

WM. TAFT IS AFRAID OF THE PEOPLE AND WE DON'T BLAME HIM A BIT

The secret is out. We know why Taft doesn't trust the people. Whenever and wherever the standpat president has faced the people in a straight square deal primary the result has been the same—Taft has been slaughtered.

La Follette turned the trick first in North Dakota, then repeated it with emphasis in Wisconsin. T. R. Root the standpatter to a frazzle in Illinois, then rubbed it in again in Pennsylvania Saturday. In just four

states up to the present time the people have had a chance to swat Taft and they have swatted him every time and swatted him hard.

It is plain now why the Hay standpat machine resorted to every possible crooked scheme to avoid a presidential primary in this state. Taft doesn't trust the pesky people any more than the people trust him. He is afraid of the people and after what has happened to him in four states we don't blame him. He has every reason to be afraid.

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TITANIC HITS ICEBERG; PEOPLE SAFE

DR HAZZARD ON 21ST DAY OF FAST PULLS A FAST OAR IN BOAT RACE



Dr. Hazzard racing S. A. Carman and leading at the half-way point. Carman defeated the fasting specialist by a shade after an exciting race.

Dr. Linda Burfield Hazzard today, the 21st of her fast, had a last race with S. A. Carman, proprietor of the Leschi park boat-house, over a 200-yard course, and was beaten after an exciting finish.

The identity of Dr. Hazzard was not disclosed to Carman, who was told only that she was an earnest woman of ability.

When the woman doctor made Carman extend himself to the utmost, he was surprised. "I have never rowed against a better oarswoman," he said. "When he was told that his opponent was Dr. Hazzard and that she had not tasted food for 21 days, he was doubly surprised."

Dr. Hazzard led most of the way, but Carman's superior strength, weight and skill enabled him to edge in a winner at the finish.

MAY BE 60-DAY FAST

"If I am not mistaken in the symptoms," said Dr. Hazzard after the race, "this is going to be a 60-day fast. So far I have felt not the slightest trace of hunger. At the same time I am losing weight less rapidly than I did the first week. And I am still strong. Indeed, I seem to feel stronger with each day."

"This proves to my mind that I have not yet begun to draw upon my reserve supply of vitality and that the tonic of the air is all that I shall need for some time to come. Certainly I shall be surprised if the fast does not exceed 50 days."

Returning from the park Dr. Hazzard had to run to catch the car. She caught the handle and swung on while the car was in motion.

CHOP DOWN DOORS FOR CONVENTION

Superior Judge Heads Force in Fight With Militia Over Possession of Armory for Chicago Democratic Convention.

(By United Press Leased Wire)

CHICAGO, April 15.—County Judge Owen took charge of the police force in person here at noon today and directed them to chop down the doors of the Seventh regiment armory, in order to allow the democratic county convention to be held there, according to his orders as head of the election machinery of Cook county.

Col. Moriarty and Capt. Oetigan of the Seventh regiment of militia had barricaded the door, and together with Adj. Gen. Dickson and 120 militiamen, had defied the police and sheriff, and had refused to open the doors for the convention under Judge McKinley's injunction.

When Judge Owen arrived on the scene at noon and demanded admittance, Capt. Oetigan refused, and Judge Owen ordered Assistant Chief of Police Schuetzler to batter down the doors. Schuetzler obeyed and 300 police entered the building. The soldiers were found standing at attention inside, and made no offer of resistance.

Anthony Czarniecki, the republican election commissioner, then prepared to call the democratic convention to order under Judge Owen's instructions.

The fire department smashed in other doors and the delegates entered, with the police guarding the doors and halls.

Breaks Athletic Records After Fasting 7 Days



BURT MCCONNELL

Burt McConnell, night clerk at the Standard hotel, after fasting seven days, underwent a physical examination at the hands of Professor Berthiaume, assistant physical director of the Y. M. C. A., Saturday.

McConnell, an athlete, went through tests of strength and agility, such as the standing broad jump, the double standing broad jump, and the triple broad jump.

In the standing broad jump McConnell broke the official Y. M. C. A. record of 8 feet 3 1/2 inches made by L. Bird, August 24, 1910, by 10 1/2 inches.

He bettered the best distance in the double broad jump—18 feet 3 inches—by 5 1/2 inches; and came within 5 inches of equalling the association's record of 29 feet 5 inches, made by E. Denton, for the triple jump, the hungry man doing it in 29 feet flat.

McConnell has undertaken a number of short fasts and believes they benefited him. When weighed Saturday he had lost 15 pounds. He broke the fast Sunday.

"I wasn't really hungry at any time," said McConnell today, "but I had my work to do and I was losing weight so rapidly that I felt it was the wisest course to break the fast while I was yet strong. I have never felt better in my life."

Prize Winner Loses

A bull terrier said to be a prize winner was picked up at First and Washington st. this morning by Officer Comstock. The dog's collar bore license No. 1338, and had written on it the inscription, "Sigma Nu, Ithaca, N. Y."

SEARCH FOR TOT

The father and mother of Joe Mason are anxiously awaiting the return of their little offspring, who has been missing since Saturday afternoon from the residence, West Etna st.

The juvenile officers are on the lookout for Joe.

RELIEF IN SIGHT FROM LOCAL FLOOD



Northwest Baseball Season Opens in Seattle Tomorrow, With Game Between Giants and Portland

News that it would be impossible for Senator La Follette to come to Seattle and other parts of the state of Washington was received with keenest regret here this morning. As soon as they saw the announcement of plans to try to bring "Battle Bob" here, in the Star Saturday afternoon, progressives began organized work to raise money to pay for a hall and other expenses, and a sufficient sum was already assured this morning. For instance, Charles Schalkenbach sent a check for \$25 to The Star, and stated: "Now is the time when the people should respond to your call and show their appreciation of that untiring and always reliable statesman whose efforts for a more equitable and higher standard of justice must ere long bear fruit."

Great Reception For "Battle Bob" in Eugene

BY E. O. SAWYER, JR.

EUGENE, Or., April 15.—Holding President Taft up to ridicule as a man borne to high office on beds of ease, and Col. Roosevelt as a man of many words, but few deeds, Senator Robert M. La Follette carried this city by storm today before a large audience composed of Oregon university students and people from miles around.

"Within the last dozen years a mighty power has been built up which names our presidents, senators and congressmen," said Robert La Follette. "You have lost your government, and the question is, Can 90,000,000 people regain the right to govern themselves?"

"During no other administration have the people lost ground so rapidly as in the present one."

"Wm. Howard Taft was born in luxury. He never had to work a day in his life. He was not forced to work his way through college, as many of you are doing here. It has seemed his lot in life to have everything brought to him on a cushion, including the presidency of this republic."

ELASH EXPECTED Will Override Mayor's Veto

MONTREY, Mex., April 15.—Eight thousand federal troops are concentrating at Torreón for an attack on the rebel forces, according to advices received here today. It is estimated that the rebels in the vicinity of Torreón number 7,000, and the clash is expected to figure largely in the outcome of the present uprising.

A woman can see through the average man without the X-ray.

FIDO'S REMARKABLE TRIP



Nags—You must be very extravagant—what's this I hear about your dog being carried to Kansas City by a special train?

Kags—It's correct, but I'm not extravagant. Some bad boys tied the dog to it.

LA FOLLETTE CAN'T COME TO THIS STATE

Must Devote All His Time to Oregon and California—"Battle Bob's" Ringing Message to the People of Washington.

(Special to The Star.)

PORTLAND, Or., April 15.—Robert M. La Follette, the people's candidate for president, will not be able to make his promised tour of Washington state.

At a conference attended by La Follette, Walter Houser, his national campaign manager; Thomas McCusker, Oregon manager, and the editor of The Seattle Star, it was definitely decided that "Battle Bob" should devote all of his time during the next few weeks to Oregon and California, where, because of presidential primary laws, the people have the privilege of saying who shall be their presidential candidates.

La Follette personally is eager to invade Washington. At first he insisted upon taking three or four days of next week for that purpose. However, the insistent demands from Oregon and California, together with the fact that both of these states have a primary election coming on, finally decided all that it would be the wiser course to devote his entire time between here and California.

La Follette had received scores of telegrams from Washington progressives, urging him to come. He was bitterly disappointed when it became evident that the Washington tour would have to be abandoned.

"We haven't a chance, of course," said La Follette to a Seattle Star staff reporter, "where the people have been denied the right to select their own candidates. Oregon and California people have succeeded in throwing off the boss rule convention system. Before another presidential campaign comes around Washington and practically every other state the Union will have done the same. Four years from now a people's candidate will be nominated and elected to the presidential chair, simply because the people will have the say."

"To the people of Washington I have this to say: Keep up the good fight. It took us ten years to reclaim Wisconsin from the bosses, but the trail has been blazed and the struggle of other states will be made easier."

"Four years from now I will be on the firing line in Washington state, and we'll whip the 'bosses' there, because the people will be in control of their own governmental machinery."

WEATHER FORECAST

Fair tonight and Tuesday; light frost tonight; light west-erly winds. Temperature at noon, 52.

WOMEN HELPING

(By United Press Leased Wire)

EUGENE, Or., April 15.—"With a few more good women campaigners, I could take a vacation and let them carry California for me," was the enthusiastic comment made by Senator La Follette today of the vigorous campaign being waged in California for him by Mrs. Emily N. Bishop and Miss Florence Yeomans.

Mrs. Bishop and Miss Yeomans are the first two women to engage in his campaign.

HODGE'S FIGHT

Sheriff Bob Hodge, progressive candidate for governor, plans to make a strenuous campaign of Southwestern Washington next week. For this week the insurgent candidate will hold a few meetings in nearby territory. Wednesday night he will speak at Fern Hill, Tacoma, the original nest in this state where the fight for nickel fares was successfully started.

Enticed From Home

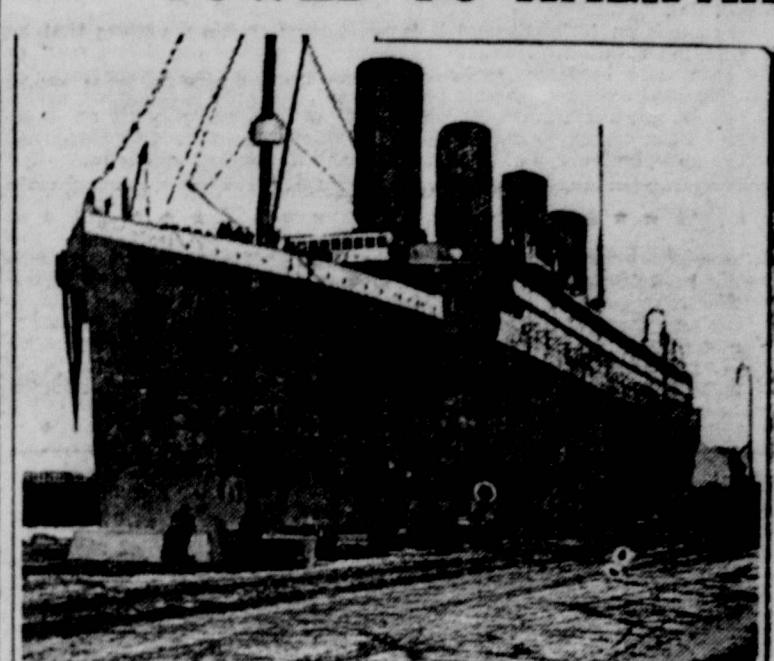
Believing that his daughter, Theresa Rose, aged 17, has been enticed away from her home in Maple Valley, Jas. Rose has enlisted the aid of the police department in searching for the girl. She has been missing from home since last Saturday, and has not been heard from for two days.

GIRL IS FINE TWIRLER

VENICE, Cal., April 15.—As a baseball twirler, Miss Ruby Dunn has speed to burn. A sweep of her white arm and a "fast one inside" shattered the bony structure supporting Catcher Oscar Hiding's oratory apparatus. She's not subject to draft.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 15.—F. W. Castle has filed a complaint against his wife charging her with rifling his trousers pockets. Now he is up against it. The law says he cannot testify against his wife, and he has no witnesses.

BIG LINER SUSTAINS A TERRIFIC SHOCK; TOWED TO HALIFAX



STEAMSHIP TITANIC, THE LARGEST IN THE WORLD

(By United Press Leased Wire.)

HALIFAX, N. S., April 15.—Wireless dispatches received here this afternoon from the government steamer Minia say that the White Star liner Titanic is slowly sinking by the head and that it may be necessary to beach her near Cape Race to save her. The report has not been confirmed from any other source.

HALIFAX, N. S., April 15.—With its 1,300 passengers safely transferred to another vessel, the White Star liner Titanic, the largest vessel afloat, is slowly approaching this port, following a disastrous collision last night with a monster iceberg about 900 miles east of New York.

Earlier in the day all passengers were taken aboard the White Star liner Olympic, but shortly before noon they were transferred to the steamer Baltic, and the latter vessel is now steaming for New York, where it is due Thursday.

Size Saved Her

The fact that the Titanic is the world's biggest vessel is probably the only thing that prevented great loss of life. It is not believed that any other craft afloat could have withstood the shock. Reports received here concerning the collision are meager. It is not known just how the accident occurred or whether the collision was followed by a panic.

First news of the collision was received at Cape Race at 10:25 o'clock last night, when the Titanic's wireless operator called "C. Q. D." The Allan liner Virginian picked up the call, and is believed to have been the first vessel to reach the disabled steamer's side.

Prow Shattered

The Titanic's prow was shattered by the impact, but the water-tight compartments automatically closed, and, with the pumps working well, the crew managed to keep the vessel afloat. With the arrival of other ocean liners the work of transferring the passengers started, and when this was finished the Titanic was towed by the Virginian for this port.

Towed by Virginia

CANNO, N. S., April 15.—The Titanic, having transferred all her passengers at 2 o'clock this afternoon, was being towed into Halifax by the Virginian. There is apparently no doubt that the Titanic will reach port.

Train for Passengers

The Titanic's passengers will be taken to the train by the Virginian.

After Murderer of Millionaire

LYNN, Mass., April 15.—Judge Lummus today issued to Chief of Police Burkes a warrant for the arrest of Wm. A. Dorr of Stockton, Cal., charging him with the murder of Geo. E. Marsh, the millionaire soap manufacturer found dead here last Friday.

The police of Boston, New York and Montreal have been notified to watch all outgoing steamers for Dorr.

SHE OUTGAMED 'EM

(By United Press Leased Wire)

LONG BEACH, Cal., April 15.—Clad according to fashion's latest dictates, Mrs. C. A. Ewing leaped into a five-foot hole to prevent a telephone construction gang from erecting a pole on her property. By remaining in the hole hours she outgamed the linemen.

Like the Small Boy Rolling the Snowball

Star Want Ads will roll up the dollars for those who use them.

