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## TAFT ITINERARY IN THIS STATE IS COMPLETED

Congressman J. C. Needham Returns Home to Prepare for the President's Trip

No Extension of Allotted Time in San Francisco Possible, According to Schedule

Scant Appropriation for Travel Expenses Precludes Hiring of Special Train

### PRESIDENT TAFT Will be in

SACRAMENTO—Monday, October 4.  
OAKLAND—Forenoon, October 5.  
SAN FRANCISCO—Afternoon and evening, October 5.  
MODESTO—15 minutes, arriving at 12:25 p. m., October 6.  
MERCED—At 1:50 p. m., October 6, thence to  
YOSEMITE VALLEY for three days.  
FRESNO—Three hours, arriving at 3:25 p. m., October 10.

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

MODESTO, Aug. 23.—Congressman J. C. Needham arrived home from Washington today and at once began work arranging President Taft's itinerary in this state under instructions from Washington. He stated that President Taft will spend the afternoon and evening of Tuesday, October 5, in San Francisco and the morning of the same day at Oakland. This is final and there is no possibility that the president will give this city any more time.

### Scorns Special Trains

Unlike former executives the president will travel entirely by regular trains, his private car being attached to the locals.—This is because the recent appropriation of \$25,000 for Taft's traveling expenses must cover not only his California trip, but also several important trips in the east, and the hiring of special trains would exceed the appropriation.

Congressman Needham outlined the president's full trip as follows:

Starting from Beverly, Mass., September 15, but one or two stops will be made before reaching Seattle, where the Alaskan exposition will be visited. Coming south by way of Portland the party will arrive at Sacramento Monday, October 4. One day will be spent at the capital and the run will be made to Oakland early Tuesday morning, so that the entire forenoon may be spent in that city.

Spending Tuesday afternoon and evening in San Francisco, the presidential party will leave for the San Joaquin valley at 8:20 a. m. Wednesday. Southern Pacific officials announce that arrangements will be made whereby a stop of not exceeding 15 minutes can be made at each county seat.

President Taft will greet the people of Modesto and Merced from his car platform, stopping at the former place at 12:25 p. m. and at the latter at 1:50 o'clock Wednesday. From Merced the party goes into Yosemite valley, remaining there three days.

### Desires Season of Rest

As Taft desires this to be a period of rest the party accompanying him will be a small one. It will probably consist of Senator Dillingham of Vermont, Congressman Needham, military aides, Secretary Carpenter, secret service men and representatives of the press.

A stop of three hours will be made at Fresno, the party arriving at 3:25 p. m. Sunday, October 10. From Fresno the run will be made direct to Bakersfield, the home city of Congressman S. C. Smith. After a short stop there the party will continue to southern California. Needham goes to Fresno tomorrow to arrange the local program with the Fresno committee.

Speaking of the new tariff law, Congressman Needham said: "While there were a number of points in the tariff law which, as a California representative and a member of the committee I did not approve, I think the new tariff law is as good as any tariff law can be and will work out very satisfactorily."

### PRICES DIFFER FOR TENT AND MANSION

Mrs. Belmont's Society Suffragette Meeting Now On

NEWPORT, Aug. 23.—Everything is ready for Newport's "big show" of the season—the "society suffragette meeting" which is to be held tomorrow afternoon in the marble palace and on the cliff lawn of Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont's estate.

For the marble house meeting, tickets \$5, including a look over the ground floor of the house. For the tent meeting on the lawn, tickets \$1—(no look at the interior of the house).

The big tent, a regulation circus canvas, was put into place on the lawn today. Willie K. Vanderbilt Jr. and Harold Vanderbilt, the younger son, will be platform ornaments.

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## AMERICA SHARES IN HONOR WITH FRENCH AVIATOR

United States Representative at Rheims Travels Over the Course at Terrific Pace

Paulham for France in Long Flight Accomplishes Remarkable Achievement

REIMS, Aug. 23.—Glenn H. Curtiss, the American aviator, and M. Paulham, representing France, divided honors of the second day of aviation week, the former in a thrilling flight just before dusk, in which he lowered the speed record for the course, which measures 61.5 miles, to five minutes 35.2-5 seconds; the latter making two impressive high altitude flights of 49 1/2 and 56 kilometers respectively in the endurance test for the Prix de la Champagne.

### Had Abandoned Hope

Curtiss' performance began just as the time limit for the start of the Prix de la Champagne was expiring, when the American enthusiasts had abandoned hope of seeing their representative take the field. Bleriot only a few minutes before had clipped 16 seconds off Lefevre's record.

Suddenly, at the end of the field a cry went up: "The American is starting."

All eyes were strained to that particular point, when Courtland Field Bishop, president of the Aero Club of America, and a crowd of other admirers surrounded Curtiss.

### A Terrific Pace

With a preliminary run along the ground of 100 yards the machine rose lightly and shot by the tribunes at a height of 60 feet. It was going at a terrific pace, with the wing level as a plane. Curtiss made the last turn under the mistaken impression that the finish line was closer. He descended so close to earth that many thought he touched, but, perceiving his error, he mounted quickly, crossing the line majestically. An instant later the signal was hoisted that he had made a record.

Curtiss said that he had not pushed his machine to its limit, adding that the most interesting incident of his flight was the view he got of his fallen rivals strewn around the course.

The American aviator intends now to await patiently the international event for the James Gordon Bennett cup Saturday for which he is again the favorite, after which he will try for the Prix de la Vitesse, the final of which will be contested Saturday.

### Paulham Makes Record

Paulham also made a record in the endurance test today, but Lefevre, Sommer, Sanchis-Pesa, Bleriot, De la Grange, Lambert, Cockburn, Bunnau-Vallia, Cobren, Latham, Tissandier and Farman qualified with flights varying from 200 meters to 25 kilometers, the majority contenting themselves with covering sufficient distance to get within the limit.

During Paulham's long flight chance races took place between him and Bleriot and Lefevre, the two latter outspeeding the high flying Paulham. Bleriot appeared while Paulham was completing his fourth round and with his eight horsepower monoplane, swiftly overhauled and passed the biplane, leaving it far behind.

### Denies Infringing

Curtiss today expressed great surprise at the decision of the Wright brothers to sue him personally. He insisted that the Wrights never have specified completely wherein he has infringed upon their patents.

Cortland F. Bishop, president of the Herring-Curtiss company, maintained that the Wrights' claim for a basic patent is not good and that Curtiss does not employ the warping wing principle which is a distinctive feature of the Wright machine.

The partisans of Curtiss are manifesting considerable bitterness against the Wrights for bringing this suit at the moment when Curtiss is the sole representative of the United States in a flying contest, especially as they declined to enter this contest themselves, and the Wright aeroplanes here are classed as French machines.

### Wright Brothers' Contentions

It is understood that the Wright brothers always have insisted that most of the foreign types of flying machines were infringements upon their patents, but they purposely refrained from bringing suit until aviation week should have demonstrated the superiority of their machines. Such suits will then be brought.

Up to 4 o'clock this afternoon Paulham was the only man to make a real effort for the Prix de la Champagne. He covered 49,500 meters in one hour and three minutes. Several other men, including Lefevre, who intend to compete later in the week, simply crossed the starting line in order to qualify.

### The Day's Schedule

The events scheduled for today were the Grand Prix de la Champagne and of the City of Rheims and continuations in the Prix du Tour de Piste and the Prix des Aeronautes. The first event carries prize amounting to \$20,000, the first being \$10,000. The money will be

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## RECORD FLIGHT BY CURTISS 61 1/2 MILES IN 5 MINS. 35 1/2 SECS.

Two pictures of Glenn H. Curtiss in his aeroplane, "The June Bug," in which he made his first successful flights



CURTISS AT WHEEL STEERING GEAR OF THE JUNE BUG

## 'GUNPLAY' MAXWELL DIES WITH BOOTS ON

Notorious "Bad Man" Goes to Kill Utah Sheriff, but Meets Quicker Man

PRICE, Utah, Aug. 23.—On the public square, Ed Johnson, deputy sheriff, shot and killed "Gun Play" Maxwell, at 3:30 this afternoon.

The deputy sheriff arrested Maxwell three years ago during the strike troubles at Goldfield and Maxwell had sworn to get his life. He went to Price today to kill Johnson and shot at his first and missed. He was intoxicated at the time. The body will be shipped to Salt Lake City for burial, probably tomorrow.

Maxwell had many aliases, among them being L. Otis Bliss, L. C. Bliss, C. W. Seaman and W. H. Seaman. He was best known in the west as C. L. Maxwell, or "Gunplay" Maxwell. He first came into prominence in Utah in 1898, when he was sentenced to 18 years in the state penitentiary for robbing the Springville bank. His sentence was commuted to five years. As far back as 25 years ago he was heard of as a "bad man" in Wyoming. He was a notorious cattle rustler and gambler. In 1893 he was sentenced to the Wyoming penitentiary for three years for grand larceny.

Maxwell married Ada Shaw at Verdon 20 years ago. In 1907 Maxwell found his way to San Francisco, and through a notorious thief, E. R. Burke, alias E. J. Boeckle, a fugitive from New York, managed to work himself into the good graces of a Miss Dodge, the divorced wife of the assessor of San Francisco. Through her he was introduced to Mrs. Bessie Hume, widow of a rich mining man, whom he married under the name of C. W. Seaman. On their honeymoon they stopped at Reno, Nev., where he was joined by Burke, and more than \$10,000 worth of diamonds and other precious stones belonging to his new wife disappeared. Later \$5,000 worth of the jewels were located in various diamond brokers' shops and in pawnshops of two events Francisco.

Later Maxwell went to Rawhide, after deserting his wife, and was there arrested and indicted by a grand jury for holding up and robbing a stage. He was tried, but escaped, and it was impossible to identify him. At that time Ed Johnson, the man who killed him today, was United States marshal there and was active in his prosecution.

Later Maxwell and Mrs. Hume made up and resumed their honeymoon, coming to this city. Maxwell enticed his visit here by displaying an array of diamonds which he carried on a string across his vest.

Maxwell has been mixed up in many "gun" fights and has been suspected of innumerable holdups and robberies. Mrs. Maxwell is in Ogden, Utah, now and was notified today of the killing.

## McKENNA WILL NOT RETIRE, SAY FRIENDS

Lacks Four Years of Time for Rest on Full Salary

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—In the absence of Justice McKenna his friends scout the report that he is to retire from the supreme court bench. They admit he is not in robust health, but say it is no worse than it has been for some time.

Full salary is continued to retired members of the court who have attained the age of 70 and have served for 10 years.

Judge McKenna has served the requisite time, but he lacks almost four years of being 70 years old.

## BERNARDO SHORB YEARN'S FOR WAR'S RUDE ALARMS

On the strength of having joined the ranks of the divorced ones and come of age, Bernardo Shorb, society youth and erstwhile husband of Miss Elizabeth Sheehan, is now centering his youthful ambitions toward obtaining a commission in the United States army and will leave for the east next month to enter a preparatory school to cram for the examinations.

The possession of a wife and his lack of years barred him from enlisting in the Fourteenth cavalry two years ago. Following the marital storm which swept across his tender years, when his wealthy father in law refused to pay a few trifling bills for the purchase of an automobile and the expenses incident to a luxurious wedding trip, young Shorb fled from the battle of matrimony, seeking the peaceful haven of the military. Rather, preferred he the crash of a hurtling shell, the storm of war and the commands of Mars to the cyclonic assaults of a disappointed wife in the throes of her first divorce suit, and the cooling whippers of Venus. The regulations of Uncle Sam, however, made it necessary for him to be single and of age. He achieved the first distinction some time ago and last month acquired the right to vote.

Therefore, unhampered, he has again set forth in the train of glory. Mrs. Ynez Shorb-White Buck, his sister and once leader of the San Francisco smart set, is using all her influence to help him attain his end, as is also Captain Carroll Buck of the medical corps. In the meantime Shorb is poring over military tactics and has recommenced the studies which he cast aside to get married.

## LOCAL EDITOR HONORED BY FRENCH NEWSPAPER ORDER

Augustin Lusinchi, editor of the Franco-Californien, received news yesterday that he is to receive a medal of honor from the French newspapers' association of Paris. Notification came through Secretary Jean Bernard of the syndicate, who said that the board of directors so decided at their last meeting.

The giving of the medal is believed to be directly inspired by the reply made by Lusinchi to David Starr Jordan's attack on France last June. No reference is made to this controversy in Bernard's formal letter, but the two events follow too closely upon each other not to be connected.

Dr. Jordan in his Bryn Mawr address incurred the ire of Prof. Lucien Foucault, now of the University of California. It also deeply stirred the local Franco-Californien, received news yesterday that he is to receive a medal of honor from the French newspapers' association of Paris. Notification came through Secretary Jean Bernard of the syndicate, who said that the board of directors so decided at their last meeting.

## SEA MAY HAVE SWALLOWED THE ISLAND OF CLIPPERTON

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 23.—Dispatches from Acapulco today say that the people of that port believe that Clipperton island was swallowed up by the sea during the late earthquakes. No word of any kind has come from the islands, and as the neighboring bed of the ocean is known to have been greatly disturbed, the port officials at Acapulco are urging the war department to send out the gunboat General Guerrero to search for the islands.

The fears of the Acapulcoans have not as yet duly impressed the war department and no gunboat has so far been ordered in the quest.

Frederico Gambio, formerly subsecretary of foreign affairs, is now in Europe to present Mexico's claims for the ownership of the islands before the Italian arbitration court.

## MME. ZEGGIO'S MONKEY PARTY WILL RIVAL HARRY LEHR'S

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

LENEX, Mass., Aug. 23.—Carrying on worth \$5,000, and the cage half as much more. It was caught near the headwaters of the Amazon river, and a special attendant cares for the simian. All the guests of the Aspinwall crowded about Mme. Zeggio tonight, and for an hour the monkey held a reception. Mme. Zeggio is to give a special monkey dinner party for her pet later in the week.

## HARRIMAN DIDN'T FIND PHYSICIAN

Curious Mischance by Which Financier Lost Benefit of Medical Man's Services

Went to Vienna to Consult Dr. Berthold Beer, but Pronounced Name Incorrectly

Surgeon He Sought Believes Ailment Curable; Doctor He Employed Differs

Railway Magnate's Trouble Is Said to Be Stiffness of the Vertebral Column

[Special Cable to The Call]

LONDON, Aug. 23.—On the eve of E. H. Harriman's arrival in New York it is learned on excellent authority that the financier, by a curious mischance, failed to accomplish what was the chief object of his visit to Vienna, namely, to put himself under the care of a certain doctor recommended by his New York consulting physician, Dr. Frankel.

Harriman is said to be suffering from stiffness of the vertebral column, a malady to which attention was first called in 1897 by Dr. Berthold Beer in Vienna and Professor Struempell, then at Breslau.

Struempell declared this disease incurable, while Dr. Beer maintained the opposite, and instanced several cases of successful treatment. Dr. Beer further stated in a treatise published at the time that the complaint was by no means uncommon. A majority of the authorities nowadays, however, consider the malady incurable, but Dr. Beer is confident that this view is incorrect.

### Wrong Pronunciation

Now, it was from Dr. Beer that his New York consultant recommended Harriman to seek treatment. When Harriman and his confidential secretary, Alexander Millar, arrived in Vienna they made inquiries for Dr. Beer, pronouncing the name like the beverage made of hops. It happens that Dr. Beer's name is pronounced Beer, like the animal of the ursine species, and though Dr. Beer, pronounced Beer, is universally known in Vienna, nobody knew the Dr. Beer, pronounced as written in English, that both Harriman and Millar assiduously inquired after.

As a consequence Harriman put himself under the care of another physician whose well known opinion is that the spinal malady from which Harriman suffers is incurable.

### Tribute to Harriman

NEW YORK, Aug. 23.—As the Kaiser Wilhelm II hourly draws nearer to her pier in New York, public interest in E. H. Harriman's return grows acute. The vessel is expected to arrive tomorrow.

General anxiety as to his health has found expression in a series of published appreciations of his personality and achievements such as probably never before have been accorded a private citizen.

### Feeling in Wall Street

There is manifest disappointment in Wall street that Harriman's sojourn abroad has not set him up sufficiently that he may resume at once active charge of the great interests with which his name is associated. Tomorrow both the Southern Pacific and Union Pacific directors are to meet, but it has not even been suggested that Harriman will try to attend these meetings.

Alexander Millar, secretary of the Harriman lines, one of Harriman's most trusted lieutenants, spoke of his chief today with seriousness and warmth.

### Not an Ogre

"Mr. Harriman," he said, "has been pictured as an ogre, a huge spider, an octopus—you don't know what a big hearted, big souled man he really is. I call him today the biggest, the brainiest, the most patriotic American we have."

"If I should be asked to name the chief characteristics that have contributed to his success, I should say: His wizardry with figures, his faculty for getting instantly to the kernel of facts, his judgment of men and his insight into and faith in the future."

"He makes changes, but the very men shifted will tell you they do better work in the new positions."

### Marvelous Intuition

"Like all big men, he is not what you would call methodical. He jumps to conclusions by seeming intuition. No doubt the logical processes are all there—for Mr. Harriman is no visionary—but they elude analysis by their swiftness."

"Does he play as hard as he works? To tell you the truth, I never saw him play, except with his children. His children and his work—these are his life."