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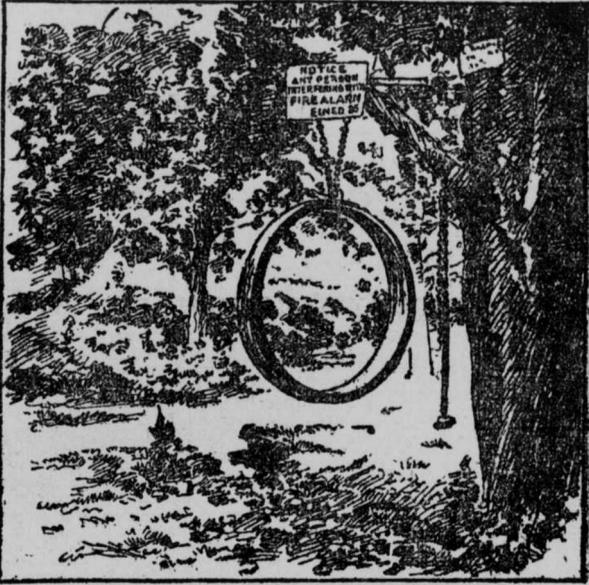
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PRIMITIVE NEW JERSEY FIRE ALARM.

There is a curious fire alarm in the settlement of Woodcliff, over on the New Jersey Palisades, opposite Central Park, New York.

Several years ago, when what is

trolley on the railroad and the country traversed by the line built up rapidly. The crossing with the strange metal ring on the tree became a center of activity, and diagonally across



now Woodcliff was mainly forest land, through which ran the old railroad to Coytesville, passengers on the cars used to notice an odd circular band depending from the limb of a tree at a highway crossing and to wonder what it was and why it was there, as the train went by.

Steam gave way to the electric

from it was built the postoffice and general land office of the community.

Woodcliff is now a village with stores and all the marks of progress, but the metal ring remains on the tree in an open corner lot, and serves to-day, as it did formerly, as a fire alarm of a very efficient character.

IS NOW THE KING

PETER GAINS A FIRMER GRASP ON AFFAIRS.

TO BE A RULER IN FACT

With Loud Applause the People Greet Him as He Kisses the Holy Book—Is Now the Ruler of All the Servians.

BELGRADE—It was remarked on all sides Thursday that King Peter seemed hourly to assume a more commanding attitude, and that he gains a firmer grasp on affairs. His demeanor when he took the oath and the expression on his face showed masterfulness and his intention to be a king in fact, as well as in name, ruling unflinchingly as well as justly. The demonstrations Wednesday evening apparently convinced him that he is not merely the elect of the military or a civilian faction, but that he had the people at his back. The proceedings Thursday were marked by solemnity. The old parliament building, a bare, barn-like structure, with flimsy decorations, was crowded with representatives, official, clergy and civilian spectators, who loudly cried, "Long live the King," as he appeared. The king glanced sharply, almost sternly, at the deputies, some of whom were in peasant garb, while others were dressed in the height of western fashion.

Taking a seat in front of the throne, over which his own portrait hung, the king watched with calm assurance for the ceremony to begin.

Lighted candles had been placed on a table in front of the king, on which also rested a richly-bound Bible, the text of the oath on engrossed parchment, and the jeweled cross.

King Peter stood erect while the metropolitan proceeded with the religious ceremony, the responses to which were chanted by the presbyters. When the prayers were ended, the king kissed the Bible, and then took the oath. When he had finished, his majesty advanced amid profound silence of the assemblage and signed his name to the document. A frenzy of cheers followed. The king again kissed the Bible and the cross proffered by the metropolitan, and without the slightest relaxation of the stern lines of his face, turned quickly on his heel and walked out to his carriage, amid salvos of cheers, which also greeted him as he passed through the streets to the parade grounds, where the troops were awaiting.

Potatoes Fail in Ireland. LONDON—Reports from the west of Ireland, Lancashire and other points state that thousands of acres of potatoes have been ruined by the present frost and rain. It is feared that the failure of the Irish potato crop will entail much hardship on the peasants.

IOWA DEMOCRATS NOMINATE.

Ticket Placed Before Public in State Convention.

DES MOINES.—The democrats in state convention here placed the following ticket in the field:

For Governor—J. B. Sullivan, Union county.

For Lieutenant Governor—John D. Butler, Iowa county.

For Judge of Supreme Court—John R. Caldwell, Tama county.

For State Superintendent—A. R. McCook, Howard county.

For Railroad Commissioner—W. S. Porter, Hardin county.

The platform condemns imperialism, the Aldrich bill and the financial policy; opposes trusts and government by injunction, and favors tariff revision. His advocacy of government ownership of railroads eliminates Van Wegenen. There were no contests for the places and the entire ticket was nominated by acclamation after adoption of the platform.

TO ATTACK THE STRONGHOLD.

Castro Sends Force of 4,000 to Fight General Rolando.

CARACAS, Venezuela.—The government has decided to attack by land and from the river Orinoco the town of Ciudad Bolivar, which is still in the hands of the revolutionary general, Rolando, the only lieutenant of General Matos, who has fled to the island of Curacao and who possesses an army of about 2,000 with guns and ammunition.

Twelve hundred government troops have left Maturin for San Felipe, where they will join a sea force of 3,400 men. After the junction of the two forces has been effected, they will march on Ciudad Bolivar, which, it is expected, will be attacked next Saturday. A heavy resistance is probable.

THAT IOWA TARIFF PLANK.

Denied That President is Taking a Hand in It.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Published reports that President Roosevelt was taking part in the framing of the tariff plank to be adopted by the republicans of Iowa at their coming convention are denied here and it can be stated authoritatively that the president has made no suggestions with reference to the Iowa platform and has taken no part whatever in the work of outlining it.

Will Be Signed and Ratified.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Senator Quesada, the Cuban minister, has received advices from Havana through official sources that the treaties concerning coal stations and the Isle of Pines may be signed at any moment, and that the probabilities are that they will be ratified by the Cuban senate. He apprised Secretary Hay of this matter.

A WELCOME HOME

PRESIDENT GETS DOUBLE RECEPTION AT OYSTER BAY.

A GOOD NATURED RIVALRY

Some Little Factional Spirit Adds to the Vigor of the Demonstrations—Unveiling of the Civil War Trophy Gun Presented by the People.

OYSTER BAY, L. I.—President Roosevelt's home coming for the summer was made the occasion of a fete here. His reception was notable for its enthusiastic cordiality and likewise for its vigor. The latter quality was due to a slight factional difference among the townspeople, the result being that the president was accorded a double reception. The Oyster Board of Trade headed by President J. Morgan Griffin, had planned an elaborate demonstration, and ex-Assemblyman Maurice Townsend had arranged another. The rivalry, however, was friendly and merely added to the enthusiasm.

Under smiling skies the president stepped from his car at 4:30, and while the cannon crashed out its salute, and the people cheered, he was escorted by the reception committee to the town hall. The march to the hall was between lines of school children, each waving a tiny American flag. Business houses and residences throughout the town were handsomely decorated with flags and bunting, and scores of large American ensigns swung across the principal streets.

Arrived at the hall, President Roosevelt unveiled the civil war trophy gun presented to the people of Oyster Bay by the navy department. Then, standing on a chair placed on the steps leading to the hall, he delivered a brief address to the crowd of his friends and neighbors massed in front of the building. The president said:

"My Friends and Neighbors: I thank you heartily, more heartily than I can express, for your coming out to greet me today. I wonder if some of you remember, what I shall never forget, the way that you came out to greet me, nearly five years ago, when I got home from Santiago (cheers.) I thought some of you would remember it.

"Since I last saw you I have been across the continent. I have traveled from the shore of the Atlantic ocean, across the Mississippi valley, by the side of the great lakes, over the Rocky mountains, to the shore of the Pacific, and the thing that has struck me most in that journey of nearly fifteen thousand miles has been the essential unity of our people—that wherever an American president goes, here in the United States, he feels himself to be at home among those who feel as he does and who have the same ideals to which he can appeal."

HE IS IN HIS USUAL HEALTH.

More False Rumors Regarding the Pope's Condition.

ROME.—The Spanish embassy to the vatican has received telegrams from Madrid anxiously inquiring about the health of the pope, saying that from a reliable source it was learned that his holiness was seriously ill. The rumor soon spread here, producing the usual sensation. On going to the vatican, however, it was found that it was only another false alarm. The pope is in his usual health, and received Sunday in private audience the bishop of Ibague, Colombia. The pontiff conferred with him on the conditions prevailing in the South American republics and the necessity of raising the standard of the clergy so that they might contribute to the intellectual progress and moral progress of the people.

SENATOR HANNA SPEAKS

Would Take Up Salvation Army Work if Not So Busy.

CLEVELAND, O. A fine new citadel, to be used as headquarters for the Salvation Army in this city and vicinity, was dedicated Sunday. Senator Hanna was chairman of the occasion and made an address of half an hour's duration. He spoke almost entirely of the work done by the army and praised it. He said that if he had time to preach he would help the Salvation Army with his voice. Commander Booth-Tucker, in introducing Senator Hanna, said that he was a man who was well known and respected in this country and England.

HURRY THE CASES.

The President Urges Postoffice Prosecutions.

WASHINGTON.—The president has sent the following letter to the attorney general:

"WHITE HOUSE, June 22, 1903.—Sir: As you know, the charges in connection with the postoffice department are now being investigated by Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow, who has placed at his disposal by the postmaster general every resource of the department, including the services of Mr. Robb, whom you detailed from the department of justice to the postoffice department immediately after the removal of Mr. Tyner.

"As a result of this investigation a number of indictments have already been found and it is probable that other indictments will be hereafter asked for. There can be no greater offense against the government than a breach of trust on the part of a public official or the dishonest management of his office, and, of course, every effort must be exerted to bring offenders to punishment by the utmost rigor of the law.

"The district attorney of the District of Columbia has faithfully and zealously seconded the efforts of the postoffice department in this matter, but the amount of work in the office is such as to make it difficult, without neglecting other important public duties, to devote all the time necessary to the prosecution of these cases.

"I suggest, therefore, that if you cannot detail some of your present staff, you appoint special assistants in these postoffice cases, not only to take up the cases in which indictments have been found or hereafter may be found, but to examine into all charges that have been made against officials in the postal service, with a view to the removal and prosecution of all guilty men in the service and the prosecution of guilty men, whether in the service or not, where the cases are not barred by the statute of limitations. Sincerely yours,

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

Carrying out the president's suggestion, Attorney General Knox has appointed Charles Bonaparte of Baltimore a special attorney to assist in these prosecutions, and on his return here Mr. Holmes Conrad, former solicitor general, will be tendered a like appointment.

Postmaster Payne has taken official cognizance of Mr. Madden's letter regarding criticisms of the contract for supplying carbon paper to the service. Mr. Payne conferred with his assistants on the subject. Subsequently he declined to say whether any reply had been sent to Mr. Madden and a similar reticence was observed by those who were in accord with Mr. Payne.

PLACING BLAME FOR KILLING.

Say it Was King's Secretary Who Started the Shooting.

BELGRADE, Serbia.—King Peter attended the services at the cathedral Sunday without any escort.

The official account of the recent assassinations, based on an investigation made by the war minister, is expected to be published shortly. It is understood that it will say the conspirators did not intend to kill their majesties, but only to deport them, but they were incited to the murder by the attack of Lieutenant Petrovics, the king's secretary, who fired the first shot. It appears that it was the king of Greece and not the king of Italy who sent his congratulations to King Peter on Saturday.

Diaz Will Attend Celebration.

MEXICO.—President Diaz on Sunday accepted an invitation to attend the celebration of the Fourth of July to be given by the American colony in this city. A feature of the day will be a special luncheon to be given to President Diaz, who will also witness part of the day's sport. President Diaz will be the orator of the day.

New Cabinet in Greece.

ATHENS.—The new cabinet has been definitely formed, as follows: M. Theotokis, premier and foreign minister; M. Levidis, minister of the interior; M. Lobardos, minister of public instruction; M. Cologeropoulos, minister of justice; M. Stephanopolis, minister of marine; M. Simopolis, minister of finance, and Colonel Grivas, minister of war.

Islands Accept Invitation.

COPENHAGEN.—The invitation to take part in the St. Louis exposition has been formally accepted on behalf of the Danish West Indies.

REGICIDES FREE

PETER'S APPOINTMENTS AN ENDORSEMENT OF ASSASSINS.

CHIEF MURDERER AT THE HEAD

Colonel Michin High in New King's Councils After Leading the Dastardly Plot—King Issues a General Order.

BELGRADE.—The German emperor has sent King Peter a telegram couched in cordial terms. The Austrian minister has resumed official relations with the Servian government.

King Peter had a reception. Only two foreign diplomats, the Russian and Austrian ministers attended. The representatives of the three or four other countries apparently were willing to recognize King Peter, but not the Servian cabinet, in which Colonel Michin, one of the chief conspirators, holds a portfolio.

The king's reappointment of the ministry is regarded as equivalent to a notification that no punishment will be meted out to the assassins of King Alexander and Queen Draga.

Foreign Minister Kalievics has sent a circular to the Servian representatives abroad explaining that the king appointed the cabinet because he considered that he could not do better than entrust the government to the men in whom parliament had a few days ago expressed its full confidence.

King Peter has issued the following general order:

"To My Dear Army: On setting foot on the soil of our dear fatherland, my cradle and the cradle of my ancestors, my heart gives greeting first to you, the hope of Serbia, my dear, heroic army.

"On ascending the throne of my glorious ancestors I also take supreme command of the whole Servian army, which, under the leadership of my immortal grandfather, by its virtues and military successes, astounded the world and in the later war for the liberation of Serbia afforded many proofs of its military merits. I feel happy that the supreme command has been entrusted to me.

"Officers, non-commissioned officers and men, at this solemn moment I greet you with the words, 'God be with you, you, falcons of the Servian people.' I am happy to see you all united around my throne, imbued with fidelity and loyalty to me and to the ideals of our fatherland. I will endeavor to maintain this spirit by judging and estimating each and all of you solely on your military merit. You are all equally dear to me. I merely ask that you will devote yourselves heartily to the calling you have chosen and that you will assist me to guide you in the path of honor and glory.

"I therefore cry: 'Long live the hope of the Servian people, the army!'"

Russia Prepared for Trouble.

LONDON.—It is believed that the fleet cruisers of the Russian volunteer fleet, which are lying idle at Sebastopol and Odessa, are being held in the Black sea for military exigencies, says the Odessa correspondent of the Times. He adds that it is reported that an intimation was given June 20 to the commanders of these vessels that there is a possibility of their being requisitioned to fly the naval flag.

Charged With Crookedness.

SCRANTON, Pa.—A special committee was appointed by the select council to investigate an allegation that eight members of the body had banded together to hold up the Dalton Street Railway company for \$400 apiece. At the last meeting of the council the franchise was to come up for passage, but the quorum was broken by opponents of the measure.

Funston Inspects Alaska Posts.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—General Funston, commanding the department of Columbia, has informed the war department that he has left for Alaska for an inspection of the posts in that territory. He will visit Forts Lisicum, Skagwa, Egbert, Gibbon, St. Michael and Davis.

Russian Troops in Korea.

YOKOHAMA.—A dispatch from Seoul, capital of Korea, reports that a Korean military officer, who has reached the Yalu river, states that 150 Russian soldiers have crossed the river and are now stationed at two points on the Korean side.

LIPTON AT THE WHITE HOUSE

Sir Thomas Lunches With President Roosevelt.

WASHINGTON.—Sir Thomas Lipton, the challenger for the America's cup, lunched with President Roosevelt at the White House Friday.

The members composing the luncheon party and the president discussed the coming yacht races and the president exhibited much interest in the event.

In addition to Sir Thomas the other guests were the former ambassador to Germany, Andrew D. White; William Fife, the designer of Shamrock III; R. A. C. Smith, vice commodore of the New York Yacht club; Assistant Secretary of War Sanger, Adjutant General Corbin, George W. Perkins of New York, Senator Hanna and Secretary Moody.

FRAUD IN INDIAN AFFAIRS.

Investigation of Allotments in the Oklahoma Reservation.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The president has ordered a thorough investigation of the affairs of the Kiowa and Comanche Indian reservation in Oklahoma, and has appointed Francis E. Leupp of this city to make the investigation. The inquiry is based on charges made by certain Kiowa Indians, including Delis K. Lonewolf, a Kiowa, living at Hobart, that of the 2,759 allotments made to persons purporting to belong to the Kiowa, Comanche and Apache tribes, under the act approved June 6, 1900, a number were illegal and more allotments were made than there were Indians.

PAINTING OF MAIL BOXES NEXT.

Grand Jury Put on Scent of a "Job" in Connection with That.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Having returned indictments against the parties concerned in the transactions of the Groff brothers, involving street letter box fasteners, the grand jury has begun the investigation of other contracts with the general delivery service.

It is said the postoffice department, through its inspectors who have been working on the case for some time, has made some discoveries which make it imperative that the grand jury take the matter up. The contracts referred to pertain to the use of aluminum paint on street letter boxes throughout the country.

LOOKS BAD FOR KING PETER.

British, French, Dutch and Turkish Representatives Leave Belgrade.

BELGRADE.—The British minister to Serbia left here Tuesday for London.

It is understood the first bill to be submitted to King Peter will be one prepared by the minister of justice, granting amnesty for all political offenses.

In accordance with instructions from their governments, the ministers of France, Holland and Turkey left Belgrade.

King Peter's train, which left Geneva, passed through Innsbruck, Austria. The king was enthusiastically welcomed there by the Servian and Croatian students.

NEW GOLD FIELD IS FOUND.

Discovery is Made on Lower River, Near Valdez, Alaska.

SEATTLE, Wash.—The first details of the new gold finds near Valdez were brought from the north by the steamer Excelsior, which has just arrived here.

The discovery is on Lower river, twenty-three miles from Valdez, and already 800 acres of ground have been staked out.

During the last few days, before the Excelsior sailed, there was quite a stampede to the new find.

President of Santo Domingo.

PARIS.—A dispatch from Santo Domingo City announces that General A. Wos y Gil, who recently became provisional president through the overthrow of General Horatio Vazquez, has been elected president of the Dominican republic.

Eugenio De Champ, who was a candidate for the presidency, but withdrew in favor of General Gil, has been elected vice president.

Funeral of Major Pond.

NEW YORK.—The funeral services for Major James Burton Pond were held Tuesday evening at the family residence in Jersey City. The funeral rites of the Grand Army of the Republic were performed by the officers of Lafayette post.