

compelled the country to await your tariff board's report before permitting a revision of the much debated, well studied, well understood and discredited wool schedules?

"2. Are you, Mr. President, in favor of the Aldrich central bank plan, which threatens more seriously

to locate control of the national finances in Wall street?

"3. Are you still a conservationist of the school of Richard A. Ballinger, or are you a convert to the school of Gifford Pinchot whom you dismissed from the forest service at Ballinger's behest? And are you in

favor of a development of Alaska under governmental supervision or under the Morgan-Guggenheim monopoly?

"4. Do you, Mr. President, favor a progressive policy toward the great industrial trusts, or do you stand on this point where you stood in relation to railway monopolies when you advocated the legalization of railway pooling agreements?

"5. What, Mr. President, is your attitude toward the progressive republicans, who hold commissions as senators and representatives of your party? Do you now stand where you stood when you issued the famous Norton letter, announcing your purpose to deny patronage to insurgent senators and representatives because they opposed you as regards legalized pooling? Will you regard another nomination as a mandate to read the progressive republicans out of the party a second time?"

Taft to assist them out of their predicament. This became known following a ruling by the postoffice department, which held the commission's report was unmailable. The ruling was precipitated by John D. Rockefeller, jr., who had purchased 1,000 copies of the report and ordered them mailed from here. These were held up in the postoffice as improper matter. Previously, however, members of the vice commission had mailed hundreds of copies. Hence, under the ruling of the postoffice department, they are guilty of sending improper matter through the mails. The penalty is imprisonment not exceeding five years or a maximum fine of \$5,000, or both. Dean Walter T. Summer of St. Peter and Paul Episcopal cathedral, secretary of the commission, said that because of its aim and use the report is not improper matter.

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An Associated Press dispatch from Chicago says: The total operating income of the Illinois Central railroad for the year ending June 30, 1911, was \$60,907,031.49, the largest in the history of the road, according to the annual report made recently. The revenue for 1910 was \$57,884,721.09. The operating expenses for 1911 were \$43,856,228.13, an increase of \$535,497.74 over those of 1910. The expense of maintenance of equipment showed a decrease of \$1,184,885.39 over 1910. Much of this saving was credited to changes following the indictment of Illinois Central officials for alleged dishonesty in the car repair department.

Speaking at Hutchinson, Kan., which town is now under the commission form of government, President Taft said he preferred the form having a mayor.

Several men, among them ex-United States Treasurer Daniel N. Morgan, were arrested in New York, charged with conducting a questionable business transaction under the guise of an investment enterprise.

A Dayton, O., dispatch, carried by the Associated Press, said: Forced into the air by the jeers of thousands who called him a coward, Frank H. Miller, twenty-three years old, a Toledo aviator, shot into the sky at twilight the other evening and when 200 feet up was burned to death before the eyes of the spectators, on the Miami county fair grounds at Troy, north of here. Miller had circled the race track and was just starting into a spiral glide into a neighboring corn field when something went wrong. He could be seen making a frantic attempt to get his machine under control, when suddenly the whirring of the propellers ceased. The craft then dropped like a shot for fifty feet, a tiny blue flame was emitted from the engine, and in an instant the gasoline tank exploded. The machine was wrecked, debris was hurled hundreds of feet in all directions. What remained of the aeroplane and its driver were burned almost to a crisp as they dropped rapidly to earth. It was Miller's second flight of the day and the fifth and last of the week. In a short flight shortly after noon his machine acted unsteady and he did not care to go up.

A Chicago dispatch, carried by the Associated Press, says: Members of the Chicago vice commission, presented with a possibility of prosecution for technical violation of federal statutes, will appeal to President

An Associated Press dispatch from New York, September 27, says: One of the most exciting episodes in the history of Wall street in recent years was today's session of the stock exchange. Aside from times of panic it is doubtful whether the fluctuations of stocks ever were more evident. The market was in confusion throughout the day. The range of prices in some cases exceeded six points. A peculiar feature was that trading resulted in the utter rout of both the bull and bear factions. At the opening there was a stampede of bears to cover their contracts, which they were compelled to do at heavy losses. In the afternoon the bears obtained control of the market and prices melted away. At the close the bears retired victorious. The United States Steel corporation's statement last night that dissolution or disintegration were not contemplated by the corporation, was the pivot around which the market moved. To some extent it relieved Wall street's fears. It did not answer the question, whether the government was contemplating a suit for dissolution, however, so that the situation was unchanged in one of its perplexing aspects.

Former Governor Fletcher D. Proctor of Vermont died at his home after a protracted illness.

William C. Gladstone, a grandson of William E. Gladstone, was elected to the house of commons.

Plans were made at the reunion of the veterans of the union and confederate armies held at Memphis, for a peace jubilee and general reunion of the blue and gray to take place at Washington in 1913.

Private Frank Bloom, of the Third field artillery, the young Jewish soldier who failed in his first efforts to secure a commission in the army, and to whom President Taft allowed a second examination, was ordered promoted to be second lieutenant.

At a meeting of the Farmers' union and bankers of Sumter, S. C., the financiers offered to lend \$500,000 on cotton in warehouses in line with the Montgomery resolutions.

Dmitry Bogroff, the assassin of Premier Stolypin, was hanged at Kiev. He refused the consolation of a rabbi when told the interview must be public.

A Boston dispatch says: As an outcome of the first statewide primaries in Massachusetts, held recently, Governor Eugene N. Foss will head the ticket for the democrats for the second time, and Lieutenant-Governor Lewis A. Frothingham will be

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