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Washington.-"Acts rather than declarations." President Taft is reported in this terse way to have described recently to callers his program for the conservation of natural resources. The president, it is stated, has declared that when the present session of congress ends he will be able to point to the first practical conservation statues ever placed upon the law books of the nation as an answer to the criticism which has ben directed toward the white house.

Without waiting for the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation, Mr Taft soon will begin the preparation of his promised special message on conservation, and he has received assurance from both houses of congress that while some trouble may be expected in the lower branch, the legislation which the executive will suggest will be made into law before the spring adjournment.

The president is represented as taking the position that there is nothing in the Bailinger-Pinchot dispute that has a bearing on his own legislative program, and he will proceed regardless of it.

trairman of the senate committee on public lands. It is asserted that in the constructive work of needed legislation, the president has had to depend almost entirely upon Mr. Ballinger, who has been at work for several months on the draft of the proposed statutes that will meet the intricacies of the vexed problem of practical conservation and embody the president's views on this important subject, These proposed new laws are ready to be submitted to the committees of the senate and house along with the spe cial message, the preparation of which the president will begin as soon as he gets the message on the interstate and anti-trust laws out of the

Unless President Taft abandons a pretty firmly fixed intention he will not wait for the conclusion-or even for the beginning-of the congressional inquiry into matters connected with the so-called Ballinger-Pinchot controversy before sending to congress his national resources

The president is expected to begin catty about it. the preparation of this message as interstate commerce and anti-trust acts, upon which he is now engaged. Furthermore, it can be stated that Mr. Taft is confident that the conser vation legislation which he proposes

end of the present session of congress. of the administration declare will be the first that have ever dealt ade quitely with the national resourceswill be President Taft's answer to so

will be enacted into law before the

much of the criticism as has been directed against him Senator Knute Nelson of Minnesota, chairman of the senate committee on public lands, is co-operating with the president in the matter of conservation laws and has assured him that there will be no difficulty in putting

those laws through the senate. In the house there is likely to be some opposition, but the president feels sure it can be overcome and that the laws will stand approved before

the summer comes. White house callers who have talked with President Taft on the subject describe him as believing that he will best prove his friendship for the "Roosevelt policies" of conservation by putting laws on the statute books that will actually carry these policies into effect.

The real problem to be solved is how best to dispose of the public lands containing water power sites, coal and at one of the popular boarding houses phosphates. Such lands have been withdrawn from entry during the genindefinitely and there is no specific

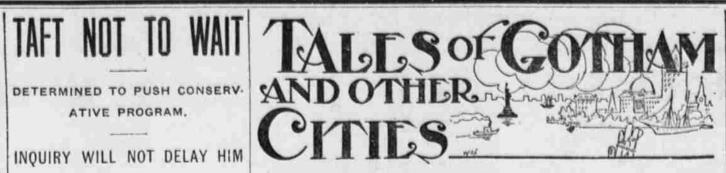
law governing their sale or lease. It is generally admitted that the resources must be developed; that the coal and phosphate must be taken out by private capital and yet there must at the same time be safeguards against monopoly. These are the intricacies

Drag Chinese From Berths.

Denver.-Federal officers in Denver dragged two Chinese out of their berths in Pullman sleepers and will send them to San Francisco for deportation. The officers say the orientals are members of the band of eight Chinese who swam the Rio Grande river several nights ago, six of them being captured at Dallas. Federal officers here assert that hundreds of Chinese are being smuggled into the United States across the Mexican border and taken to obscure points in Texas, Colorado and other western

Disposes of Large Estate.

New York.-Justice McLean of the state supreme court, who retires next Friday signed an order making final adjustment of the \$3,000,000 estate of the late Dr. Thomas W. Evans, the American dentist of Paris, who rescued the Empress Eugenie from a Parisian mob on September 5, 1871 for conversion-of a muscular kind. four days after the battle of Sedan. The decision will make it possible for the city of Philadelphia, the residuary, to proceed with the erection of the tal callege, which will be Dr. Evana' chief monument



Taft's Visit Stirs Up Bowery Tramps



NEW YORK.—Since President Taft visited the Bowery and addressed 300 of "the boys," more energy has been shown by the hoboes who haunt the resorts of the notorious thoroughfares than ever before in his history. There is not a man, woman, or child mit he or she was not at the presi- you." dent's side. Nearly 2,000 white collars sent by a Brooklyn laundry the next day aided the men of the Bowery to show they appreciated the visit.

After the free distribution of laundry at the mission the men gazed at one another and waited for the next

"The men are just dazed, and that is the only term that expresses it," said J. T. Hunt, who has charge of the country really came down here to talk us here. with them."

'What is it, Jake?" asked Mr. Hunt. "Say, boss, it's this way," replied Jake. "I'm just going out to get a job if I have to take it off somebody. If the president comes down here to talk to us bums and tells us we got a chance, why, we're going to make good. He ought to know, hadn't he? Guess his word goes with me. If we are good enough for him to talk to I'm going to get busy!"

"That's the way it has been going all day," said Mr. Hunt. "I never saw men so deeply stirred. The visit of the president has put more ambition into them than they have ever before along the thoroughfare who will ad- displayed. Just wait and I will show

Stepping before 50 or 60 men, all resplendent in new white collars, Mr. Hunt said to a man whose collar plainly was too tight and who was proud of his distress:

"Come here, Frank. Tell us just what you think and what the men are saying about the president's visit."

"We don't know what to say," said the man. "It's just knocked us clean out. The boys are clean crazy over it. labor bureau of the mission. "They Why, we never thought that the likes cannot realize the president of this of the president cared nothing about

"We're all Democrats, but here Mis-As he was speaking a mild man- ter Taft comes around and calls us In the preparation of his special nered six foot two of humanity, with boys and tells us we is as good as anymessage, the president will have the a two days' stubble beard, came up to body. Say, the boys are going to go co-operation of Secretary Ballinger the desk and made an attempt at a some now. Wish I could get one day's and Senator Nelson of Minnesota bow. work and I'd get a necktie."

Telephone Girl Scores Her Own Sex



NEW YORK.—"Yes, I know they say that women have more patience than men, but that's just another of those 'they says,'" remarked a telephone girl on day duty at one of the uptown exchanges in an expansive half hour. "If women are more patient than men they certaintly don't show it when they use the telephone.

"When some women give the number they want they expect to get their special message on the conservation of party instanter, or quicker, and if they don't they immediately become

"'What is the matter, anyhow?' a ing with proposed amendments to the about eight seconds after she'd given me the number she wanted. don't you give me my party?"

get her the number she asked for, but "'I don't believe anything of the The new statutes-which the friends sort!' she shouted into her phone. conversation will not be listened to.'

Give me the manager this instant! I'll see if I am going to be treated this way.'

"Of course I gave her the manager, and she told him a long story about how she was being imposed upon by the exchange girls. Fortunately, though, she is on the list of terrorswe call them terrors when we want to be real polite and terriers when we don't have to be polite-and so the manager after asking me about the case let it go.

"The most nonsensical accusation that women are forever making against exchange girls is that the girls are eavesdropping on their phone conversations. Such a thing of course is perfectly impossible, for the very simple reason that a girl working at a board hasn't one instant of time to do anything like that,

"'Give me the manager,' a woman said to me over the phone a while ago, soon as he has finished the one deal- woman asked me over her wire just before she had asked for the number. "'Do you wish to make a com-

plaint?" I asked her. "'I wish,' she replied in a severe "I was doing the best I could to tone, 'to have a very private con John, who is inner guard, and was versation with my lawyer, and I want just then dreaming over last evening's the party didn't reply. I told her so. to talk with the manager first to as-

Affinity Trust at Missouri College



ST. LOUIS.—If you visit Columbia and see a man wearing a hunted look, dodging at the mere sight of a penalty for failure is a "tubbing." girl, don't put him down as a misanthrope, or a football hero trying to escape flattery, or a bashful professor. He may be only side-stepping his selfappointed affinity.

For the University of Missourl, leader in football and things intelworking order. It is composed of half a dozen young women who room near the campus. Of course, the affinity idea itself is old and can't begin eral land laws, but they cannot be held to compare with Uncle Joe Cannon as wouldn't do. a space-getter in the newspapers. But the young women of the Affinity club have added several brand-new wrinkles to the idea.

requisite of membership, has selected er remained obdurate.

an affinity and has told his name to the other girls. The rules of the organization requires that she shall have had only the most distant speaking acquaintance with the Fortunate One-or the Victim, depending on the point of view. The choice is final; the rules prohibit changing affinities. Having made her choice, the young woman strives to obtain some marked recognition from her affinity. The

The open season for the affinities closed at Christmas. If before that time any member of the club did not succeed in having her affinity pay her some "special attention," she was to take a "tubbing" in the presence of the members who have "made good." lectual, has an affinity club in good And the water wasn't to be warm,

"Marked attention," as defined by the club, means an invitation to dance or to go to the theater or a request to call. A stroll on the campus

One young woman appealed to the sister of the young man she had chosen. The sister told the affinity what a fine girl "So-and-So" was, and Each member of the club, as a urged him to call on her. The broth-

with which congress will have to deal. "Oh, You Kid!" Ditty Breaks Up Church



HICAGO .- "Oh, you kid!" the stale ditty of the five-cent theaters and the vaudeville houses, was hashed into | She put so much fervor into the music a sacred anthem in Geneva several a prayer meeting at one of the churches.

Since then the pastor and the deacons have been searching for the irreverent member of the choir who annexed the phrase to the hymn with a lead pencil. With much indignation they asserted that he is a fit subject | kid!"

The quotation made its fatal en-The services had been fervent. The for the benediction

pastor had preached a stirring little sermon and 10 to 12 of the laymen had given their testimony. From the sober looks of several young men and women on the back benches it looked as if converts were soon to be gathered in, when the spell and spirit of the meeting were broken by the words of the frivolous song.

The pastor had closed his exordium and had announced the solo. The young woman lifted her voice in song itself that she followed the words nights ago with disastrous results to blindly and sang the anthem exactly as it had been revised with pencil by a practical joker.

"I love my God," sang the soprano in swelling note. "I love my God," the singer repeat-

ed, putting on the crescendo for a climax, "I love my God, but, oh, you

The choir and congregation went into hysteries, the prospective contrance into the prayer meeting during verts gasped and then guffawed, and a solo that was rendered by a so- before order could be restored the Thomas W. Evans museum, and den- prano during the hush which followed shocked and scandalized pastor dis a solemn exhortation by the preacher. missed the meeting without waiting



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Here, If Ever, Was a Time When Telegraphic Limitations Were to Be Deplored.

Wilbur Wright was discussing in Dayton a very imaginative magazine

story about aeroplanes. "The story," he said, "was full of errors. Aeroplanes can't do what this chap claims. He doesn't understand

"In fact, he's like old George Kettle of Trotwood. George rushed into the Trotwood telegraph office the other day with a small package wrapped in a newspaper under his arm. "'Telegraph this to my wife down

o Dayton, Harvey,' he said to the telegraph clerk, thrusting the package through the little window. "'No, no, George; we can't do any thing like that,' laughed the clerk.

"'Drat ye,' said George, angrily, 'ye got to do it. It's my wife's teeth."

When the Sleeper Wakes. elbow into his ribs at 2:17 a. m., "did you look at the kitchen door?" And lodge meeting, sprang up in bed, made certain if he will assure me that my the proper sign, and responded: "Worthy ruler, our portals are guarded." Oh, he hit the title right, even if he was asleep.-United Presby-

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