

### TAFT AND THE OLD SOLDIER

Committee of Grand Army Men Call Down His Detractors.

### COMRADES TOLD OF DECEPTION

President's Policy Proven by His Message to Congress, Which Has Only Words of Praise for the Soldiers.

President Taft's attitude toward soldiers is made the subject of an open letter to veterans of the civil war by a committee of civil-war veterans, namely: General Richard N. Bowerman, Baltimore, Md.; General Samuel S. Burdette, Washington, D. C.; General Louis Wagner, Philadelphia, Pa.; Lieutenant Colonel Robert B. Beath, Philadelphia, Pa.; and Colonel John McKelroy, Washington, D. C. These men who were the blue write to their comrades thus:

"Comrades: We understand that systematic and wilful perversion of President Taft's true attitude toward us are being made by those who seek maliciously and falsely to misrepresent him. These attacks are grossly unjust. President Taft is, and always has been, a real friend of the soldier. If any soldier doubts this, the following sentiment expressed in President Taft's annual message to Congress December 6, 1918, should at once dispel all doubt:

"The uniform policy of the government in the matter of granting pensions to those gallant and devoted men who fought to save the life of the north in the perilous days of the great civil war has always been of the most liberal character. These men are now rapidly passing away. The best obtainable official statistics show that they are dying at the rate of something over 3,000 a month, and in view of the fact that this rate must inevitably, in proportion, rapidly increase, to the man who risked everything on the field of battle to save the nation in the hour of its direst need, we owe a debt which has not been and should not be computed in a begrudging or parsimonious spirit. But while we should be actuated by this spirit to the soldier himself, care should be exercised not to go to absurd lengths, or distribute the bounty of the government to classes of persons who may, at this late day, from a mere mercenary motive, seek to obtain some legal relation with an old veteran now laboring on the brink of the grave. The true spirit of the pension laws is to be found in the noble sentiments expressed by Mr. Lincoln in his last inaugural address, wherein, in speaking of the nation's duty to its soldiers when the struggle should be over, he said we should 'care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and orphan.'"

"Could friendship be better expressed than in the words of President Taft to the man who risked everything on the field of battle to save the nation in the hour of its direst need, we owe a debt which has not been and should not be computed in a begrudging or parsimonious spirit, and should not this sentiment touch a responsive chord in the breast of every one of our comrades?"

President Taft now, with all the vigor and force of his great legal mind, is contending for that noble form of government established by our forefathers against those whose pernicious doctrines would tend to destroy it, no less courageously than we fought on many a battlefield to preserve the union and constitutional government. We believed that the government of the people as established by Washington, Franklin, Hamilton and other wise statesmen should not perish from the earth; that the framers of our constitution were not mistaken, and that our representative system of government, was devised as wisely as human beings could devise it, and should be maintained, in no less degree, but by the force of logic rather than the appeal to arms, is President Taft seeking to maintain the principle for which we fought, and personal interest temporarily in the background, we should rally to the call of President Taft and combat with him those who seek to overthrow

our established form of government just as we rallied to the call of Lincoln in the sixties. Yours truly,

ROBERT B. BEATH,  
JOHN C. M'ELROY,  
RICHARD N. BOWERMAN,  
SAMUEL S. BURDETTE,  
LOUIS WAGNER.

### Mrs. Hayes is the President of the Woman's Club

Mrs. C. W. Hayes scored a victory at the annual election of the Omaha Woman's club yesterday afternoon by winning the election for president by a nomination from the house. Mrs. Hayes was not named on the slate of candidates prepared by the nominating committee, but received almost twice as many votes as the committee's nominee, Mrs. J. C. Weeth.

Candidates nominated by the committee were the only nominees for the other offices and were unanimously elected as follows:

Mrs. N. H. Nelson, first vice president; Mrs. F. T. Rouse, second vice president; Mrs. E. M. Syfert, recording secretary; Mrs. L. M. Lord, South Omaha, corresponding secretary; Mrs. John O. Yeiser, treasurer.

Chairmen of standing committees were chosen as follows: Mrs. S. A. Collins, auditing; Mrs. E. B. Towl, constitution; Mrs. M. G. Rohrbough, courtesies; Mrs. R. V. Cole, house and home; Miss Josie McHugh and Mrs. Mary B. Newton were elected members of the library committee. Mrs. C. L. Hemple was re-elected member of the membership committee and these new members were chosen on this committee: Mrs. Cadet Taylor, Mrs. E. M. Astell, Mrs. A. D. Bradley, Mrs. C. A. Tracey.

A hitch occurred in the election of delegates to the biennial convention of the General Federation of Women's clubs to be held in San Francisco June 25 to July 5. One woman was nominated whom it was discovered had not yet paid her next year's dues and after some discussion it was voted to strike her name from the list.

The delegates chosen were: Mrs. C. W. Hayes, ex-officio; Mrs. M. D. Cameron, the out-going president; Mrs. F. T. Rouse, and Mrs. E. R. Hume. The alternates: Mrs. Edward Phelan, Mrs. C. Vincent, Mrs. G. F. Moorhead, Mrs. C. B. Coon, Omaha, and Mrs. William Berry of South Omaha.

### Bishop McGovern Goes to Cheyenne

Bishop Patrick A. McGovern, accompanied by Fathers Dowd and Gannon of Omaha and a number of the Catholic clergy who were here to attend the consecration of the bishop, left for Cheyenne last night, going over the Union Pacific at 11:30 o'clock.

The clergy accompanying Bishop McGovern will remain in Cheyenne until after the installation there, taking part in the function.

Although the hour was late there were a large number of Omaha people at the train to say goodbye to Bishop McGovern and wish him well in his new field of labor.

**Point for Fort Dodge Dry.** FORT DODGE, Ia., April 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Dry in the Fort Dodge saloon fight scored a point today when they secured a writ of certiorari from Judge Albright maintaining pool books as a basis for petition were not legal. The canvass is suspended for ten days because of this complication and saloons will remain closed longer than anticipated.

Permits to smoke, 3 cents. All dealers.

### AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Mayor Hoctor Makes Appointments Which Council Confirms.

### FIGHT OVER GAME OF CRAPS

Crusade Against Vice in the City is Contemplated by City Officials.—Beets Bring Fancy Price Here.

At the meeting of the city council last evening the following men were appointed by Mayor Hoctor and approved of by the members of the council: Herman Beath, city engineer; Dr. E. P. Shanahan, city physician; F. J. Fennell, street commissioner; F. Burson, sanitary inspector; John Fielme, superintendent of buildings; E. S. Fitzgerald, bill poster, and Mrs. Margaret Anderson, telephone operator.

A large delegation of women and a scattering of men attended the meeting and protested against the proposed erection of barns near Thirty-second and K streets by the Union Stock Yards, and the building of a slaughter house in the near vicinity.

If the stock yards barns are built on the proposed site they will stand within a short distance of the St. Francis church, which the Polish people erected at a very large cost a short time ago. While the erection of these buildings will greatly decrease the value of the property, the delegation said it would be more harmful to the church. The point was brought out by a member of the council that there was no law confining the territory in which these buildings should be built, but one of the spokesmen for the enraged Polish people asked why the stock yards and the packing people did not build in the Highland park district. He said they would not be allowed to because it was the aristocratic district of the city, and that the site of the houses to be erected in this district is even designated. He said that the Polish settlement should be as well protected from odors and injurious obstructions as other citizens of the city. Jack Walters moved that the matter be referred to the committee of the whole and discuss the matter at the meeting Monday night. The motion was carried.

City Clerk Perry Wheeler reported on the condition of the funds and the motion to allow Tax Commissioner Jerry Fitzgerald to have a deputy, was carried. August Miller introduced a complaint against the stock yards dumping its refuse in the vicinity of Thirty-second and L streets.

**Allen to Take Bonds.** A communication from O. Allen stating that he was ready to take over the \$10,480 issue of bonds was referred to City Attorney Murphy.

The people residing in the northwest section of the city asked for an extension of the street railway line to that part of the city, and it was decided to let the South Omaha Women's club hold a meeting in conjunction with the associated charities of Omaha in the city hall Friday afternoon.

Mayor Hoctor asked that the different departments of the city cut down their expenses, and that unless this was done the city funds would be far overdrawn by the last of July. He advised a reduction in the police force.

**Fight Over Dice Game.** A game of dice yesterday afternoon in Steger's saloon, 322 Q street, nearly resulted in the death of Mike Novak at the hands of his partner, Mike Mudrich, both of whom reside in the neighborhood of Thirtieth and R streets.

Novak and Mudrich are alleged to have been deep in a game of craps when the mole was started over an attempt by Novak to wash on his bet after the goddess of chance had failed him. Mudrich, who says he had lost three previous games to Novak, grew angry at the unsportsmanlike conduct of his friend and hurled a glass at his head with such telling effect to necessitate the attendance of two doctors to save Novak from bleeding to death.

The glass struck Novak behind the left ear, severing the articular artery. The wounded man was brought to the station faint from loss of blood. Desk Sergeant Billy Corrigan rendered first aid, and City Physicians A. H. Koenig and E. J. Shanahan dressed the wounds. Detective John Zaloudek and Officer Jack Gaughan arrested Mudrich at Thirtieth and Q streets an hour after the occurrence.

**Judge Imposes Fine.** "If the police force will help by carrying out the orders issued by the mayor and chief of police, I will help in the renovation of this town," said Police Judge Callanan yesterday morning as he sentenced Ed Coombs to pay \$50 and costs for running a disorderly house at 208 N street.

The case was the first one to come up since the inauguration of the new administration. The Coombs woman has had her house raided by the police several times lately. Yesterday morning City Attorney H. C. Murphy appeared in the court as the prosecutor, and appealed to Judge Callanan to begin the work of rehabilitating the town. The police testified to the reputation of the house and of the inmates, and Judge James Callanan without more ado sentenced the Coombs woman to a \$50 fine with the additional order to leave her present place of residence for a more orderly one.

Judge Callanan, City Attorney Murphy and Chief of Police John Briggs all declared that they would clean up the town if supported by the police of the city. Mayor Hoctor has also intimated his intention to join in the crusade.

**High Price for Beets.** John Von Seggern, a prominent cattle dealer of Wiener, captured the highest price ever paid for beets on the local market yesterday. The lot embraced seventeen head of 1,500-pound short horns. And the price was \$3.00 hundred weight.

This is the highest price ever paid for beef on the local market and the attaches of the Union Stock Yards were jubilant over the sale.

**Boy's Arm Broken.** Edward Swatek, the 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Swatek, was thrown from his play wagon yesterday morning near his home at Forty-fourth and I streets and sustained a double fracture of the right forearm. He was attended by Dr. R. E. Schindel.

**High School Debate.** On Friday evening, April 13, the high schools of Weeping Water and South Omaha will debate in the High School Auditorium on the question, "Resolved, That the movement of organized labor for the closed shop should receive the support of public opinion." For the second time, South Omaha, represented by John Orchard, Winthrop Lane and Edgar Niddoe, will uphold the affirmative side of the question. Their plan of argument, however, has been entirely changed.

The winner of this debate will be the champion of the eastern district and have the privilege of sending a representative to the finals, held in Lincoln, May 17th, where the state championships will be decided. The South Omaha team has won two debates this far: one from Fremont and one from Blair. Weeping Water has defeated Plattsmouth and is said to have a very strong team.

The high school and the team extend a cordial welcome to the patrons of the school and especially the union men to be present. A special musical program has been prepared.

**Magie City Gossip.** A. L. Bergquist, republican candidate for state representative.

Mrs. F. T. Offerman left yesterday for an extensive visit in California.

Mrs. James Murphy left last evening for a two months' visit in Los Angeles.

The Entire Nons club gave a well attended dancing party Monday evening at Rushing's hall.

Mrs. M. F. Blanchard of St. Joseph, Mo., is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Bert Anderson.

The Regina club will give an apron bazaar and entertainment Friday evening at the Workmen temple.

Arthur C. Pannocci, only republican candidate for State Senator residing in South Omaha, Primaries April 23rd.

Richard L. Metcalfe, candidate for governor on the democratic ticket, will speak at the exchange building Wednesday noon.

Mrs. Earle B. Brown will be hostess for the Century Literary club at her home on Bellevue boulevard this afternoon.

The Philia club will give a home-baking sale Saturday at Brommer's grocery store, Twenty-fourth and E streets.

Ex-Governor and ex-Congressman A. M. Dockery of Missouri, will speak at the

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Every woman and man in Omaha who needs lace curtains this month can buy them here next Monday at less money than curtains of high quality ever sold for in Omaha.

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We took advantage of a chance to buy an immense stock of lace curtains and curtain materials at a most surprising price concession. It was the largest and best stock of these goods ever placed on special sale, to our knowledge.

The entire stock is here now and we will place it on sale Monday and Tuesday.

There are enough lace curtains to supply the wants of every family in Omaha that needs curtains this month—and the prices at which you can buy them will mean a saving of about one-half the price you would pay if you bought them in regular stock.

The lace curtains from this purchase go on sale Monday, April 22d—the drapery materials will be sold Tuesday, April 23d.

There are twelve display windows devoted to merchandise in this sale. See them.

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exchange building this noon in the interests of Champ Clark.

George Ducker, aged 41 years, died at 31 homes one mile south of Fort Crook. His house one mile south of Fort Crook for interment next Thursday afternoon.

Five building lots in Towl's addition, three blocks from car line, commanding a grand view of the river; ideal home building sites; one easy payment, J. H. Koptetz, 500 N. 24th St.

The marriage of Miss Maria Benedicita Maltender, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Maltender, to Joseph H. Hoffman will be celebrated at 3 o'clock at St. Mary's church Wednesday evening.

Earl, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson, 211 Jackson street, died yesterday. Interment will be made at Laurel Hill cemetery this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Dr. D. L. Wheeler will officiate.

Card of thanks—I wish to thank my friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy during the illness and death of my beloved father, J. B. Johnson, Frank Johnson.

Mrs. Emily McCarty, aged 68 years, died yesterday at her home in Bellevue. The funeral will be held at her home this afternoon at 2 o'clock, and interment will be made in the Bellevue cemetery.

A surprise party in honor of her seventeenth birthday was given Miss Grace West at her home, Fourteenth and M streets, Friday evening. Games, music and refreshments were the enjoyment of the evening.

Fred Offerman has returned from a two weeks' business trip in the east. Mr. Offerman was confering with large eastern mechanical manufacturers in regard to retooling his mechanical house in Omaha.

A Dangerous Wound is rendered antiseptic by Bucklen's Arnica salve, the healing wonder for sores, burns, piles, eczema and salt rheum. 25c. For sale by Beaton Drug Co.

**LITTLE CHILD DROWNS IN LAKE NEAR CRESTON**

CRESTON, Ia., April 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Charles Wilson, the 5-year-old grandson of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Edward, near here, was drowned Sunday in Summit lake. Asking to go out and play, his grandmother wrapped him up, and he said "I'm going out to do the chores."

An hour later his lifeless body was found in the lake. It is thought he tried to drive the cattle to the lake and the high

wind blew him off the bank into the water. His father, A. C. Wilson, is employed in Rock Island with a railroad company. The mother is dead.

**Mamie Butler Dead.** FORT DODGE, Ia., April 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Mamie Butler, 29 years old, daughter of a prominent farmer, is dead as a result of burns received a week ago Sunday, when starting the kitchen fire when her apron was ignited. She had struggled bravely to survive.

## The Perfect Laxative For Elderly People

Age has its attractions no less than youth in a more serene and quieter life. But it is this very life of rest without sufficient exercise that brings with it those disorders that arise from inactivity. Chief of these are a chronic, persistent constipation.

Most elderly people are troubled in this way, with accompanying symptoms of belching, drowsiness after eating, headaches and general lassitude. Frequently there is difficulty of digesting even light food. Much mental trouble ensues, as it is hard to find a suitable remedy. First of all the advice may be given that elderly people should not use salt, cathartic pills or powders, waters or any of the more violent purgatives. What they need, women as well as men, is a mild laxative tonic, one that is pleasant to take and yet acts without stripping.

The remedy that fills all these requirements, and has in addition tonic properties that strengthen the stomach, liver and bowels is Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which thousands of elderly people use, to the exclusion of all other remedies. Trustworthy people like Mr. J. B. Martin, 1231 So. Main St., Centerville, Iowa, and W. P. Masten, Missouri Valley, Iowa, say they take it at regular intervals and in that way not only maintain general good health, but they have not in years felt as good as they do now. You will do well to always have a bottle of it in the house; it is good for all the family.

Anyone wishing to make a trial of this remedy before buying it in the regular way of a druggist at fifty cents or one dollar a large bottle (family size) can have a sample bottle sent to the one free of charge by simply addressing Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 495 Washington St., Monticello, Ill. Your name and address on a postal card will do.



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