

FISHER PRAISES PRESIDENT TAFT AS GOOD LEADER

Secretary Says, Leaving Out Question of Own Position, Chief Executive is Real Progressive.

APPOINTMENT WAS NOT SOUGHT

No Obligation Involved in Endorsement of Big Man.

HAS HAD CHANCE TO JUDGE HIM

Capacity, Ideals and Methods Found Above Reproach.

GOOD EMPLOYER TO WORK FOR

Helpful Co-operation and Uniform Support Given Aids.

NATION FACES GREAT PROBLEMS

Secretary of Interior Ascertains the People Are Determined that Old Abuses Shall No Longer Be Endured.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Secretary of the Interior Fisher in an interview today urged the re-nomination of President Taft. His statement, which was issued from the Taft national headquarters, said: "It would be false modesty for me to ignore, or to expect others to ignore, the fact that the judgment thus expressed is the opinion of a member of the cabinet, subject to such conscious or unconscious influences as arise from that association, but I hope the personal note will be excused when I say that the appointment was not sought, but was offered under circumstances that compelled acceptance and that imposed no political obligations of any kind; that no such obligations were then or have ever been suggested, and that the personal and official association has at least afforded the opportunity to form an accurate opinion of the character and the capacity of the president and of his ideals and methods."

Secretary Fisher said the people of Chicago "do not need to be told" that he is, and has been, an earnest advocate of progressive policies; in fact, "enough of a progressive to have been denounced as a radical."

"No department head," said Secretary Fisher, "could ask from the chief executive a more intelligent appreciation, a more helpful co-operation or a more uniform and unswerving support than he had received from the president."

Nation Faces Great Problems. Taking up the argument in favor of President Taft, Mr. Fisher said that the nation faced problems of the greatest difficulty and that the "people are determined that old abuses shall no longer be endured."

New York Will Endorse Taft. NEW YORK, April 6.—The statement was made at the republican state committee headquarters today that there would be opposition to any plan to instruct the four delegates-at-large to be elected at the Rochester convention next Tuesday.

Chairman William Barnes of the republican state committee declines to comment on the question of instructions, but his friends insisted he would oppose instructions.

REMARKABLE OPERATION BY GERMAN SURGEON

LEIPZIG, Germany, April 6.—A remarkable operation has just been performed on an imbecile child by Prof. Erwin Pavy, director of the surgical clinic attached to the Leipzig university, with great success. The patient, a healthy child, born of a healthy mother, immediately afterward began to improve in intelligence, which steadily increased until a complete cure was effected.

The Weather

FOR NEBRASKA—Generally fair; in east portion colder.
FOR IOWA—Cooler unsettled weather with probably showers.
Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.

Hour	Temp.
5 a. m.	52
6 a. m.	52
7 a. m.	52
8 a. m.	52
9 a. m.	52
10 a. m.	52
11 a. m.	52
12 m.	52
1 p. m.	52
2 p. m.	52
3 p. m.	52
4 p. m.	52
5 p. m.	52
6 p. m.	52
7 p. m.	52

IDA COUNTY REPUBLICANS UNANIMOUS FOR TAFT

IDA GROVE, Ia., April 6.—(Special Telegram.)—The Ida Grove county republican convention today named its delegation of eight delegates to the state convention and passed resolutions endorsing Taft, endorsing the republican state administration, endorsing the administration of State Auditor Bleakley, an Ida county man, and instructing the delegates to vote as a unit for Taft.

BRITISH STRIKE FORMALLY ENDED

Executive Committee of Federation Orders Miners to Resume Work.

ACTION FOLLOWS WARM DEBATE

Number of District Organizations in the North May Make Attempt to Prolong the Struggle.

LONDON, April 6.—The miners' federation this afternoon accepted the recommendation of the executive committee that the men should resume work as the result of the recent ballot, and the miners will be ordered to return to the pits forthwith.

The decision of the federation was reached after a two and a half hour's controversy, which at times was intensely bitter, the extremists charging executive pusillanimity in recommending that the men resume work before the district boards had yielded to the miners' schedule of minimum wages.

The moderates, however, carried the day, arguing that with 900 men already working and with double that number ready to resume work on Monday it would be hopeless to attempt to carry on the war. This resolution accepting the recommendation of the executive committee was carried by a vote of 40 to 13 and the committee sent instructions ordering the resumption of work.

Some of the extremist delegates threatened that the miners in the north, who still have plenty of funds in the union treasuries, will break away from the federation and refuse to resume work until the minimum wage schedule has been struck.

Even if this is true it does not alter the fact that the coal strike as a national strike is now ended. It would mean on the other hand a breach in the solidarity of the miners' federation, which has enabled the colliers to paralyze half the trade of the United Kingdom for the last month, causing misery to millions of persons at a cost to the colliers themselves of some \$50,000,000.

Wreck Reveals Fact That Brakeman Has Three Wives

LA CROSSE, Wis., April 6.—It was an unlucky wreck for Bert A. Bond, brakeman on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad, which caught him in a smashup at Newport, Wis., two weeks ago and sent him to the hospital at La Crosse.

Bond was living here with one wife. Today Mrs. Bert A. Bond No. 2, who had heard of the wreck and thus located her husband, arrived from Burlington, Ia., and swore out a warrant for his arrest on a charge of desertion. The day's mail also brought to the railroad company a letter from a woman near Quincy, Ill., who claims to be Bond's wife, and hearing that he had been killed in a wreck, asked that his clothing and other effects be sent to her.

Bond is still in the hospital and showing no anxiety to get out.

Wife No. 1, who is said to be really wife No. 2, was taken to jail for a 30-day term on a charge of associating with Bond though she knew they were not legally married.

FIRST HEALTH MARRIAGE IN CHICAGO CATHEDRAL

CHICAGO, April 6.—The first "health marriage," under Dean Walter T. Sumner's requirement of medical certification, will be performed in the Episcopal Cathedral of St. Peter and Paul, April 10, when Miss Ruth Palmer will become the wife of A. W. Bode, a telephone operator in the Chicago police department. Both the prospective bride and bridegroom were required to bring certificates from reputable physicians that they were not physically or mentally deficient and that they had neither incurable nor contagious diseases.

Able Men to Speak at Big Taft Rally

The Omaha Taft club will hold its big meeting at the Boyd theater tomorrow evening. To fill the vacancy due to the inability to be present of Secretary of the Interior Walter L. Fisher, a number of able Omaha and Nebraska speakers have been placed on the program. Albert W. Jeffers will preside. Among those who are scheduled to speak are John Lee Webster, Allen W. Field of Lincoln and Judge E. B. Perry of Cambridge. The Gate City quartet and Green's band will furnish music for the occasion.

Four Indicted by Rock Island Grand Jury

ROCK ISLAND, Ill., April 6.—Four persons were indicted today by the special grand jury called to investigate the causes leading up to the recent riot in this city in which two were killed and nine wounded. The grand jury recessed until next Thursday, when the indictments will be returned in court.

The National Capital

Saturday, April 6, 1912.

The Senate

Met in session; meets Monday, 2 p. m.

The House

Met at noon. Continued debate on Indian appropriation bill with intention of

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EXPLANATION NOT ACCEPTED

Texas' Efforts in Behalf of Bill to Forbid Congressmen's Employment by Corporations Make Trouble.

IMPOSING RITUAL AT CONSECRATION

Ceremony at Elevation of Father McGovern First of Class in Nebraska Church.

VESTMENTS AND ORNAMENTS

What They Signify and How They Are Prepared—The Oath to Be Taken by Bishop-Elect. P. A. McGovern.

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Official record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding period of the last three years:

Year	Temp.	Precip.
1909	52	3.0
1910	52	3.0
1911	52	3.0

DANGER ZONE IN FLOOD DISTRICT MOVING SOUTH

Five Hundred Square Miles in Northwestern Tennessee Inundated When Levee Breaks.

INHABITANTS GIVEN WARNING

Belief that Nearly All Escaped to Higher Ground.

TWO CHILDREN REPORTED DEAD

Nearly All Cattle in the Lowlands Are Drowned.

MANY HOUSES UNDER WATER

Two Thousand Refugees Are at Tiptonville and Ridgely.

FORTY THOUSAND ARE HOMELESS

Reports from Army Officers to General Wood Say at Least Ten Thousand More Must Be Fed for Several Days.

The danger zone in the Mississippi flood district moved southward this morning, but keenest attention was directed toward the Reel Foot lake country, in Tennessee, which was inundated last night when the levee at Hickman, Ky., was breached.

Two thousand Reel Foot refugees are at Tiptonville and Ridgely. They have been provided with shelter and the state has been asked to send them food and clothing. Rescue parties have been sent out in boats to bring in persons who are marooned on house tops and rafts.

The greatest pecuniary loss has been sustained in the drowning of cattle. Many farm houses are under water, but the loss from this source will not amount high. There were no crops in the fields and planting had not been begun.

The situation in the lower Mississippi valley continues serious. The flood strain was relieved somewhat by the levee break at Hickman, but much of the water now flooding the Reel Foot country eventually will get back into the river.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—After a talk with President Taft today, Major General Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the army, predicted that more than 40,000 persons would be made homeless and more than 10,000 others would have to be fed as a result of the Mississippi river flood. General Wood based his prediction on reports from army officers now in the field.

Refugees at Tiptonville. TIPTONVILLE, Tenn., April 6.—Hundreds of refugees from the flooded Reel-foot lake territory have gathered at Ridgely, where there is high ground. Practically all the live stock on the lowlands of Lake county had been drowned, and it is reported two children of refugees lost their lives as they fled last night.

When the levee near Hickman, Ky., broke yesterday afternoon letting the flood waters of the Mississippi into the Reel-foot lake country, the warning was flashed by telephone and where the wires did not reach, couriers were dispatched.

Farmers and villagers who previously had declined to abandon their homes were anxiously waiting word of the result of the fight to hold the levee. They were ready to flee for the highlands as soon as the warning reached them.

Because of the break in the levee at Hickman, the Mississippi here is not rising this morning. The flood waters are running through the lake country east of here.

Now it is feared there may be a break in the Mississippi levee on the state line. If this occurs, water will rush through the northwestern counties from two sources.

Mississippi Flood Situation. MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 6.—This is the Mississippi river flood situation as reviewed by men directing the fight from the Missouri state line to the mouth of the White river in Arkansas, that stretch of levee bearing the brunt of the battle with the waterway today.

Except for the Reel-foot embankment, which went out late yesterday, all main levees are holding this morning, but each hour the situation grows more critical. The river is rising faster than

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Mrs. M. J. Monnette Dies at Los Angeles

Mrs. M. J. Monnette, formerly of Omaha, is dead at her home in Los Angeles as a result of an attack of pneumonia, which she could not withstand, having weakened her constitution by overwork in a Young Women's Christian association campaign for funds.

Mrs. Monnette was the wife of M. J. Monnette, vice president of the Citizens National bank of Los Angeles. Prior to their removal to Los Angeles five years ago, they lived in Omaha for six years. Mrs. Monnette was an ardent church and Young Women's Christian association worker in Omaha and in Los Angeles. She gave \$500, as well as much of her time and thought to the association work in Omaha.

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