

Senate Status of Frank L. Smith Problem Again at Coming Congress

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
CHICAGO, Nov. 29.—The senatorial status of Frank L. Smith, of Illinois, once refused a seat in the upper house, must be considered again when congress meets in December.

For more than a year controversy has raged around the question of his admission to the senate. In the wake of allegations of heavy expenditures in his behalf in the primary campaign of 1926, when he wrested the republican senatorial nomination from William B. McKinley, incumbent.

A senate committee developed evidence, after the primary, that Smith's campaign fund contained some \$250,000. Of this amount, it was testified, public utilities executives contributed the bulk. Samuel Insull, of Chicago, gave \$125,000 directly. Smith was, at the time of his nomination, chairman of the Illinois commission which regulates public utilities.

Despite the evidence adduced, Smith was elected to the senate in the autumn balloting and when McKinley died soon after, Governor Small appointed Smith to

serve the rest of McKinley's term, which expired last March. The senate refused to seat Smith, denying him the oath of office in January, 1927. Smith, acutely ill with an aural affection during the two-day debate, declined to carry the fight beyond the senate floor, returning home to rest.

Meanwhile the term began last March to which Smith was regularly elected. He has been assigned to quarters in the senate office building, he draws his pay and enjoys other privileges of a United States senator, but he is still without recognition by the senate itself.

Commencement of the new session of congress raises again the question of his admission, and of the manner the action against him should take—whether his case is one to be disposed of after he has taken the oath or whether he may properly be denied the oath of office.

During the summer Smith has remained quietly at his home at Dwight, Ill., south of Chicago, where he is a banker and has large realty interests.

Southwest Nabs Bandit Leaders, but Small Bank Robberies Go On

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Nov. 29.—Although the three large gangs of bank robbers have been disorganized by arrests and convictions, bank robberies are increasing in the southwest, due to the operations of "independent" bandits.

The "independents," going in groups of two or three, rob only the small banks and usually get comparatively small amounts of money. Most of these robbers select banks in territory with which they are familiar.

Records of the state bureau for criminal identification show that more banks have been robbed in Oklahoma in the last two years than in the five years preceding. But the amount of money stolen has not shown a proportionate increase. When the large gangs "monopolized" the field, they chose the large banks, in which the plunder would be commensurate with the possible penalty.

The "independent" bandits are as bold as those who followed

skillful leaders, in the opinion of Charles Worley, superintendent of the Oklahoma bureau for criminal identification. Only one robber was a man in the last two years in Oklahoma, and he let it drop to his neck when he showed a pistol against a banker's ribs.

The three large gangs of bank robbers which have been broken up were led by Matthew Kimes, Lawrence ("Red") Calloway and Ray Terrill and Elmer Inman. Fragments of these gangs dart out of hiding now and then to rob a bank, but they keep out of the reach of the law.

Terrill and Inman were sentenced to prison last winter, but escaped on their way to the penitentiary. Kimes is serving a life sentence for the murder of an Indian deputy sheriff. Calloway was arrested with his wife recently on a charge of robbing an Oklahoma bank of \$46,000.

The three large gangs operated in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Colorado, Nebraska and Wyoming.

Blast at Pittsburgh Is Third Among 3,000 Gas Tanks in U. S.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—Three thousand gas tanks, similar in design to the collapsible drinking cup, house America's supply of illuminating gas so safely that only three of the holders have been known to explode.

The steel containers, varying from 100,000 to 15,000,000 cubic feet in capacity, do not blow up because they are designed to hold undiluted gas, which can neither burn nor explode unless it is mixed with enough air to permit combustion.

Officials of the American Gas Association, who are interested in the recent explosion at Pittsburgh, say that elaborate precautions are taken to prevent the mixture of oxygen with the gas. Most tanks are set in a huge saucer of water, which seals not only the bottom of the gas column but also the intersections of the telescopic joints.

If a hole were made in the top of the tank, engineers explain, the gas could be ignited and a non-explosive torch would flame skyward, gradually burning itself out as the fuel was consumed.

The engineers draw a comparison between the usual type of con-

tainer and a folding drinking cup. The parallel can be followed, they point out, by imagining an inverted cup set in a saucer of water with two pipes that project slightly above the surface inside the container. The bottom edge of each section of the cup is turned outward and the top edges are turned over and inward.

Gas is admitted through the inlet pipe, forcing the crown of the telescoped tank to rise. As the holder soars to full capacity the hooked edges of the several sections, which are filled with water, interlock, sealing the tank against the escape of gas and the admission of air. The rise and fall of the sections is facilitated by rollers mounted on the steel framework supporting the tank.

Many safety precautions are a part of the daily routine at every gas plant. The water in the saucer is maintained at the proper level and the sealing devices are kept in perfect condition. The roof of the tank is freed from the burden of snow and the water is kept from freezing by the use of flexible steam pipes.

Oblivion Claims Indian Tribes, But Names Remain to Mark Cities

ENID, Okla., Nov. 29.—(A. P.)—War, disease and intermarriage have swept away many once-powerful Indian tribes and are reducing others to mere wraiths of their former might.

George Rainey, authority on Indian history, finds time rapidly adding to the roster of lost tribes, many of which are remembered chiefly because their names have passed to cities and towns in the region where once they roamed.

The Tonkawa, once dislodged by other Indians who accused them of cannibalism, have been reduced to about 25 members. They dwell near a town of that name in Oklahoma. The Kiowa, for whom a small town near Wichita, Kas., was named, are gone. So are the Natchez, for whom the Mississippi city was named; the Biloxi Indians of southern Mississippi; the Mohegans; the Padenkeys; the Pequot; the Peconic; the Kitchikan; the Mahlians, for whom Mobile was named; the Waco, whose name Waco, Texas, bears; and many another stalwart tribe of red men.

Of these vanished tribes the Natchez have a particularly tragic

history, Rainey relates in a forthcoming book. The French found them living near the future site of Natchez in 1682. Numerous conflicts with the French cost the Indians dearly, one of the most sanguinary fights taking place in 1772, when the right of the French governor to occupy the site of one of their principal villages as a plantation was contested.

The French swept down upon the tribesmen with musket fire and sword, killing large numbers at Fort Rosalie, Miss. With the Choctaws, the foreigners later attacked the remaining warriors and almost exterminated them.

A remnant of the band took refuge on Cicely Island in the Mississippi river, near the mouth of the Wacha river, and here again the French set upon them, killing many and selling others into slavery in Santo Domingo. Some of the red men fled to the Chickasaw country in South Carolina, afterward moving to the Cherokee country in Georgia. Gradually their numbers dwindled and their language and traditions passed. Their tongue had ceased to be spoken in 1800, Rainey says.

After next Thursday will bar hundreds of aliens residing in Canada and Mexico from crossing the border daily to and from work, was upheld today by Judge Charles C. Simons in federal court.

The decision was given in a suit brought by two aliens.

Charles Dysett, rancher of Flour Valley, was a visitor in Roseburg late yesterday afternoon and was looking after business affairs.

NOTICE

All persons holding warrants of Dist. No. 12, Glide, Douglas Co., should present them for payment to the First State and Savings Bank of Roseburg as interest steps on this date, Nov. 25, 1927. H. D. Connally, Clerk.

CARDINALS PREPARE FOR PITTS

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
PALO ALTO, Calif., Nov. 29.—With Line Coach Tiny Thornhill in charge, Stanford University's football squad yesterday went back to the training grid in preparation for the clash with the University of Pittsburgh Panthers at Pasadena on January 2.

Punting, passing and a light signal drill composed yesterday's workout, which saw every one in togs but Captain McCreery, center, Hill and Wilton, halves, and Sellman, tackle. These men are expected to report for practice Wednesday, when Coach Glenn Warner returns from the east, where he watched the smoky city boys crush Penn State last week.

The squad will practice three times a week until December 16, when a week's lay-off will be necessary because of final examinations. After that the team will backle down to intensive drill until the day before the game.

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 29.—One of the outstanding gridiron performers of 1927 will find a fitting climax for his football career when he leads the undefeated University of Pittsburgh eleven into the Tournament of Roses game, at Pasadena, California, January 2. Gilbert Welch, captain and half-back, having played three years on the Pitt varsity, will make his last appearance in collegiate football in the New Year's clash with Stanford University.

"Gibby" Welch this season has drawn unto himself attention that places him among the leading candidates for All-American recognition.

Fast and a good broken field runner, Welch's play has been featured by long runs. In Pitt's eight games this year, with only one Washington and Jefferson gaining so much as a tie with the Panthers, Welch gained a total of 1213 yards. In several of the games he played only a few minutes.

HEAVY FIGHTING SOUTH OF PEKING

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
LONDON, Nov. 29.—Severe fighting is in progress for the capture of Cochoo, about 30 miles south of Peking, a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Peking reports.

For fifty days the Northerners have been besieging the city, which is making a strenuous defense, refusing all terms of surrender although suffering from a shortage of food and munitions. Casualties on both sides have been heavy.

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LOCAL MUSICIANS WILL GIVE AID IN TEST PROGRAM

Mrs. Elsie Carleton Strang and a group of her vocal pupils, accompanied by Francis Lintott, pianist and local music teacher, left today for Medford where they are to broadcast a program tonight over station KMED. Their program will be presented between the hours of 8 and 9 o'clock. Because of some peculiarity of reception Roseburg listeners are unable to get the Medford station at night, although it comes in real well at noon and during the early part of the afternoon. The station skips a belt of more than 100 miles but is clearly heard in Washington and even in Alaska. Between 11 and 11:30 o'clock tonight a special test program is to be given in an effort to make adjustments to do away with this dead area. Roseburg listeners are asked to tune for the Medford station after 11 o'clock, as it is hoped at that time, when interference is less, to try and increase the short range carrying power. Mrs. Strang and her assistant musicians will aid in this program.

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HOLIDAY CARDS REVEAL HOBBIES ROYAL FAMILY

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SANDRINGHAM, England, Nov. 29.—Never before have members of the royal family of England so revealed their interests to the world as in the dainty Christmas cards which they have selected this year to carry the season's greetings to their friends.

In the past their majesties and the Prince of Wales have sent out cards of salutation portraying events in English history, but this year they have pictured their hobbies.

Queen Mary, whose fondness for flowers and gardening exceeds even her interest in Chinese furniture and art, had Flora Pilkington, noted British colorist, paint two of her favorite nooks in her garden at Buckingham Palace, and these pictures adorn her card.

It is a large card of four leaves bound with light blue ribbon. The big inside picture is a profusion of bright flowers. A flag walk runs to a gate covered with rambling roses. Queen Mary is often in this spot with a pruner in her hand breaking the soil and trimming the plants.

Her Majesty will sign each card personally and, here and there, add an additional word of greeting with her own pen.

King George, sturdy old salt that he is, had his Christmas card adorned with a portrait of his beloved yacht "Britannia." Underneath the picture King George will place the caption "Britannia Leads." Like Queen Mary he has not had his name engraved upon the card but will sign it with his own hand.

The Prince of Wales has embellished his card with a new portrait which shows a fleet of merchant vessels sailing out of the harbor of ancient Corinth over the caption "Pioneers of Commerce." It is symbolic of his deep interest in British Empire trade, which has earned him the nickname of "Empire

land's greatest traveling salesman."

The Prince sends "Christmas greetings and all good wishes for the New Year" to his friends.

THAT BABY YOU'VE LONGED FOR

Mrs. Burton Advises Women on Motherhood and Companionship

"For several years I was, denied the blessing of motherhood," writes Mrs. Margaret Burton of Kansas City. "I was terribly nervous and subject to periods of terrible suffering and melancholia. Now I am the proud mother of a beautiful little daughter and a true companion and inspiration to my husband. I believe hundreds of other women would like to know the secret of my happiness, and I will gladly reveal it to any married woman who will write me. Mrs. Burton offers her advice entirely without charge. She has nothing to sell. Letters should be addressed to Mrs. Margaret Burton, 1146 Massachusetts, Kansas City, Mo. Correspondence will be strictly confidential."

FILM HERO EXPERIMENTS FINDS GATEMAN NEEDED

HOLLYWOOD, Cal.—What the cinema celebrities of this village would be up against, if studios did away with their hard-boiled gateman and let everyone come in to shake hands with the stars, is indicated by an experiment in which Charles Farrell indulged.

For a whole day and an evening Charlie saw everyone who asked to see him. He is not yet as famous as Douglas Fairbanks, so when the first two or three autograph-hunters returned to their friends with the news that they had seen Farrell the street was blocked by struggling film fans.

But the handsome film hero was kept busy from 8 a. m. until 11 p. m., saying "how-do-you-do" to callers and speaking to those who asked for him over the phone. Many of them, particularly the high school girls, sought autographed photographs. Others had letters which would make short rich—for instance, an inventor with a scheme for making lead pencils out of factory smoke. All he needed to transform the soot of Pittsburgh into writing implements was some of Charlie's money.

"Sure I had a good time," said Farrell after the last visitor had gone. "Some of those people were very interesting indeed. But I guess the open-house idea wouldn't work very well on a busy day. After all, I'm just a working man who has to get his chores done."

American fence at Wharton Bros.

CORVALLIS SINGER WILL LEAVE SOON FOR NEW YORK CITY

OREGON STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Nov. 29.—Assured of one of five places in the finals in New York City through his radio victory at San Francisco last week, Ted Roy, the "singing blacksmith" from Pilot Rock, is preparing here for the final competition December 11.

As champion non-professional male singer of the western states he will vie with four other regional leaders for five prizes ranging from \$250 to \$500 plus a two year music scholarship and lucrative contracts with the Alwator Kent company which is sponsoring the national audition contest.

Roy's victory at San Francisco last week was so clean cut, including the decision of the technical judges as well as the popular vote, that Paul Petri, director of music here who has trained Ted's voice since he entered college two years ago, is optimistic as to the outcome of the finals.

The five men and five women contestants who will sing in the national finals are to be entertained at the White House by President and Mrs. Calvin Coolidge. Their songs will be broadcast over the national net work from coast to coast but judging will be done entirely by professionals instead of by popular vote. The winners will thus be announced soon after the competition is ended.

While congratulatory messages showered in on Roy and Professor Petri today, the latter spoke in highest praise of the character of the contest, saying it is the most constructive and democratic ever held to his knowledge.

"The competition at San Francisco was handled in an exceptionally fine manner," said Professor Petri who went south to accompany Roy as he sang. "Every precaution possible was taken to prevent any unfair advantage. The contestants represented the states of Idaho, Montana, Washington, Oregon, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, Arizona, northern and southern

California. Roy will receive a gold medal for his victory.

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HARD WORK TO SOLVE PROBLEMS OF THE FARMER

CHICAGO, Nov. 29.—A Montana farmer, whose only prescription for agricultural success is "hard work and a little thinking on the side," today was the proud possessor of the wheat growing championship of North America.

He is C. Edson Smith, who was reared and taught hard work on his father's farm in Iowa and who learned a little more of hard work in the Bitterroot Valley, 100 miles west of Butte, Montana, during the past 29 years. He is 55 years old and the oldest exhibitor at the livestock show of the International Livestock Exposition where he won his title yesterday.

"How I did it. Why it's nothing to it at all," Smith said. "It takes just a lot of hard work and a little thinking on the side. I have several other crops on that 400 acre patch of mine up in Montana—potatoes, vegetables and a mighty fine crop of fruit. Maybe you won't believe me, but I have a fine strawberry patch every year and maybe I could win the strawberry championship if they had one here."

The new champion has but few helpers and fewer modern implements. His hobby is diversified farming and he believes agriculture would be far better off if farmers would stop hobnobbing one crop, as wheat, and rotate their crops.

LEGION TO ASK HOSPITALIZATION

(Associated Press Leased Wire)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 29.—Amendment of the World War veterans act to force the United States veterans' bureau to furnish hospital treatment to all veterans in need of it, regardless of the origin of their disease or disabilities, will be asked of the coming congress by the American Legion.

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