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DENVER CLOSES HUNT

President Has a Quiet, Informal Meal with Mountain Companions.

NO DRESS SUITS NEEDED AT FUNCTION

Events of the Outing Are Recounted by Members of Party.

LOEB THE ONLY OUTSIDER PRESENT

Day is Spent by Chief Executive in a Quiet Manner.

EXCURSION TRAINS FROWNED DOWN ON

Citizens Gather in Evening and President Makes a Short Address from Balcony of Hotel.

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Colo., May 7.—President Roosevelt entertained at dinner tonight his companions on a "reefer" hunt in the Rocky mountains.

The dinner was his fondest memory. At the dinner were F. B. Stewart of Colorado Springs, Dr. Alexander Lambert, Guide Jake Borah, John Goff, Brick Wells, Jack Fry and G. M. Sprague, Courier Elmer Chapman and Secretary Loeb.

In describing the function Chapman said: "We sat just as we did in camp. Mr. Loeb was the only diner at the party. You reporter fellows ought to have been there. You could have got all kinds of pieces for your papers."

Other members of the hunt said the party talked over the events of the three weeks and had a good time generally. Needless to say it was a dinner none will forget. The president was at his best. He was entirely relaxed and had just come in from a three hours' drive through the woods, where he went to study Colorado birds. Mr. Stewart is a naturalist, who knows every bird in the mountains and can tell its habits and imitate its calls.

No Formal Affairs.

The dinner was served in a private dining room of the Hotel Colorado. The guests were dressed much as they were in the mountains. Flannel shirts were the rule, although the guides did discard their chaps and laid away their guns. The president and Mr. Loeb wore their frocks, and Dr. Lambert and Mr. Stewart plain business suits, as they have not yet connected with their dress clothes. Some of the stories told at the dinner later were of the chaps and laid away their guns. The president and Mr. Loeb wore their frocks, and Dr. Lambert and Mr. Stewart plain business suits, as they have not yet connected with their dress clothes.

Following his usual custom, the president spent a quiet, informal dinner at the hotel on the day after his excursion into the mountains today, but the plan was discouraged by Secretary Loeb, who announced that no program would be permitted.

In spite of that fact large numbers of persons came in by every train and rather than disappoint them, Mr. Roosevelt stepped out on the second floor balcony of the hotel after luncheon and spoke briefly. He said:

President Speaks Briefly.

I did not anticipate having the pleasure of seeing you today, but when I saw that I am not going to try to make a speech to you, I shall merely say how greatly I am enjoying my trip into the mountains. I wish that in the last week up in the mountains there had been a few more of you. I would have gone about two hours better, but that, alas, is not to be. I am sure I have not told you how much I have enjoyed my holiday here.

I also deeply appreciate the kindness with which you have received me, and the fact that you are here in the mountains is a great pleasure to see the men of Colorado, and an even greater pleasure to see the women. I do not know but I am glad to see the small folks. I shall not try to tell you how glad I am to see you and be your guest.

Attends Church in Morning.

The president's party was up early today. After breakfast a limited amount of mail was gotten out of the hotel. Then the party went to the Presbyterian church. An invitation to the president and his party was extended yesterday by Rev. J. Wilson Curran and was accepted. Just as the party was about to leave the hotel photographers requested that the president include every member of the party. Chairs were grouped on the lawn in front of the veranda. As soon as it was over the president led off at a brisk walk which brought the party at the little church ten minutes later. He seemed to enjoy the walk. Along the street he was cheered and he responded by lifting his hat, frequently patting children on the head and bowing to their parents. In front of the church the many school children stood in open formation and sang as the party passed through the little folks sang. The church was crowded and hundreds of persons stood out as near the open windows as possible.

Rev. Mr. Curran preached on the subject of the responsibility of the Christian church. He made no reference to the distinguished visitor except in his prayer, when he asked that the president be given the strength to carry on the duties of his office. The congregation remained standing until after the presidential party departed.

Looks at Trophies.

Mr. Roosevelt set another rapid pace. Half way to the hotel he expressed a desire to see the skins of the bears he had shot, and he turned back to the store of Frank Hayes, the taxidermist, who has been instructed with their mounting. As the skins were laid out, the president stepped to them to mount them with open mouths instead of open jaws, the president examined the skulls, which are to be sent to Washington to be added to the collection of C. Hart Merriam, biologist of the Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Hayes exhibited a plaster of Paris (Continued on Second Page.)

JAPANESE STRAIGHTEN LINE

Advance Posts of the Russian Army in Manchuria Are Being Driven In.

GADGEYADANA, Manchuria, May 7.—Since April 23 the Japanese have been advancing slowly and intermittently pushing forward their columns successively from right to left under cover of a screen of cover and Chinese bandits. The advance has resulted in straightening the alignment of opposing armies, Russian detachments which were far advanced on the being forced to retire. Dragoon, to the westward, was occupied May 5, and the Japanese evacuated the place. On the left the Russian cavalry retired behind the Liao the Japanese occupying Palaoing, and Blittia. The village of Shan on the railroad north of Chang Tu is being occupied and turned by the Japanese. There was a sharp brush with a bandits today on the extreme Russian right.

The force at Field Marshal Oyama's disposal, according to information recently received, is 348 battalions, or 500,000 men. The Japanese are said to have armed 2,000 or 30,000 Chinese bandits with captured Russian rifles. The Chinese population has been drafted by the Japanese for road making and trenching and roads are being constructed to Sihinpu, Banchense and Nangpa pass.

FRENCH ASSIST GARIBALDIANS

Speaker Expresses Regret at Part Played by His Country.

ROME, May 7.—The French delegation which came here for the unveiling of the monument to Victor Hugo on Saturday assisted today, together with the Italian authorities, the veteran Garibaldian survivors at the inauguration of a Garibaldian museum next to the altar erected as a memorial of the battle of Mentana, twelve miles from Rome, where in 1867 General Garibaldi's volunteers were defeated by the French troops defending the papacy. Ricciotti Garibaldi, the only surviving son of the hero, was present, walking with his crutches. He was the object of enthusiastic manifestations. Among the many speeches of the occasion the most noteworthy was that of the French senator Rivet, who concluded his address with the words: "In the name of republican France I come here before the sacred altar of Mentana to make honorable amends for the crime committed by the French empire."

The declaration was greeted with uproarious applause and cries of "Long live republican France!"

NIXON BUILDS BOATS FOR RUSSIA

Those Under Construction Nearing Completion.

SEBASTOPOL, May 7.—The torpedo boats which are being built at the government yard here under the general supervision of Lewis Nixon of New York are nearing completion. But the torpedo boats will be in a few days, in order to overcome the difficulty always encountered in work in a foreign country Mr. Nixon provided his own organization, with which he has pushed the construction of these boats to successful completion.

Much is expected of these torpedo boats. The Russian Admiralty already has had practical evidence of the seaworthiness of the Nixon boats in the performance of the Gregory, which crossed the Atlantic in the face of heavy weather. But the future prestige of the designer of the American battleship Oregon will depend in Russia upon the result of the coming trials, which will be much more severe than usual, to test certain advantages claimed for them by their American constructor.

WARSAW PEOPLE PUT OUT FLAGS

Forced to Celebrate Name Day of Empress Alexandra.

WARSAW, May 7.—This city today celebrated the name day of Empress Alexandra Feodorovna. The socialist warnings not to display flags was generally disregarded in view of the heavy penalties imposed by the czar's government. The people on their houses on such occasions. This led to some disturbances, an angry mob tearing down and burning flags at different places. Otherwise the city was quiet.

Split on Suffrage Question.

LONDON, May 8.—The correspondent at Moscow of the Times telegraphs: The senators have split over the question of universal suffrage. M. Shpoff, who caused the cleavage, resigned his seat at the Sunday's meeting so convincingly against universal suffrage as to attract eighty out of the 132 delegates to his view.

Torpedo Boats Are Released.

BERLIN, May 7.—The small sections of torpedo boats which have been detained at Lubeck on board the steamer Agair on suspicion that they are intended for Russia, has been raised, experts having decided that they were not to be completed within six months, and therefore they are not intended for war purposes.

No Mutiny at Sebastopol.

SEBASTOPOL, May 7.—Reports of a mutiny among the sailors are without foundation. In disorders last week, but order was restored by sailors and the military. Of the eighty persons arrested sixty-seven were released.

Kiluauea Resumes Business.

HONOLULU, May 7.—10:30 p. m.—There has been activity in the volcano of Kiluauea. The flow of lava is increasing and a rising in the crater gives indications that there may be an overflow.

PROHIBITION TO BE ENFORCED

Governor of Kansas Declares Intention to Make an Active Fight.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 7.—In nearly all the counties in Kansas today special sessions were held in honor of the twenty-fourth anniversary of the enactment of the prohibition law. A statement from the State Temperance union was read at each of the services and support was pledged to Governor Hoch in whatever method he may use to secure the enforcement of the law.

It is expected that active work will soon be started in the direction of closing the saloons in the Kansas towns where the license system prevails. Governor Hoch reiterates his announcement that the law will be enforced in all portions of the state regardless of public sentiment.

BRITISH ABRAHAM CONVENTION.

BALTIMORE, May 7.—The annual convention of the Order of British Abraham opened today with a large attendance of delegates from all parts of the country. The reading of the address of Grand Master Samuel Hoff gave rise to considerable excitement. His announcement that the dues will be increased as Wednesday, the day of the dedication of the new headquarters. There are three tickets in the field and a strong fight is promised against the present administration.

RATE TALK SEEMS ENDLESS

Hot Weather Alone Can Put a Final Stop to Inquiry.

AFFORDS OCCUPATION FOR THE PRINTERS

Volunuous Reports Which Few Will Ever Read and Which Can Hardly Be Sold to Second-Hand Book Dealers.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, May 7.—(Special.)—The Lord above and Steve Elkins alone know how long the railroad rate inquiries will continue, said Senator Clapp, when asked as to the prospect of an early windup of the hearings before the senate interstate commerce committee. "The Lord is not a member of the committee and Steve Elkins won't tell. The present indications are that the sessions of the committee will continue until the weather becomes too warm to hold us here any longer."

The committee sits for five hours each day and the stenographers are busy with their notes until far into the night. The testimony promises to add several tons of "literature" to the publications which encumber the shelves of the public libraries throughout the country and the executive offices here.

These exhaustive hearings serve one purpose in any event. Few people ever consult the volumes, but the employees of the government printing office are always delighted when congress sits or convenes because it means continuous work for the printers during the dull months of the summer and no "furloughs." An idea of the uselessness of the labor and expense of reporting and publishing the books is gained from the fact that the dealers in second hand books offer the handsome sum of \$1 for the nineteen volumes of the report of the industrial commission. The report comprises nineteen volumes, averaging 600 pages each.

Shippers Object to Regulation.

The present hearing has developed the fact that many shippers and the railroad managers themselves prefer that the companies rather than the Interstate Commerce commission make the rates. But the strangest outcome thus far is a communication from Atlanta, Ga. It seems that the Georgia railroad commission recently proposed to reduce the passenger rate in Georgia from 3 to 2 cents per mile. This proposition brought an immediate protest from the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the Order of Railway Conductors and unions of firemen, machinists and telegraphers, boilermakers, railway trainmen, carpenters and joiners, clerks and car men. These organizations employed an attorney especially to represent them, who urged that such a reduction would work against the property of the state and lead to a reduction in the number of railroad employees as well as of their wages. The Travelers' Protective association also protested that a reduction as proposed would result in fewer trains and poorer service.

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Foreign Mission Convention.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., May 7.—The annual convention of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Cumberland Presbyterian church convened here today and will remain in session until Wednesday night. About 60 delegates are in attendance. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. J. L. Hubbard of Marshall, Mo. This evening eleven young women were consecrated as missionaries. The report of the president will show the women to be in a flourishing condition. During the last year the society raised \$5,000 for foreign missions.

POLICYHOLDERS OWN SURPLUS

President of Equitable Takes a Decided Stand on the Proposed Plan.

NEW YORK, May 7.—James W. Alexander, president of the Equitable Life Assurance society, tonight made public a statement in which he took a decided stand on the proposed plan of the society's surplus on this subject. In what he asserts that the surplus of the society is held for the exclusive benefit of its policyholders, and not the holders of the stock. Mr. Alexander also takes occasion in the letter to deny rumors that he will resign. The letter was written under date of yesterday, in reply to a request from Mr. Woods for a confirmation of certain statements made by the Equitable society, regarding the mutual plan of the surplus.

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CALL BLUFF OF RAILROADS

State Board of Assessment Not Inclined to Be Frightened.

CONFIDENT OF WINNING THE TAX SUIT

Rock Island Steals a March and Lays Track into University Place Early Sunday Morning.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Mo., May 7.—(Special.)—Among members of the State Board of Equalization there is a growing realization that the bluff of the railways embodied in the tax suits must be called, and those interests taxed on the basis of the actual value. It is believed that the suits were instituted for the purpose of frightening the members of the board and creating a popular demand for a reduction of assessments, in order that the delay due to the litigation might be avoided. There is full confidence that Attorney General Norris Brown will eventually win the case.

The campaign of education waged by the present leadership of The Bee has enlightened the taxpayers as to the mode of taxation sanctioned by the supreme court of the United States, and that knowledge is now reflected in the confidence with which the members of the railway taxing body view the contention that the value of a railway, tangible property and franchises, can best be determined by considering it from the point of view of the market value and the earnings which it produces.

It is pointed out that the statute expressly provides that all other property shall be assessed at its market value. This rule is rigidly enforced on assessors by the board and the railway taxing body is in no reason, it is said, why the railways should be exempted from such a rule, especially in view of the contention that the corporate properties are in reality units, susceptible only of valuation as such.

Government Micey and Treasurer Mortensen are now taking the lead in adopting the theory that they are really units, and as such property assessable on the market value, which they are seeking to determine from the New York quotations. In these computations the weekly reports of Dunn and other financial agencies will be consulted. This is the first time that the taxing body has ever frankly resorted to such data as an aid to the assessment.

It is anticipated that the influence of the governor. He is taking the lead in the investigations and the completed work of the board will embody much of his study. It is known that he is particularly displeased with the attitude of the railways which brought the suits in an effort to deter the board from making a fair assessment this year. He is in thorough sympathy with the efforts of the attorney general and believes that the court of last resort will sustain the work done by the board last year.

Trip to Drum Up Trade.

A trade excursion of Lincoln business men will start on May 15 for a five days' tour of the country south of the Platte river. Ninety towns will be visited. In each town a number of business men will be mailed to each town giving the time the train will arrive and the members of the party. The projectors of the trip are confident that they will score a success. It is estimated that 300 business men will take the trip.

Rock Island Steals a March.

Hereafter the staid old Methodist town of University Place will echo to the sound of the locomotive whistle, for at an early hour in the morning the Rock Island which had been tolling during the night, drove the last spike in a two-mile spur which connects the place with the main line of the Rock Island railway. Long after dark when the farmers had retired to their homes, the workmen were on the line about two miles from the town and the ties and rails were rapidly laid. In this manner the danger of injudicious proceedings and endless litigation were avoided, and a march was stolen on the citizens of the town, who had long prided themselves on the absence of a railway and the alleged freedom from the rough element which was claimed to go with such immunity. The work was completed in such hurry that the none of the law officers knew what was going on, so that there was no opportunity to invoke the statute against Sunday labor. Now that one road has effected an entrance into the town, it is expected that the Burlington and Missouri Pacific will be obliged to follow the same tactics in order to secure a share of the business.

Ever since its foundation in the '80s University Place has secured its supplies from Lincoln and under the circumstances regular patrons of the Lincoln stores, using the street railway in going back and forth and as the place grew the desire for a place on a railway timecard vanished. It now has a population of 3,000 or 4,000 people, many of whom have business interests in Lincoln and reside in the pleasant suburb.

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