



HARRIMAN OPENS WAR UPON TAFT

Puts Ex-Boss Odell to Work for Hughes.

TELLS HIM TO LINE UP MEN

Pays Cost of Securing a Full Turn-out at Meeting.

OLD GUARD GETTING BUSY

Whole Anti-Roosevelt Faction Allied to Defeat Taft—Furnishes Two-Thirds of Votes for Hughes in the Committee.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 20.—(Special.)—In a special from New York to the Record-Herald, Walter Wellman says: "One of the great 'interests' of Wall street has begun actual warfare on President Roosevelt and Secretary Taft. It is none other than E. H. Harriman who is moving. He is at work for Governor Hughes, and ex-Governor and ex-Boss Odell in his instrument."

There is no more adroit politician in the State of New York than Benjamin E. Odell, Jr. He was Governor. He became boss. He deposed old Senator Platt. For a time he ruled the Republican party of the Empire State with an iron hand. E. H. Harriman was back of him. In the quarrel between Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Harriman Mr. Odell took the side of the railway magnate.

Why Odell Wants Revenge. Already there was coolness between the President and Mr. Odell. The Harriman episode made it a frost. The President threw his great power against Mr. Odell. He was largely responsible for the boss' downfall, and Mr. Roosevelt became the real leader of the party in the state. When Mr. Odell fell he lost control of the greater part of it and Representative Parsons, the President's friend, became the county leader. Mr. Odell retained paramount influence in some of the districts.

Of late Mr. Odell has been showing signs of a burning desire to get back into power in state politics. He made overtures to the White House for peace, more or less sincerely, and was not encouraged.

Anti-Roosevelt Combine. When the New York county committee met in December, the Hughes managers made boast that they were going to pass resolutions indorsing the Governor for President, but Mr. Odell was not yet ready to show his hand. Until a few days before the meeting of last week efforts were making to form an anti-Roosevelt, anti-Taft alliance of such clever politicians as Mr. Odell, ex-Governor Frank Black and Mr. Aldridge, with the Governorship and the two United States Senatorships to be divided among the leaders, but the terms had not been arranged.

Harriman Urges Action. Then something happened. Mr. Harriman was so eager to get in a crack at the President and Mr. Taft that he telephoned peremptory orders to Mr. Odell to Newburg to line up his men for the Hughes resolution at the meeting of the county committee. Mr. Odell had no recourse but to obey. Moreover, Mr. Harriman offered to pay the \$10 per man delinquent dues which the rules of the committee required before members could gain admission to the hall. Mr. Odell telephoned his orders to Mr. Gruber. Mr. Gruber got the boys together.

Surprise to Parsons. The Hughes resolution was laid over to February 20 by a vote of 302 to 222, but the Parsons administration forces were surprised at the strength of the vote against them. Of the 222 votes for Mr. Hughes precisely 150 were delivered by Mr. Odell under orders from Mr. Harriman. The remainder represented the real, sincere Hughes sentiment.

GIVES UP PART OF FIGHT

Foraker Concedes Taft Delegates-at-Large, Not District Delegates.

CINCINNATI, O., Jan. 20.—To fight for the National Convention delegates from Ohio's 21 Congressional districts and to allow Secretary of War Taft to have the four delegates-at-large with-out a contest is the plan of campaign suggested in an interview this afternoon by United States Senator Foraker, who arrived home today from Washington. He said:

"So far as the state convention is concerned, I have not changed my opinion since I was here, that the call for it is illegal and unjustly burdensome. On that account, as I have heretofore announced, I shall not make any effort to comply with its terms and conditions, neither will my friends make any such effort, except only as their local conditions may prompt them."

"Of course, the delegates selected to the state convention will all be for Taft, for there will be no opposition. This does not apply, however, to the Congressional districts. They are not under the control of the state central committee and are not bound by anything the state convention may do."

PLEASED WITH THE BUILDING

Democratic Committeemen Arrange Convention Preliminaries.

DENVER, Jan. 20.—The Democratic National Committee's sub-committee on arrangements for the Democratic National Convention assembled here today and began consideration of the plans for the auditorium now under construction, in which the convention will be held next July.

After inspection of the building all the members of the committee concurred in the opinion expressed by Chairman Taggart that the Auditorium will probably be the most comfortable and desirable hall in which a National Convention has ever met.



Joseph L. Bristow, Who Has Exposed Reports of Pacific Mail Company to Kill Traffic by Panama Route.

COUNT GIVES A CANING

GLADYS VANDERBILT'S FIANCE ATTACKS PHOTOGRAPHER.

Resents Having Snap-Shot Taken in Forebode Manner—Summoned to Appear in Police Court.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—As the outcome of a caning he is alleged to have given a too zealous photographer, trying to get a snapshot of himself and his bride-to-be, Count Laslo Szechenyi, who is to marry Miss Gladys Vanderbilt on Monday next week, was today served with summons to appear in Police Court tomorrow afternoon to answer a charge of assault.

Edmund T. Reilly, a professional photographer is the complainant. In his affidavit Reilly sets forth that on the afternoon of January 13 he was attempting to take a photograph of the Count and his fiancée as they were emerging from the residence of Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt on Fifth avenue. He alleges that he was struck over the head with a cane, and that his hand was also injured.

Reilly says that he hit back, striking the Count twice. Magistrate Finn refused to issue a warrant in the case today, but instead gave Reilly a summons which the latter served in person as the Count was leaving the Vanderbilt house late today. Through his attorney, Morris Cuker, the Count tonight authorized the statement that he meant no discourtesy to the American press, though, as he understood it, the complainant was a newspaper photographer. The Count added that he would obey the summons, but at the same time denied that he had struck Reilly.

CO-EDS RISE IN REVOLT

WANT EQUAL SUFFRAGE AT UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

Men Attempt to Have Women Disfranchised and Latter Have a Mass Meeting.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 20.—(Special.)—The Co-eds of the University of California at a mass meeting held today in California Hall, not only passed resolutions opposing the plan of John Tyssowski of the Senior Class to have the women students disfranchised, but declared boldly that they will seek to enjoy part of the control of student affairs, exercised by the executive committee of the men.

At a meeting of the Co-eds, speakers addressed the throng of women on the question of equal rights with the men in all student affairs, and besides voting against proposed amendment to disfranchise women from the student body of the University, will start a campaign for representation on the executive committee, and for right to hold office in the general student body of the undergraduates.

A special meeting will be held by the women Friday, at which a plan for equal rights will be discussed. Mrs. Anna May Woods Parks, president of the Boston branch of the Women's Suffrage League, will address the meeting for the benefit of those co-eds who do not understand the nature of equal suffrage.

Miss Annie Biddle, President of the Women Students, presided at the meeting today and raised the point that the proposed amendment, which will be brought to the polls on Wednesday, does not stand for true separation. She said that the men had no right to call the student body of the University of California, when, as a matter of fact, they comprise but half of the undergraduates.

KEEP WOMEN OUT OF ALL SALOONS

Council Will Consider Drastic Ordinance.

MEASURE IS ORDERED DRAFTED

Sensational Action Taken by Liquor License Committee.

HEARING OF CONBOY CASE

Saloonkeeper Charged With Luring Girl to Ruin Makes Fight to Keep License—Women in Saloons a Source of Endless Trouble.

Women will be barred from all saloons in Portland if the City Council, passes a proposed ordinance, which was ordered drafted by the liquor-license committee yesterday afternoon. The difficult task of framing this most sweeping piece of proposed legislation was placed in the hands of Assistant City Attorney Frank S. Grant. There is a disposition just now on the part of a number of Councilmen to pass such a law, as they believe it to be the only solution of a vexatious problem.

This proposed ordinance, the most drastic ever seriously considered in Portland relative to saloon legislation, was brought about by charges filed with the liquor-license committee by E. F. Noland, proprietor of a restaurant at Twenty-first and Sherlock streets, who swore that his daughter, Miss Hazel Noland, aged 15 years, met her ruin through associations emanating from J. J. Conboy's saloon.

In several instances of late the liquor-license committee has encountered the problem of women in saloons, and it is a constant source of trouble to the police as well. Councilmen Driscoll, Willis and Vaughn are avowedly in favor of the proposed ordinance to prohibit women from entering saloons, and it is believed that there is sufficient sentiment in the Council to pass such an ordinance, if it is possible to draft one that will be legal. It is admitted that this is most difficult, and the decision of the City Attorney is awaited with interest.

Charges Against Conboy Heard.

Yesterday's session of the liquor-license committee was consumed with the prosecution's case against Conboy, and three hours were used in this way. The committee then adjourned until 2 P. M. today, when the members will meet to hear the defense, which is represented by Lawyer H. H. Emmons. There are 12 more saloonkeepers to be heard, various charges having been filed against them by the police, and of the number five will be heard next Friday, when the committee will resume business at 2 o'clock P. M. Those then to be tried are the proprietors of Fallon's saloon, Denny's saloon, the Armory Canteen saloon, the Pup saloon and the Circuit saloon. The remainder of the cases will be set for hearing later.

Hundreds of people packed the Council chambers yesterday afternoon to hear the evidence against various saloonkeepers, and the interest in the case against Conboy was so intense that no one left the

room until 6 o'clock. The saloonkeeper was charged with selling liquor to Charles Beckenridge, a minor, and at times during the progress of the hearing there were dramatic scenes. Councilman W. T. Vaughn took a leading part in interrogating witnesses, although Assistant City Attorney Grant was present and Dr. W. L. Cottel, chairman of the committee, was in the chair. It is really Vaughn's fight, as he started it by moving to revoke Conboy's license, and has since waged a bitter war against the place.

Noland Shown in Uneviable Light.

Great sympathy was manifested on every hand for E. F. Noland, who



George P. Wetmore, Who is Expected to Be Re-elected Senator From Rhode Island.

charges Conboy with contributing to the ruin of Miss Hazel Noland, but when the father admitted, in response to questions, that he invited Conboy to a turkey dinner in Noland's restaurant two weeks ago, notwithstanding his serious accusations against the saloonkeeper, it was evident that the members of the committee felt somewhat surprised.

"Do you mean, Mr. Noland, to tell this committee that you invited Conboy to eat turkey dinner at your table two weeks ago last Sunday?" asked Councilman Willis.

"I run a public house, and every one is welcome to eat at my tables," replied Noland.

"Then you let Conboy eat turkey in your restaurant, although you have charged that he was the cause of your daughter going to the House of the Good Shepherd?" asked Mr. Willis.

"Yes," replied Noland.

Conboy Has Champions.

There are some Councilmen who are outspoken in favor of Conboy's saloon, among them T. J. Conannon in whose ward the saloon is located, and M. J. Driscoll. Conannon refused to sign a petition for revocation of the license, which was presented by Noland, with 75 signatures. Conannon also coached Lawyer Emmons, who appeared for Conboy, and later signified a willingness to take the witness-stand in Conboy's behalf, which he did, but he admitted that all he knew was "hearsay," and was not allowed to testify.

It is the accepted belief that those Councilmen who favor Conboy will seize upon the turkey-dinner invitation incident, and that they will fight out their side of the case in the Council on the lines that were Conboy guilty of the

PITS WOMAN'S WIT AGAINST JEROME

Evelyn Thaw Again Tells Tragic Story.

NOT SPARED BY PROSECUTOR

Gives Defiant Answers to Insulting Questions.

THAW ATTEMPTED SUICIDE

New Incident in His Grief Over the Treatment by White Brought Out—Judge Refuses to Exclude the Public.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw told part of her story today for the second time. The repetition lacked the vitality of the first recital, but the crowd in the courtroom, where her husband, Harry Kendall Thaw, is on trial for the killing of Stanford White, listened intently to every word. Justice Dowling had ruled that he found nothing in the law for closing the doors against the public and there was a great clamor for admittance from a throng which hung about the building all day long. Mr. Jerome, falling in his move to exclude spectators, took occasion, when it came his turn to cross-examine the witness, to bring out all of the details of the first trial which Mr. Littleton, of the defense, had omitted on his direct examination of the witness. Mr. Jerome also sought to block Mrs. Thaw's testimony in its entirety on the ground that a conversation which had occurred three years before the tragedy could not have any bearing on the mind of Thaw on the night of the homicide. Justice Dowling over-ruled the objection.

Jerome Shows His Contempt.

Mrs. Thaw's story was broken into by the constantly repeated objections from the prosecution, who sought to exclude all details on the ground of immateriality. The frequent objections led Justice Dowling to request Mr. Littleton to cut this examination as short as possible. Mr. Littleton took this course of action only to find that on cross-examination Mr. Jerome insisted upon reading from last year's record nearly every word the witness had then uttered. He did this under the privilege of framing new questions. Mr. Littleton objected to it, declaring that the District Attorney, by reading the former testimony in a disagreeable manner, was trying to discredit her in the eyes of the jury when he could not discredit her in any way by a direct question.

Mr. Jerome made no attempt to disguise a tone of complete contempt in reading the testimony. Contempt also characterized most of the questions he put to the witness, whom he attacked in the loudest voice he has yet used at the trial. Mr. Jerome plunged immediately into the more intimate details of the

Match for Two Lawyers.

Mr. Littleton's objections on the ground of "irrelevancy and immateriality" frequently were sustained by the court.

Mrs. Thaw matched herself both with Mr. Jerome and his assistant, Mr. Garvan, who was ever at his chief's elbow with new suggestions. She fenced with them as skillfully as she did a year ago, and at times rejected the mood of the District Attorney by answering in a voice pitched in as loud a key as his own. The prosecutor's pitiless and aggressive questions often struck fire, and once, when Mr. Jerome demanded to

QUEEN VICTORIA OF SPAIN.



Stork in Spain Again.

MADRID, Jan. 20.—It is semi-officially announced that the Queen of Spain is again en route. An announcement is expected in July.

know if the young woman had told Thaw certain things, she replied:

"Yes, I told him, but I did not use the language you are using."

"Don't argue with me, madam," shouted Mr. Jerome, who then had the reply stricken from the record.

But one new feature appeared in the testimony of the witness. This was when she told about Thaw's swallowing the contents of a bottle of laudanum at Monte Carlo, in 1904, in an attempt to end his life. Previously to this, at the Grand Hotel, in New York, Thaw had talked of suicide, his wife declared, and had suggested that she also should take poison, as both their lives had been ruined. Mrs. Thaw said she humored Thaw at the time and diverted his mind. She was out of the room when he finally took the poison.

"Why didn't you tell us about this at the first trial?" demanded Jerome.

"Mr. Delmas said it might make Harry out too crazy," the witness retorted, before the District Attorney could stop her.

Public Not Excluded.

When the trial was resumed Mr. Jerome immediately renewed his motion that the public, including the representatives of newspapers be excluded from the courtroom. Mr. Littleton, for the defense, said he desired to leave the matter entirely in the hands of the court.

Mr. Jerome declared he understood Mr. Littleton to join in the motion when it was made last Friday.

"I said on Friday," retorted Mr. Littleton, "that I would like to spare Mrs. Thaw from the gaze of the idle curious, but as to all points of legality and propriety, I reiterate what I said then, that the matter rests entirely with the court."

Justice Dowling said he had consulted the authorities cited by the District Attorney, and could find no warrant under the Constitution for excluding the public from a capital case. The harm done by publishing the details of revolting testimony, he added, was more than offset by the safeguards thrown around a defendant by granting him a "speedy and public hearing."

"The court will not exclude anyone who conducts himself with propriety."

Trics Vainly to Shut Out Story.

Mr. Littleton then asked Mrs. Thaw to take the stand and tell the story of her experience with Stanford White, as she told it to Thaw in Paris in 1906, when he asked her to become his wife.

Mr. Jerome at once made a strenuous objection.

Here is a recital of years before the homicide, declared the prosecutor, "it is absurd on the face of it to say that this conversation three years before accounted for the insanity of the defendant at the time of the killing."

Justice Dowling interrupted to say he found nothing in the authorities fixing a time limit to conversations or statements inducing or tending to induce insanity. He overruled the objection.

From a bad cold and coughed fitfully while testifying. In response to questions from Mr. Littleton, the witness told again, but more briefly than last year, of her experience in the twenty-fourth street house, where she was taken to lunch with Stanford White and drank champagne and became dizzy. She told again of the velvet swing and the mirrored room and the big Japanese parasol attached to the ceiling.

Foot Smashed the Parasol.

BLOW UP FLEET IN THE STRAITS

Plot Concocted in Paris Is Exposed.

IS DISCOVERED BY ACCIDENT

Warning Sent to Washington and Rio Janeiro.

MINES SHIPPED TO BRAZIL

Amateur Sherlock Holmes Overhears Conversation on Telephone, Which Starts Him on the Trail—Precautions Are Quickly Taken.

PARIS, Jan. 20.—The reports cabled from Rio de Janeiro that the Brazilian authorities were warned from Paris of a possible attempt to blow up the American battleship fleet while in the harbor there are true. Some time ago certain suspicions indicating the existence of a plot to destroy the whole or a portion of the fleet, either at Rio Janeiro or in the Straits of Magellan, were aroused and communicated to Rio Janeiro and Washington. A chartered steamer was reported to have conveyed explosives for the use of the conspirators to Rio Janeiro, arriving there about the middle of December, and John Feder, whose name is mentioned in the Rio Janeiro dispatch, was one of the men whose names were revealed here as implicated in the conspiracy.

Story May Prove Hoax.

The alleged plot is supposed to have some rather startling ramifications, but the evidence along this line is far from conclusive and rests chiefly upon the statement of an individual whose record was subsequently proved to be anything but creditable. Consequently the whole affair is regarded with much skepticism, and indeed the presumption has been raised that it may have been a deliberately concocted scare. In any event, it is now believed here that if the plot actually did exist, that timely warning and precautions taken have completely frustrated the plans of the conspirators at Rio Janeiro and compelled them to transfer their operations further south, if not to abandon them entirely.

Only a few people here treated the story seriously, others regarding it as fantastic, while many dismissed the whole affair as a myth. The reports today from Rio Janeiro have been characterized as another weird chapter of the fantastic recital. It is believed here that the action of the Rio Janeiro

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THE MORE HE'S DOCTORED, THE SICKER HE GETS



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