PRESIDENT TAFT ON RESULT OF ELECTION

REGRETS REJECTION OF RECIPROCITY

Views of Seattle Businessmen —More London Press Comments

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 23.—President Taft, who arrived here this morning, in an address referred again briefly to reciprocity which met such a decisive defeat in Canada.

"I suppose you have heard the policy of reciprocity is not going through," said Mr. Taft. "I see Speaker Champ Clark has been speculating as to who is responsible. I cannot say who is responsible, but I do know that I am content to abide by the result.

"I have been on the bench long enough to know that when you get a decision that hits you between the eyes the best thing to do is to sit still. I regret that it is not going through, for it would have been a benefit to both countries."

Comments From Seattle.

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 23.—Seattle business men and bankers were for the most part disappointed at the failure of the Canadian people to ratify the reciprocity principle.

M. F. Backus, president of the National Bank of Commerce, said: "I was surprised and disappointed to learn that reciprocity did not carry. I regret the defeat of the plan. Reciprocity would have been a splendid thing for the country at large and in that way, if no other, would have been beneficial to Puget Sound. Reciprocity would not have hurt the lumber business. The duty is bound to come off lumber, and it might just as well have been taken off by reciprocity as at Washington next winter."

M. A. Arnold, president of the First National Bank, said: "I felt that if reciprocity carried new markets for Washington products, particularly lumber, would have been opened up to Washington manufacturers and shippers. The failure of the issue may result in some loss of business which had been figured on by shippers in this country. I am sorry it did not carry."

E. W. Andrews, president of the Seattle National Bank, said: "I was rather sorry reciprocity did not carry, although I think the immediate effects of the success of the measure would have been injurious. I believe that many people would have moved into Canada had reciprocity carried. In the long run, however, reciprocity would have benefited the country."

B. W. Robinson, manager of R. G. Dun & Co., said: "I did not think for a moment that reciprocity would carry. I knew the temper of the people too well. I believe that reciprocity would have hurt rather than helped the lumber business in the northwest."

Henry Carstens, president of Carstens & Earles, Inc., said: "I fully expected the outcome of the election to be just as it was. I knew the general sentiment of the people was against reciprocity. Had the proposition originated in Canada, it might have stood some chance of passing. Reciprocity would have been a good thing."

J. B. Powles, president of J. B. Powles & Co., said: "I am rather pleased at the result. I doubt very much whether reciprocity would have been of any benefit to us. It might have stimulated the jobbing trade somewhat, but at the same time would have taken a large brokerage business away from us. In other words, Vancouver and Victoria would have gone over our heads here in Seattle for supplies which they have been obtaining here."

London Views.

London, Sept. 23.—The Pall Mall Gazette says of President Taft:

"President Taft, we are glad to see, accepted Canada's message with becoming meekness. He failed to effect the designed breach of that imperial commercial band reaching from England around the world to England again and the importance of rupturing which he announced."

The Liberal Westminster Gazette thinks that the Canadians are only at the beginning of the question of reciprocity, and that under a new redistribution act and as the west fills up, the Liberals will have a better chance of carrying it.

Congressman McCall.

Boston, Mass., Sept. 23.—Congressman Samuel W. McCall, who introduced the original reciprocity scheme in congress said to-day:

"With the great railroads, the manufacturers and the commercial and financial classes and powerful interests on this side of the border opposing reciprocity and with the help of Rudyard Kipling and his warning that an increase of commerce would increase crime, it is not strange that Canada retained possession of her soul. The puerile annexation bogey appears to have led her to reject a golden opportunity as she is ever likely to have."

RobbedOf Jewels.

New York, Sept. 23.—That she was robbed of $10,000 worth of jewellery by a chance acquaintance in London was the story told by Mrs. H. E. Myers, a widow, to customs inspectors, on her return to New York on the steamer Celtic last night in explaining why she did not have with her the same amount of jewellery she had listed on her departure for Europe on the Lapland in August. Mrs. Myers, who still had left jewellery appraised at more than $10,000, said that on the trip over she had met an ingratiating Cuban who called on her in London, with a woman companion, and persuaded her to take a ride in a cab.

While in a remote part of the city the pair attacked her and although she fought, they succeeded in getting away from her a $4,000 diamond ring, a diamond heart worth $1,000 and other jewellery and $1,000 in cash.

ALLEGATIONS OF GRAFT ARE MADE

INVOLVE AN ALDERMAN AND A CITY OFFICIAL

City Council Appoints Committee to Investigate—Tense Situation

Graft. That was the watchword in the city council last night, and each man looked at his neighbor's face in a vain attempt to discover the Judas and brand him with the blight of scorn. For a moment following the announcement by Mayor Morley that there was a Judas in their midst who had sold the city for some pieces of silver to be the plaything of a private paving company there was a tense silence, followed immediately thereafter by repeated demands for details of the charge and the name of the accused. Graft amply covers the alleged charge, and the individuals accused are an alderman of the board and a city official. A committee was appointed to investigate the matter.

This sensational situation was created last night at the regular meeting of the city council after the ordinary business had been transacted. Mayor Morley craved the courtesy of his colleagues to introduce what he termed a delicate matter. He had been acquainted with certain allegations regarding the manner in which the great paving contract for the city of Victoria had been awarded to the Canadian Mineral Rubber Company, allegations of which he spoke involved a very serious charge against both the individuals referred to. They were sworn to in a written statement, and he did not know exactly how to proceed in the matter. The communication was addressed to him personally and was marked confidential. It obviously required delicate treatment and therefore he asked that the council appoint two of its number to confer with him in order to obtain a representative opinion as to whether or not the charge should be made public.

Ald. Humber—What does it all mean? Who is the alderman? We have a right to know, and the accused has also the right to know. How can we appoint a committee to investigate something that has never been submitted to us? Let's hear the story.

Ald. F. T. Fulderton—I don't know what it's all about.

Mayor Morley—I know you don't. I'm telling you. At least I am telling you as much as I will. I am in possession of a sworn statement which calls for the most careful investigation. I do not want the aldermen to ask for details as it places me in a very unpleasant position, and while I certainly intend to thresh the matter out I am sure that making a disclosure here at this time is the best way of doing it. I think it is a matter for a committee to deal with.

Ald. Ross—This is public business. At least it becomes so when you bring it before the council. I for one want to know more about it.

Ald. Okell—I don't think the matter should be brought before the council at all unless you are prepared to make the charges.

Ald. Humber—Name the charge.

Ald. Bishop and Peden joined in the general chorus for more information, but the mayor stood his ground. It appeared to be only a matter of time, however, before he would succumb to force of numbers.

Again Ald. Humber called upon the mayor to read the charges, and his solicitations in this regard were again backed up by several of his colleagues. For a moment the mayor hesitated, looked round the row of eager faces, sighed resignedly, and then made as if to submit himself to their insistent demand, when Ald. Moresby rose from his seat and saved the situation—for the time being.

He claimed that if the mayor was in possession of such evidence of grafting on the part of an alderman and a city official he was perfectly within his right in withholding that information until he had conferred with a committee as to the advisability of going further into the matter. It was apparently a matter requiring the most delicate treatment and he thought that under the circumstances, however anxious the other aldermen might be to know the truth, the better course to follow was the one suggested by the mayor. It was not necessary that there should be any delay in the matter. The mayor and the committee could leave the chamber temporarily and report back almost immediately.

The council, on this advice, restrained its impatience, and allowed the mayor to leave the chamber along with Ald. Gleason and Langley to discuss the situation. In a few minutes they returned and Ald. Langley reported that having been made acquainted with the circumstances of the situation he regarded them as very serious and therefore moved that an investigation be held to prove or disprove the allegations.

This action was endorsed by the council. The same committee will conduct the investigation, which will probably be held on Tuesday or Wednesday of next week.

On being challenged after the meeting for the name of the Alderman and the city official Mayor Morley declined to say anything further. When the name of an alderman and a certain city official was put to him he would neither deny nor affirm that the allegations concerned them. He promised, however, that the investigation would be held in public, a promise which was supplemented by Ald. Lansley, who contended that such an investigation must be conducted in public in justice to the accused as well as to the accuser.

In raising the matter Mayor Morley stated that he would not sign any more contracts for paving until after the investigation which he was calling for was over, but in his absence the council, apparently forgetting his assertion, awarded a supplementary contract to the Canadian Mineral Rubber Company to pave Gorge road.

While it would be unfair to mention the names of the "suspect" at this time, especially in view of the fact that the council was at such pains to have them kept secret, meantime speculation in regard to their identity did not seem to overstrain the imagination of some of those at the council board.

The informer is alleged to be a former employee of the Canadian Mineral Rubber Company who was dismissed for some reason or another.

—Toronto Star.

THE WAY IT IS PLAYED

"Isn't it great to have these little fellers do all the pulling."

To the Electors:—

I beg to tender my sincere thanks to the electors of Victoria, both Liberal and Conservative, who voted for me at the election now over. I am especially grateful to the workers in the various wards and to those who directed them in their efforts to redeem the seat in Victoria from the possession of the Conservative member. In my absence from the city will all my friends please accept this acknowledgment.

WILLIAM TEMPLEMAN.

WOMEN AVIATORS ENTER CONTESTS

Four Will Compete at International Meet—Prizes Total $50,000

New York, Sept. 23.—With thirty-five aviators, among them four women, turning up their aeroplanes and making short test flights, all was in readiness to-day for the international aviation meet which was scheduled to start at 3 o'clock this afternoon with a passenger-carrying race between monoplanes, and continues for nine days on a field on the Nassau Boulevard, Garden City. Approximately $50,000 in prizes are to be distributed during the meet.

The first aerial postal service to be duly authorized by the United States post office department is to be inaugurated from the field. A regular branch post office has been established and is on the field, with a number of postal clerks, and the department has designed a new postmark stamp which will be placed on each letter.

Capt. Paul W. Beck proposes to make two flights daily, carrying about 20,000 letters each day. He will take them from the field to some post office on Long Island or to Governor's Island, from where the aerial mail will be transferred to the regular postal routes and followed to its destination.

St. Louis Offers Purse.

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 23.—The Aero Club of St. Louis to-day posted a purse of $10,000 to be claimed by the first aviator starting from the Atlantic or Pacific coasts to alight here the first week in October, when there will be a tournament of free aviation events.

CHICAGO MYSTERY.

Chicago, Sept. 23—Detectives searching the unoccupied house in Englewood where Dr. W. H. Folker shot and killed Emil Dignos, the aeroplane mechanician, discovered a locked closet to-day in which six staples had been driven into the floor with rivets drawn through them in such a manner as to permit the binding of a human body. In one corner of the closet was an axe. The police believe that the staples and axe were put in the closet by Dignos. Although Dr. Folker was exonerated at the coroner's inquest the police still are investigating the case in the belief that another motive for Dignos' attack on the physician besides robbery may be discovered.

ARGENTINE BATTLESHIP.

Philadelphia, Sept. 23.—Ranking as one of the greatest warships ever constructed for any government in the world, the Argentine battleship Moreni was launched to-day from the yards of the New York Shipbuilding Company at Camden, N. J. The Moreni will carry twelve 12-inch guns. She is even larger than the Dreadnought New York, which will have a displacement of 27,000 tons.

ITALY MOBILIZES NAVAL FORCES

SEEKS PROTECTORATE OVER TRIPOLI

Plans Extensive Military Operations Unless Turkey Grants Demand

Paris, Sept. 23.—Advices from Rome say the entire Italian naval force is ready in case of emergency for a conflict with Turkey if the latter country refuses to give its consent to an Italian protectorate over Tripoli.

The Italian plans, according to these advices, embrace a bombardment of Tripoli and simultaneously a military expedition of 20,000 soldiers to blockade the Turkish coast along the Adriatic state and to operate in Macedonia, Syria and Arabia, with a view to protecting the numerous Italians living in those countries.

While Italy is perfecting her military plans, every effort is being made to induce Turkey to come to an amicable arrangement. Italy is willing to leave Tripoli under the sovereignty of the sultan in case Italy's preponderant influence is assured. It is said Germany and Austria are supporting this plan, and that France and Italy stand ready to indemnify Turkey.

EARLY SETTLEMENT APPEARS PROBABLE

French Cabinet Approves Reply to Latest Suggestions From Germany

Paris, Sept. 23.—At a meeting of the cabinet with President Fallieres at his residence in Rambouillet to-day, the French reply to Germany's last suggestions for an agreement concerning Morocco was approved unanimously. The reply was submitted by Premier Caillaux and Foreign Minister de Selves.

Since Germany's proposals were drawn, after two long conversations between the German minister of foreign affairs, Herr Von Kiderlin-Waechter, and the French ambassador, M. Cambon, it probably will be found that France has accepted the arrangement proposed regarding Morocco itself, the question remaining for settlement being the details of the cession to Germany in the French Congo.

MISTAKEN FOR BEAR.

Man Killed by Companion While Hunting in Woods.

Centralia, Wash., Sept. 23.—Mistaking his companions for a bear, Robert Waddle, of this city, yesterday shot and killed J. C. Gates, for 20 years a resident of Bucoda, Wash.

The two men, who had been life long friends, were hunting in the deep woods and dense underbrush along Johnson creek, and had taken divergent paths, with an understanding that they were to meet again several hours later. The county officers are investigating. Waddle is reported to be crazed with grief over the accident.

GIRL HYPNOTIZED ON WITNESS STAND

Declared to Be Under Influence of Woman Who is Accused of Fraud

Chicago, Sept. 23.—A court hearing was adjourned by Judge Harry P. Dolan, on the allegation of Prosecutor Fetzer that Mrs. Cora V. Monroe, defendant in a swindle case, was exerting a hypnotic influence over a witness for the state. The witness, Mildred Hilley, 17 years old, was taken to the judge's chamber, where she related her original story of how Mrs. Monroe had defrauded the witness' mother and the court then held Mrs. Monroe. The girl, who was placed on the stand, was seated so that she sat directly opposite Mrs. Monroe. All the time she was testifying her eyes remained fixed on those of the defendant.

In that position she told a story the exact reverse of the account of the swindle she had related to the prosecuting attorney a short time before.

"There is something wrong with this witness," the prosecuting attorney told the court. "There seems to be some influence here that is thwarting justice. I ask that the court take this witness. It is impossible for the state to get the truth out of her."

In an instant the court room was in an uproar. The girl wept hysterically. Judge Dolan brought the scene to an end by ordering Miss Hilley to come to his chambers. There she recovered her composure and in the presence of the court and of the attorneys for both sides she repeated the testimony she had given and gave the same account of the swindle that she had told Mr. Fetzer.

Mrs. Monroe is charged with having obtained $1,200 from Mrs. Hilley for a share in a business of turning grey hair black. The prosecution asserts the business was fraudulent and for months nothing was sold.

SUGAR MAY DROP.

Boston, Mass., Sept. 23.—That sugar will be cheaper within a fortnight is the prediction of Edward F. Atkins, vice-president and managing director of the American Sugar Refining Company. In a statement issued here, Mr. Atkins says:

"The domestic beet sugar crop of the west is just commencing and in two weeks deliveries will be made. This crop is estimated at 530,000 tons. The Louisiana crop is estimated at 225,000 tons and will come into the market the first of November. These two sources will furnish a supply sufficient to provide for all requirements until the new arrivals from Cuba January 1."

TWENTY PERSONS KILLED.

Naples, Sept. 23.—A terrific storm swept the Vesuvian district yesterday, causing great loss of life and damage to property. Twenty persons are known to have been killed, while the fate of whose families is in doubt.

AVIAT... DEATH IN ARDMOR...

GASOLINE EXPLOSION WRECKS AEROPLANE

Birdman Forced to Make the Flight by Jeers of Thousands of Spectators

(From the Times's Dispatch.)

Boston, Mass., Sept. 23.—[illegible]

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KILLED BY FALL.

Vancouver, Sept. 23.—The [illegible]

OVERCOME BY GAS IN MINE.

Dutch Flat, Cal., Sept. 23.—Gas accumulated in an abandoned shaft of the Pioneer mine, near here, proved fatal yesterday to T. Pampare, an Austrian miner, while George Samaldkoch, a fellow-worker, is in a critical condition. The men were working in a crosscut and broke into the old shaft. Before they could escape the gas overcame them and drove those in the other parts of the mine to the surface. A rescue party found Pampare's body some hours later and Samaldkoch was taken from the mine unconscious.

BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP.

Philadelphia, Sept. 23.—Connie Mack, manager of the Philadelphia American League baseball club, announced that he had sent to the national commission the names of 21 players as eligible to represent his club in the world's series this fall. The names of the players are: Catchers, Thomas, Lapp and Livingston; pitchers, Bender, Coombs, Krause, Plank, Morgan, Martin and Danforth; infielders, Davis, McInnes, Collins, Barry, Baker and Derrick; outfielders, Murphy, Lord, Oldring, Strunk and Hartzel.

VALDEZ SHAKEN.

Valdez, Alaska, Sept. 23 (by wireless).—The most violent earthquake experienced in Valdez since the town was founded thirteen years ago occurred at 7.42 o'clock last night. The oscillations were northwest and southeast and their duration was 52 seconds.

Valdez is built of wood, with no buildings more than two stories high and no damage was done.

This dispatch is sent by wireless to the British Columbia telegraph line.

BANKER MAY BE PAROLED.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 23.—Banker John R. Walsh of Chicago has behaved so excellently since he has been in the Leavenworth federal prison that his parole is expected in a few days.

An official of the department of justice is the authority for the statement that Walsh will probably be paroled. Robert V. Ledew, superintendent of prisons, is now in Leavenworth. He, with the warden and the prison physician, constitute the parole board.

STOLYPIN'S SUCCESSOR.

London, Sept. 23.—A dispatch to the Times from St. Petersburg says that M. Kokovsoff, the Russian minister of finance, has definitely assumed the premiership made vacant by the death of M. Stolypin.

THE OLYMPIC'S PASSENGERS.

London, Sept. 23.—Passengers of the disabled liner Olympic are returning to America by the Empress of Britain and Megantic.

...PRESENTATIVE ...MAJORITY

LATEST RETURNS ...

Hon. S. Fisher Says ... Properly Rather ... Public Life

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Winnipeg Comment.

Winnipeg, Sept. 23.—The Free Press says editorially: "Nothing is to be gained by the ...ishing of illusions. The suggestion ... the Toronto Globe that the people ... Canada rejected reciprocity in a ... mood which will be followed by ... repentance with fruits meet for ... pentance, is one that the Liberals should not entertain. By doing so they are only laying up disappointment ... themselves. It is plain, of course, ... the duty of the government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier is to close up its administrative work speedily and go to the ... office."

Thompson, Liberal, has been ... in Qu'Appelle by 393.

THE McNAMARA CASE

Attorney Darrow Will Apply to ... For Postponement of Trial

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 23.—Clarence Darrow announced to-day that he would demand of Judge Fordham on Monday two weeks' delay in starting the trial of the McNamara brothers, which is scheduled for October 1. Darrow said the delay has been absolutely necessary because of arrangements for which the prosecution responsible. The ... will be made when Court Monday in ... ton appears in court and institutes ... tempt proceedings.

District Attorney ... assistant district attorney, said that the prosecution would vigorously oppose the granting of a motion for a continuance of the trial.

McNamara declared that the ... had been so harassed by suits such as the contempt proceedings against Harrington, Mrs. Crum, McManigal and George Behm, McManigal's uncle, that it had not sufficient time to prepare for the trial.

BROTHERS FIGHT TO THE ...

Arkansas City, Kas., Sept. 23.—In a lonely spot in the Arkansas Woods near Lead Hill, two brothers fought to the death yesterday. Reuben Cantrell, ... years old, was slain, and Thomas Cantrell, 55 years old, is dying. The former was shot and the latter will not survive a dozen knife wounds. The fight was the result of a family feud.

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