

# TAFT GAZES INTO THE GRAND CANYON



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## ARIZONA IS ENTHUSIASTIC.

President Favors Statehood but  
Warned Territory Against Such a  
Constitution as Oklahoma's.

Grand Canyon, Ariz., Oct. 14.—After trudging over the deserts practically all day yesterday and being enveloped in clouds of red finely powdered dust, President Taft awoke today at the rim of the Grand Canyon of the Colorado.

The air at the altitude was crisp and cool, and Mr. Taft looked forward to his day of rest and sight-seeing with the greatest possible pleasure.

The president arose early with the desire of spending as much time as possible about the rim of the vast abyss, which in places is more than a mile deep, and that he might see the color effects of sunrise. The president's original schedule did not call for his arrival until 10 o'clock this morning, but he awoke at Ash Fork last night was out in order to gain more time for the canyon trip. The president's day was made up of morning and afternoon stage trips to various points of interest about the rim of the canyon. The time was too short for any attempt to go down the trail leading to the racing mudy waters of the Colorado, but the first stage of his cut, Limichon was served at the Hotel El Tovar, the president being the guest of the Arizona committee, Postmaster General Hitchcock, who has been making a strenuous trip through Arizona on horseback and who is sunburned and greatly improved in health in the party.

Mr. Taft's visit to Arizona has been viewed by some residents of Arizona as having political significance with reference to the probability of statehood. The president's unqualified declaration of support for the statehood proposition, however, has done much to clear away the political theories.

### FAVORS STATEHOOD

President Taft won a hearty welcome into Arizona by proclaiming wherever he went that he was heartily in favor

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of statehood for each of the territories of Arizona and New Mexico.

He declared that their constitution should follow the simplicity of the Constitution of the United States, and should merely be fundamental laws with simple rules of limitations.

Mr. Taft urged the people of Arizona to profit by what he termed the mistakes of Oklahoma. He characterized the Oklahoma constitution as a "geological garden of cranks."

### A NEW SENSATION.

In his principal speech, delivered at Phoenix yesterday, President Taft said:

"It is a new sensation for me to talk to the people of a territory, and I may say that thus far it is a very pleasant sensation. I want to congratulate you on living such a territory as such energy and such enterprise as has called forth from the Republican party a pledge that you shall have statehood, and in order to establish my relation with you easily, I want to say so far as I am concerned, I am ready to carry out that promise as far as I can. Sometimes it is better to postpone the marriage and everything else in a novel to the end, but I always have the habit of looking through to see whether it ends all right before I begin, and I am inclined to think that the ladies before me generally follow that course."

"Now, gentlemen and ladies—do I not know whether you are going to let the ladies vote or not, and I speak therefore with due consideration—you are anticipating statehood, and you have no anxiety to show what you can do as an independent government, and I am afraid you are anticipating the pleasure of that independence without fully understanding or at least realizing the responsibilities of it, and therefore after having made your announcement, if I point out some of the difficulties that you are going to have, you will excuse me."

You have got to formulate a con-

dition after the Congress says you must have it, and I want to say this so I give you an earnest knowledge of the seriousness with which I say that I believe you are to be made a state. A constitution is for the purpose of laying down fundamental laws upon your legislature and your executive. Now, if you think that the constitutional convention you ought to lay down all the limitations that are ordinarily included in the statute, you are going to make a great mistake. The greatest constitution that was ever made is the Constitution of the United States, and you can go through that in a very short time.

"You take the best constitution that was made—it is the constitution of Oklahoma—and it is a zoological garden of cranks. It does seem to me that it is no good law in it, it has—but the idea of tying down a legislature which is an experiment, so to speak, with the laws that are to be adopted to a new territory, with a long distance imposing all sorts of limitations, is a mistake which you ought to profit by."

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### CAUGHT GLIMPSE OF LONDON SUFFRAGETTES

Chicago, Oct. 14.—Chicago working girls caught their first glimpse of London suffragettes and stamp-speakers and their noisy, disorderly proceedings when a carriage filled with women unionists stopped in front of a west side factory and vehement appeals were made to the stream of homeward-going working girls to join the union.

The carriage containing Miss Mary Robinson, president of the Women's Trade Union League of Illinois, Miss Mary F. McArthur of London, representing the English trade union league and other union officers drew up across the street from the factory. Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. McArthur failed to secure a hearing from the women who gathered about. They were jeered and advised to go back to England.

The other speakers were more successful.

A three months' permit to make outdoor speeches has been obtained from the police department.

**WANTED PAY FOR ACTING AS PALL BEARER**

Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 14.—Although left \$500 by the will of Newton C. Brown, who died at the railroad Y. M. C. A., John Davis who made his home at the Y. M. C. A., put in a bill against the estate for \$10 for acting as pall-bearer. So did the other pall-bearers.

Brown dropped his claim for \$10 as pall-bearer while on the witness stand to claim that for services rendered the deceased. The services consisted of rubbing the legs of Brown who was afflicted with rheumatism, cutting his ears, and dressing him at 12 a. m.

This claim is objected to by the executors who also oppose a claim of \$200 for similar services for 18 years presented by Joseph Allen, a railroad engineer.

### UNIVERSITY STUDENTS PARTIALLY WRECK HOTEL

New York, Oct. 14.—As a result of a clash between New York university students, the Grove hotel, at the north end of Vandam park is in a partial wreck today. More than 100 freshmen chased half a dozen sophomores from the campus and took them to an upper room in the hotel. There the youths made to push pennies across the floor with their noses and row imaginary boats with toothpicks.

The freshmen had just painted the numerals 1913 on the faces of their prisoners, when a crowd of rescuing sophomore charged the hotel. In the battle the seniors were driven off but they soon returned and in a few minutes nearly every window in the hotel was broken by stones and empty bottles. Students inside the hotel repented by hurling the furniture out of the windows at the besiegers. The bottle was still on when the police arrived, but were arrested before any arrests could be made.

### JOHN M. EARLY MAY LIVE IN BROOKLYN

New York, Oct. 14.—The Brooklyn branch of health has declared that John M. Early, over which medical scientists in this country and Europe have warmly disputed as to whether he has leprosy, may live in that borough indefinitely and without interference. The matter was brought before the board of health from Europe that the international conference on leprosy had declared Early was a leper.

After serving as a soldier Early returned to his home in Washington, when as a member of the Salvation Army he was afflicted with a disease which the physicians declared to be leprosy.

A few months ago a New York officer succeeded in effecting his release and he came to Brooklyn where he has since been employed in a position which brings him in daily contact with many thousands of persons. The New York specialists declared he is not a victim of leprosy.

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