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PRESIDENCY A FAMILY AFFAIR

Son-In-Law Longworth Lets the Cat Out of the Bag.

As it is understood that the Taft family is related to the Longworth family, the public declaration of Nicholas Longworth, President Roosevelt's son-in-law, that the presidency is to be kept in the Roosevelt and Taft families is a matter for other persons to take notice of. In order that there may be no charge that it is all a "Democratic lie," the following dispatches are reproduced from the Indianapolis Star, Republican state organ:

Rock Island, Ill., Oct. 2.—Theodore Roosevelt for president again, eight years from now, was the declaration of the president's son-in-law, Congressman Nicholas Longworth, in a speech today here on the grounds of the State Exposition to an audience of several thousand persons, who cheered the sentiment again and again. Mr. Longworth's statement was made during the course of a eulogy and defense of the president's administration. He first proposed that the Republican leader for the next eight years be W. H. Taft, the nominee for president, who, if elected, as the speaker declared, he was confident he would be, should be returned to that office for a second term.

Following Mr. Taft as president, seriously decided Mr. Longworth, Theodore Roosevelt should be returned to the chair for the next eight years.

Evansville, Ind., Oct. 4.—Congressman "Nick" Longworth, who, with James S. Sherman, spent a great deal of his time today reading from the various newspapers of the country references to his speech at Rock Island, Ill., Friday, in which he declared Taft ought to be elected president for four years and then returned for another four years, and at the end of that time give way to Roosevelt for two more terms.

Congressman Longworth said he made the statement in all seriousness and he was delighted that most of the papers "played up" the story on their first page.

Congressman Longworth cut out all dispatches on the Rock Island address he could find and especially those that had been run on the first page of the various papers, and said he would send them to Mr. Roosevelt.

The congressman smiled, and as he tucked the clippings into his vest pocket, replied:

"There is another one for 'Teddy,' I will have a raft of them to send him and I feel certain he will be delighted."

TAFT PAPERS ALMOST READY TO BOLT.

Many of the papers that have been supporting Taft are having a hard time keeping themselves in line. The Springfield Republican is putting in a good deal of time attacking the Republican party. The Chicago Inter Ocean whacks Roosevelt every day, and the Chicago News is also dissatisfied. In New York the Times criticizes Taft's foolish speeches and the Sun finds Roosevelt intolerable. And the Post, which started out bravely for Taft, now speaks of Taft's tariff arguments as "vagaries" and as "silly" and "shocking." In the course of an editorial it says:

"The panic of 1907 and the hard times which followed, coming at the height of that [the Republican party's] ascendancy and with its tariff in full vigor, disposed at once of the 'workingman's full dinner pail' as a campaign argument, and that nothing was left except to tell the farmer, who is fortunately still prosperous, that the Republican party makes the wheat grow and the foreign markets bid for it, whereas the Democrats, with their Wilson bill in 1894, blighted the corn crop and prevented the buying of wheat. This was, perhaps, the origin of Mr. Taft's vagaries; the talk about 'the tariff bill which sent wheat below 50 cents a bushel' is not a whit more specious, irrelevant and altogether silly than the argument to the factory hands four and eight years ago. But it was not for Mr. Taft to drag the pitiful stuff to light again. We need not speak of the shock which his use of it has caused to people whose support of him had been based on belief in his wisdom and good sense."

THE PANAMA CANAL SCANDAL.

Everyone remembers the secrecy with which the Roosevelt administration carried through the negotiations which resulted in the purchase of the interests in the old French company. The United States paid for the French rights \$40,000,000. It was announced that the payment of that sum was a great boon to the thousands of French peasants who held stock in the company. And now it turns out, according to a Paris dispatch to the Chicago News (a paper which has been supporting Taft) that a syndicate of Americans, including J. Pierpont Morgan, Charles P. Taft (a brother of the Republican candidate), William Nelson Cromwell and others bought up the French interests for about \$36,000,000 and turned the property over to the United States for \$40,000,000, making a profit of over \$6,000,000.

UNEARTHING A SCOUNDREL

It turns out that the man who has caused intimidating letters to be put in the hands of employees of many large shops is one M. M. Mulhall. He has worked under the name of the "Workingmen's Protective Association," which is the name he signed to all of his "scare" letters. On being run to earth he said he was working under the instructions of the Republican national committee.

It appears also that he has been on close terms with the Republican state committee and the Republican county committee at Indianapolis. From other evidence it is also clear that he is a tool of Van Cleve of the National Manufacturers' Association. Mulhall's headquarters in Indianapolis adjourned the office of the "Employers' Association," which provides "strike breakers," that is, men to take the places of striking workers.

Chairman Ruckelshaus of the Republican county committee at Indianapolis, speaking of Mulhall and his work, said:

"I understand he represents the Republican national committee and that he has his own line of work to do. The first I heard of him was when Fred Sims, acting chairman of the state committee, told me about him. I understand that Mulhall has been doing some very effective work."

"Very effective work" along the coercive line seemed to please the Republican managers, but it did not please the labor organizations and other fair-minded citizens. The Indianapolis labor organizations held a meeting and denounced Mulhall and his nefarious work and ordered 50,000 circulars printed for distribution among the workingmen of the city, showing him up. The unearthing of Mulhall and his scheme will turn thousands of votes from the Republican party, for which he was working.

HANLY'S RELATIONS WITH PINKERTON DETECTIVES.

Now that Governor Hanly is abroad in the state declaring that he is not a "cheap man" and that he would refuse to take the governorship if he could not get a law passed, he could not get an immunity bath; he could do nothing effectively for the trusts unless a majority of the Republican Congressmen favored the trust measures. The Republican orators can not escape responsibility by trying to pick out some Democrat who has been employed by a trust. Recent disclosures prove that the people do not rule, but that the trusts owe their existence and fatness to Republican laws and Republican officials.

"I fought against George R. Sheldon because his business connections imperiled the whole ticket."

PROTECTING DEPOSITS IN BANKS.

Chas. G. Dawes Visits Wall Street and An Ohio Example of Taft's Position and Oklahoma's Proof of Bryan's Position.

Under New York date line of Sept. 19, the daily papers of the country publish a dispatch from which the following is taken:

"The visit of Charles G. Dawes, of Chicago (formerly Comptroller of the Currency), had more influence than anything else in arousing Wall street uneasiness. Mr. Dawes came to New York primarily to raise money for the Republican congressional campaign committee, and he gave the people he called upon very clearly to understand that the Republican majority in the house is in danger.

"Wall street has steamed itself against the importunities of political canvassers for funds, but Mr. Dawes' visit was unquestionably impressive. The people who saw and heard him were convinced that he really meant what he said when he announced that unless measures were taken to arrest the current and change the situation the Democrats would swing into control of the popular branch of congress and probably elect a president. Mr. Dawes did not confine his visit alone to bankers and financiers. He devoted a good share of his attention to leading representatives of the manufacturing interests. He carried away some money, but not nearly as much as he had hoped for."

THE OHIO WAY.

Cleveland, O., Aug. 17.—The creditors' committee, charged with an investigation of the affairs of the defunct Farmers and Merchants' bank, the cashier of which, Henry W. Gazzell, is under arrest charged with embezzlement, tonight reported that the depositors will be forced to shoulder a loss of \$45,000.

The report, made in a meeting of 2,800 depositors, charged the deficit to Gazell, alleging his speculations proved disastrous to the institution.

TAFT STANDS FOR THIS.

THE OKLAHOMA WAY.

Guthrie, Okla., May 21.—Within one hour from the time H. H. Smock, Oklahoma banking commission, had taken charge of the International Bank of Colgate he had authority to pay the depositors in full, though the bank's cash and available funds in other banks fell \$22,000 short of the total amount of deposits. The commissioner was able to do this under the operation of the new banking law, and this is the first time it has been called into use.

RYAN STANDS FOR THIS.

A CITY AND ITS PRESS.

The Republican National committee says it gets no money from the Standard Oil company. Does that concern, then, give its money direct to Republican candidates?

AUSTRALIAN BUSHMEN.

Although the bushmen of Australia are the very lowest in the scale of ignorance, they possess a rare instinct that equals that of many animals and in this way as wonderful as man's reason. It is almost impossible for them to be lost. Even if they be led away from their home blindfolded for miles, when released they will unwillingly turn in the right direction and make their way to their nest homes, and though these are all very similar, they never make a mistake.

FOOL AND SAGE.

The fool and his money are parted, not long did they stay in cabins, but the fool is the cheeriest hearted and gladdest of human gaieties. His neighbor is better and wiser, six figures might tell what he's worth, but, oh, how folks with the old miser would fall off the edge of the earth!—Emporia Gazette.

In the 1894 so-called Democratic "panty" there were seventeen bank failures. In the 1907-8 panic in Roosevelt's administration, forty-three banks stopped payment and hundreds more arbitrarily limited the amounts that depositors could draw.

WILL PROSECUTE FOR COERCION OF EMPLOYEES.

Chairman Jackson Issues Strong Statement Calling Attention to the Law.

Reports of attempted intimidation of employees having been brought to his attention, Chairman Jackson of the Democratic state committee, at once announced his purpose to resort to the criminal laws to stop such cowardly practices. In a published statement he said:

"Special information has come to me that certain corporations and other employers of labor, whose names are in my possession, are attempting to coerce and intimidate their employees into giving support to the Republican party, contrary to their political beliefs. An especially offensive circular letter, signed 'Workingmen's Protective Association,' is being delivered to employees in several Indianapolis shops. This letter may not be a fraudulent device of the Republican state committee, but its distribution with the knowledge and consent of employers is sufficient to make them parties to the offense."

"The statutes against coercion and intimidation are broad enough to cover, and do cover, acts of the kind which the concerns whose names are in my possession have either done or permitted to be done in their establishments in the interest of the candidates on the Republican ticket."

"It may as well be understood now

that at any time that neither the purchasing and law-abiding public nor the Democratic party will submit to the perpetration of these outrages on independent citizens. A fund of \$5,000 has been set aside by the Democratic national committee to prosecute all persons who violate the coercion laws. The Democratic state committee has reserved a fund for the same purpose. Besides, I will pay \$25 to each person who furnishes to the Democratic state committee evidence which will contribute to the conviction of any person, firm or corporation guilty of debauching or attempting to debauch, coerce or intimidate employees."

"Not only will the specific statutes

against intimidation and coercion be invoked, but every other honorable means available will be used to stop the partisan and disreputable practice to which attention is called. It is time that Republican corporations, firms and persons employing labor should be taught that the impudent coercion or attempted coercion of their employees will not again be tolerated, and that such a practice will prove to be disastrous to those who undertake it. Public sentiment will no longer endure this peculiarly vicious offense against American citizenship."

"The purchasing public will demand to be, and will be, informed as to the identity of the firms, persons and corporations who engage in this short-sighted and partisan business, and will from the facts, make up their minds as to who are and who are not worthy of the patronage of fair-minded persons."

HANLY "NOT A \$5,000 MAN."

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\$806.74 Grand total for detectives.\$4,102.24

We do not undertake to say that the above sum is all that Governor Hanly has paid to detectives out of his contingent fund, but it is large enough to show the close relations between the present governor of Indiana and the Pinkerton detective bureau.

CANNOT STAND HEARST.

(Indianapolis News.)

Warner A. Ross, candidate of the Independence party for congress in the Indianapolis district, has notified the Hearst managers that he will not make his services to the Democratic state committee. He is a lawyer, and four years ago was connected with the speakers' bureau of the Republican state committee.

Ross charges the Independence party leaders here with breaking faith and failing to fulfill pledges made to him when he was being urged to accept the congressional nomination. He says the party managers promised to back his candidacy, to pay his expenses and to spend money and effort in seeking to bring about his election. Since the nomination, Ross says, the party managers have done nothing, and have refused to listen to his complaints.

"Then, too," said Ross, "I became disgusted with the whole Independence movement. It is simply a one-man affair, dominated, controlled and financed by Hearst for personal reasons. Character assassination seems to be the chief object, and this I disapprove of as I do of the other yellow journalistic methods employed on the political platform. My brief connection with the party revealed to me that I should have nothing to do with the movement."

The Hearst men are left in the lurch by the withdrawal of Ross from the ticket, as it was with difficulty they succeeded in filling the nomination. Several leaders of organized labor were urged to allow the honor to fall on them, but each refused.

COULDN'T STAND SHELDON.

Even Lt. Gov. Woodruff, a Trust Character, Said the Present Treasurer of the National Committee, Would Jeopardize the State Ticket.

George R. Sheldon, treasurer of the Republican National committee, whose trust interests are well known, was compelled, under fire, to withdraw from the New York state ticket in the fall of 1908 when he was eager to accept the office of Lieutenant-Governor. His connections with the trusts, especially those owned and dominated by J. Pierpont Morgan and other favored trusts, became such an issue at that time that Governor B. B. Odell fought against his name being placed on the ticket. Odell even went so far as to wire Timothy Woodruff that he would not run on the same state ticket with Sheldon. United States Senator Thomas C. Platt was determined to have Sheldon on the ticket and informed the Republican leaders of the state convention at Saratoga that Sheldon's name would remain on the state ticket. The trusts wrote the tariff laws passed by Republican votes. If the magnates are not punished criminally, it is because Republican officials fail in their duties. For eleven years the Democrats have had no power to frame Federal laws or to execute a Federal statute. If everything in America is all right as to Federal laws for eleven years, the Republican party deserves the credit. If "evils have crept in" the Republicans are responsible. The only hope for a change lies in the election of Bryan.

Suppose some individual Democrat has been employed by a trust. He could not get a law passed, he could not get an "immunity bath," he could do nothing effectively for the trusts unless a majority of the Republican Congressmen favored the trust measures.

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SHAKING DOWN THE TRUSTS.

(From the Commoner.)

Prior to election day in 1904 Democrats learned that representatives of the special interests were providing the Republican party with campaign funds. Mr. Roosevelt hotly denied the accusation, denouncing the Democrats who made it as a liar.

Later it developed that E. H. Harriman had collected \$260,000. This money came from Standard Oil officials and others, the detailed contributions being as follows:

Edward H. Harriman.....\$50,000

H. McK. Twombly (representing Vanderbilt).....25,000

Chauncey M. Depew, personal.....25,000

James Hazen Hyde.....25,000

Equitable Life.....25,000

J. Pierpont Morgan.....10,000

George W. Perkins (New York Life Insurance Co.).....10,000

H. H. Rogers, J. D. Archbold, William Rockefeller (Standard Oil Co.).....30,000

Cornelius N. Bliss, personal.....10,000

James Speyer and banking interests.....10,000

"Seven friends" of Senator Depew (\$5,000 each).....35,000

Sent to Mr. Harriman in smaller donations.....20,000

Total\$260,000

Does anyone believe that Mr. Roosevelt would have dared tell the people, prior to election day, that these men had contributed \$260,000 to his campaign fund?

But Mr. Roosevelt insists that the people must trust the Republican managers and that the source of the Republican party's campaign fund will not be revealed until after the election.

And Mr. Taft—Mr. Roosevelt's candidate for the presidency—echoes this Roosevelt sentiment.

ROOSEVELT AND HEARST.

Two years ago President Roosevelt

—who is now working hand-in-hand with Hearst for Taft—sent Secretary Root to New York to deliver his opinions of Hearst, in a speech at Utica. Listen to what Mr. Root, declaring that he spoke for the president, upon that occasion, had to say about Mr. Hearst:

"I say to you with his [Roosevelt's] authority, he regards Mr. Hearst as wholly unfit to be governor, as an insincere, self-seeking demagogue, who is trying to deceive the workingmen of New York by false statements and false promises."

Listen to what President Roosevelt himself said of Mr. Hearst and his kind. In President Roosevelt's first message to congress, speaking of the assassin of McKinley, spoke of him as inflamed by the reckless utterances of those who on the stump, in public press, appeal to the dark, evil spirits of malice, greed, envy, and sullen hatred. The wind is sown by men who preach such doctrine, and they cannot escape their share of the responsibility for the whirlwind that is reaped. This applies alike to the deliberate demagogue, to the exploiter of sensationalism, to the crude, foolish, visionary who, for whatever reason, apologizes for crime or excites aimless discontent.

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