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## TRIUMPH FOR PACT

CANADIAN RECIPROCALITY WINS FIRST ROUND IN HOUSE FIGHT.

VOTE ON TEST 197 TO 120

Democrats Act Solidly to Displace the Regular Order and Give Preference to Canadian Agreement—Opponents Are Almost All Republicans.

Washington.—The McCall bill carrying out the Canadian reciprocity agreement reached the floor of the house Monday and that body by a vote of 197 to 120 decided to begin its immediate consideration.

Immediately after the representatives met Mr. McCall of Massachusetts called up the reciprocity bill. Objection was made by members of the District of Columbia committee, this being district day on the house calendar. A point of no quorum also was made.

To insure a full vote a call of the house was ordered, and all absentees were summoned to the chamber.

The roll call showed an overwhelming majority for reciprocity.

While the vote to displace the regular order on the house calendar cannot be accepted as an exact indication on the final vote on the reciprocity bill, it is regarded as being approximately so.

The vote against taking up the measure came almost wholly from the Republican side. The Democrats voted almost solidly for immediate consideration.

Some of the Republicans who voted against displacing the regular order are not expected to place themselves on record against reciprocity at a final vote.

Mr. McCall will handle the time for debate in favor of the bill and Mr. Dazell of Pennsylvania will serve in like capacity for the opposition.

## CHIEF EXECUTIVE PRESENT

Massacre Aid to Rebels and Seize \$1,500,000—Forty Federals Killed in Battle.

Galveston, Tex.—Reports of the massacre of an entire family of insurgents in Pueblo, State of Pueblo, Mexico, and seizure of \$1,500,000 gold, were brought here Monday on a steamer from Yucatan, Mexico.

Passengers said that recently the government, upon information that Aguilera Salano, a prominent Pueblo merchant, was acting as a treasurer for insurgents, sent troops with a machine gun to his house. They took possession, but found the place apparently deserted.

Finally a secret cellar is said to have been discovered where Salano and his family were hiding. All surrendered, whereupon, it is alleged, the troops immediately shot the entire family to death. Search of the premises is said to have revealed more than \$1,500,000 in gold and negotiable securities.

Delayed advices received here Monday clear up suspense over results of the fighting between insurgents and federals around Mulata. Word received the middle of last week told of federal reverses in an assault upon rebel lines at Mulata. News received here says the tide of battle remained the same, with the result that the federals retreated to Ojinaga, their base of supplies. The insurgents were unable to check General Luque's retreat. Their supply of ammunition was exhausted. The federal loss was 40 killed and wounded.

## TAFI AID ABSTAINERS' MOVE

President Writes Letter Which is Read in 3,000 Sunday Schools Throughout Union.

Chicago.—With the intention of enlisting all the Sunday school children in the United States in a total abstinence movement, a letter written by President Taft was read in 3,000 Sunday schools throughout the country.

The letter was written by the president December 29 and is addressed to Sunday school pupils as "My dear young friends," and reads: "The excessive use of intoxicating liquor is the cause of a great deal of poverty, degradation, and crime of the world, and one who abstains from the use of such liquor avoids a dangerous temptation.

"Abraham Lincoln showed that he believed this in writing out for his boy friends in the pledge of total abstinence so often quoted. Each person must determine for himself the course he will take in reference to his tastes and appetites; but those who exercise the self-restraint to avoid altogether the temptation of alcoholic liquor are on the safe and wiser side."

Dr. Howard H. Russell of Westville, O., founder of the Anti-Saloon league, also is founder of the Lincoln legion, which instigated the services.

California Soldiers Fire Aviators. San Francisco.—The coast artillery corps, National Guard of California, Monday completed arrangements for Eugene Ely, the aviator, to act as instructor for the aviation squad. This is claimed to be the first aviation squad organized by a militia corps.

Woman Who Saw Lafayette Dies. Charlottesville, Va.—Mrs. Cornelia D. Burley, who was present when Marquis de Lafayette visited the University of Michigan in 1825, died here Monday at the age of ninety-three.

## A RELENTLESS MONSTER



Running Rampant Over China's Teeming Millions.

## IN LINCOLN'S HONOR

MARTYRED PRESIDENT'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED AT SPRINGFIELD, ILL.

## CHIEF EXECUTIVE PRESENT

Taft Briefly Addresses Joint Session of Legislature and is Principal Speaker at Elaborate Banquet Held in Chamber of Commerce.

Springfield, Ill.—President Taft was the honored guest of Illinois at the celebration of the 102nd anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln and the 50th anniversary of the departure of the great emancipator from Springfield for the White House in Washington. There were many other distinguished guests from many sections of the country.

President Taft and his party arrived early in the afternoon, having been brought in Congressman McKinley's private car on the interurban from Decatur, where they were met by Representative Israel Dudgeon of Morris, chairman of the joint legislative committee in charge of the program. As soon as Mr. Taft alighted from the car the parade was formed with Maj. Gen. Edward C. Young of Chicago as grand marshal and Adj. Gen. F. S. Dickson as his chief of staff.

The first regiment, from Chicago, acted as an escort to the president, and that regiment's band furnished the military music, turning out eighty-five strong. The parade moved down Capitol avenue to the state house, as the presidential salute of twenty-one guns was being fired.

Arriving at the capitol the president entered the building and was received by the two houses of the legislature in special joint session. To the lawmakers he made his first address of the day, speaking briefly but spiritedly. Mr. Taft and the other visitors were then escorted to the old Lincoln home at Eighth and Jackson streets.

From the home the visitors were taken to Oak Ridge cemetery, where the martyred president's remains rest beneath the new monument. Mr. Taft and the other guests entered the memorial chapel in the monument and reverently viewed the priceless Lincoln relics preserved there. These include much of Lincoln's correspondence and the famous autobiography which he wrote on one sheet of paper. The party also viewed the empty sarcophagus in which Lincoln's body lay for many years.

The culmination of the day's events was the great banquet in the arsenal in the evening under the auspices of the Lincoln Centennial association and the Springfield chamber of commerce.

Iowa "Daylight" Saloon Bill Up. Des Moines, Ia.—The house Wednesday passed the "daylight" saloon bill by a vote of 60 to 35, with 13 absent.

The measure provides that saloons in Iowa shall be open from seven in the morning until eight at night.

Recalled Seattle Mayor Steps Out. Seattle, Wash.—Mayor Hiram O. Gill, recalled by the electors for alleged misconduct of office, retired Saturday without ceremony, and George W. Dilling, chosen to succeed him, took the oath of office.

Russian Official Found Dead. Telereau, Persia.—The body of T. Bogojavlensky, Russian consul general at Isfahan since 1909, was discovered in a well on the grounds of the consulate Saturday. Foul play is suggested.

## PAY ROLL FRAUDS BIG

U. S. STEEL CORPORATION DEFRAUDED OF THOUSANDS.

Evidence Shows Thefts Made Possible by Carrying Dead Men As Employees.

Hammond, Ind.—Evidence adduced at the trial of John T. Caldwell and Charles Bloomhoff, former timekeepers at the Indiana steel plant at Gary, Ind., charged with conspiracy to defraud, shows that the United States Steel corporation has been swindled out of upwards of \$500,000. The stupendous size of thefts were made possible by carrying dead men, straw men and missing men on the pay rolls, through the alleged connivance of the defendants.

It has been brought out during the trial now under way for three weeks that a dead employee of the United States Steel company was carried for months on the pay roll. Bloomhoff and Caldwell are asserted to have purchased a garage and automobile on Michigan avenue, Chicago, with proceeds of the alleged peculations. The case will probably go to the jury today. The defendants charge that higher officials of the United States Steel company are involved in the conspiracy.

## PLOT TO RUIN COTTON CROP

Governor-Elect Smith of Georgia Exposes Scheme to Infect Fields With Boll Weevil.

Atlanta, Ga.—Governor-elect Hoke Smith Saturday gave out a statement exposing a plot of New York speculators to infect the cotton fields of Georgia and South Carolina with the dreadful boll weevil in order to be able to make a fortune in the market next season by reducing the crop and raising the price of Dixie's staple.

The first information came in a letter to Mr. Smith from a man, whose name he refuses to give, but in whom he places entire confidence. At Mr. Smith's request the writer came here from New York for a personal visit with the governor-elect. Convinced by the evidence offered by this informant, Governor-elect Smith has given prompt warning to the farmers and the planters of the south that two plotters have in their possession at least 1,000,000 live boll weevils, and are waiting their opportunity to scatter these disastrous insects over Georgia and South Carolina.

## FAMILY OF SEVEN KILLED

Father Coming in Late Gas Tube Connecting Pipe and All Are Asphyxiated.

Philadelphia.—A family of seven persons, including the father, mother and five children, were killed Sunday morning by illuminating gas in their home in Penn. place.

The dead are: Hyman Berkowitz, forty-two years old; Minnie, eighteen; Michael, twelve; Israel, nine; Rebecca, seven, and Paul, six.

The family was killed by the accidental loosening of a rubber gas tube from a gas pipe running across the main living room and the flooding of the house with gas.

Rob a Bank; Two Wounded. Sacramento, Cal.—Blowing open the safe of the Nippon bank of this city Monday, five bandits got away with \$5,908 after seriously wounding Policeman Charles Parlin and Charles Allison, a companion.

Britons Rush for Bonds. London.—Subscriptions for the \$5,000,000 of Kansas City & Southern railway refunding and improvement mortgage five per cent. gold bonds closed Monday, having been largely oversubscribed.

## FLEES DANVILLE QUIZ

ALLEGED EMBEZZLER SUDDENLY GOES TO DETROIT.

Hardy H. Whitlock Alleged to Have Been Urged to Leave Before Subpoena Could Be Served.

Danville, Ill.—Hardy H. Whitlock, who was indicted for embezzling county funds, returned to Danville in custody of Sheriff Shepard and gave bond. In a statement, Mr. Whitlock said that he had received no subpoena.

Mr. Whitlock was asked to what extent he had purchased votes. He declined to answer the question, saying it would all be brought out at his trial and before the grand jury if he was called.

Mr. Whitlock suddenly changed his mind about remaining in Danville, and left for Detroit Monday. The statement is being freely made on the streets and about the courthouse that Whitlock was urged to return to Detroit before a subpoena for the grand jury could be issued for him.

Sheriff Shepard and his deputies began Monday serving bench warrants on some of the persons who have been indicted.

Seventy-six additional indictments for vote selling were ordered prepared by the jury.

## ARCHBISHOP RYAN IS DEAD

Passes Away at His Residence in Philadelphia—Had a Notable Church Career.

Philadelphia.—Most Rev. Patrick John Ryan, D. D., LL. D., archbishop of Philadelphia, and one of the greatest archbishops on this continent, died Saturday at the archiepiscopal residence.

Archbishop Ryan, known as the greatest orator of the Catholic church in America, was born in 1831 in Thurles, County Tipperary, Ireland.

He spent his early boyhood in his native country, coming to America in 1852 and going at once to St. Louis.

On April 14, 1872, he was consecrated bishop in Paris, with the title of bishop of Tricomia, and made coadjutor to the then venerable Archbishop Kendrick.

During the Civil war he was chaplain of the military prison at St. Louis, and in 1868 he went to Rome at the invitation of Pope Pius IX, and delivered the Lenten lectures in English.

During the strike of the anthracite miners of Pennsylvania in 1900 Archbishop Ryan, who in 1884 had been made archbishop of the Philadelphia diocese, spent most of his time in the coal fields. Here his advice and consolation was much sought. His influence with the miners at that time was said to have kept many acts of violence from being attempted.

While chaplain of the military prison at St. Louis, which was known as the Gratiot prison, he labored with much success among the prisoners, sometimes baptizing as many as 600 converts in a day.

## JAMES BOYS' MOTHER DIES

Mrs. Samuels, Who Defended Bandit Sons, Passes Away Suddenly on Train.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—Mrs. Zerel Samuels, mother of the one-time notorious bandits, Jesse and Frank James, whom she kept from being captured by her wit and courage for 20 years, died in a Pullman train room on a San Francisco train near this city. She succumbed to heart disease at the age of eighty-six.

With her was Mrs. Frank James. They were en route from Fletcher, Okla., the present home of Frank James, to Excelsior, Mo., eight miles from the old James homestead in Clay county, which was once the most noted stronghold of outlawry on the border.

Forty years ago, during an attack on the James home by detectives, a bomb was thrown into the house and tore away Mrs. Samuels' right arm. Mrs. Samuels was of gigantic stature.

## TERRITORIAL TRADE GROWS

America's Business With its Distant Possessions Reaches \$202,494,343 in Year.

Washington.—Within the last seven years the trade of the United States with its noncontiguous territories doubled in value, according to statisticians of the bureau of commerce and labor.

In 1910 the trade with Alaska, Hawaii, Porto Rico, the Philippines, Guam, Tutuila and the Midway islands amounted to \$202,494,343. In 1903 it amounted to \$100,107,334.

The statistics also show that in the seven-year period the increase was 82 per cent. in the value of merchandise shipped from the territories to the United States and 139 per cent. in the value of merchandise shipped from the United States to the territories.

Pension Roll Up \$50,000,000. Washington.—The senate committee on pensions voted Monday to report favorably the Sulloway pension bill, which already has passed the house. It increases the general pension roll about \$50,000,000 a year. The vote was 8 to 3, the minority being McCumber, Gore and Talliferro.

## Rain Falls in Kansas.

Salina, Kan.—A general rain fell in central and western Kansas Monday. This was the first rain of any consequence in five months.

## GUARANTY LAW COST

GOVERNOR SAYS \$92,600 IS NEEDED FOR BIENNIIUM.

OLD REMOVAL BILL DEFEATED

New Capital Removal Bill Makes Its Appearance.

Governor Aldrich has submitted a special message to the legislature in which he incorporates a report of Secretary E. Royce of the state banking board stating that an appropriation of \$92,600 will be necessary to enforce the banking laws, including the guaranty of deposits provision, for a period of two years. Mr. Royce has inquired into the operation of a similar law in Oklahoma. To verify annually at least 10 per cent of the loans and deposits as required by the new law will require twelve state bank examiners at a cost of \$43,200 for salaries and \$24,000 for traveling expenses, or a total of \$67,200 for that one item of expense.

Shorn of its objectionable features, so its supporters claim, and strengthened by the spirit of fairness in which, they add, it is written a new capital removal bill made its appearance Friday afternoon. Its predecessor was assigned to the tomb of defeat at the morning session, only 28 mourners being present at the last sad rites of the long talked of, and deeply cherished measure.

The new bill eliminates among other features, the stipulation that contestants for capitalistic honors shall file west of the 97th meridian, a very prominent part of the departed bill and one which Representative Prince sought to have left out, had he succeeded in securing a recommittee of the measure to the committee of the whole for specific amendment.

As the result of a little reflection and research on the part of the radical supporters of an initiative and referendum bill, Senator Skiles has asked unanimous consent to amend senate file No. 1 so that some of the objections made by the "conservatives" are satisfied. The amendment eliminates the "party circle" provision now existing with reference to constitutional amendments and also meets Senator Alberts' constant assertion that the bill as originally drawn was not self-executing and might be ineffective even if passed. The conservatives regard this request of the Skiles followers as a vindication of their fight Tuesday. The amendment will be inserted by the committee on constitutional amendments and the bill will be presented for a vote after the amendment is printed and engrossed.

Must Vote at Home. The senate committee on privileges and elections has recommended for passage Volpp's bill, requiring students to vote at their parental home and not at the place of their student residence if they receive help from home. This bill, if passed, will eliminate the student vote in Lincoln.

For Defending the Bill. The claims committee has voted to allow C. A. Whedon \$5,000 for his work in defending the bank guaranty law, and has given Judge I. L. Albert, at present state senator, \$2,500 for his work.

The lower house of the Nebraska legislature is in favor of tariff revision even if it does touch some of the chief products of the state. It so voted this morning in turning down almost two to one the resolution of condemnation directed against the proposed treaty by Colton.

Farmers Discuss Hog Cholera. The agricultural committee of the house held an informal meeting at the Lincoln at which discussion was centered largely on the Sanborn serum bill. This measure calls for the appropriation of \$45,000 for the establishment of a hog cholera serum plant, to be operated by the state. Several veterinary surgeons from over the state were present to give the legislators information on the subject. The bill was originally referred to this committee, but was recalled.

\$1,131,940 for Biennium. The salary appropriation for state officers and institutions was introduced in the house. It carries a total appropriation of \$1,131,940 for the biennium as against an appropriation of \$995,200 in the bill two years ago.

This increase of \$136,740 represents salaries necessitated by the opening of the Wayne and Chadron normal schools. The net increase for the same officers and institutions in the bill two years ago is \$42,240.

A motion was passed instructing the university removal investigating committee to also take cognizance of the dual medical school now being supported by the state, half of it in Omaha and half in Lincoln, to see whether it considered it profitable for the state to maintain its medical department. Holmes of Douglas could not understand the motion. He believed it affected one of the largest cities in the state and wanted the motion laid over a day while he looked into it. The speaker ruled against him and the motion was passed.

## COUNTY OPTION IS DEFEATED

The Bill Lacks One Vote in the State Senate.

Without any fireworks the county option bill was defeated on its passage in the senate Wednesday. This result was not unexpected, it generally being believed that Bartling of Otoe would vote against it. He was the only republican who did so. Ollis of Valley, who introduced the bill, Lee of Boyd and Bodinson of Buffalo, were the only democrats who voted for the bill. It received sixteen votes, while seventeen were cast against it. By agreement the bill at no stage of its progress was discussed on its merits. It was a measure to make the present local option law subservient to the county option law in counties that might adopt county option and vote to prohibit saloons in the county. It provided that county and town licensing boards should be governed by the result of a vote of the entire county when the vote was in favor of prohibiting the issuance of licenses.

The roll call on the bill resulted as follows: Year: Bodison, Brown, Cordal, Cox of Kearney, Cox of Hamilton, Hoagland, Jansen, Kemp, Lee, McGrew, Ollis, Reynolds, Sellock, Smith of Boone, Smith of Fillmore, Varner—16.

Nay: Albert, Banning, Bartling, Bartos, Buhrman, Horton, Kohl, Morehead, Pickens, Placek, Reagan, Skiles, Talcott, Tanner, Tibbets, Volpp, Wilcox—17.

Petitions Against Sunday Baseball. A bunch of petitions against Sunday baseball were introduced in the senate Monday, all of the papers being referred to the judiciary committee, which had the bill in charge. A petition to Senator Skiles was headed by E. S. Burr of Carleton, a petition to Senator Skiles was headed by W. Cady of Pleasantdale, a petition to Senator Cox of Hamilton had the name of the Rev. A. V. Wilson of Ong at the top, one to Senator J. A. Cox was headed by E. A. McVey of Stockman, the petition addressed to Senator Varner came from J. A. Dorens of Madison and others. Senator C. E. Smith received two petitions, one from G. W. Stone and others of Exeter, and one from R. A. Smith and others of York. A petition to Senators Sellock and Brown of Lancaster was headed by the name of J. D. Priest of Normal, while the last of the bunch of petitions addressed to Senator McGraw had the name of C. H. Shador of Bloomington at the beginning.

Wins Second Round. Eastman's bill appropriating \$100,000 for another agricultural school in the southwestern part of the state passed the house by a bare majority, and the boosters for that enterprise won the second round which pushed the bill on towards final passage. The bill has been worked for with great earnestness by boosters from Harlan and Phelps counties, who have sent repeated delegations to Lincoln in the interest of the measure. Ex-Governor Shallenberger was one of these boosters. Eastman, the author of the bill, feared that he might lose on the final vote, but succeeded in mustering fifty-one votes for the measure as opposed to forty-seven cast against it.

The Nebraska state senate recommended the initiative and referendum bill for passage Tuesday afternoon after a session devoted largely to oratory. The bill was discussed in committee of the whole and after minor changes was ordered engrossed for a third reading. Friends of the measure stood shoulder to shoulder and succeeded in voting down all radical amendments offered.

Skiles of Butler, the introducer of the bill, championed the measure, while Albert of Platte opposed some of its provisions and proposed referring it to a committee to digest the many proposed amendments. Placek of Saunders offered several amendments which the introducer of the bill opposed and they were defeated.

Capital Relocation Again. Capital relocation was the big issue taken up at Wednesday's session of the house and it consumed the entire afternoon. The lobby and the gallery were both crowded with spectators and every lawmaker in the lower house was on his mettle for the unusual fray.

Prince of Hall led the attack for the removal contingent, while he was opposed mainly by Filley of Gage, Mockett, Hatfield and McKelvie of Lancaster and Smith of Boone. The arguments were warm on both sides.

Income Tax Favored. In the upper house the joint resolution favoring the income tax received the vote of every senator present when the vote was taken, thirty-two senators voting for the bill. Among the bills passed was S. F. No. 55, which prohibits the use of vehicles or conveyances in getting voters to the polls.

S. F. 36, by Bartling, the Sunday baseball bill, passed by a vote of 19 to 13. This not being sufficient to pass a bill with an emergency clause, a second vote was taken with the emergency clause stricken out and the vote resulted the same. Tanner of Douglas was the only senator absent. Volpp of Dodge proposed a call of the house in order to bring in the absent member. The chair convinced him that a two-thirds vote could not be given in favor of the bill even with Tanner present, so the motion for a call of the house was withdrawn.

## BANDITS IN AUTO

LOOT KANSAS BANKS

MASKED ROBBERS IN TOURING CARS HAVE RAIDED 30 IN 90 DAYS.

EPIDEMIC THROUGHOUT WEST

Well-Organized Gang of Motor Pirates Terrorizing Country Bankers, and Farmers With Fat Pocketbooks Fear the Marauders.

Topeka, Kan.—Always up to date and sometimes spectacular, Kansas has a new claim to fame. The banks of the Sunflower state are being robbed by a well organized band of motor pirates. Country bankers are frankly terror-stricken and the city bankers are growing uneasy. Farmers with fat rolls are tossing uneasily in their beds.

So far the record shows that within the last three months over 30 banks have been robbed within the confines of the state of Kansas. Over \$100,000 has been taken and never a bandit has as yet decorated the interior of a jail cell. Not a man has been arrested, and the clues are very vague and hard to follow. Kansas sheriffs, town marshals, detectives and chiefs of police are at their wits' end and the robbers continue to dart in and out of the state, raiding the richest and most available banks apparently at their own pleasure. The authorities have banded together with the Anti-Horse-Thief associations that are still found over the state, and are vowing vengeance, but so far nothing has come of all their efforts.

A meeting of sheriffs and policemen was held in Wichita in an effort to devise ways and means for capturing the bold marauders. But the black motor cars filled with masked banditti still race along the prairie highways.

State Bank Commissioner Doley of Kansas has taken matters into his own hands to a certain extent, and has called upon the governors of Oklahoma and Nebraska to keep their bandits at home. It is the contention of the Kan-

sas authorities that these midnight marauders dart across the state line into Nebraska from both Oklahoma and Nebraska, rob a bank or two between dark and daylight, and dash back across the boundary, where the maddened Kansans dare not follow them. Oklahoma and Nebraska resent the imputation and the citizens of these commonwealths are calling upon Kansas to remove the beam from her own eye before trying to locate the motes in those of her neighbors.

The bandits have undoubtedly come back into their old haunts. They are riding the same prairies in motor cars that they once galloped over upon their cayuses. They seem to find the change altogether profitable and comfortable as well. It is safer to make a get-away in a big powerful racing car than it is to trust to horseflesh and animal stamina. It is easier to carry away the "swag" in a car than it is to put it in a gunny sack and tie it to a maddle horn.

Kansas has known tank robbers in the old days. The Kansas town is poor and indeed uninteresting that has no story to tell of the "day the stage was held up a couple of miles out of town," or of that other day when the "Dalton gang rode into town and held up the bank in broad daylight." They are able many times to show you the exact spot where the cashier was killed or where some bold bandit was left wallowing on the prairie when his companions were forced to gallop out of town.

The bandits who have come back are possibly not so spectacular as those of a decade ago, but they get what they go after. Motor cars as a means of marauding are new even to Kansas. But three-score raided banks and a few thousand depositors can testify that they are effective beyond the dreams of those more dramatic holdup men who dashed into town on lean and rangy cow ponies.

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