

PRESIDENT TAFT AN ADVOCATE OF PERMANENT AND PRACTICAL SYSTEM OF INLAND WATERWAYS

Declares Would Be a Good
Means of Controlling
Railroad Rates.

THE PIECEMEAL "PROCESSION OF
JERKS" POLICY OF CONGRESS IN
REFERENCE TO SUCH IMPROVE-
MENTS SHOULD BE REPLACED
WITH DEFINITE PLANS FOR
OPENING UP THE GREAT AVE-
NUES OF COMMERCE.

By Associated Press.
Corpus Christi, Texas, Oct. 22.—In
an open address here today before
the citizens of Corpus Christi, Pres-
ident Taft announced himself as
strongly favoring a permanent and
practical system of inland waterways
as a means of controlling railroad
rates and said that he favored the
policy of issuing bonds for carrying
out a practical system of improve-
ments. Up to the present time, Mr.
Taft declared, congress has provided
for improvement in piece-meal fashion
and the work on improvement has
been nothing more than a "proce-
sion of jerks." Before any project is
entered upon, the president declared,
it should be thoroughly considered,
investigated and reported upon by
a board of engineers as to its feasibility
and desirability. Once the improve-
ment is declared desirable and the
communities which it is to serve can
convince congress that their growth
has been such as to justify the ex-
penditure of a large sum of money to
take care of increasing trade, bonds
should be issued in order that the
improvements can be carried into effect
at once and the benefits of it be quickly
secured.

NO DIFFERENCE EXISTS.
In announcing his position for
issuing bonds, the president said he
could see no difference between im-
proving inland waterways and digging
the Panama canal. Each project
should be separately considered to
determine whether or not it is worth
doing.

Mr. Taft referred to the fact that
in the Ohio river improvements were
under way to secure a 9-foot stage
from Pittsburg to Cairo. An inter-
oceanic 9-foot canal, he declared,
would be of great service to the en-
tire country.

The president said he recognized
the danger of issuing bonds indiscrim-
inately and said the people must not
lose sight of the fact that some day
the bonds must be paid. But he de-
clared his great faith in the conser-
vatism of congress and the American
people and he did not believe that
they would go into the improvement
of waterways by means of a bond
issue on a haphazard basis, but would
conservatively calculate whether or
not the time has arrived to do the
work. President Taft treated the sub-
ject of waterways as one of the
phases of the general conservation of
natural resources. He spoke of the
need of new laws for preservation of

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GINNERS SHOW CROP SHORTAGE

REPORT SHOWS 1,000,000 BALES
LESS HAVE BEEN GINNED THAN
LAST YEAR WITH 79.7 PER
CENT PICKED.

By Associated Press.
Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 22.—The re-
port of J. A. Taylor, president of the
National Ginner's association, indi-
cates there has been ginned to Oc-
tober 18 5,320,000 bales, which is
nearly one million bales less than
ginned at this period last year.
The report says: "The crop is 79.7
per cent picked, compared with 54.9
last year at this time, and indicates
a crop disaster except in Georgia and
the Carolinas, where crops are bet-
ter, but not as good as expected a
month ago."

Jim Jeffries is Back And Ready For Fight With Johnson

By Associated Press.
New York, Oct. 22.—James J. Jef-
fries has come back from his Euro-
pean trip ready and fit to fight Jack
Johnson for the heavyweight cham-
pionship of the world. In the quiet
environs of Carlsbad, Bohemia, and
unobserved by the visitors of that wa-
tering place, the one-time boiler-
maker has trained vigorously for the
Johnson mill without giving the
slightest hint to his friends in Amer-
ica of what he was doing.
"Jim Jeffries walked down the gang
plank of the steamship Lusitania
which arrived today, in fighting trim,
his solid hulk of frame was without

After Twenty-Two Years of Hiding Ky. Murderer Caught

By Associated Press.
Huntington, W. Va., Oct. 22.—After
twenty-two years of hiding, following
a murder committed near Hendricks,
Ky., in the fall of 1887, Alexander
McFarland was arrested yesterday and
brought to this city on the way back
to Kentucky.
Just twenty-two years ago this
month Alexander McFarland and
Thomas Patton of Hendricks met on a
country road. They quarreled over a
woman, and it is alleged McFarland

shot and killed Patton. McFarland,
with the aid of friends, was got safely
out of the state.
When McFarland left Hendricks he
abandoned a wife and five little chil-
dren. After years of roaming he set-
tled down in the wild coal and coke
country of southern West Virginia
and began life anew under the name
of Press Carter. He married and
reared about him a family of children,
who until yesterday knew that a \$500
reward for hanging over his head for
the murder of Patton.

PAT M'CARREN PASSES AWAY

STATE SENATOR AND BROOKLYN
POLITICAL BOSS SUCCEMS AS
RESULT OF OPERATION.

By Associated Press.
New York, Oct. 22.—State Senator
Patrick McCarren died here tonight.
This morning his pulse rose to 130
and it was announced at the Brooklyn
hospital, where he was operated on
for appendicitis a week ago, that the
patient probably had only a few hours
to live. Hypodermic injections were
given to stimulate his rapidly falling
heart action and kept him alive for
many hours.

ODD FELLOWS RAISE BARRIER

WILL DENY ADMISSION TO DEAL-
ERS IN "NEAR BEER" AND
THOSE WHO CONDUCT "SOFT
DRINK" STANDS.

By Associated Press.
Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 22.—The
Grand Lodge of the Independent Or-
der of Odd Fellows this morning
passed a resolution denying admis-
sion into the order to dealers in near
beer and also to men who conduct so-
called "soft drink" stands. Since the
exclusion of the liquor traffic from the
state last July, the sale of near beer
in soft drink stands has become gen-
eral in cities and towns. The Odd
Fellows had previously barred saloon
keepers from membership.

D. OF C. ELECT NEW OFFICERS

MRS. VIRGINIA M'SHERRY, OF
WEST VIRGINIA, IS CHOSEN
PRESIDENT-GENERAL, M. R. S.
DOWDELL, OF ALABAMA, SEC-
RETARY.

By Associated Press.
Houston, Texas, Oct. 22.—The
United Daughters of the Confederacy
today elected the following: Presi-
dent-general, Mrs. Virginia M'Sher-
ry, of West Virginia; Mrs. L. C. Hall,
of Arkansas, first vice-president-gen-
eral; Mrs. M. E. Bryan, of Texas,
second vice-president-general; Mrs.
Thomas T. Stevens, of Georgia, third
vice-president-general; Mrs. A. L.
Dowdell, of Alabama, corresponding
secretary-general.

surplus flesh and his complexion was
clear. Sam Berger, his sparring part-
ner, and a host of admirers at the
dock were amazed at the physical
condition of the retired champion.
"Now I'm ready to fight Johnson
to-morrow," said the big fellow, "and
the sooner the articles are signed, the
better. I'll live up to the Berger
agreement, but as to details, they can
take care of themselves."
"What about Johnson?" was asked.
"Jeffries's brown eyes snapped and
with a shrug of his massive shoulders
he replied:
"I care nothing about Johnson. That
negro has made more noise and done
less than any man I know."

FALL OF CONSERVATIVE CABINET BRINGS FEELING OF RELIEF IN SPAIN

Encourages Hope That Per-
iod of Tranquility Has
Been Ushered in.

OPEN SECRET THAT MAURA'S
REFUSAL TO GIVE KING AL-
FONSO AN OPPORTUNITY TO
PARDON FERRER IS REGRET-
TED BY HIS MAJESTY—NEW
PREMIER DECLARES NEW GOV-
ERNMENT WILL EXACTLY RE-
VERSE POLICY OF MAURA.

By Associated Press.
Madrid, Oct. 22.—The fall of Pre-
mier Maura and the conservative
cabinet has produced a feeling of re-
lief and encourages hope that a pe-
riod of internal tranquility has been
ushered in. It is now an open se-
cret that M. Maura's refusal to give
King Alfonso an opportunity to par-
don Ferrer is regretted by his ma-
jesty.

In an interview today Senor Moret
y Prendergast, premier of the new
liberal cabinet, explained that be-
cause of recent personal bereave-
ments, he having lost his wife, his
son and a daughter, and the fact of
his advancing years, he had not
wished to assume power. Neverthe-
less the unfortunate situation at
home and the distrust of the Spanish
government as manifested abroad had
convinced him that it was his patri-
otic duty to accept the leadership. He
declared that the liberal government
would exactly reverse the policy of
Maura and maintain social order
with due respect for the law.

ENDS CLERICAL INFLUENCE.
Most of the Republican senators
and deputies expressed themselves as
satisfied with the latest turn of
events, particularly as they believe
that this marks an end of clerical in-
fluence with the government. One of
these said today:
"The new cabinet contains ele-
ments openly anti-clerical and thus it
becomes possible to establish an anti-
clerical policy so necessary to Spain."

However, radical members of the
cortes, like Deputy Seriano, who is
also editor of Espana Nueva, an-
nounces an intention to fight the new
cabinet.

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Supreme Council of Masons Elect New Executive Members

By Associated Press.
Washington, Oct. 22.—In secret ses-
sion the supreme council, southern
jurisdiction, Scottish Rite Masons,
elected the following executive mem-
bers:
William Busby, of McAlester, ac-
tive member for Oklahoma; John
H. Cowies, Louisville, active member
for Kentucky; Melville R. Grant, Mc-
ridian, active member for Mississip-
pi; Alago Chase Stewart, of St. Louis,
active member for Missouri; Arthur
S. Cunningham, a present active
member of the council, was transfer-
red from Oklahoma to New Mexico.
The council this morning adopted a

resolution making two jurisdictions
of China and Japan. Heretofore these
countries have been under one juris-
diction, in charge of a deputy.
In the case of Porto Rico, the let-
ters temporary creating new bodies
were continued for two years and
authorization was made to translate
the ritual of the rite into Spanish, the
bodies there using both English and
Spanish.
An amendment to the statutes was
adopted concerning the status of
those bodies operating under letters
temporary and prescribing the form
in which permanent letters shall be
granted.

GERMANY MAY PUT ON TARIFF

WILL TAX EXPORTS OF CRUDE
POTASH TO AMERICA, IN WHICH
EVENT THE UNITED STATES
WILL RETALIATE.

By Associated Press.
Washington, Oct. 22.—Announce-
ment that the German government
will ask the Reichstag for authority
to impose an export duty on crude
potash exported to America has at-
tracted the attention of officials in
Washington, who are trying to solve
the problems daily arising in connec-
tion with the application of duties
under the new tariff law.

The opinion is expressed that such
action will be a discrimination against
America and it will be obligatory on
the president to penalize all German
imports to America by the imposition
of twenty-five per cent more duty
than they otherwise would pay.

MOBILE MAN KILLED.
Mobile, Oct. 22.—John Morgan, age
17, fell from the roof of the Seamen's
bath today, landing squarely on his
head, death resulting two hours later.

TWO ARE FOUND GUILTY MURDER

A. B. AVANT AND DR. G. C. BIGHAM
SENTENCED TO SERVE THREE
YEARS FOR KILLING WIFE OF
LATTER.

By Associated Press.
Charleston, S. C., Oct. 22.—A. B.
Avant and Dr. G. C. Bigham were
found guilty today of killing the wife
of the latter and were sentenced to
three and a half years in the peni-
tentiary each.

Mrs. Bigham was killed at Murrell's
Inlet on the evening of Sept. 4. The
defendants claimed that in the dark-
ness they thought she was a man and
when she did not answer when they
asked what was wanted, Avant fired,
not knowing it was Mrs. Bigham until
she was shot.

LORA IS RELEASED.
Washington, Oct. 22.—The depart-
ment of commerce and labor today
telegraphed to Los Angeles authority
for the release of Gutierrez de Lara,
who was arrested as an anarchist and
an alien who entered this country
without inspection. The department's
authority for release is on condition
of de Lara furnishing \$3,000 bond.

DR. COOK AND GUIDE WHO NOW DECLARES HE NEVER CONQUERED MT. M'KINLEY



The publication of an affidavit pur-
porting to have been made by Edward
Barrill, the guide who accompanied
Dr. Frederick A. Cook on his ascen-
sion of Mount McKinley in 1906, has put
the arctic explorer more in an atti-
tude of defense than any other charge
brought against him since his an-
nouncement of the discovery of the
pole. In substance Barrill states that
Dr. Cook turned back at a point sev-
eral thousand feet below the actual
summit of the peak and that the now
famous photograph purporting to
have been taken at the top of the
mountain actually was made on one

of the minor ridges far below the
summit. Dr. Cook replies to this
statement of his guide by saying that
he did scale the very topmost pin-
nacle of the mountain and there de-
posited records of his journey. He
challenges his critics to send a re-
sponsible commission to the spot and
recover these records. Barrill's affi-
davit is in the hands of close friends
of Robert E. Peary in New York. The
Mount McKinley photograph is repro-
duced in the accompanying illustra-
tion. It purports to be a snapshot of
Barrill holding the American flag
aloft at the top of the mountain. Bar-
rill says it was taken at such an
angle as not to show the real peak
in the distance.

NAVY DEPARTMENT WILL SOON EXPERIMENT WITH LONG DISTANCE WIRELESS

Desirability of Such Long
Distance Communication
is Very Great.

IN TIMES OF WAR IT WOULD
PROVE INVALUABLE TO THE
GOVERNMENT—EXPERIMENTS
IN COMMUNICATING 3,000 MILES
ARE TO TAKE PLACE AT
BRANTROCK, MASS., BEGINNING
LATE IN DECEMBER.

By Associated Press.
Washington, Oct. 22.—The navy is
soon to conduct experiments in long
distance wireless telegraphy. Im-
pressed with the importance of a sys-
tem which will, in cases of necessity,
transmit messages from some place
on the Atlantic seaboard a distance
of 3,000 miles, the subject was taken
up in earnest almost a year ago.

The desirability of such long dis-
tance communication, the officials
say, is obvious for in times of war it
would prove invaluable to the gov-
ernment. By its means the navy de-
partment will be able to control and
direct readily from shore the move-
ments of the fleet. This, together
with the proposition to install wire-
less apparatus on ships so that they
may be able to communicate with each
other at a distance of 1,000 miles will
put the government in the position
where directions given to one vessel
may be quickly transmitted to an-
other.

INSTRUMENTS INSTALLED.
The experiments in communicating
3,000 miles are to take place at
Brantrock, Mass., beginning probably
late in December. Instruments con-
structed for this purpose have been
installed in a tower over 400 feet
high. Two scout cruisers, the Salem
and the Birmingham, are to be uti-
lized as receiving stations. Repairs to
these vessels now under way will be
completed December 4, soon after
which they will leave the United
States for a trip which will keep them
within a radius of 3,000 miles of
Brantrock, the present program con-
templating a cruise from the Scottish
coast downward to the West African
coast and also in the American tropics.

Meanwhile messages will be
sent to each of these vessels, both of
which have been equipped with ten
kilowatt power receiving apparatus
capable, it is asserted, of recording
the long distance communications. At
the same time the vessels will ex-
change messages for the purpose of
testing the apparatus for communica-
tion 1,000 miles at sea.

STRICT REQUIREMENTS.
Strict requirements were laid down
by the navy department in the speci-
fications inviting proposals for con-
structing the proposed high powered
station as well as for the apparatus
aboard ships. The messages from

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REVOLUTION IS GAINING

REPORTED THAT INSURGENTS
HAVE TAKEN TOWN OF VILLA-
TOBO AFTER FIERCE ENGAGE-
MENT—AMMUNITION IS LAND-
ED.

By Associated Press.
Cape Haiti, Oct. 22.—The revolu-
tionary movement in San Domingo
continues to spread. It is reported
the insurgents took the town of Villa-
tobo after a severe engagement. It
is also reported that General Alvarez
landed a large amount of war ammu-
nition recently.

10 WHITE MEN UNDER ARREST

TOOK THREE NEGROES FROM
TEXAS JAIL WHO WERE SUS-
PECTED OF ASSAULT ON WHITE
WOMAN.

By Associated Press.
Greenville, Texas, Oct. 22.—Ten
white men were arrested here today
charged with breaking into jail and
taking out three negro suspects for
the purpose of identification in con-
nection with an assault upon a white
woman several days ago.

Another crowd of citizens gather-
ed about the jail today, but dispersed.
State troops and county authorities
are controlling the situation.

PAYS PENALTY WITH HIS LIFE

WILL STEVENSON, CONVICTED OF
ATROCIOUS MURDER, DIES ON
THE SCAFFOLD AT LUVERNE.

By Associated Press.
Montgomery, Ala., Oct. 22.—Will
Stevenson, murderer of his wife and
step daughter in Crenshaw county
two months ago, this morning at 7:10
o'clock atoned for the atrocity by sur-
rendering his life on the gallows at
Luverne. The condemned man took
the noose without a murmur or
prayer. Death was almost instan-
taneous.
Shortly before noon today J. M.
Buchanan, the banker of Luverne who
held the statement of Stevenson, made
it public. The last words of the mur-
derer expressed confidence that he
would be saved and called upon all
young men to avoid whiskey. "It
ruined me," the statement reads, "and
it will ruin anyone who allows it to
get the best of them."

New York Borrowings From Foreign Markets Run High

By Associated Press.
New York, Oct. 22.—New York
bankers are not entirely agreed as to
the influence of New York credit op-
erations in having forced the sensa-
tional advances of the last two weeks
in the Bank of England rate of dis-
count. Current estimates of New
York's borrowings from foreign mar-
kets have run as high as \$500,000,000
for the season. Jacob H. Schiff as-
serts that such exaggeration has at-
tended these estimates.
It is a fact, however, that New
York clearing house banks contracted
the loan account \$110,000,000 from
last week in August to October 16

without evidence of any correspond-
ing liquidation in the stock market.
These loans were supposed to have
been transferred to a large extent to
foreign banks. At the same time the
country's foreign trade has been ab-
normal in the heavy value of imports
and the scanty exports, leaving no
adequate supply of exchange to meet
maturing indebtedness abroad.
Plans for flotation of new bond is-
sues also have been held up in which
foreign bankers were expected to par-
ticipate and thus take up portions of
the autumn money markets is re-
garded as having resulted from these
normal conditions.