

TEXANS GREET THE PRESIDENT

Business is Practically Suspended During Executive's Visit To Houston

WILL REACH DALLAS TONIGHT

City is Elaborately Decorated in Honor of Taft and Many Visitors are at Hand to Welcome Him—Tomorrow Morning the Presidential Train Will Start for St. Louis.

Houston, Texas, Oct. 23.—The people of Houston, reinforced by thousands of visitors from Galveston and other points within a radius of fifty miles, gave President Taft a splendid reception during his three hours' stay here this morning. There was a practical suspension of business and along the route of the procession from the railroad station to Rice's hotel, from the balcony of which the president delivered a public address, residences and stores were covered with decorations. The sidewalks and streets were thronged with people, and at several points along the route hundreds of school children were massed, singing national songs, as the procession passed. Following his address the president was taken on a drive about the city. Promptly at 10:30 o'clock the presidential special, amid an outburst of cheers from the thousands who had gathered about the depot, departed over the Houston and Texas Central railroad for Dallas.

Dallas Ready for Taft. Dallas, Texas, Oct. 23.—With thousands of flags and countless yards of bunting fluttering in the breezes and with the city crowded with visitors as seldom before in her history, the city of Dallas, metropolis of great domain of northern Texas, is awaiting in eager expectancy the coming of President Taft. The president is due to reach the city shortly before 6 o'clock this evening and will spend the night here.

Immediately upon arrival here the president's private car will be switched to the Texas State fair grounds, where the president will address the crowds from the race track grand stand. Following the speaking there will be an automobile parade directly to the Oriental hotel where the president and his party will be guests at a banquet arranged by the local committee. It is expected the president will pass the night aboard his train, though accommodations have been reserved at the hotel should he care to use them. At 8:30 o'clock tomorrow morning the presidential train will depart for St. Louis.

Brief Stop at Terrell. Terrell, Texas, Oct. 23.—President Taft, en route from Dallas to St. Louis, will make a fifteen-minute stop in Terrell tomorrow morning. The Sunday school children of the city will be assembled at the Union Station and will be addressed by the president.

Streets Gay With Bunting. Marshall, Texas, Oct. 23.—The people of Marshall are making great preparations for the visit of President Taft tomorrow. The vicinity of the Texas and Pacific railroad station is being gayly decorated with flags and bunting and it is expected hundreds of visitors will come to the city to hear the president's address. The president will speak from the rear platform of his car, as the stay here will be limited to a quarter of an hour.

Texarkana's Plans for Taft. Texarkana, Texas, Oct. 23.—President Taft has accepted an invitation to make a brief stop here tomorrow afternoon, and elaborate arrangements for his reception have been completed. Business houses and residences are being decorated in honor of the occasion. The president will be welcomed by a committee headed by Mayor A. B. DeLoach of the Texas side, Mayor H. L. Trigg of the Arkansas side and President Pindrom of the board of trade.

TALKS WITH DULUTH.

The atmospheric conditions have been so favorable today that it has been possible for the first time to establish wireless communication between Calumet and Duluth. The messages which have been sent from the Calumet station at Tamarack Junior were distinctly heard at Duluth. The Calumet station has also been in communication with the steamers Sierra, H. P. Pope and Augustus B. Wolvin on Lake Superior today. Alterations and improvements are being made at the Calumet station which will soon make it possible to establish regular communication between Calumet and Duluth, as mentioned last evening.

ITALIAN CLUB TO MEET.

There will be a meeting of the Italian Educational club tomorrow afternoon to hear the report of the committee appointed to make arrangements for a suitable hall for regular sessions.

WEATHER FORECAST

Partly cloudy and continued cold tonight and Sunday. Moderate northerly winds tonight and Sunday morning, becoming variable Sunday afternoon.

OVER 3,000 DIVORCES IN MICHIGAN IN THE YEAR 1908

Surprising Amount of Domestic Trouble in Michigan Last Year Shown by Official Records—Only Nineteen Applications Refused—Many Bills Pending at Close of Year.

Lansing, Mich., Oct. 23.—Divorces seem to increase in popularity in Michigan as a means of settling family troubles, statistics gathered by the secretary of state showing that 3,019 were granted by the courts of the state during 1908 and 19,557 bills were pending at the end of the year. Secretary of State Martindale also furnishes comparative figures showing that the number of applications for divorces is increasing by leaps and bounds, and the calendars of the courts are well filled with cases of this character.

Most of the applicants for freedom from their marital ties seem to have convinced the courts of their right to a decree, for only 19 were refused, while only a greater number of husbands and wives were able to patch up their differences, 264 cases have been withdrawn during the year. There were 4,829 new cases started in 1908, the remainder of the big total being cases which had been carried over from the previous year. On January 1, 1908, there were only 2,475 cases pending; in 1906, 3,337 cases were pending; in 1904, 4,340, since which time over 4,000 cases have been added to the list. In 1904, 2,893 divorce cases were granted.

PORTOLA FESTIVAL CLOSES.

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 23.—This is the last day of the Portola festa, which for a week has furnished lavish entertainment for the people of San Francisco and an immense number of visitors from out of town. Tonight the tens of thousands of multi-colored lights, which for a week have turned night into day in the downtown section of the city, will shed their rays on a scene of pageantry and merry-making such as never before has been witnessed here.

Gorgeous floats illustrating scenes and events in the early history of California will parade through Market street and other leading thoroughfares. The floats are the largest ever constructed. A miniature Yosemite falls will be seen, together with the famed Shasta springs and the big trees of the Mariposa grove. A mission house, typical of California's early history, will be shown, and Chinatown will be represented in all its oriental color. At intervals along the route of the procession bands will be stationed to furnish music for the street dancers and revellers.

INDIANA CHARITY WORKERS.

Columbus, Ind., Oct. 23.—The Indiana conference of charities and corrections assembled here today with a large attendance. Rabbi Emil W. Loepinger of Terre Haute, president of the organization, called the gathering to order in the Tabernacle Christian church. Governor Marshall has accepted an invitation to deliver an address before the conference tomorrow.

TAKES UP THE CAUSE OF CHARLES R. CRANE.



New York City, Oct. 23.—Walter J. Fisher, the Chicago reformer who has enjoyed such intimate relations with President Taft's predecessor, is up in arms against the state department for what he terms an injustice to Mr. Crane in connection with his recall from his appointment to the diplomatic post at China. As soon as Mr. Crane left Washington he came to Mr. Fisher here and the two have been in consultation.

Fisher makes no bones of stating that the trouble is more far-reaching than the matter of any statements Mr. Crane may have made. He even hints that congressional investigation will have to be inaugurated before the many friends of Mr. Crane will be satisfied. Mr. Fisher became a national figure as the leader of civic improvements in the fight for national conservation.

IMAGE OF THE VIRGIN ROBBED

Thieves Make Rich Haul of Jewels in Pauline Convent, Russian Poland

WORTH MILLIONS OF ROUBLES

Upon Discovery of Theft the Chapel at Czenstochowa is Surrounded by Great Crowd of Weeping and Praying Men and Women—No Clue to the Thieves—Image Itself Not Damaged.

Czenstochowa, Russian Poland, Oct. 23.—During the night robbers entered the chapel of the Pauline convent here and despoiled the much venerated image of the Virgin of the robe with its pearls, diamond studded crown and many offerings of jewels. The image itself was not damaged. The objects stolen have an intrinsic value of several million roubles. There is no clue to the robbers. Today the chapel, which had been closed up on the discovery of

Big News Events of the Coming Week.

Washington, Oct. 25.—President Taft will arrive in St. Louis Monday morning and on the afternoon of the same day will begin another important stage of his 12,000-mile jaunt about the country. Accompanied by the governor of a score of states, together with a large party of congressmen and other public officials, the president will journey by steamboat down the Mississippi river from St. Louis to New Orleans. A flotilla of torpedo boats will act as escort.

Great impetus to the movement for the rapid settlement of the 200,000,000 acres of semi-arid lands in the west and south is expected to be given by the fourth dry farming congress, which will meet in Billings, Mont., Tuesday for a session of three days. The conference will be addressed by agricultural experts and other representatives of the United States, Canada, Mexico and several European countries.

An important meeting of the Foundation for the Promotion of Industrial Peace will be held in Washington Thursday. Chief Justice Fuller of the United States supreme court will preside. The principal topic of discussion will be the framing of by-laws

CAUGHT WITH GOODS ON HIM

Night Agent of American Express Co. at Peoria, Ill., Steals \$4,000

ORIGINATED HOLD-UP STORY

Driven by What He Declared Was Sudden Impulse to Get Rich Quick, James Mahan Robs Company Safe and Then Tells Police He Was Held Up—Money Found in Coat Sleeves.

Peoria, Ill., Oct. 23.—Driven by what he declared was a sudden impulse to get rich quick, James Mahan, night agent of the American Express company at the Union depot, originated a fake hold-up story, after, it is alleged, robbing the company safe of four thousand dollars in currency early this morning. After sewing one thousand dollars in large bills in the lining of his coat sleeves and scattering the remainder of the stolen plunder about in ob-

BEER IS HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR POVERTY OF GERMANS

Statistical Report Shows a Deficit of Almost Ten Dollars Between the Expenditures and Earnings of Average German Families Each Year—Ten Per Cent for Beer.

Washington, Oct. 23.—Beer, it appears from the report of United States Consul Effi of Nuremberg, is responsible for the poverty of the average middle class German families. He has transmitted to this government the findings of the imperial statistical bureau which a year ago distributed housekeeping books among the German families, with a request that the head of each household keep a detailed account of expenditures for twelve months. Only 552 families turned in the complete records.

The investigation of these disclosed the fact that more than one-half the average family's income went for food and drink. For drink, most of it beer, almost ten per cent was spent. It was likewise discovered that the average earnings of German families of the wage earning class is \$52.70 a year, while the average expenditure is \$53.69 or an average annual deficit of \$9.99 to each family. Consul Effi does not indicate in his report that any remedy is suggested by the imperial bureau.

PEARY ATTACKS ANOTHER.

Says Statement Made Public by Danish Explorer's Wife Incorrect.

Washington, Oct. 23.—Peary, the Arctic explorer has telegraphed to scientific friends here that it was impossible for Knud Rasmussen, the Danish explorer to have seen any members of the Cook party, and that any information which Rasmussen received was therefore, not at first hand.

That the story told in Rasmussen's report of his impressions of Cook, as recently made public by Mrs. Rasmussen at Copenhagen, lacks authority, is the substance of Peary's latest message.

DYING MAN TALKS.

Man Fatally Shot Accuses Two Strange Italians of Crime.

Chicago, Oct. 23.—Salvatore Pinello, a laborer, who was fatally shot last night while walking in an Italian district, made a statement before his death today, accusing two Italians from Streeters, Ill., of wounding and shooting him. Pinello declared that his assailants had written threatening letters to him demanding money. No arrests have been made.

DOKAYS WILL MEET.

The copper country members of Al Sirat temple, Dramatic Order of the Knights of Khorassan, will meet in the Red Jacket council rooms tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock to consider plans for a big social entertainment to be given in this city in the near future. It is expected that the entertainment will take the form of a dancing party. It is also thought that matters connected with the organization of a temple in Calumet will be discussed.

PATRICK H. MCCARREN DEAD.

New York, N. Y., Oct. 23.—Patrick H. McCarran, state senator and democratic leader of Brooklyn, died at St. Catherine's hospital, Brooklyn, at 1:15 this morning, never having completely rallied from the effects of an operation for appendicitis, performed October 12.

CROWN PRINCE WHO MAY NEVER REACH THE THRONE.



PRINCE CONSTANTINE OF GREECE.

Athens, Oct. 23.—It is not at all improbable that King George of Greece may soon abdicate his throne. The latest trouble arose when the chamber of deputies refused to grant the crown prince the right to hold the position of commander-in-chief of the army.

At the suggestion of his father, Prince Constantine then resigned, as did his two brothers, from the army. This direct blow against the king has had its effect and as a result the situation is believed to be insupportable with the retention of the throne.

WILL GET ALL OF \$600 PER!

Examinations Held Today For Selection of Clerks For Decennial Census

THREE THOUSAND ARE NEEDED

Appointees Will Start at \$50 Per Month and if They Give Satisfactory Service Will be Raised to \$900 Per Annum—All Appointments Will Not be Made Until Next August.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 23.—The first important step in the gigantic task of taking the thirtieth decennial United States census was taken today, when civil service examinations were held in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Atlanta, New Orleans, Cincinnati, St. Paul, San Francisco, Denver and several other large cities for the selection of the first batch of the three thousand temporary clerks who are to be appointed in the census bureau. Very few appointments from today's examination will be made before the first of the year, and not many will be made until next April. The maximum force will be drawn about next August.

These 3,000 appointees will be given salaries of about \$600 per annum at the beginning but promotions to \$900 per annum, at least, will be reasonably rapid for those who render satisfactory service. All appointments will be on probation, subject to termination at one month or any later period if the appointee does not come up to the requirements.

During the period of greatest activity about 4,500 clerks will be employed in office and 65,000 in the field. This force represents a larger body than the combined population of New York and Boston 129 years ago, when the first census was taken.

The enumeration of 1796 cost \$44,000 and at that time the money ran out and the names were never printed. Next year's census has behind it an appropriation of \$10,000,000 and an emergency fund of \$4,000,000 additional. In other words the design is to proceed regardless of cost, efficiency being of more importance than economy. The aim is to make the census of 1910 the most efficient ever taken in the United States.

The first census numbered the inhabitants of the 13 original states. On the whole it was vastly more difficult to take the first census than it will be to take the forthcoming enumeration of 1910. Conditions were much more difficult. All work west of the Alleghenies was practically abandoned, in spite of the fact that there was an important interest in the northwest, but Detroit was not reported, neither was Vincennes.

Philadelphia was then the capital of the nation, and Washington was still a paper plan without a name, but popularly called the "Federal City." Only one wall of the White House had been built, and the site for the national capital building had been scarcely surveyed.

The enumerators employed to take the first census were not even provided with blanks, and they used such odds and ends as they chanced to have or could beg or borrow, such as butcher's brown paper, bits of parchment, the back of wallpaper, or slips pasted in long ribbons. One of the greatest difficulties in taking the enumeration was a religious superstition. Many of the preachers were violently opposed to a census, because in biblical times a curse fell over the land when the children of Israel were numbered.

The first census showed a population of 3,900,000 whites and 700,000 slaves, or every fifth person in the country was a slave.

DETROIT GETS HUGHEY FOR ANOTHER SEASON

Detroit, Mich., Oct. 23.—Manager Hugh Jennings today signed a contract to continue the management of the Detroit American league baseball club during next season.

The announcement that Jennings has signed a contract for another season is received with great pleasure by the friends of the Michigan team, and makes it assured that next year's team will again be a contender for the American league championship. It was reported in some quarters that Jennings and President Navin of the Detroit club were having some difficulties and basing their claim to his services upon this ground. Philadelphia fans have been hoping to secure him to direct the work of the National league team in that city. Today's announcement settles this question for another year.

STALKER STILL ABSENT.

Rev. D. D. Stalker, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city, has not yet returned from the synod meeting at Cadillac and a visit to other southern Michigan cities. Owing to the fact that The News was misinformed it was announced that Dr. Stalker had returned, but it is learned today that he will not be in Calumet until next week.



FORCING DOWN THE LID

the outrage, was surrounded with a great crowd of weeping and praying men and women.

The convent is famous for its representation of the Virgin and attracts probably a quarter of a million pilgrims annually. Formerly it was strongly fortified. In 1655 it was attacked by a large Swedish army and its defense at that time by a handful of monks and soldiers constitutes one of the heroic episodes in the history of Poland.

Mail Pouches Are Robbed. Freeport, Ill., Oct. 23.—Thieves last night rifled the mail pouches in the post office at Elroy near here. The amount stolen was not ascertained.

AIM BLOW AT LOAN SHARKS

Woman's National Civic Federation Plans to Protect Women Clerks

New York, Oct. 23.—If plans discussed at a meeting here today of the executive council of the Woman's National Civic Federation are carried out, the loan sharks who for years have reaped a rich harvest among the women clerks in the various departments of the federal government in Washington will in future find a barren field for their operations. The federation proposes to establish a loan association from which only the government employes in Washington will be eligible to borrow money.

The enormous rates of usury which are impoverishing woman clients of the loan sharks in the national capital have indicated the urgent and immediate need of relief. Instances are reported where a rate of 100 per cent has been demanded and given for a three-month loan of \$5. Rates of 75 and 80 per cent have been charged, and 50 per cent usury is not uncommon. It has been customary to extort higher rates from women, taking advantage of their known hesitation in seeking financial

and the advisability of using a portion of the income of the fund as a prize for essays on the best methods for bringing about peace in industrial pursuits.

At the invitation of Governor Harman of Ohio the National Good Roads congress will assemble in Columbus Tuesday for a three days' session. The committee in charge of arrangements is in receipt of advices indicating an attendance of delegates from nearly every state and territory of the union.

The week will be a notable one in automobile circles. A bunch speedy cars will depart from New York Monday at noon on a speed and endurance run to Atlanta. On the same day the "Flag to Flag" race will start from Denver, with the City of Mexico as the objective point. Of still greater public interest will be the renewal of the Vanderbilt cup race, which is scheduled to take place Saturday over the Long Island motor speedway.

The Russian parliament will assemble Thursday for what promises to be the most important session since its establishment. The program prepared by the government provides for the introduction of a number of measures of importance, though many eagerly desired reforms will be deferred for tactical reasons. The program is headed by the consolidation of rural holdings bill, the reform of local courts, the inheritance and income tax measures and the bill for universal primary education.

Joseph R. Reed is home from a short business trip to Ontonagon county, assistance in other directions, and shame in exposing their necessity to those near to them.

The association to be established by the Woman's National Civic Federation proposes to charge interest at rates ranging from 4 to 6 per cent on every variety of money advanced. Among those interested in the enterprise are Miss Annie Morgan, daughter of J. Pierpont Morgan; Mrs. Horace Brock of Philadelphia and Mrs. Wickersham, wife of the attorney-general, who is national chairman of the federation.

secure places throughout the Union depot he notified the police he had been held up and robbed. A detective who grasped Mahan by the arm heard crinkling of bills in his coat sleeve. Mahan was searched and the money found. Mahan broke down and, it is said, confessed. All but ten dollars of the missing money was recovered. Mahan is in jail.

The Lake Superior water will be shut off at midnight tonight and will not be turned on again until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. All users should draw off enough water this evening to last until tomorrow morning.

ITALY GREETSS RUSSIAN RULER

Cordial Reception Tendered Emperor Nicholas by Italians Today

Racconigi, Italy, Oct. 23.—The Emperor of Russia made a triumphal entry into Italy today. His reception was cordial and popular. The day's rejoicing was spontaneous and genuine, even the mayor of Rome having been sent by the radical and socialistic board of aldermen to participate in the imperial reception.

Broadly viewed, the much discussed and keenly anticipated meeting between Emperor Nicholas and King Victor Emmanuel opened most auspiciously. The emperor arrived here at 3:29 this afternoon. From the moment the imperial party entered Italy through the famous Mont Cenis tunnel at Modane, until it reached the royal castle it was attended by an extraordinary military guard.

FIRE THIS AFTERNOON.

Fire broke out this afternoon in the residence owned by Mrs. Swanson, adjoining the Hancock and Peabody engine house of the C. & H. Mining company. The fire is not of a very serious nature.