

CHICAGO FIGHTS ON MORAL ISSUE

Control of Vice and Graft Is Chief Planks in Merriam's Platform.

HARRISON FOR CHEAP GAS

Dunne, Secretly Allied With Graham and Sullivan, May Run as Independent-Merriam Forces Basse to Start Reforms.

CHICAGO, March 6.—(Special.)—Will Charles Edward Merriam, associate professor of political science in the University of Chicago, crush Chicago's Tammany Hall at the city majority election in April?

Enemies in both parties of Carter H. Harrison, the Democratic nominee, assert Harrison received before the primaries on February 23, and does still continue to receive, contributions to his campaign fund from the vice and gambling districts of the municipal cesspool.

Merriam and Harrison already are launched on a campaign, to terminate on April 14, but few majority antagonists in Chicago ever have opened a fight for the majority chair on so uncertain a field of battle and with so great moral issues at stake.

These issues are: The regulation, or stamping out, of vice; official graft in public works and institutions. The physical issues, which mark the campaign, are: "Seventy-cent gas," lake harbor controlled and owned by the city; extension of the park system; elimination of street power lines within seven miles of the downtown district.

Merriam Chooses Moral Issues.

Merriam stakes his fight on the two moral issues. He adopts the physical issues presented, but evidently he considers them not so important to his candidacy as a regeneration on sound economical principles of the administration of the city government.

In the primaries as the Republican nominee he defeated his two opponents by a plurality of 2890, and lacked only 48 votes of having a majority of the 124,000 republican vote cast. His four opponents all were vanquished their hearty support.

On the contrary, Harrison defeated Edward F. Dunne, ex-Democratic Mayor of Chicago, who drew votes out of a total of about 145,000 votes. The other of the three Democratic opponents of Harrison was Andrew J. Graham, independent, who drew votes and supported by Roger Sullivan, head of the People's Gas Company.

Dunne May Run Independent.

From a political standpoint much complexity is added to the situation by the announced determination of Dunne to demand a recount on charges of fraud, and if the recount does not show him nominated, to run independent. If Dunne does not draw votes, it is contended, from both of the party candidates, but from Harrison more than Merriam. Dunne is supported by the united police force, city policemen—and by a large following among the labor interests.

There is a friendship, if not an understanding, between the Dunne and Graham factions. During the primary campaign, after Graham had bought all the billboard space in the city at a reported price of \$20,000, Dunne obtained as much billboard space as he wanted for his posters, while Harrison had to rely on the scattered offerings from various private individuals.

So violent has been Harrison's attack on the gas interests, both in this primary campaign and in his administration as Mayor from the Spring of 1907 to the Spring of 1910, that there is little possibility of a compromise between his own and the Sullivan-Graham factions. In any case, it is contended, the Sullivan-Graham faction will fight Harrison, who made his anti-primary issue "Seventy-cent gas," even if it means the support of the Republican candidate, Merriam.

Merriam Aggressive Reformer.

That Merriam is in all the best capable of making one of the best Mayor that Chicago has ever had is shown by his record as Alderman for the Seventh Ward and as chairman of the city commission on municipal expenditures, which he virtually forced Mayor Basse to appoint some time ago. This commission was formed with dead material, but as chairman, the university professor personally made it so aggressive that it generally is known as the "Merriam Commission." He was secretary of the harbor commission and was connected prominently with the securing of a new city charter. He refused the nomination of the Republican organization, and now insists personally on conducting his own fight for election.

Dunne Secures Recount.

CHICAGO, March 6.—County Judge Owens today ordered a recount of the ballots cast at the primary last Tuesday. The order was issued at the instance of E. F. Dunne, who, on the returns, was defeated for the Democratic Majority nomination by Carter H. Harrison.

PORTLAND BOYS PROMOTED

Students at Agricultural College Gain Regimental Rank.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, March 6.—(Special.)—Among the recent promotions in the regiment are three Portland boys who have been making good in military as well as other lines at Corvallis. Second Lieutenant J. E. Fairchild, Company F, has been appointed to First Lieutenant of Company K; Sergeant A. L. Burdick, Company L, will be First Sergeant of Company L; Chief Trumpeter C. N. Anderson is to be First Sergeant of Company M.

Other Promotions as follows:

Battery Adjutant A. P. Gibson, of Ontario, Or., appointed Captain of Company M; Second Lieutenant R. D. Bridges, of Corvallis, Alaska, to be First Lieutenant of Company I; Second Lieutenant E. A. Olson, of Warrenton, Or., has been promoted to the First Lieutenant, and Sergeant A. M. Jepperson, of Hazzam, Wash., has been made Second Lieutenant; Sergeant Earl, of Albany, has been made Second Lieutenant of Company L.

POLICY OF NEW FRENCH PREMIER TO BE MODERATE, HE DECLARES.



PRIME MINISTER MONIS.

PARIS, March 6.—Premier Monis read the Ministerial declaration in the Chamber of Deputies today. Its conservative tone astonished the Socialists and extreme Radicals, who had been expected to support the new government. These members interrupted, pouring the reference in the manifesto to the church and schools, in which it was stated:

"We will apply without feebleness and without violence the laws dealing with religious orders and the separation of the church and state. We will protect against all attack our public schools. For 20 minutes the speaker held the fort, being unable to escape or to drive the policeman away. When his ammunition was exhausted, he was overpowered. Chief Parry was not seriously hurt.

T. R. IS GIVEN SNUB

Attitude Toward Jeff Davis Arouses Houston Man.

SYMPATHY IS AROUSED

Mother Is on Trial as Murderer of Her 5-Year-Old Son.

Judge Kittrell Gives Reasons for Declining to Serve on Roosevelt Reception Committee—Another Man Accepts.

HOUSTON, Texas, March 6.—Because of Colonel Roosevelt's attitude toward Jefferson Davis, Judge Norman G. Kittrell has declined to serve on the reception committee which will meet the ex-President here next Sunday.

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ROOSEVELT STARTS TOMORROW

Ex-President Goes South First, Then Comes to Pacific Coast.

NEW YORK, March 6.—The return of Theodore Roosevelt on his trip around the country was announced today.

He will leave New York over the Pennsylvania Railroad at 12:15 A. M. Wednesday, and Sagamore Hill will not see him again until Sunday, April 23. Atlanta is his first stop and he will enter the city literally swarms around the circle.

The line of travel dips down to New Orleans, stretches across the South, follows the Pacific Coast northward to Portland and Puget Sound, wavers into Idaho and Montana and then reaches home through Chicago, where the Colonel will stop for a few hours only, on Saturday, April 15.

The full list of engagements occupies 22 typewritten pages. In the party will be Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt, Miss Ethel Roosevelt, Miss Cornelia Landon, a friend of Miss Ethel, and Frank Harper, the Colonel's secretary.

With the possible exception of a few short stretches, the trip will be made in regular trains and public Pullman cars. Although he has chosen the subjects of many of his addresses, the Colonel will speak extemporaneously at most points.

At the Commonwealth Club in San Francisco on March 27 he will discuss "The Zone of Doubtful Authority Between National and State Conservation."

MANY SEEKING BENEFITS

Work of Distributing Forest Fire Sufferers' Funds Under Way.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Relatives dependent on those who lost their lives in the forest fires which swept the West last Summer will receive the benefit of the \$15,000 appropriation made by the last Congress for their relief, as soon as the officers of the Department of Agriculture and Forest Service can formulate plans for its distribution.

Plans are under way looking toward early adjudication of these claims. A number of claims already have reached the Department, but in order to give all who may be entitled to share the benefits of the fund a chance to file their claims, it is probable that the Secretary of Agriculture will fix a date limiting the time in which such claims will be given consideration.

New Man Runs Danville Inquiry.

DANVILLE, Ill., March 6.—George Sloan, of Butler township, was this afternoon appointed temporary foreman of the Vermilion County grand jury to take the place of Isaac Woodyard, who is ill.

DEMOCRATS NAME RULES COMMITTEE

Henry of Texas, Will Undertake to Push Measures Through House.

TARIFF DIVISION APPEARS

Some Favor Revision by Wholesale, Others by Schedules, but Canadian Reciprocity Will Pass.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 6.—The rules committee, one of the most powerful of the House committees of the Sixty-second Congress, with Robert L. Henry, of Waco, Tex., at its head, was formally selected by the new House ways and means committee at its first meeting today.

The following were announced as the seven Democratic members: Robert Lee Henry, Texas; Edward W. Pott, Smithfield, N. C.; Thomas W. Harwick, Sandersville, Ga.; Augustus O. Stanley, Henderson, Ky.; Flint J. Garrett, Breckenridge, Tenn.; Martin D. Foster, Olney, Ill.; and Matthew R. Denver, Wilmington, Ohio.

The committee will consist of 11 members. The four Republican members will be chosen later, with the other Republican members of committees of the new House.

Henry to Be Chairman.

The ways and means committee, which is charged under caucus dictum with the function of selecting the committee, is not empowered to name the chairman, but it recommended to the news rules committee that it elect Henry as chairman, which is tantamount to designation at this time.

The committee will meet tomorrow morning to confer over its preliminary work. There was some discussion over the programs of tariff revision, but the committee is deliberating carefully about that, which is the greatest task ought not to be put to death for report its programme to Congress soon after April 4.

Division on Tariff Apparent.

The Democratic members realize there is considerable difference of opinion among their party associates in the House as to the methods of revising the tariff, some favoring a wholesale bill and others schedule by schedule, in accordance with the views of leaders like Clark and Underwood.

There is no consensus yet as to whether the schedules are to be tacked to the Canadian reciprocity bill, but the bill itself will carry out the terms of the agreement.

The committee has not yet passed upon the committee chairmanships beyond those of the ways and means and rules committees, but in many instances, more or less complete assurance of individual members of the ways and means committee have made the chairmanships largely a matter of ratification by the formal action of the committee.

These are some of the tentative chairmanships, some of them being fully assured: Principal Chairmen Chosen.

Ways and means, Underwood, Alabama; public lands, Robinson, Arkansas; naval affairs, Padgett, Tennessee; Indian affairs, Stephens, Texas; agriculture, Lever, South Carolina, or Bell, Texas; rivers and canals, Korbly, Indiana; private land claims, Carter, Oklahoma; Pacific railroads, Slayden, Texas; merchant marine, Clark, Florida; mines and mining, Foster, Illinois; rivers and harbors, Moon, Tennessee; Randall, Louisiana or Sparkman, Florida.

The new rules committee is almost a complete transformation from the present one. The lines of division among Democratic members on the tariff are already being drawn. Both favor passing the Canadian reciprocity agreement, but the radicals would immediately undertake a complete revision of the tariff by separate schedules and would tuck at least the new woolen and cotton schedules to the reciprocity bill.

The conservatives would defer revision of the tariff by separate schedules until the regular sessions. President Taft's speeches criticizing the woolen and cotton schedules of the Payne-Aldrich law are cited in support of immediate revision in those cases.

Liability Commission at Work.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Senators Chamberlain and Sutherland and Representatives Brantley and Moon have been appointed by the President to investigate the questions of employers' liability and workmen's compensation. The commission met today and arranged for hearings, and will also formulate questions for employers and employees to answer. The commission will endeavor to frame an employers' liability act for submission to Congress at the next regular session.

Canadian Wants to Wait.

OTTAWA, Ont., March 6.—R. L. Borden, leader of the opposition, gave notice tonight that, as the reciprocity proposals have not been carried into effect by the United States Congress, he will move on Wednesday that the agreement shall not be confirmed by Canada until it has been ratified by Congress.

LAWLER MAY SOON RESIGN

Man Who Prepared Draft of Ballinger's Vindication May Quit.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Oscar Lawler, assistant attorney for the Interior Department, is reported to have presented his resignation to President Taft, to take effect May 1. It is understood he will resume his law practice in Los Angeles.

Neither confirmation nor denial of Mr. Lawler's reported resignation could be obtained at the White House or at Secretary Ballinger's office. Mr. Lawler refused to discuss the matter. He was the author of the Lawler

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\$31,000 GOES TO CHINESE

Amount, in Cash and Flour, Is Available in New York.

NEW YORK, March 6.—Thirty-one thousand dollars in cash and flour was made available today for famine sufferers in China. Ten thousand dollars in cash was cabled to China by the Christian Herald through the State Department to be equally divided between the relief committees at Shanghai and Chinkiang.

Twenty-one thousand dollars' worth of flour, it was announced, was forwarded by the troopship Buford from Seattle to Chinkiang.

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Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. Of New York City, in the State of New York, on the 31st day of December, 1910, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law: Capital. Amount of capital paid up... \$ 2,000,000.00 Income. Premiums received during the year... 76,822,791.59 Interest, dividends and rents received during the year... 13,508,874.53 Income from other sources received during the year... 448,073.31 Total income... 90,779,649.43 Disbursements. Paid for losses, endowments, annuities and surrenders... 24,877,894.59 Dividends paid to policy holders during the year... 6,413,229.33 Dividends paid on capital stock during the year... 140,000.00 Commissions and salaries paid during the year... 17,741,714.20 Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year... 1,413,935.74 Amount of all other expenditures... 4,473,081.64 Total expenditures... 49,069,851.63 Market value of real estate owned... 24,116,801.56 Market value of stocks and bonds owned... 135,405,847.33 Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc... 109,465,221.65 Premium notes and policy loans... 714,477.82 Cash in banks and on hand... 4,680,182.78 Net uncollected and deferred premiums... 6,207,290.14 Other assets (net)... 8,839,102.72 Total assets... 313,388,354.00 Less special deposits in any state... 5,470,935.14 Total assets admitted in Oregon... 308,517,398.50 Liabilities. Net reserve... 270,880,929.60 Total policy claims... 600,113.58 All other liabilities less reserve covered by special deposits... 6,347,777.74 Total liabilities... 277,358,820.90 Total insurance in force December 31, 1910... \$2,215,451,358.00 Business in Oregon for the Year. Total risks written during the year... 604,739.00 Gross premiums received during the year... 117,005.34 Premiums returned during the year... none Losses paid during the year... 19,924.52 Losses incurred during the year... 21,799.52 Total amount of risks outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1910... 8,610,821.00 METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY. (Signed) JAS. S. ROBERTS, Secretary, Statutory resident general agent and attorney for service, Alfred T. Bonney.

Fireman's Fund Insurance Company. Of San Francisco, in the State of California, on the 31st day of December, 1910, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law: Capital. Amount of capital paid up... \$ 1,500,000.00 Income. Premiums received during the year in cash... 6,002,233.69 Interest, dividends and rents received during the year... 302,629.38 Income from other sources received during the year... 41,812.94 Total income... 6,346,675.51 Disbursements. Losses paid during the year... 2,385,877.64 Dividends paid during the year on capital stock... 225,000.00 Commissions and salaries paid during the year... 1,378,128.90 Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year... 132,234.89 Amount of all other expenditures... 321,964.91 Total expenditures... 4,463,206.54 Assets. Value of real estate owned... 6,870,628.43 Value of stocks and bonds owned... 4,918,115.29 Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc... 4,758,334.30 Cash in banks and on hand... 1,009,548.88 Premiums in course of collection and interest due and accrued... 75,402.69 Total assets... 8,970,628.43 Less special deposits in any state... 70,000.00 Total assets admitted in Oregon... 8,900,628.43 Liabilities. Gross claims for losses unpaid... 4,462,617.52 Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks... 3,890,313.58 Due for commission and brokerage... 180,000.00 All other liabilities... 151,500.00 Total liabilities... 8,483,248.50 Total insurance in force December 31, 1910... \$2,006,314,251.00 Business in Oregon for the Year. Total risks written during the year... 6,948,925.00 Gross premiums received during the year... 1,348,428.09 Premiums returned during the year... 34,868.04 Losses paid during the year... 69,880.23 Losses incurred during the year... 46,859.08 Total amount of risks outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1910... 5,103,180.00 FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE COMPANY. (Signed) LOUIS WEINMANN, Secretary, Statutory resident general agent and attorney for service, Charles R. Thompson, Sherlock bldg., Portland.

United States Branch of the London Assurance Corporation. Of London, in the Kingdom of Great Britain, on the 31st day of December, 1910, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law: Capital. Amount of capital deposited... \$ 650,000.00 Income. Premiums received during the year in cash... 2,561,091.24 Interest, dividends and rents received during the year... 120,283.41 Income from other sources received during the year... 218,888.27 Total income... 2,899,262.92 Disbursements. Losses paid during the year... 1,261,730.87 Dividends paid during the year on capital stock... nil Commissions and salaries paid during the year... 727,374.78 Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year... 65,484.94 Amount of all other expenditures... 380,412.00 Remitted to home office... 2,899,262.92 Total expenditures... 2,899,262.93 Assets. Value of real estate owned... all Value of stocks and bonds owned... 2,015,145.00 Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc... 176,768.58 Cash in banks and on hand... 427,843.29 Due from other companies for reinsurance on losses paid... 8,020.11 Interest and rents due and accrued... 37,420.41 Total assets... 2,665,813.16 Less special deposits in any state (if any)... nil Total assets admitted in Oregon... 2,665,813.16 Liabilities. Gross claims for losses unpaid... 290,708.14 Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks... 2,049,888.05 Due for commission and brokerage... 11,486.16 All other liabilities... 109,583.32 Surplus... 1,195,975.98 Total liabilities... 2,548,661.67 Total insurance in force December 31, 1910... \$323,092,562.00 Business in Oregon for the Year. Total risks written during the year... 5,737,932.00 Gross premiums received during the year... 104,274.58 Premiums returned during the year... 29,200.69 Losses paid during the year... 187,998.10 Losses incurred during the year... 182,211.30 Total amount of risks outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1910... 4,942,786.00 LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION. (Signed) EDWIN PARRISH, Joint Manager, Statutory resident general agent and attorney for service, Ed. Smith, Portland, Tol. Thompson & W. S. Halvor-Jackson & Deering, resident agents.