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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### URGES ON CONGRESS NECESSITY OF CURRENCY REFORM.

### INLAND NAVIGATION FAVORED

### Reiterates Former Utterances on Control of Corporations—Advocates Postal Savings Banks—Cause of Labor Is Considered.

Washington, Dec. 4.—President Roosevelt, in his annual message to congress, makes the following recommendations:

Amendment of the Sherman anti-trust law so as to forbid only the kind of combination which does harm to the general public. The law should not prohibit combinations that do no injustice to the public, still less those the existence of which is a benefit to the public.

A general law providing for federal charters for corporations engaged in interstate commerce. Complete publicity of the affairs of such corporations in all matters affecting the public, the patrons and investors.

The issue of emergency currency, upon carefully prescribed conditions, under a tax sufficiently heavy to force the retirement of the issue as the demand for it falls off.

Declaration that the wise time to deal with the tariff is immediately after the presidential election.

Recommends a graduated income tax and an inheritance tax, the latter to be imposed by the government in addition to such tax as may have been imposed by the state.

Recommends the construction of four new battleships for the navy and the increase of the pay of the officers and enlisted men of the army.

Recommends extension of the eight-hour day to all work carried on by the government, to the end that the plan may become general.

Urges compulsory investigation and arbitration in industrial disputes.

Favors prosecution by the government of plans for a systematic improvement of inland waterways and the extension of the work of reclaiming the arid lands by irrigation.

Suggests government control of grazing lands, with provision that the necessary portion of the revenues derived from the leasing be spent in paying to the state or county the equivalent of what it would otherwise receive in taxes.

Presents a strong plea for the extension of the forest reserve policy and the conservation of the nation's timber resources. In furtherance of this, the removal of the duty on wood pulp is recommended.

Approves the postmaster general's plan for the establishment of a postal savings bank and the extension of the parcels post system.

Declares that the process of injunction is an essential power of the court, but severely censures the reckless or unnecessary use of it.

Suggests that congress provide for the legitimate campaign expenses of each of the great political parties.

### TWENTY-FIVE BODIES FOUND

#### All but One Entry of Naomi Mine Has Been Explored.

Pittsburg, Dec. 4.—After an exploration of all but one entry of the Naomi mine of the United Coal company, located near Fayette City, where a terrific explosion of black-damp occurred Sunday night, it was announced that twenty-five bodies had been recovered. Officers of the mining company admit several additional bodies may be found in the unexplored entry and others are positive that at least three more men are in the mine. The unexplored entry is filled with after-damp and officers of the company insist that it must be thoroughly ventilated before it is entered.

#### Shipwrecked Passengers at Halifax.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 4.—The Canadian government steamer Lady Laurier, which was sent to the assistance of the wrecked steamer Mount Temple, returned to Halifax with nearly 500 of the passengers and their baggage. All the passengers will be forwarded to their destinations by special trains. No examination has yet been made of the steamer's bottom, but the chances of refloating her are regarded as slight.

#### Jury in Sight to Try Pettibone.

Boise, Ida., Dec. 4.—The jury for the trial of George A. Pettibone was passed for cause by both the state and defense and three peremptory challenges were exercised, two by the

prosecution and one by counsel for the defense. Attorneys on both sides predicted that a jury would be secured from the present venire, only thirty of the 100 having been thus far disposed of.

#### Six Drowned in Frazer River.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 4.—H. McLaughlin has arrived here after a thrilling experience in the upper falls of the Frazer river, where, with a number of men, he was at work on the Grand Trunk Pacific railway. A party of eight left with him to come down the stream. Their boat upset at one of the falls and six men were drowned.

#### First Smoke Fatal to Baby.

Chicago, Dec. 4.—Albert Rabsha, twenty-five months old, in the absence of his mother from the home at 8943 Mackinaw avenue, made his first attempt to smoke his father's pipe. In lighting a match the child set fire to his clothing and was burned to death.

#### Body of Missing Cashier Found.

Lawton, Okla., Dec. 4.—The body of D. R. Rankin, cashier of the defunct Merchants' and Planters' bank, who mysteriously disappeared a month ago, was found in Cache creek, near here.

#### HAU'S SENTENCE COMMUTED

#### Man Accused of Murder of Mother-in-Law Will Not Die for His Crime.

Karlsruhe, Dec. 3.—The death sentence passed upon Karl Hau, formerly a professor in George Washington



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university, Washington, D. C., for the murder, Nov. 5, 1906, of his mother-in-law, Frau Molitor, has been commuted to life imprisonment.

#### FOOTBALL CASUALTIES IN 1907

#### Fourteen Players Killed and 131 Injured During Season.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—The 1907 football season ended officially. With three more deaths reported during the last week the total killed at play was fourteen. The new victims were: John Boylan of Pittsburg, Arthur Cope of Salida, Cal., and Melville Harrington of Pendleton, Ore.

The number of seriously injured players was increased during the same period to 131.

#### AOKI IS ORDERED HOME

#### AMERICAN ENVOY WILL REPORT IN PERSON TO MIKADO.

#### DISAVOWS ANY HOSTILE ACT

Declares Immigration Question Is Not a Serious One and Says Recall Has No Bearing on Relations Between United States and Japan.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Viscount Aoki, the ambassador of Japan, talked briefly and reservedly regarding the instructions given him by his government to return home for the purpose of making a report on affairs in which Japan is interested jointly with the United States.

"I am going home," the ambassador said, "for the purpose of making a verbal report to my government. There are many things to report on—things that I have heard and seen in this country. They can be made better verbally than in writing. There is no other significance to the visit. I shall discuss immigration in addition to other questions in which my government is interested. My return cannot be construed in any way as an indication of unfriendliness on the part of Japan for the United States. The American government knows very well that Japan is disposed to be one of her best friends and to remain on terms of the greatest amity with her. Any other idea or suggestion is foolish to entertain. The immigration question is not at all a serious one, and, in my judgment, it will be settled satisfactorily. My return, I repeat, has no bearing on the relations between the United States and Japan. Our relations are friendly, and I hope

will remain the same. There is no reason why they should be otherwise, but, on the contrary, every reason why they should continue good."

"How long will you remain in Japan?" "That I don't know."

"Are you coming back?" "I am," he replied.

Count Aoki, if time permits, will look into the general question of Japanese immigration on the Pacific coast before he sails for home. The Japanese government is anxious to hear from the ambassador personally the real situation on the coast as he views it, and the ambassador indicated that he would make it a matter of inquiry on his way home.

At the state department it was learned that Aoki did not present any letters of recall, but that what he had received was a summons to come home for consultation with his government. It is not known at the department whether Aoki would or would not return to the United States and the impression there was that the ambassador himself was not aware as to what his future movements would be. Count Aoki received word that his government wanted him to come home and he lost no time in acquainting the state department with that fact. The most positive statement is made at the Japanese embassy that Count Aoki's recall is not the result of any dissatisfaction with his course on the part of his government or that his recall in any way disavows his actions while here. The ambassador expects to leave Washington on his homeward trip before Christmas and during his absence Mr. Myaoka, the councillor of the embassy, will act as charge d'affaires.

#### RED CROSS RE-ELECTS OFFICERS

#### Secretary Root Delivers Brief Address at Annual Meeting of Society.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Secretary Root delivered a brief address at the third annual meeting of the American National Red Cross society, held here. In the absence of Secretary Taft, the president of the organization, General George O. Davis was named chairman of the convention. The present officers were re-elected, viz: President, Secretary Taft; treasurer, Beckman Winthrop; councillor, A. W. Cooley; secretary, Charles A. Magro. Reports of the officers were read and accepted.

Secretary Root said it was important, in view of the certain occurrence of great calamities, to have some agency always in operation ready to meet them and he testified to the universal desire of the American people always to give succor for the relief of suffering humanity.

#### Currency Committee Named.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Speaker Cannon treated the house to a surprise in announcing the membership of the committee on banking and currency. This advance formation of that committee led to the conclusion on the part of many that it was his intention to press financial legislation, but those who are close to the speaker say that his only purpose was to afford a depository for petitions and letters bearing upon the currency question. The membership of the committee was increased by the addition of one Democrat.

#### White House Conference.

Washington, Dec. 4.—A conference was held at the White House between the president and Senators Aldrich of Rhode Island and Crane of Massachusetts on the subject of currency legislation. The president called in these two leading senators in order that he might have their views concerning the many propositions that have been made to him during the last several weeks in favor of plans for relieving the currency stringency under such circumstances as has occurred recently.

#### THAW CASE SET FOR JANUARY 6

#### Court Has Ordered Special Panel of 250 Talsmen for That Time.

New York, Dec. 3.—The second trial of Harry K. Thaw on the charge of killing Stanford White was postponed until Jan. 6. The court ordered that a special panel of 250 talsmen be summoned for the selection of a jury.

#### Tribesmen Capture Harems.

Tangier, Dec. 4.—Mountain tribes have captured a large caravan, consisting of harems of the ministers of Abdel Aziz, the sultan, on the road to Rabat. The sultan's ministers, fearing that the pretender, Huhamara, was about to attack Fez, instructed their families to leave that place immediately and go to Rabat. The tribesmen, learning this, ambushed the caravan and killed the entire escort. They transferred the women to their own harems.

#### Colombians Invade Panama.

Panama, Dec. 4.—During the past three days a rumor has been persistently circulated that 500 Colombian soldiers had invaded the town of Jurado, on the frontier of Panama and Colombia, imprisoning the local authorities of the town. The rumor has caused intense indignation here, and a meeting of citizens took place to discuss the situation.

## TAFT FOR WORLD PEACE

TOPIC OF SPEECH DELIVERED AT ST. PETERSBURG.

ACCORDED A HEARTY WELCOME

American Secretary of War Makes Numerous Official Calls in Russian Capital—Visit Arouses Lively Interest in Duma—Sails for Home Dec. 8.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 4.—The American secretary of war, William H. Taft, was accorded a hearty welcome here. He arrived in St. Petersburg in the morning from Moscow and after a round of official visits and a brief rest, visited the duma, where he spent half an hour listening to the debate on the ministerial declaration. He was greeted by the premier, M. Stolypin, and other high ministers and was made the object of special attention by the deputies. Secretary Taft attended a banquet given in his honor by prominent Americans and made a speech, in which he emphatically denied that his round-the-world trip had aught to do with a special policy of the United States, whose sole policy, he said, was one of peace for all nations.

Responding to the speech of welcome, delivered by F. M. Corse, who presided, Secretary Taft said that he hoped the traditional friendship between Russia and America would increase and become stronger. His present trip, he said, had given rise to a number of suggestions, the purpose of which was far from the truth. It had been suggested that he was rounding the world on a diplomatic mission to various countries to carry out some ulterior policy of the United States, but America's only policy was the peace of all nations. His only official function, he continued, was that connected with the inauguration of the Philippine assembly, and he was returning home by way of Russia to avoid the voyage across the Pacific, which he had already made many times. He sought an audience with the emperor in order to express his personal gratitude for the hospitality which he had enjoyed on his trans-Siberian trip and to assure him that a deep desire exists on the part of the Americans for the welfare and prosperity of Russia.

The secretary declared that intimations that his trip was connected in any way with a prospective war in the far east were without foundation. In his judgment, there was no possibility of war between the United States and any country, nor was there any reason for it. The world needs peace for its real growth and the happiness of the individual.

A review of a famous corps will be given at Tsarskoe Selo for the benefit of Secretary Taft and later he will attend Foreign Minister Iswolsky's banquet and a reception of the diplomatic corps and Russian official society. The secretary is trying to arrange his visit here so that he may catch the steamer President Grant at Boulogne, Dec. 8, for his return home.

#### MRS. BRADLEY FREE WOMAN

#### Only One Juror Stood Out for Punishment of Some Kind.

Washington, Dec. 4.—"Not guilty" was the verdict rendered by the jury in the case of Mrs. Annie M. Bradley, charged with the murder of former United States Senator Arthur M. Brown of Utah at a hotel in this city on Dec. 8 last. Amid the applause of a crowd that filled the court room, Mrs. Bradley, with tear-dimmed eyes,

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Constantinople, Dec. 4.—As a result of the monetary difficulties in the United States a series of failures have occurred here lately, culminating in the suspension of a big Armenian banking and commercial house in the Mohammedan part of the city. The liabilities of the house amount to over \$1,000,000 and the assets are estimated at a somewhat lower figure. Several local concerns were affected by the suspension, but the Ottoman bank came to their rescue and prevented a general financial collapse.

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## New and Liberal Homestead Regulations in WESTERN CANADA

### New Districts Now Opened for Settlement

Some of the choicest lands in the grain-growing belts of Saskatchewan and Alberta have recently been opened for settlement under the Revised Homestead Regulations of Canada. Thousands of Homesteads of 160 acres each are now available. The new Regulations make it possible for entry to be made by prospectors who have been waiting for the opportunity that men in the United States have been waiting for. Any member of a family may make entry for any other member of the family, who may be entitled to make entry for himself or herself. Entry may now be made before the Agent or Sub-Agent of the District by proxy on certain conditions, by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending homesteader.

"Any seven-numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the Northwest Provinces, excepting 20, 20, not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person, the sole head of a family, or male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section, of 160 acres more or less."

The fee in each case will be \$10. Churches, schools and markets convenient. Healthy climate, splendid crops and good laws. Grain-growing and cattle-raising principal industries.

For further particulars go to Rates, Routes, Descriptive Time to Go and Where to Locate, apply to W. V. BENNETT, 801 New York Life Bldg., Omaha, Neb., Canadian Government Agent.

#### dict of acquittal was agreed on.

#### REQUISITION FOR STEVE ADAMS

#### Colorado Official on Way to Idaho to Get Prisoner.

Denver, Dec. 4.—The Post says: "With the utmost secrecy a requisition on the governor of Idaho for the person of Steve Adams has been secured, and it is believed that Thibodeau, former adjutant general of Colorado, is on his way to Rathdrum, Idaho, to get the prisoner. Adams is now trying to secure bail, pending his third trial for murder. It is thought that he will be successful in getting conditional freedom. In that case he will be arrested again at once and brought to Telluride to stand trial for the murder of Arthur Collins, manager of the Smuggler mine, which occurred in 1903."

#### FOREIGNERS SWARMING HOME

#### Fifty Thousand Now in New York Awaiting Transportation.

St. Louis, Dec. 4.—Hundreds of foreign workmen in St. Louis and suburbs, who have been discharged on account of financial stringency, are departing for their native countries.

Local steamship agents have been notified not to sell tickets for passage under eight days from date, as something like 50,000 foreigners are now in New York to embark for home and every European-bound ship is crowded.

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was discharged from custody and a trial that has evoked national attention during the last three weeks was at an end.

Throughout its deliberations the jury practically stood at 11 to 1 for acquittal until the final ballot, when the lone juror, who was holding out for some form of punishment, Juror Julius H. Prigg, gave in and the ver-