

**RATIFICATION OF TAFT'S ELECTION**

Ceremonies Attending it in House Of Representatives Will be Simple and Dignified.

**UNLOCKING OF BALLOT BOXES**

Vice President Fairbanks Will Do It— Packages Will be Handled, in Alphabetical Order, to Tellers.

Washington, Feb. 7.—The formal ratification of the election of William H. Taft and James S. Sherman as president and vice president, respectively, to be held in the hall of the house of representatives next Wednesday, will be one of the most ceremonial events attending the political life of America. Simplicity and dignity will mark every feature of this function, which will be witnessed by the two houses of congress, by members of the diplomatic corps, by leading officials of this government and by a brilliant assemblage. The senate and house will assemble at noon at usual. After being called to order, the senate will proceed to the hall of the house, where a joint meeting will be held to count the vote.

The ceremony will begin at 1 o'clock. Shortly before that time Vice President Fairbanks will leave his chair as presiding officer of the senate, and will proceed to the east door, preparatory to leading the procession of senators to the hall of the house. He will be accompanied by the secretary of the senate and a squad of capitol police. Col. Daniel M. Randall, sergeant-at-arms of the senate, will immediately precede the vice president. The assistant doorkeepers of the senate, carrying two boxes containing the electoral votes previously received by Mr. Fairbanks, will closely follow the vice president. The procession will move slowly through the capitol building and through statuary hall. Speaker Cannon will be informed of the coming of the senators, and representatives will vacate seats on his right hand will vacate them in order to make room for the 52 senators.

The vice president will take a seat at the right of the speaker, and will be preceded by the speaker. Mr. Fairbanks will then unlock the wooden boxes and, announcing the purpose of the gathering, will open the packages in alphabetical order, handing the certificates to the four tellers, Senators Burrows of Michigan and Bailey of Texas having been appointed on the part of the senate and representatives Gaines of West Virginia and Russell of Texas on the part of the house. When the counting has been concluded, showing that Taft and Sherman have received 253 votes and Bryan and Kern 182, the vice president will inquire whether any one desires to file a protest against the result as announced, and in the absence of such protest he will declare the successful candidates duly elected.

As soon as this function has been performed, the senate will return to its chamber and both bodies will resume their ordinary proceedings.

**JUDGE TAFT AND PARTY LEAVE FOR NEW ORLEANS**

Colon, Feb. 7.—President-elect William H. Taft and party left here this evening at 6 o'clock on board the cruiser North Carolina for New Orleans, accompanied by the cruiser Montana. Previous to embarking Mr. Taft gave out the following:

"I am not prepared now to make a statement as to the results of the trip to the isthmus, except to say that we have found the work progressing in a most satisfactory way, the organization better than ever; the spirit de corps excellent and the determination of all, even the humblest laborer, is directed to the building of the canal. I am sure the time has not yet come when everyone of the board of visiting engineers as it has upon me.

"With reference to the type of the canal and the continuance of the present plans, the engineers promise that they will be able to hand me their report by the time we land at New Orleans.

Mr. Taft and party reached Colon from Panama at 3:15 this afternoon. Col. Miles and a large gathering of the Panama railroad and the isthmian canal commission employees were present to bid farewell to him. Lieut.-Col. Goethals, chief engineer of the canal, accompanied Mr. Taft on the North Carolina. He will proceed to Washington to discuss the matter of canal appropriations.

As the tug which transferred the visitors to the cruiser moved away the crowds cheered lustily. Mr. Taft, looking the picture of health, bowed and called out, laughingly: "Keep your eyes on that subterranean lake at Gatun."

During his visit, which lasted 19 days, Mr. Taft visited every section of the canal. His influence was exerted also to bring about a better feeling between various factions that have been opposing each other since the last election.

**DEER JUMPS THROUGH PLATE GLASS WINDOW**

Nashua, N. H., Feb. 8.—People returning from church here yesterday were startled by the sound of breaking glass in a window of the Nashua Trust company, and turning toward the sound, saw that a small buck deer had jumped through the plate glass. The animal was so injured that it was necessary to kill it. Deer have been very plentiful around here, and the buck evidently belonged to a herd which ranges north of this city. It was probably driven into the city by dogs.

**TO SPREAD ZIONIST MOVEMENT**

New York, Feb. 8.—Meetings were held in all parts of the city yesterday to spread the propaganda of the Zionist movement. Saturday was the fifteenth day of the Jewish month Shebat, which is the historic Jewish new year, and the planting of trees. The time was regarded as opportune for a special effort in the advancement of the Zionist movement.

**MOISE TO ASK BAIL**

New York, Feb. 8.—Application will be made in the United States circuit court of appeals this week to admit Charles W. Moise, the former banker, to bail, pending argument on his appeal from the 15 years' sentence in the federal prison in Atlanta, for violating the national banking laws. Moise is in the Tombs, and application for bail has heretofore been refused, but permission was given his counsel to make further application when the appeal is filed.

The convicted banker's counsel are greatly encouraged at the number of prominent men who have signed the petition asking that he be admitted to bail. Among the signers are many well-known merchants, railroad men, bankers, brokers and prominent men of affairs. It is said also that John W. McKinnon, liquidating agent of the National Bank of North America, of which Moise was vice president during the panic, has signed the petition and that stockholders of the bank will make a special plea for Moise.

**ANARCHISTS DENOUNCE CURBING OF FREE SPEECH**

New York, Feb. 8.—Unmolested by the police, a gathering of anarchists met in a hall in East Broadway yesterday afternoon and indulged in bitter attacks on established institutions in this country and the curbing of "free speech." Regulations in San Francisco were particularly assailed and a collection was taken up to further the free speech propaganda in that city. Alexander Berkman, a companion of Emma Goldman, presided at the meeting and protested against her recent arrest in the recent President Roosevelt. John D. Rockefeller, J. P. Morgan and others were the brain of virulent outbursts by speakers.

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**BRUTAL ATTACK ON MISS ELIZABETH GRAPES**

San Rafael, Cal., Feb. 7.—Miss Elizabeth Grapes, a beautiful 19-year-old girl employed as bookkeeper in the office of a local paper, is in a critical condition as the result of a brutal assault last night. While walking on Fifth avenue, Miss Grapes stopped to cry out, her assailant dragged the half-stunned girl to a vacant lot about 150 yards away. In the struggle her clothing was torn from her body and she was finally beaten into insensibility. Recovering consciousness later, she found herself lying on the porch of a vacant house. On her hands and knees, the young woman dragged herself toward a light, glimmering a short distance away and knocked on the door of the home of George Beardsley. The sight of a nude woman, her face covered with dirt, so horrified the occupants that she was denied admittance. At that moment Miss Mary Collins and two other girls passed by. They recognized Miss Grapes, wrapped her in their cloaks and conveyed her to her home, where physicians were summoned immediately.

Sheriff Taylor was assisted by scores of citizens and search was made all night and today for the assailant of Miss Grapes. Should he be captured it will require the utmost efforts of the authorities to prevent a lynching. Two suspects were arrested late tonight.

**EMPLOYMENT OF SECRET SERVICE**

Secy. Garfield Does Not Admit Interior Department Has Suffered from Limitation.

**IS USING SPECIAL AGENTS.**

Public Land Laws Have Not Been Vigorously Enforced in Former Years—Congress Not to Blame.

Washington, Feb. 7.—That the interior department in its investigation of land frauds has suffered by the legislative limitation on the use of the secret service by the treasury department, was admitted by Secy. Garfield when he appeared before the subcommittee of the house committee on appropriations. Mr. Garfield's testimony was made public today. The subcommittee is drafting the sundry civil appropriation bill in which the secretary proposes to incorporate an item of \$500,000 for fighting deceptions upon public timber, protecting public lands, etc. Secy. Garfield testified that the \$500,000 appropriation asked for was twice as large as that asked for last year, but was needed to unearth frauds committed years ago. The secretary said the public land laws had not been vigorously enforced in former years. He absolved Congress from blame.

Secy. Garfield explained that prior to his administration both special agents of the interior department and men in the department of justice, which was described as procuring secret service operatives for this work, investigated land fraud cases. Now the cases are investigated only by special agents of the interior department.

It was brought out that Secy. Garfield and the attorney-general had agreed to take secret service men off of land fraud cases before Mr. Garfield had knowledge of the proposed limitation. Secy. Garfield said:

"There was a force under the department of justice that was doing work of which the land office had no information, and I found that they were engaged upon cases upon which our own men were engaged, and there was overlapping of work, conflict and friction between the two bodies of men."

The hearing also brought out the fact that the records show that the first secret service man "loaned or transferred" from the treasury department to the interior department direct to investigate the land fraud cases, William J. Burns had not been paid for his work. The transfer was made before Mr. Garfield became secretary. The secretary doubted if such a transfer was proper.

Mr. Garfield admitted that although the limitation referred to prohibited the hiring of men in the secret service division of the treasury department, it did not prohibit the "borrowing" of men from the new secret service force of the department of justice.

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**UNITED HATTERS.**

To Carry on Warfare Send Out Appeal For Funds.

New York, Feb. 8.—In order to carry on their strike the United Hatters of North America have sent out an appeal for funds. It is estimated that it will require \$20,000 a week to pay all the strike benefits to the 30,000 hatters who are on strike. The strike situation was discussed yesterday at the meeting of the Central Federated Union here and a committee which was appointed to ask the city authorities to see that the union label was in all police helmets reported that police commissioner Bingham had acted favorably on the request.

**ORDERED TO PHILIPPINES.**

Chicago, Feb. 8.—The first squadron of the Thirtieth regiment of cavalry now stationed at Fort Sheridan, has been ordered to San Francisco and preparations for the long overland trip are now being made. The entire Thirtieth cavalry is affected by special orders issued from the war department.

The squadron from Fort Sheridan will be joined by a full squadron from Fort Myer, Virginia, and by the Third squadron from Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

The entire regiment has been instructed to reach San Francisco in time to sail for the Philippines on March 6.

**CATTLE BURNED TO DEATH.**

Chicago, Feb. 8.—One hundred and twenty-five Holstein cattle owned at over \$11,000, were burned to death yesterday in a barn on a farm near Elgin. Every cow in the barn was destroyed. A peculiar coincidence in connection with the disaster was the fact that a barn built on the same site burned down 12 years ago, killing 60 cattle. The fire is believed to have been of incendiary origin.

**TO WALK 110 MILES IN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS**

Pasadena, Cal., Feb. 8.—Eugene Eschtoppey, an athlete, announces that he will start on Wednesday to walk from Pasadena to Los Angeles within 24 hours, a distance of 110 miles by a training stunt. He has contracted to run 1,000 miles at the Alaska-Yukon exposition, sleeping between miles. As he will be running a mile every hour for 12 days, he realizes that he must be in the best of condition to accomplish his task.

**LARGEST BAND EVER ASSEMBLED TO GIVE CONCERT**

New York, Feb. 8.—The largest band which has ever been assembled will give a concert in the Twenty-second regiment armory on March 2. The idea was conceived by the bandmaster of the regiment, who announces that the organization will be made as follows: Fifty-three clarinets, 14 flutes and piccolos, 10 oboes, eight bassoons, 20 cornets, four flugel horns, eight trumpets, 24 French horns, 12 baritone, 20 trombones, 12 tubas, four bass violas, three drums, five snare drums, two sets of tympani and two harps.

**TO FIGHT TUBERCULOSIS.**

Chicago, Feb. 8.—With its formal meeting of the World Tuberculosis conference at Winfield, Ill., next week, the city has been directed toward the organization for a more vigorous anti-tubercular policy in the battle against the white plague. The resolution represents the culmination of the work of the anti-tubercular association, which enlisted the aid of the Jewish Consumptive Relief society, which consolidated with the Beron (Good Woman's club several years ago)—singing workers and several other charitable organizations.

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**CHAMP CLARK, LEADER OF THE DEMOCRATS IN CONGRESS.**

**ENGINEER'S JUDGMENT SAVES HUNDRED LIVES**

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 8.—One hundred lives hung in the balance for the fraction of a second last night, while Engineer W. Baldwin of the Santa Fe-San Bernardino local, hesitated as to whether he should follow his trainman's example and jump or stick by his engine and pilot it over the fast settling bridge at Avenue 35 and the Arroyo Seco. The arroyo was a raging torrent from the heavy storm and the water cut under the concrete piling of the bridge and it began to sag. Then came the train of 14 cars slipping down grade from Pasadena. Several hundred persons were out watching the stream and when they saw the train coming, they made every attempt to warn it.

Engineer Baldwin saw the danger, but unable to stop the train until it was upon the bridge he opened the throttle and let the engine run across gently. Had his train hit the bridge at high speed cars and passengers would have gone into the roaring water. Later the first section of the inbound Los Angeles limited, was halted just north of the damaged bridge and the passengers made their way into the city on electric cars. The second section was sent around by way of Riverside.

**LIGHTNING FLASH DEFLECTED BY WAVES FROM WIRELESS**

San Francisco, Feb. 8.—A lightning flash, intercepted by the electric waves of a message being thrown from a wireless mast to a steamer at sea, and deflected down the wires to the operating room of the wireless station, killed burned William J. Smith, the operator, who was seated before his instruments. The peculiar accident occurred early yesterday during the short electrical storm which swept over the city. Smith was rendered senseless for 10 minutes and on recovering found that fantastic designs had been burned on his flesh by the current.

Smith was communicating with the steamer Lurline, which left port last Friday, towing the bark Mohican to Honolulu. The storm broke with sudden intensity, the blinding flashes of lightning following one another quickly, a tremendous peal of thunder accompanying the light.

Suddenly a blast of light broke from the instruments in front of Smith, and he was hurled from his chair half way across the room by the shock of the high tension current which had been caught by the message waves. Only his position and the fact that the force of the current was spread both ways along the message wires, it is claimed, saved him from instant death.

When Smith recovered he found himself little worse for his experience aside from the strange figures etched on the skin of his chest and arms, and the shaken feeling. He returned to work tonight.

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