



KEEPS HANDS OFF NEW YORK TANGLE

Hitchcock Declines to Talk on Subject.

HUGHES MUST WIN OWN FIGHT

Will Be Asked to Help National Ticket if Nominated.

TAFT TALKS ON BANKING

Declares Vital Defect of Guaranty Scheme Would Be Tendency to Invite Reckless Speculation by Wildcat Banks.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—Chairman Frank H. Hitchcock, of the National Republican Committee, today declined to discuss the New York State primaries with respect to any possible effect they might have on the Governor's nomination, and later upon the National ticket in New York State.

He insisted that he had not committed himself in any manner on the Governor's nomination, and said that he did not think that he was called upon to do so. In regard to the recent conference at Oyster Bay, which gathering was followed by a statement from James S. Sherman, the Republican candidate for Vice-President, that the preponderance of opinion there was favorable to Mr. Hughes, Mr. Hitchcock said:

Keeping Clear of State Tangle.

"Mr. Sherman stated explicitly that no determination of the Governor's matter was effected."

It is not expected that the views of any of the Republican leaders who participated in the discussion at the President's Summer home were altered by the fact that a number of counties in the primaries expressed themselves in opposition to the Governor.

Thus far the Republican National Committee has taken no stand in the Hughes matter. The Governor has not been invited to speak in the National campaign, and it is said that no invitation will be extended to him until after the New York State convention.

Plenty of Work if Nominated.

The engagement which Governor Hughes has to speak at Youngstown, O., September 5, was not made under the auspices of the National organization. If Mr. Hughes is renominated, the directors of the speakers' bureau of the National Committee will begin immediately booking the Governor for as many speeches as he will consent to make.

Mr. Hitchcock, arrived in New York from his New England trip today. He said he will spend the remainder of the week here in conference with political leaders, going then to Chicago for about a week. The western speakers' bureau has not been organized yet and some one must be found to take this work off the hands of Senator Borah, of Idaho, who is due in Vermont to make a number of speeches.

BIG JOB IN WEST VIRGINIA

Hitchcock Leaves Subcommittee to Untangle Snarls.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—The West Virginia political situation, which has proved so perplexing to Frank H. Hitchcock, chairman of the Republican National committee, and was submitted also to Mr. Taft at a conference at Hot Springs, Va., was today referred to a sub-committee of the National committee for investigation.

A formal request was made by the West Virginia executive that Chairman Hitchcock decide as to the relative merits of the supporters of Scherr and Swisher, both of whom were nominated by Republican factions for the governorship. Chairman Ward, of the investigating committee, hopes to induce one gubernatorial candidate to withdraw after the merits of the case have been disclosed by inquiry.

TAFT RAPS GUARANTY PLAN

Would Put Premium on Reckless Banking Is Vital Objection.

HOT SPRINGS, Va., Aug. 26.—"It puts a premium on reckless banking and is an invitation to reckless speculation," said Mr. Taft this afternoon in response to a question as to what was his opinion of the vital objection to the proposed plan to guarantee deposits in national deposit banks.

"That is the fundamental objection," he said. "Relieved of the responsibility to and the fear of his depositors, the bank would be induced to speculate, to manipulate and the use of assets of banks in a speculative way would be promoted at the expense of his fellow-bankers and that ultimately means at the expense of the depositors. Any proposition as to the amount of the tax that should be assessed as based on the present rate of loss is on an erroneous basis, as the danger of loss of deposits is increased vastly by the proposed system, so that the percentage of the tax would have to be vastly increased."

Mr. Bryan did favor a guaranty, the Government to raise the fund by taxing the banks, but the Democratic platform provides for an enforced insurance which compels all national banks to contribute to the insurance funds to meet the demand of the depositors. Mr. Bryan said that a law was in force in New York and that the result was that when a bank failed, the tax having been properly calculated, there was not sufficient funds to pay the losses, but this I

JAPANESE FIND NEW ROUTE OPEN

LABORERS ENTERING UNITED STATES AS STUDENTS.

Immigration Officers Find No Law Ordering Deportation After Orientals Go to Work.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—(Special.)—The Department of Commerce and Labor has referred to the State Department a new question which has arisen under the administration of regulations excluding Japanese of the laboring classes. The incident reveals a method not hitherto considered, whereby thousands of Japanese laborers could gain access to this country without recourse by the United States.

Miyuki Komura was recently admitted through Seattle on a passport showing him to be a student. He had about \$90 in his possession at the time. Instead of going to school immediately, he went to work. Next he crossed into Canada and found employment. He decided to re-enter the United States, which he did near Port Hill, Idaho, and was taken into custody. Canada refused to allow him to be sent back to the Dominion. This brought the matter before the head of the department of Commerce and Labor, and it being decided that the law gave no authority for his deportation to Japan, he was discharged.

Authorities here consider the case of considerable importance. If there is no provision for deportation in such cases, there will be nothing to prevent other Japanese from making use of the same expedient to get into this country and to remain here.

BUILD INTO BIG BEND

St. Paul Road to Run Branch North From Beverly.

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—(Special.)—The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Company will soon file at Olympia, Wash., plans for a branch line to serve the great wheat sections of Waterville and Buckingham. The intention of the St. Paul to invade the Big Bend country is said to account for the sudden activity of the Hill interests in pushing the Washington & Great Northern into the same territory. Surveys have been in the field for some time and the route is practically decided upon. It is expected to build from the Pacific extension of the St. Paul at the new town of Beverly and run north on the east side of the Columbia River.

This proposed branch line is likely to prove one of the most important on the St. Paul line. It will form an outlet for the business of a plateau that is about 50 miles wide and 80 miles long. The district is remarkably fertile and has never been given railroad transportation. The branch will be about 120 miles in length.

MUCH LAND NOT TAKEN

Uncle Sam Has Nearly 50,000,000 Acres in Northwest.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—The General Land Office has compiled its annual statement showing the area of the public domain removed from the United States, July 1, 1908. From this statement it appears that the Government still has an area of 754,859,296 acres of surveyed and unsurveyed land, including the following: Alaska, 388,021,599 acres; Arizona, 42,769,202; California, 29,872,493; Colorado, 23,896,697; Idaho, 25,785,002; Montana, 45,892,440; Nevada, 41,177,000; New Mexico, 44,777,908; Oregon, 16,387,100; Utah, 56,578,998; Washington, 4,350,001; Wyoming, 37,145,202.

In Oregon there are 4,769,456 acres of surveyed land, 5,287,176 acres and Idaho 19,478,044 acres. In Alaska all the land is unsurveyed.

ALLEGED THIEF HAS PAST

Tells Reno Court Idaho Jurist Was Her Husband.

RENO, Nev., Aug. 26.—(Special.)—Taken into court today on the charge of being a notorious pickpocket, Mrs. Irene Hawley Duff stated that she was the divorced wife of Judge Hawley, of Boise, Idaho, who assisted in the prosecution of Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone. The woman's story was listened to with wonder. She pleaded not guilty to the charge against her.

That she combines generously with other traits was shown recently when Mrs. Duff contributed \$50 to the family of Peckham Brown, who was killed in a street battle with bank robbers. Mrs. Hawley did not allow her gift to become known to the general public.

RUEF TRIAL BEGINS TODAY

Judge Lawlor Sweeps Aside Last Remaining Technicalities.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—Superior Judge Lawlor today swept away the last remaining technicalities delaying the hearing of evidence in the case of Abraham Ruef, charged with the bribery of Ex-Superior Pursey to vote for a trolley franchise for the United Railroads, and the actual trial will begin tomorrow.

Receivership Is Extended.

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—The receivership of the Southern Indiana Railway Company was this afternoon extended to the Chicago Southern Railway Company by Judge Kohlsaat in the United States Circuit Court. The receivership is in accordance with the petition filed by that road last week. M. J. Carpenter, receiver for the Southern Indiana, was also named as receiver for the Chicago Southern. Both roads were among the assets of John R. Walsh at the time of the failure of the Walsh bank, the Chicago National.

AUGUSTA FLOODED; FIRES BREAK OUT

Whole City Completely Under Water.

THREE DEATHS ARE REPORTED

Flames Devouring Big Cotton Warehouses.

LOSS OVER HALF-MILLION

One Lane Telegraph Wire Brings Out Report of Disaster—Union Depot Inundated to Depth of Ten Feet.

ATLANTA, Ga., Aug. 26.—A long-distance telephone message from the Associated Press correspondent from Augusta says that the city is completely under water. In the down-town portion business houses, telegraph offices and newspaper offices are completely demoralized. There were three deaths in Augusta today, two white people and one negro. No names could be secured. The damage, it is estimated, will reach half a million dollars.

Cotton Warehouses on Fire.

At 8:30 tonight it was learned through the single wire of the Georgia Railroad Company, working partly into Augusta, that the large cotton warehouse and the wholesale grocery warehouses of the Nixon Company were burning. The Union Depot is under ten feet of water, and in the best residence district the water stands six feet deep and is slowly rising.

Six Feet of Water in Church.

The Sacred Heart Church is in six feet of water. The report of the fires in the Nixon warehouses cannot be confirmed. A telegraph operator said he could not get near enough to account of the water, but that the fires were burning in the vicinity of the big warehouses.

POLICE MOB PRISONER

Brutally Beat Cowboy Arrested for Killing Denver Officer.

DENVER, Aug. 26.—John Bradley, alias John Brennan, a cowboy, who was arrested late today on suspicion of having murdered Patrolman William P. Stevens last night, was set upon by a number of police officers at headquarters tonight and narrowly escaped being beaten to death at their hands. Detectives, who had the prisoner in charge, fought off the infuriated patrolmen and dragged their charge to a place of safety.

Count Komura Reaches Tokio.

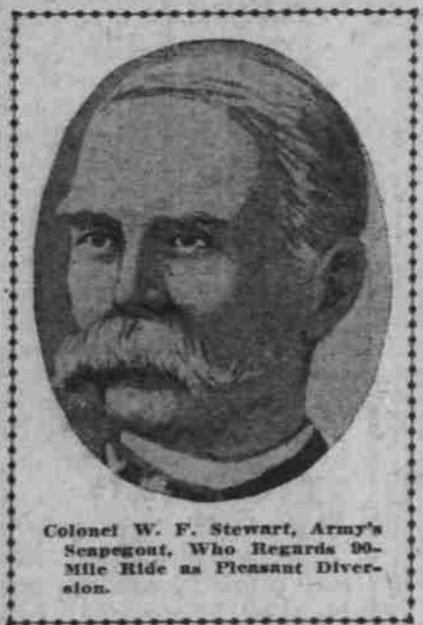
TOKIO, Aug. 26.—Count Jutaro Komura, formerly Japanese ambassador at London, who has been selected as minister of foreign affairs in the newly appointed Cabinet headed by Marquis Katsura, arrived here at 9 o'clock tonight. He was met by the entire Cabinet and many other government officials.

STEWART GREETED ORDER WITH JOY

ARMY EXILE REGARDS TEST RIDE AS FINE DIVERSION.

Can Sit Saddle Easier Than Some of His Enemies Occupy Easy Chairs.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 26.—A special from Wilcox, Ariz., says: Colonel William F. Stewart, the artillery officer who is exiled at abandoned Fort Grant, is greatly pleased over an order from the War Department for him to take the horsemanship test of a 90-mile ride. "I want to take the test," said Colonel Stewart. "I can ride 90 miles in 21 hours,



Colonel W. F. Stewart, Army's Sequester, Who Regards 90-Mile Ride as Pleasant Diversion.

or any other distance that horses can carry me." Colonel Stewart says the fact that he is not given a saddle horse at Fort Grant has been one of his hardships, and intimates that he can ride a horse easier than some officers he knows can hold down their upholstered chairs in Washington.

Colonel Stewart denies that he has any intention of surrendering and permitting himself to be forced out of the Army. He still has over two years to serve at deserted Fort Grant. Fort Grant is in ruins and alive with rattlesnakes. The Colonel's only companions are William F. Nall, who is caretaker of the post, and William H. Martin, the colored cook and man of all work.

FORGER OF NOBLE BLOOD

Fugitive Hungarian, Wanted for Swindle, Caught in Indiana.

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—(Special.)—Bela Walder, a Hungarian of noble birth, 35 years of age, was practically kidnapped from a hotel in Warsaw, Ind., where he had taken refuge, and brought to this city where he will be held for extradition on a charge of having forged notes for \$10,000. The alleged crime was committed at Soekacard, Austria-Hungary. Walder had been sought for three years and was finally located in Indiana through advertisements in which he offered real estate for sale. He is held pending the arrival of extradition papers.

Walder, it is said, was stripped of his title when, three years ago, he fled from Austria-Hungary, after committing forgeries amounting to \$10,000. Walder's uncle, who was responsible for his capture, is A. N. Walder, a banker and real estate dealer. His home is in Soekacard. The fugitive Walder invested the money he stole in Gary, Ind., real estate.

BRYAN'S SPEECH SPELLS DEFEAT

Trust Talk Will Cost Him New York.

COMMENT FROM JUDGE NAGLE

Democratic Leaders Just as Confident of Success.

JOHNSON IS IN DEMAND

Minnesota's Governor Wanted to Make Speeches in Eastern States. Prohibition Candidate Defines Partisan.

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—(Special.)—Judge C. N. Nagel, Republican National Committeeman from Missouri, reached the Republican camp in the Harvester building today apparently happy over the ideas expressed by Mr. Bryan in his speech on trusts at Indianapolis. "I am very well satisfied with the address made by Mr. Bryan," said Judge Nagel. "His general treatment of the trust issue struck me forcibly. If there was ever any doubt about New York going Republican before that speech was made there is no doubt about it now. Mr. Bryan seems unable to get away from anti-trust figures. In 1902 it was 19 to 1; in 1908 it is 25 per cent."

Hitchcock Back to Desk Saturday.

Frank H. Hitchcock, National Chairman, will reach Chicago Saturday, ending a careful survey of the Eastern territory. With him will come a corps of assistants. The machinery of the Republican camp then will be set in motion and the national campaign really begun. Republican orators are now flocking to Vermont and Maine, where the state elections are to be held next month. Senators J. C. Burrows, of Michigan, and W. B. Borah, of Idaho, ex-Secretary of the Treasury L. M. Shaw, and Representatives D. E. McKinlay, of California, and H. S. Boutell, of Illinois, are already on the ground. Senator Albert J. Beveridge, of Indiana, is expected to sound the keynote of the Republican stumping campaign in the West at Youngstown, Ohio, on September 5. Governors Charles E. Hughes, of New York, and A. L. Harris, of Ohio, will also speak on that occasion.

Democrats Are Enthusiastic.

Enthusiasm as a result of the Democratic demonstration at Indianapolis yesterday was rampant in Democratic National headquarters in Chicago today. "We will carry Indiana this Fall," said National Committeeman Roger C. Sullivan, of Illinois, who attended the notification. The sentiment was echoed by Dr. Hall, who will be in charge of the Chicago headquarters until the return of Chairman Mack next Monday, Mr. Mack having gone to New York to open headquarters there. "Furthermore, we will carry Nebraska this year," said the vice-chairman, who never forgets where he hails from.

Governor Johnson in Demand.

An almost uncontrollable demand that Governor John A. Johnson, of Minnesota, be sent to New York and Indiana to make

RICHARD CARLE IN DIVORCE SCANDAL

MILLIONAIRE CLUBMAN MAKES ACTOR CO-RESPONDENT.

Atlanta Belle, Who Married A. W. Godfrey, Accused of Undue Fondness for Comedian.

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—(Special.)—Divorce papers were filed today in Boston, according to dispatches received from that city, by Arthur W. Godfrey, a millionaire clubman, in a suit asking a separation from Beatrice Brunner Godfrey, an Atlanta, Ga., girl of great beauty, whom he met and married in Chicago less than two years ago. No less a person than Richard Carle, the musical comedy star, is named in the divorce papers as a co-respondent, though no dates and places are specified. Godfrey also names in his petition John H. McCarthy.

A trip to Europe on board the liner Deutschland figures in the papers as having been taken by Mrs. Godfrey, sailing from New York June 25. McCarthy, the petition alleges, was aboard the same ship and the two, Godfrey says, met in London. Mrs. Godfrey has until the first Monday in October to answer the charges, when the case will be placed upon trial.

OLD SCOUTS ON TRAIL

Follow Park Robber Into Jackson Hole Country.

BUTTE, Mont., Aug. 26.—A special from Livingston to the Miner says: A number of old scouts formerly in the employ of the Government and residing in the vicinity of Gardner, have joined in the pursuit of the Yellowstone Park bandit. They are going into the Jackson Hole country, to which point it is thought the robber has headed. The country through which the manhunt is being made is of the roughest character and much of it is almost inaccessible.

WILL EXPEL UNDESIRABLES

Vigilance Committee Organized by Citizens in Quincy, Cal.

MARYSVILLE, Cal., Aug. 26.—A number of business men of Quincy, Plumas County, have recently received letters threatening the burning of all the business houses in the place. It has now been discovered that the apparatus of the fire department has been tampered with to the extent of rendering it practically useless. The residents are aroused and at a mass meeting last night appointed a vigilance committee empowered to rid the town of all undesirable characters. It is feared that serious trouble may occur when the committee begins its work.

SETTLE CANADIAN STRIKE

Railroad Officials Said to Plan Peace Negotiations.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 26.—A rumor coming from an authoritative source says the Canadian Pacific Railway officials are getting tired of the strike and negotiations will be begun tomorrow with a view to ending it. G. J. Bury, superintendent of the road, went to Fort Williams today, and it is said important developments will be announced from that place.

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COMBINE TO FIGHT FOR HUGE ESTATE

Springer Heirs Form Association

FOR OREGON AND WASHINGTON

Property in Delaware and Sweden Worth Millions.

HUNDREDS HAVE CLAIMS

Descendants of Colonial Day Plutocrat in All Parts of United States Plan Joint Fight for Great Fortune.

BROWNSVILLE, Or., Aug. 26.—(Special.)—Alleged heirs residing in Oregon and Washington and asserting claim to the estate of Carl Christopher Springer, located in Delaware and Sweden, and estimated to be worth \$120,000,000, met here today and organized the Springer Heirs' Association, for the purpose of devising some plan whereby to share in the distribution of the enormous estate. Similar organizations have been formed by alleged heirs in various other states.

The officers of the Oregon and Washington association are: President, J. G. Springer, of Palomath; vice-president, H. B. Davidson, of Eugene; secretary and treasurer, J. R. Springer, of Halsey.

In addition to the three alleged heirs who were made officers of the association, three others attended the meeting, as follows: Carl Springer, of Crawfordville, and Mrs. Nancy Stroupe and Mrs. Robert C. Martin, of this city. Numerous other alleged heirs residing in the two states will become members of the association.

History of Estate.

The ancestor to whom the heirs are feeling grateful was Christopher Springer, whose son, Carl Christopher Springer, born in 1858, came to this country and settled, acquiring vast tracts of land. The entire business section of Wilmington, Del., was among his possessions, and was leased by his heirs in 1808 on a 90-year lease. The other estate is in Sweden, and includes not only the greater part of a Swedish town, but also six large farms and an immense interest in a big banking business, the entire value of which is said to be \$40,000,000, while the Wilmington property is valued at \$50,000,000.

In the year 1880, Edward Springer, one of the heirs, spent nearly a year in Sweden securing the originals or copies of the deeds and wills that had been made in connection with the estate. After getting them all safely over to America, he died, and they were handed down to his young son, Walter, in whose possession they now are.

Objects of Association.

The object of the association that has been formed by the Oregon and Washington heirs is to furnish united assistance in pushing the claims of the hundreds of heirs scattered throughout the United States. The local association was formed on the advice of the Ohio association, which appears to be leading in the effort to gain possession of the Springer millions. Similar associations have been formed in California and other states where known heirs are known to reside. The headquarters of the Oregon and Washington association will be in Brownsville, from which point the officers will co-operate with the parent association of Ohio.

Each to Have Lawyer.

Each local association will employ an attorney to represent its interests in a mass meeting of the representatives of the heirs to be held at Wilmington, Del., the first week in September, when some plan will be devised for clearing up the title to the estate and bringing about a division of the property among the heirs. For years the state authorities of Delaware have resisted the claims of the competing heirs unsuccessfully and recently offered to pay \$1,000,000 if the heirs would relinquish all claim to that part of the estate located in Wilmington and vicinity.

CARRIES RING IN THROAT

When, After Years, She Coughs It Up, Girl Is Relieved.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Aug. 26.—(Special.)—After years of discomfort, caused by a speck of throat trouble that baffled many physicians, Miss Jennie Glasford, niece of ex-Councilman William Glasford, of this city, in a coughing spell expelled today a small gold band ring which is believed to have been the cause of her suffering these many years. Just how the ring became lodged in the young woman's throat cannot be accounted for. It is believed, however, that she swallowed the ring when a child and that its location was such as to prevent extraction through medical assistance. At times the pain would become severe, while at others it was less bothersome. Many physicians were consulted but none could do anything to relieve the patient.