Santa Clara street, San Jose. It is not like—it's dislike.

\$1 prize to Hazel Cohn, 1937 Golden Gate avenue, city. Giving a maid with a surplus purse to a man with a surplus name.

\$1 prize to John Baggis, 2613 Union street, city. A rainbow with the pot of gold at the western end.

\$1 prize to D. A. Dodge, 1231 Geary street, city. Two minds, each with a sordid aim. The one for self and one for name. Unite, then break and end the game.

\$1 prize to H. G. Poole, Point Richmond. The last one was like \$5,000,000.

\$1 prize to Tommy Thompson, Hotel Metropole, Oakland. A bauble bought, the buyer sold.