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## TAFT NOW ON LONG TRIP.

The Nation's Chief Executive Making Most Notable Trip Ever Made By President.

Beverly, Mass., Sept. 12.—When President Taft motors into Boston on Tuesday afternoon to be the guest of the chamber of commerce at a dinner, he will have actually started on one of the most notable trips ever taken by a president.

He will leave at 10 a. m., Wednesday on the first stage of his long journey, the first stopping off place being Chicago, where he will be entertained by the Commercial club and the Hamilton club. Leading through the thirty states and both of the far southwestern territories the president's trip will reach its climax at El Paso, on October 16, where he will meet President Diaz of Mexico.

The president's trip covers 12,759 miles and his private cars will be handled over twenty-two different railroad systems. The Southern Pacific will get the longest haul of 2,289 miles. The Maricopa and Phoenix, and Salt River valley railroad in Arizona gets the shortest haul of 35 miles. The voyage down the Mississippi river from St. Louis to New Orleans on the steamboat Mississippi, covers 1,165 miles and occupies four days and five nights.

Other striking incidents of the trip will include a moonlight ride through the Royal Gorge and a night trip over the highest passes of the Rockies, an inspection of one of the greatest irrigation projects in all the west at Montrose, Colo., a visit to the smelters at Butte; a visit to the Coeur d'Alene country of northern Idaho; a two days' stay at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition at Seattle; a day of sight-seeing down the Shasta Route in California, three days' visit to the Yosemite valley; a day about the rim of the Grand Canyon in Arizona, and four days on the ranch of his brother, Charles P. Taft, near Corpus Christi, Texas.

The cabinet officers, who will be with the president at the meeting with President Diaz, are Secretary Knox, Secretary Dickinson, Postmaster General Hitchcock, Secretary Nagel.

Secretary Ballinger is expected to be with the president during the greater part of the time he passes in the northwest. The president has also invited a number of United States senators and personal friends to make portions of the journey as his friends.

The revised schedule of the principal stops to be made by the president follows:

September 16, afternoon and evening.

September 17, Milwaukee, forenoon; La Crosse, late afternoon; Winona, Minn., evening.

September 18 and 19, Minneapolis and St. Paul.

September 20, Des Moines, forenoon; Omaha evening.

September 21, Denver afternoon and evening.

September 22, Wolhurst, Colo. forenoon; Colorado Springs, early afternoon; Pueblo late afternoon.

September 23, Glenwood, Colo. brief morning visit; Grand Junction, one hour; Montrose, afternoon and evening.

September 24, Provo, Utah, afternoon; Salt Lake City evening.

September 25, Salt Lake.

September 26, Salt Lake, morning; Ogden afternoon; Pocatello, Idaho, brief night visit.

September 27, Butte, forenoon; Havre, afternoon.

September 28, Spokane, Wash. forenoon; Seattle evening.

September 30, Seattle.

October 1, Seattle morning; Tacoma afternoon and evening.

October 2 and 3 Portland.

October 4, Sacramento, Cal.

October 5, Oakland and Berkeley, Cal., forenoon; San Francisco afternoon and evening.

October 6, Merced, 1 hour en route to Yosemite.

October 7, 8 and 9, Yosemite valley.

October 10, Fresno, Cal. afternoon.

October 11 and 12, Los Angeles.

October 13, Phoenix and Prescott, Ariz., one hour stops.

October 14, the Grand Canyon.

October 15, Albuquerque, N.M.

October 16, El Paso and Ciudad Juarez, Mex.

October 17, San Antonio, Texas, evening.

October 18, San Antonio morning.

October 19, 20, 21 and 22, at ranch and in Corpus Christi.

October 23, Houston, forenoon; Dallas, evening.

President Taft and Attorney General Wickersham had a final conference tonight regarding the controversy between the interior department and the forestry division of the department of agriculture.

It is intimated that a statement may be forthcoming from the President with reference to the affair before starting on his trip Wednesday.—Albuquerque Journal.

## Estancia Won Sunday's Game.

The ball game Sunday between the All-Americans of Santa Fe and the Estancia Boys showed that the Estancians have not forgotten all about the game, altho our nine has had no practice for over two months, and very little all summer. The result of the game is given as 6 to 4 in favor of the home team. Quite a crowd witnessed the game and claim to have received their money's worth.

The excursion from the Capital City was about as well patronized as these generally are, not nearly so many coming down to visit the Metropolis of the Valley as usually go northward, when the tables are turned. In its usual generous manner the Central arranged to take the excursionists out of town before they had sufficient time to secure supper, while on the other hand the train is always held in Santa Fe late enough to give our people a chance to leave all their money including small change in the Ancient City.

## Lightning Enters Home.

J. J. Smith and wife had a narrow escape from a stroke of lightning last Sunday evening, while sitting at the supper table. Lightning struck two telephone poles near the house, the electricity being conveyed into the house along the wire. A ball of fire was seen to leave the telephone, which must have exploded in the room. Every dish on the table rattled, and both Mr. and Mrs. Smith were stunned for the time being. When Mr. Smith attempted to ask his wife what the trouble was he found he could not control his voice for several minutes. Both have recovered and are apparently no worse for the experience, altho neither wishes to repeat it right away.

## PREPARING FOR CENSUS.

An Army Numbering Thousands Will be Necessary to Complete This Big Task.

Elaborate provisions are now making for the thirteenth census, which will be taken in 1910. The first census, that of 1790, was a simple affair, relating only to population, and with but six questions asked by the enumerators. With the growth of the country, and with the increasing demand for statistical information, the taking of the census has become a stupendous task, a national account of stock, requiring an army of men and much complicated official machinery.

There will be three hundred and thirty supervisors, about seventy thousand enumerators, several thousand special agents and as many extra clerks added to the regular force in the census bureau. The long schedules to be filled out by the enumerators relate not only to population, but also to agriculture, manufacturing and mining. At the census office marvelous electrical tabulating machines will be used in assembling the returns. Hitherto the census has been taken as of June 1st, but next year it will be taken as of April 15th, because at that date the residents of the cities are still at their homes. In the cities the work must be completed in two weeks, while a month is allowed in rural sections.

This country was the first to make provision for a periodic census of population, and in no land is the gigantic undertaking performed in more thorough fashion, and nowhere are the results more scientifically trustworthy. The census office has been recognized as a model of efficiency and economy, but the preparations for the new census will be more elaborate than ever before, and the expense will be little, if any, greater than in 1900. Moreover, President Taft has ordered that the men engaged in this work shall abstain from all forms of political activity. This is in the interest of accuracy by removing from the politicians the temptation to urge that men be appointed as enumerators who are better qualified to pull political wires than to make a correct return of the population of their districts.—Youth's Companion.

## Work is Being Pushed.

Before installing the machinery for his new planing mill, Eugenio Romero found it necessary to put on an addition on the west end of his large building. The work is progressing nicely, the walls being up, and the rafters in place. The engine and boiler are in place, the immense smokestack having been raised last Monday.

Mr. Romero is expecting a machinist from the east to put the various machines in place and in running order. He expects to have everything ready for work by October 1st, after which it is hoped to continue steadily.

## New Association Organized.

On last Friday, September 10, an organization was effected at the Baptist church by which the Baptist churches of the Estancia Valley together with Las Vegas were formed into a new associa-

tion. Ten churches entered the new body. There was a good attendance of messengers and visitors. Dr. P. W. Longfellow of Roswell preached the introductory sermon Thursday evening and an able temperance discourse Saturday, he also preached again Sunday at 11 a. m., and 3 p. m.

Miss Emma E. Anderson of Clovis was present in the interest of the ladies' work and rendered invaluable assistance. She entertained a large audience Friday evening with a description of her trip to the Hopi Indian mission.

## Moving to Town.

James B. Smith on Wednesday of this week moved his house into town from the homestead three miles east, on which he made final proof some time since. He is preparing to get his family in town where the children can have the better school advantages Epler did the moving act.

## Mrs. Lueras Dead.

Word was received here Tuesday morning of the death of Mrs. Saturnino Lueras of Willard, on Monday evening, death being due to a complication of diseases, hastened by a severe attack of fever. She leaves besides the husband, a large family of children the eldest having just about attained his majority.

## Logan-Arendell.

The El Paso Herald of last Saturday gave the information that a marriage license had been issued to Grace D. Logan and James Arrendell. Both were former residents of the Estancia Valley.

## Cases Dismissed.

Two cases were heard before Justice Wasson Tuesday afternoon, in which Mrs. Josephine Knappe was the complaining witness and Cy Perkins the defendant charged with forgery. Both were dismissed for lack of evidence.

## Would Make Exhibit at Billings.

Prof. J. D. Tinsley, of the Agricultural College, has written Mr. Fred H. Ayers, in regard to the collecting and shipping of an exhibit from the Estancia Valley to the Dry Farming Congress at Billings, Montana. Mr. Tinsley suggests that if our home people will arrange the collecting and shipping of such an exhibit, that he will arrange to have the same displayed and proper credit given at Billings. This is indeed worth taking up and should be looked after by our people, as in no other way can the same advertising be secured for the valley and its products as at the Dry Farming Congress.

## To Organize County Sunday School Association.

To the Superintendents of the Sabbath Schools and Ministers of Torrance County. A delegate Convention is called to meet in Estancia on Sept. 29 and 30. In the interests of increasing the work of the Sabbath Schools, to study the most efficient methods for the advancement of the cause, and to organize a permanent County Sabbath School Association.

By order of the Committee.

## PROGRESSO WILL LOOSE.

The Duran News Shows up The Fact That The Sheep Ranch City Can Not Win Fight.

That Progresso is making an illtimed and futile claim for the county seat is the opinion of all unbiased or unprejudiced and thinking people throughout the county, the editor of the weekly news firmly believes. Though that particular spot was set aside as the seat of government for Torrance county at the time of its establishment, the fact that there has never been any town there, not even a stop station for trains until, perhaps the last three or four months, and the further fact that in consequence the county government was necessarily forced to seek some place where proceedings could be held and therefore was formed at the town of Estancia, a town amply sufficient to furnish such accommodations as were required, has long since lost them any claim, from a secular view point. The legality of their claim must be tested in the courts which may result in the calling of an election for a vote of the people of the county in which case Estancia need have no fear of losing that which she has already gained though by mere accident, and which it has so unquestionably fostered and nurtured to the point that a prior claim, in all reason, could hardly be given recognition outside of judiciary sitting. Since Duran has no show for it, and Willard seems to be unable to wrest the plum from Estancia we are in favor of the seat of government remaining where it is. That Estancia is logically as well as geographically situated for the county capital cannot be rightfully disputed, for not only is it the county's metropolis, but though a little north of the center, is yet located nearer the center of the population and in all probability will always be from the fact of the undesirability of much of the land in this end of the county for farming purposes.

That Progresso has not yet even begun making a showing as a town outside of one or two buildings (not even a depot) is further fact that they have no rightful claim on that which they lost from the same reason when it was set apart to them. That it is more a scheme on the part of a few settlers around Progresso to stay the erecting of county buildings and thus adding to the tax of all taxable property, we are inclined to believe. However, should the courts find for Progresso as legally the county seat (which we think doubtful owing to an amendment to the original bill naming it as such, which we are at this writing unable to give) we favor an election being called for a vote on the matter, and believe that Estancia will hardly give up that which has become hers by right of possession until the people of the county vote them to.—Duran news.

## El Paso to Have Baseball Tournament.

El Paso, Tex. Sept. 9.—The biggest baseball tournament yet to be held in the Southwest to decide the championship of the district will be the tournament to be held in connection with the El Paso Fair and Exposition, Nov. 1-7. All of the leading

teams of the Southwest have entered for this tournament and are now recruiting the strongest men obtainable for their teams in order to win the \$2000 in prizes offered by the Fair Association.

The race in the Southwest is getting hotter all the time and with two more months to play the teams should be playing real professional ball by the time for the El Paso Fair. The El Paso team has been reorganized, a manager secured from the Texas League and a number of new players signed. Douglas has done likewise, also Bisbee, Morenci, Colonia Dublan and the other crack teams in the Southwest, familiarly known as the "Cactus League" country. The tournament games are to be played as a part of the Fair and Exposition program and the finals will be the feature event of Fair week.

## Lucia News.

Who said Lucia was on the bum? Not a bit of it by gum; her pulse is good, she's feeling fine. I'd tell you why, but never mind.

A fine rain fell here Sunday evening and everything is booming.

Mrs. W. T. Brown is having her house remodeled and when completed will be a very cozy home.

Mrs. Schooler left Monday for Kansas where she will visit friends and relatives for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Moulton were in Willard Sunday.

Mrs. L. B. Shaver has been quite seriously ill for the past few days but is reported better at this writing.

Newt and Falcona Brown are digging a well for Mr. Baxter this week.

Boswell Brown is now a licensed locator and is ready to look after the interest of all new comers.

Earl Moulton, W. A. Gray and M. A. Maloney were in Estancia Saturday in interest of our school.

Miss Lillian Heal and Miss Mary Williamson were shopping in the county seat Saturday.

Mr. Goodrich and wife and Mr. Patterson and wife made a pleasant drive to the Padernal Hills Sunday.

Dr. Wilson while coming out from Willard Sunday in his auto ran through a wire fence near the home of L. B. Shaver. No damage was done, however. The doctor was not intoxicated, but his attention was called to the beauties of our little valley, and it is not surprising that he lost sight of the fences.

## VALLEY VIEW

Ernest Wiggins went to the Queen City, Saturday.

Tom Brantly and J. H. Underwood had business in the county seat Saturday.

Leonard Wheeler and O. W. Bay were in Estancia on business Saturday.

W. P. Comer and Oscar Bay went to the Padernal Mountains Monday.

L. S. Wheeler had business in Estancia Tuesday.

J. H. Underwood is gathering beans this week.

W. K. Kellogg was out to his farm Sunday.

Ben Walker of Silverton was visiting here Sunday.

Cutting feed crops seems to be the order of the day this week.