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WASHINGTON LETTER

BY CYRIL M. CASNER
Washington, Nov. 10. — "As Massachusetts goes, so will the nation go in 1912."

"This was the slogan of both Republican and Democratic in the Massachusetts campaign. And the Democratic candidate, Gov. Foss, won handsly."

The issue was the tariff and Taft standpatism, the same issues that will predominate in the 1912 campaign. Query: If the protectionists cannot carry Massachusetts, home of the cotton and woolen textile manufacturing industries, where the people are supposed to enjoy some of the tremendous advantages of protection, how can they expect to carry the middle and western states, in which regions live the people who pay the excessive prices caused by high tariff and reap none of the alleged benefits of protection?

Why Mr. Taft Feels Shaky

Here is an article which speaks for itself. It is taken from the Daily Democrat, published at Aberdeen, S. D., and is a fair sample of what the newspapers in the states visited by Mr. Taft on his trip through the West published after he had left town. Incidentally, this article in a measure reveals the sentiment which prompted Mr. Taft to make his now famous prediction of Republican defeat in 1912.

"The big event—Taft day at Aberdeen—has come and gone. Citizens go to see the President en masse, to come to Aberdeen, land in line and even give vent to a few feeble cheers, when he spoke but they were not with him at any stage in the game. Poor Taft! Big-hearted, jovial and companionable, a comrade in his bearing. Everybody instinctively admires him for the personal charm of his manner. It is too bad that such a good man should be spoiled by trying to make presidential timber of him. We love him for his large personality, but in view of what he has done we cannot vote for him again."

The President Voted!

The President got to vote after all. A lot of red tape was necessary, but he voted. And thereby hangs a tale.

Six years ago Mr. Taft made a speech at Akron, O., in which he roundly scolded the notorious Cox machine in Cincinnati. He said he could take great pleasure in voting against it. He declared this foul Republican machine was a stench in the nostrils of all good citizens. The people of Ohio, realizing that William H. Taft was telling the truth, applauded him vigorously and with the utmost sincerity.

In the recent election Mr. Taft publicly inorsed and voted for the Cox machine, which is still the disgraceful alliance of politics, corrupt business and the brothels that it was in 1905. But the President was there with an excuse. He said that "conditions had substantially changed."

Whatever the President was alluding to, it was not the Cox machine, for it had remained as foul as ever. The only change visible to observers is that, whereas six years ago Mr. Taft was not a candidate for office, he is today.

South May Desert Taft.

The prediction is made at the La Follette headquarters in Washington that the administration will find it impossible to send a solid Taft delegation from the South to the next convention.

"For many weeks," says a statement given out at the La Follette headquarters, "there has been signs that the Southern Republicans have been fearful that the re-nomination of President Taft will be a serious menace to their continued receipt of bi-monthly checks from the United States treasury. The South is affording the Progressive campaign committee more encouragement than any other section of the country."

Works Both Ways.

President Taft was angered because Congressman Littleton of New York spoke in condemnation of the Sherman law at the same banquet board at which he was to speak in its defense. If the President had himself protected the dignity of his office, by refraining from talking politics on his trip through the West, his displeasure at Mr. Littleton's action might have been in better taste. But he had just traveled 15,270 miles; been seen by nearly

County Court Proceedings

Proceedings of last week's session of County Court not heretofore reported:

Dramshop license was granted to Samie Larnie, Elvins; and license was refused S. D. Ebrecht in account of faulty description. In location of proposed dramshop; license was also refused Mart Swinford, Bogystown, on account of not having a majority of taxpaying citizens of Perry township on petitions.

In the matter of petition of M. A. Gwynn and Chas. Fowler for change of road, commissioners appointed to assess damages allow W. J. Ashburn a separate culvert 7 by 1 feet in the clear at the bridge about midway in the proposed change of road, also \$300.

W. E. Gillogie, constable of Perry township, made quarterly settlement which was approved.

J. C. Crow presented treasurer's receipt \$84 for subscribed for improvement of Libertyville and Knob Hill road, and the court appropriated an additional \$100 for same purpose, appointing R. P. Sebastian as superintendent of expenditure.

The court took a recess Thursday to assist and inspect the steel bridge erected across Flat River at Herodford, the contractors having reported its completion. After inspection the court received the bridge.

The collector was directed to return as erroneous \$200 on personal assessment of E. K. Hopkins; also to change personal property listed under name of J. A. Smith of Elvins to J. W. Smith; also to correct description of E. G. Clark, s. w. 1/4 of s. w. 1/4 to w. 1/2 of s. w. 1/4 sec. 19, twp. 34, range 5 east.

Mrs. Clara Degonia of Desloge was admitted to Mt. Vernon Sanitarium as a county patient.

Otto Hult was appointed constable of Randolph township to fill out the unexpired term of Alexander Ross, deceased.

Collector was directed to return as erroneous taxes against Mrs. Geo. W. Mahu and change same from \$10.35 to \$9.15.

It was ordered by court that the State Auditor be authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of W. C. Fischer, county treasurer, for \$1,044.00, amount of foreign companies insurance tax due this county.

Warrants Issued:

J. W. Franzen, road imp.	\$ 50.00
W. E. Larkin, court attendance	22.00
State Hospital No. 4	2425.00
Colo & Nixon, int. supplies	19.50
E. M. Laakman, int. supplies	2.00
Farmington Telephone Co.	20.00
A. A. Johnson, school fund loan	100.00
H. J. Cox, road imp.	100.00
Wm. Mitchell, repairing pig pen	15.00
Bonne Terre star, printing order	25.00
Fledge Press, printing order	25.00
W. E. Larkin, court attendance	22.00
Mt. Vernon Sanitarium	2.00
Waters Bros, stationery	10.15
G. E. Lynch, services on text book	10.00
Dr. A. L. Evans, examination	12.50
City Lighting Plant	18.00
E. M. Laakman, int. supplies	2.00
Adam Seider, burial post-lawson	10.00
McCarthy Lumber & Construction Co.	1,750.00
in addition to inventory	1,000.00
E. M. Laakman, int. supplies	2.00
H. F. Castled, int. supplies	2.00
J. Douglas	15.45
M. E. Kates, appropriation Lead wood and Jaytown road	15.75
stump B. A. L. Cox, Berod's bond	100.00
bridges	100.00
W. E. Larkin, court attendance	22.00
man Church road imp.	100.00
Harve Strong, road imp.	100.00
Correll Mr. J. W. constable	100.00
Maple Ridge Cannery, canning vsg	100.00
stables for int.	10.00
T. H. Hart & son, int. supplies	10.00
E. J. McKinney, int. supplies	10.00
City Drug store, int. supplies	10.00
Funk Bros, sup. Jesse highway	10.00
Farmington Mex. Co., sup. Aunt	10.00
Lizzie	1.00
Fischer Bros. Co., int. supplies	10.00
Jer Whaley Laundry	10.00
C. W. Franzen, express	10.00
City Drug store, jail sup.	10.00
city water account	10.00
W. E. Larkin, court attendance	10.00
Bonne Terre Pharmacy Co., board of health supplies	10.00
Farmington Mex. Co., jail sup.	10.00
W. E. Fischer, treasurer, inspect	10.00
Leas Lewis Dolochinsky, guard	10.00
railroad	10.00
Frank A. Sago, furniture for Highway Engineer's office	10.00
Lang & Sons, burial D. Blackwell	10.00
E. E. Smith, int. supplies	10.00
skinner-Kennedy sta. Co., station's	10.00
Dr. B. H. Dowling, services at int. and jail	10.00
Mrs. Kate Carver, renter	10.00
Albert Wulter, fees	10.00
Sam Byington, street repairing	10.00
E. E. Smith, int. supplies	10.00
State Hospital No. 4	10.00
E. E. Smith, expense as road com.	10.00
Leas Lewis Dolochinsky, same	10.00
E. E. Smith, same	10.00
Len Radlen, lay for int.	10.00
G. W. Robertson, brooms	10.00
King & Son, int. supplies	10.00
Hugh Stephens Priz. Co., supplies	10.00
Farmington News, supplies	10.00
Colo & Nixon, jail sup.	10.00
Nixon & Skinner, Stationery	10.00
Klein crocke Co., jail sup.	10.00
R. C. Pigg, livery hire	10.00
Barnard & Co., Stationery	10.00
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Wm. London, sheriff	10.00
A. Wulter, stamps	10.00

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Piedmont had a fire on last Thursday that did damage to the amount of \$33,775 on which there was about \$20,000 insurance. The fire started in a baker shop.

"A good many members of our church don't close their eyes and bow their heads when the preacher prays," declared old Si Chestnut the other day. When asked how he found out, old Si got mad and walked off.

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Executrix's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary were granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of St. Francois county, Missouri, dated the 13th day of October, 1911, on the estate of
L. P. PERET, deceased.
All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to the Executrix for allowance within six months from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate, and if not presented for allowance within one year from the date of said letters they will be forever barred.
HARRIET E. PERET, Executrix.
October 26, 1911.

Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration were granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of St. Francois county, Missouri, dated the 5th day of November, 1911, on the estate of
ABRAHAM SMITH, deceased.
All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to the Administrator for allowance within six months from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate, and if not exhibited for allowance within one year from the date of said letters they will be forever barred.
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