

HITCHECOCK GETS CHALLENGING NEWS

Usual Big Majorities in New England Are Predicted.

CONFERENCE AT BOSTON

Party Leaders Confident Taft Vote Will Be Equal to That of Roosevelt Four Years Ago—Goes Next to Maine Today.

BOSTON, Aug. 24.—At the conclusion of the New England Republican conference today Frank H. Hitchcock, chairman of the National committee, announced that he had found everything in good shape and the expectations of leaders are that the usual Republican majorities in New England will be rolled up this fall for the National ticket.

The conference today was one of the most important Mr. Hitchcock has had, for the reason that in less than ten days there will be an election in Vermont and two weeks later the election in Maine will be held. The situation in these states, therefore, was given close attention.

In-Conference With Leaders.

Mr. Hitchcock arrived in Boston at 11:40 o'clock, accompanied by Senator Crane, National committee member for Massachusetts, and Charles F. Brooker, National committee member for Connecticut.

After a conference with a number of the leaders individually, Mr. Hitchcock attended a luncheon at the Hotel Touraine.

John Hays Hammond, a member of the advisory committee of the National committee, was present. He has undertaken the responsibility of organizing Taft clubs throughout the country, assisted by Snell Smith, of Washington, D. C. Mr. Hammond made a report to the effect that the people are taking a lively interest in this feature of the campaign.

Organization Well Perfected.

At the opening of the conference Mr. Hitchcock made a statement outlining the organization that has been perfected in New York and Chicago. He dwelt upon the interest in the conferences which were held in Colorado Springs and Chicago, and spoke of other meetings of a similar character that are to be held in other sections. He said that it is his purpose to cover the entire United States and in this manner get in close touch with the situation everywhere. The representatives of the various states were invited to indulge in the general debate of the New England conditions and in this manner many details of local situations were brought to the attention of Mr. Hitchcock.

Boral to Speak in Vermont.

To a large extent the New England leaders will bear the responsibility of carrying on the campaign, for Mr. Hitchcock's time will be taken almost entirely in the states where there is a large Democratic vote and particularly he desires to be free to attend the campaign in the Western states.

In talking over the conference, he said tonight that he had already been assigned to Vermont, where the first election will be held and that others would be sent there as soon as they were available. Borah, of Idaho, will make at least six speeches in the state; Senator Burrows is to make several and Leslie M. Shaw, of Iowa, will deliver a number of addresses. In addition there are a number of other prominent speakers the National committee expects to assign to that state.

Taft Vote to Be Equal to Roosevelt's.

The representatives from Vermont to the conference to be expected to believe that the majority for Taft this fall will be as large as it was four years ago for Roosevelt, but several of the New England leaders regarded this as too optimistic a view. There are Republican factional fights in Connecticut and New Hampshire, but the leaders from those states declared at the conference that the National ticket would not be affected in the least by those local differences. Mr. Hitchcock left Boston at 7 o'clock tonight for Portland, Maine, where he will meet the members of the state executive committee. Ex-Governor Hill, of Maine, Mr. Hitchcock said, is in the situation is excellent in his state and that the state officers and all four Congressmen would be elected by the Republicans.

KROONLAND WINS RACE

Beats Liner Steamdam in Close Contest Across Atlantic.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—When the liner Kroonland, from Antwerp and Dover, was in Sandy Hook today, she was 45 minutes ahead of the Steamdam from Rotterdam. It was a close 2000-mile race all the way across. As the Kroonland was leaving the English Channel on August 18, she got a glimpse of the weather. From that moment the Kroonland increased speed until she gained the lead on August 17. The liners never lost sight of each other from that time until the race was finished.

GRIEF CAUSES SUICIDE

Former Salt Lake Man Follows Wife Into Unknown.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Dependent over the death of his wife, less than a month ago, Arthur D. Adams, a bookbinder in the Government Bureau of Engraving and Printing, formerly of Salt Lake City, took his own life here today. While gradually losing consciousness, he attempted to describe in a letter the effects of the poisonous fumes of illuminating gas.

MULAI HAFID ON THRONE

Partisans Swear to Protect European Interests in Morocco.

PARIS, Aug. 25.—M. Regault, the French minister to Morocco, reports

that Mulai Hafid was proclaimed Sultan of Morocco without any outward incident. Mulai Hafid's partisans have sworn to protect Europeans residing in Morocco.

COURAGE IN BUSINESS

One Young Business Man Makes Short Work of Dull Times.

Denver Correspondence New York Evening Post. Among the convention attendants was a traveling salesman who has visited many of the big cities of the West of 5000 and upward for 12 years, and has the distinction of having increased his sales of cloaks and high-class clothing over the half of last year—a remarkable record for this season. "It was the result of hard work, however," said he, "for I have simply put in longer hours and traveled nights to overcome the 'leaning of orders.'" Discussing the exact condition of trade in the average medium-sized town of the middle West, he gave this interesting summary:

"Much has been said about hand-to-mouth buying by the country merchant. That hardly expresses it. It is a hand buying that has its basis partly in fear for the future and partly in the falling prices that leads to the conclusion that there is yet a lower level coming for staples of all kinds. This fear is unnecessary to a large extent, for these merchants have around them just as prosperous a people as before, and with the right kind of courage they could make ready in spite of the dull period. For instance, down in Missouri is a general store owned by an old customer who has for his assistant a wide-awake young man, ambitious to get ahead. The father has been ill, and when I called on them, three weeks ago, I found up to the hilt to see him. He complained greatly about the hard times and bemoaned the conditions, ending up with the usual refusal to buy goods except to fill orders.

"But," said I, "why should you complain? Your store has done more business this year than last for the same months; your son has sold you a new car, and you find that I was right, he cheered up and gave the usual order."

THAW IS DISAPPOINTED

Fails to Appear When Wilson Case Is Called and Hearing Goes Over.

FISHKILL LANDING, N. Y., Aug. 25.—After his postponement of the hearing of Harry K. Thaw, whom Dr. John P. Wilson, of Poughkeepsie, is suing for \$500 for his services as an alibi, the parties to the suit again appeared today. As counsel had not arrived at the hour set the hearing was adjourned until later in the day.

TO MOVE ON HONDURAS

United States and Mexico Plan Naval Demonstration.

CITY OF MEXICO, Aug. 25.—It has been learned here, authorities say, that the Mexican gunboat Bravo, which left the port of Vera Cruz two days ago under sealed orders, is proceeding to a port in the Republic of Honduras, where it will join the United States gunboat Marietta in a demonstration against the Republic.

JEROME IS EXONERATED

All Charges Disproved by Evidence, Says Referee Hand.

ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 25.—Richard T. Hand, of Elizabethtown, who was appointed by Governor Hughes to take testimony and report his findings upon the charges filed against William T. Jerome, of New York County, by a minority stockholders committee of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company, today submitted a report to the Governor.

SERIOUS FIRE IN OMAHA

Manufacturing Plants in Flames. Loss May Reach \$100,000.

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 25.—A fire which started in the East Omaha Box Company's factory at 1:30 this morning soon spread to the plant of the Omaha Saddlery Company.

MENTAL STENOGRAPHING

And Typewriting Done in Same Way by Earnest Young Learner.

"When I first began," said a young woman who is learning typewriting and stenography, "a stenographer friend of mine told me that after a time I would find myself taking stenographic notes in my head, and this has already come true. I thought that I am more likely to take such talk down on a mental typewriter—I suppose because, as far as I've got, I am not advanced in my typewriting than I am in stenography."

ENGLISH PLAYS DEPORTURE CASTRO

United States and Holland Said to Have Promised Aid to Revolutionists.

FINANCED IN NEW YORK

Money Is Pouring Into Treasury of Fillbusters—Operations Will Be Commenced Next October on Colombian Border.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—With full sanction of the State Department of the American Government, and with the promise of effective assistance from Holland, a revolution is being planned to overthrow President Castro of Venezuela. The revolutionary movement which is well organized and is being financed in New York and elsewhere, will become operative directly after the rainy season ends in Venezuela, about the middle of October. It is expected that within a few months a new Venezuelan ruler will replace President Castro, an object which the State Department and Holland and Colombia and Venezuela malcontents have every hope of accomplishing.

INDIGNANT AT CASTRO'S ORDER

Citizens of Parian Ports Resent Embargo on Travel.

PORT OF SPAIN, Aug. 25.—News has been received here that President Castro has instructed the collectors of customs in Venezuelan ports not to clear any passengers for the West Indian Islands. The Venezuelan government has been instructed to withhold passports from persons desirous of taking passage on the steamers to Venezuela.

OREGON MAN WANTS WIFE

ASKS POSTMASTER OF OMAHA TO PLAY PART OF CUPID.

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COURIERS ACROSS SAHARA

New Service From Niger to Mediterranean.

Though a journey across the Sahara is still a hazardous one, the pacification of the central region by the French has been wonderfully rapid during the last few years.

MIMIC WAR IN SOUTH

Troops of Three States to Assemble at Atascadero, Cal.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 25.—Orders have just been issued from the headquarters of the Department of California for joint field maneuvers on a large scale between the regular Army troops of California and New Mexico and the National Guard of California and Arizona, which will be held during the month of October at Atascadero, near San Nicolas Hot Springs, in the Salinas Valley.

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New York Press. Paul Cochelet, a professional ornithologist and entomologist of Paris, arrived in New York on his way to Brazil on a butterfly-hunting expedition. He is a short, thick-set man of 38 and keeps a large butterfly net in his pocket. He has collected a number of specimens from all parts of the world. Mr. Cochelet is accompanied by an assistant.

"I expect to remain in Brazil about four months," Cochelet said in speaking of his trip. "I have hunted in Brazil many times before, and the country affords no less than 700 different species of the butterfly, which is nearly twice as many as can be secured in all Europe."

"Nearly all butterflies fly uphill," he said. "I do not know just why they do that, but they do, and where there is a track or pathway up the hill they follow the track. When they get to the summit and there is no more path to follow, they will feel lost and circle round and round, often for hours, and then suddenly disappear. I have never been able to find out where they go, but I have seen them many times."

"Birds," said he, "are, of course, the butterfly's chief enemies, but some butterflies do not agree with birds' digestions, and the nonpoisonous varieties imitate those that birds do not eat in a most wonderful way. The result of such mimicry is that birds, not being experts, leave both kinds alone, and the same thing occurs among caterpillars, beetles and all kinds of insects."

RUFFED GROUSE DRUMMING

Explanation of Sound to Which Mystery Has Always Attached.

Forest and Stream. Few subjects have been so much discussed by sportsmen as the whistle of the ruffed grouse. To the latter sound much mystery has always been attached. The dull roll of thunder comes out of the air from a distance in the depth of the forest, and excites the wonder of the listener, but its direction and its distance seem so uncertain that he is not likely to try to find it.

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LONDON, Aug. 25.—The wife of Major-General G. B. Luard was mysteriously murdered yesterday in a desolate wood near Seven Oaks, which is a short distance outside of London. No trace of the murderer has been found. The General's wife was taken to a rooming house belonging to a neighbor, which the General had the privilege of using.

Half way along Mrs. Luard, becoming tired, decided to allow her husband to proceed alone, she declaring her intention to return home. The General then proceeded to the clubhouse and, having collected the things which he went after, returned to his residence by another route.

Finding that his wife had not reached home, he set out in search of her, and was horrified to find her lying face downward in a pool of blood near the spot where he had shortly before left her in the woods. Some of the accounts say that the body was lying on the balcony of a Summer-house used for picnics, while other reports say that it was lying behind the Summer-house. As the General approached the spot his wife's favorite terrier rushed to meet him and then returned, mounting guard over his dead mistress.

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