

REGISTRATION TEA ON LEGAL SHOALS

Officials Will Not Send Deputies to Functions as Women Request.

SEX PLANNING TO UNITE

Movement Started to Determine What to Do With Votes—Actor Cites Ibsen's Plays as Suffrage Factor.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—There will be no "registration tea parties" in San Francisco. The newly enfranchised portion of the electorate will have to direct their steps to the dingy-like recesses of the old City Hall basement and have their visible marks and scars recorded, cheek by jowl with the men.

Registrar Harrington today put his foot down on the "tea-party" plan. Deputy Registrar Harry Zemansky was in receipt this morning of a dulcet-toned inquiry over the telephone for deputies to register the guests of a society woman who had arranged a tea party for that specific purpose.

Formal Attire Waived.

The deputies were to be introduced and the guests registered as they indulged in the brew of the steaming samovar.

"We would be pleased to accommodate you, Madame," replied Zemansky, "if the law permitted, or if our deputies were provided with the garb which convention prescribed as correct for afternoon teas. Unfortunately I regret to say that the majority of our deputies are not so equipped."

"Oh, dear me, we could waive that formality," came back the plea. "My guests will be terribly disappointed."

Zemansky, who is nothing if not gallant, paused for a time, consulted with Registrar Harrington and the members of the Board of Election Commissioners, and finally reported back that the law was plain and that, much to his regret, he would have to deny the request.

Precedent to Be Avoided.

"We would like to accommodate the ladies," said Zemansky later, "but you can readily see to what extremes it would lead us. I am afraid they will have to take their place in line with the men."

More than 450 California women who are trying to find out just what they want to do with their newly-acquired suffrage put under way, at a luncheon here today, a movement which probably will determine whether or not those of their sex in the state will stand as a powerful unit in securing legislation affecting woman and her life. Starting with nebulous plans for 200 guests, the San Francisco center of the newly organized California Civic League saw the function outgrow the confines of one hotel, spread to the dining-room of another, and finally crowd a great hotel ballroom, with the women of the city here today, a movement which probably will determine whether or not those of their sex in the state will stand as a powerful unit in securing legislation affecting woman and her life.

Plays of Ibsen Cited.

Forbes Robertson, in his address, told the women that the stage, by bringing before the people the injustice of traditional conventions and customs affecting women, had done as much as the political stump in gaining suffrage for them. He cited Ibsen's plays as examples of the which have been here today, a movement which probably will determine whether or not those of their sex in the state will stand as a powerful unit in securing legislation affecting woman and her life.

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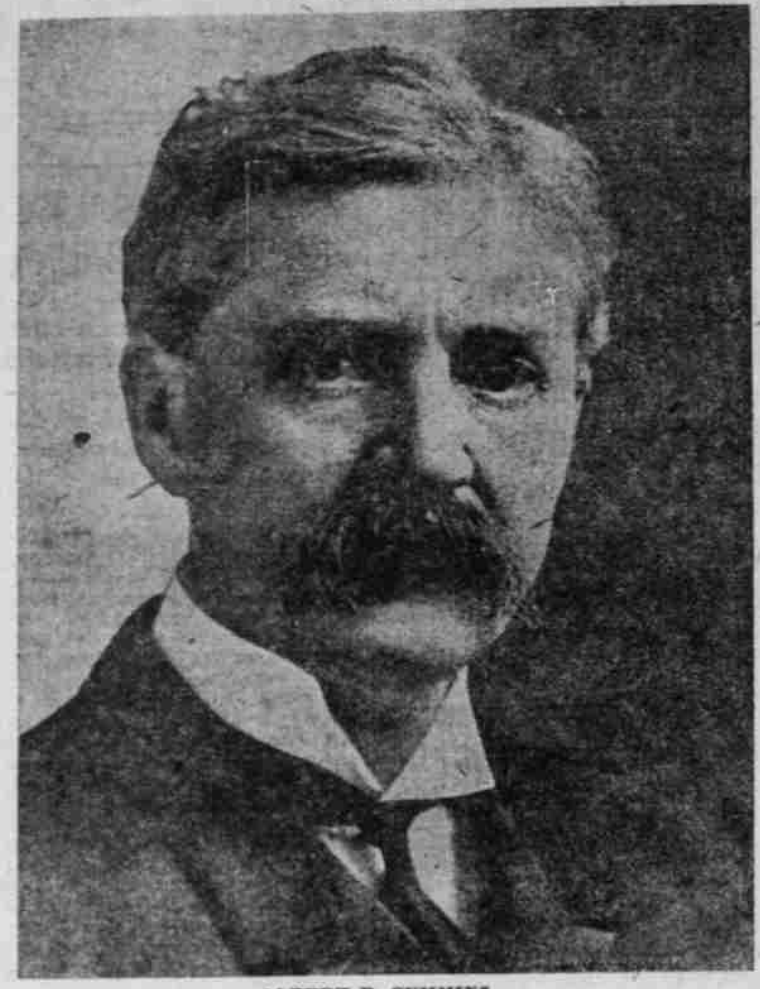
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IOWA SENATOR WHOSE BOOM FOR PRESIDENT EMBARRASSES LA FOLLETTE MEN



ALBERT B. CUMMINS.

CUMMINS BOOM ON

Iowa Senator Calls in His Advisers to Council.

INSURGENTS IN DISCORD

Hawkeye "Progressives" Refuse to Indorse "Stalking Horse" and Insist Candidate Must Show Good Faith.

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candidate and not a stalking horse. In other words, he cannot take a delegation instructed for him to Chicago and subsequently throw it where he may please.

The La Follette men are suspicious of every move made that is not openly in the interest of the Wisconsin Senator, whereas the Administration forces seem to find a good deal of enjoyment in a situation that may breed discord among the insurgent leaders.

Cummins Sees Possibilities.

It is not improbable that the candidacy of Senator Cummins, now under serious consideration, would bring support from some of the "Progressive" anti-Taft leaders here, some of whom already have been somewhat prejudiced against the La Follette movement by reason of the radical stand taken by the Wisconsin Senator on the recall issue.

The situation is of additional interest from the national standpoint, because Senator Cummins is understood to have harbored a belief that in the event anything happened to put Taft out of the race he would be a logical "progressive" compromise, and that he might command the support of regulars who never would let La Follette pull down the nomination.

WOMAN HISSES THREAT

SOCIETY LEADER NAMES ANOTHER IN SEPARATION SUIT.

Courtroom Not Free From Marks of Hostility as Judge Awards Plaintiff \$150 Per Month.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Mrs. Annabelle F. Vawter, Santa Monica society leader, is suing Edwin L. Vawter, seaside financier and head of many large enterprises, for separate maintenance in Judge Monroe's court.

Mrs. C. A. Bassett's name has been mentioned in the case and a climax to the hatred plainly shown toward her in looks and manners by Mrs. Vawter came at the noon recess, when Mrs. Vawter stopped at the seat occupied by Mrs. Bassett, shook her finger at the latter and hissed something which she nearby declared was a threat.

She had already testified that she once attacked Mrs. Bassett on the porch of the Bassett home in the beach city. The Vawters have been separated two years, after 15 years of married life. She seeks \$150 a month alimony. He retaliates with a cross-complaint for divorce, charging cruelty. They have several adopted children.

Judge Monroe allowed Mrs. Vawter \$150 a month and the custody of the children.

FIERCE COLD SWEEPS LAND

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Locality of 28 miles an hour; in Western states it reached as high as 45 miles an hour.

The predicted drop began in Chicago at 5:45 P. M. By 7:30 P. M. it had reached a new low mark and still was going down.

MISSOURI VALLEY SUFFERING

Kansas County, Without Trains, Is Threatened by Famine.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 5.—Below zero temperatures were recorded all over the Missouri Valley today and tonight.

ARMED MAINTAINS MAIL CAR POUCHES

Three Clerks on Southern Pacific Overland Powerless Before Determined Robber.

GAGS TIED ON TRAINMEN

Stranger Boards Car at Red Bluff and With Revolver Compels Surrender of Valuables—Bandit Makes His Escape.

ASHLAND, Or., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—With the declaration to the mail clerk that "I know what the penalty of this is, but I am a desperate man and want all there is here," a lone robber rifled the registered pouches on the mailcar on the Southern Pacific overland train 18, as it traveled from Red Bluff to Redding early this morning and carried off two pockets full of booty of unknown value, but supposed to have been made up of currency and checks which he found in the registers. Two mail clerks were bound and placed in the rear of the car while the clerk in charge at the point of a revolver opened the registered pouches at the order of the robber.

The clerk of the car were Charles J. Rhein, in charge; Robert B. Warner, second clerk, and Peter Henrich, helper; the latter's regular run is from San Francisco to Dunsmuir, but he leaves train 16 at Red Bluff and picks up train 14, helping to work mail on that train as far north as Dunsmuir.

Stranger's Entrance Quiet.

The train was at the station at Red Bluff at 5:30 this morning and Henrich had his coat on and was sitting near the open mailcar door about to take his leave of the clerk in charge when a stranger stepped in and closed the door behind him.

"Who is that man, Charley?" said Henrich to Rhein, before he discovered the weapon held by the stranger at his side.

The latter answered the question for Rhein by saying: "I am going to hold you up."

Warner, the second clerk, had just arisen from bed and was performing his morning ablution at the washbowl when the visitor entered and his attention was not attracted to him until he heard the declaration from the robber, who gave orders to Rhein to securely bind Henrich and Warner with rope secured from some of the mail pouches, which he did and placed them in the rear of the car.

Rhein then was directed to unlock all the registered pouches and to show him any registered matter that was not in sight. While rifling the pouches Rhein was placed with his face away from some of the mail, the slight sound or move of any of the clerks, the robber's gun flashed before them.

The registered letters were all torn open and any money or valuable papers taken. The inclosures being thrown on the floor, which was littered with envelopes and papers of all kinds.

Six through registered pouches were opened by the clerk at the point of the robber's weapon.

At that point Cottonwood and Anderson, were passed and at each of these the robber ordered Rhein to throw off the mail as usual so as to disarm any possible suspicion elsewhere on the train, of his presence in the car. Shortly before reaching Redding, which is about one hour's run from Red Bluff, the robber took Rhein's watch and tied him up, gagged all three clerks and placed them in the rear end of the car with a heap of the sacks.

Officials Stop Alarm.

As the train stopped at Redding he opened the door of the car and jumped out, and the entrance of the Redding mail officials gave the first knowledge of the holdup.

The robber is described as a man about 5 feet 3 inches high and weighing about 150 pounds, about 30 years of age, with dark hair, dark eyes, dark suit and white shirt and black necktie.

His hands were apparently new, and he was not injured to hard labor. He wore a handkerchief to hide his face as he entered the car, but removed it in the intervals during the progress of his work.

Clerks Rhein and Warner reached Ashland this evening, and were accordingly taken to the police station. Rhein was apparently a well-posted fellow and his coolness and deliberation was his most marked features.

He was polite to a degree as long as his orders were promptly complied with, but once he grew frenzied and threatening, when he accused the clerk in charge of holding out some of the registers from him.

Rhein has been in the railway mail service for 35 years and this was his first experience in a holdup. He had not yet recovered from the trying ordeal which he underwent this morning when he reached here tonight.

He has many years in the mail service, and it was also his first experience in a holdup. Their ordeal was much less trying than that of the clerk in charge, but most of the time they were helpless onlookers to the sensational proceedings under way in the farther end of the car.

DOUBLE REWARD IS OFFERED

Railroad and Postal Authorities to Give \$1000 Apiece.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—Officials of the Southern Pacific and officials of the Postoffice Department announced tonight that each had offered a reward of \$1000 for the capture of the man who robbed the mail car on the Oregon Express near Redding today.

So far the postoffice authorities have not succeeded in checking up the registered mail sent out to an extent that will authorize a statement of the possible value of the loot taken by the robber.

Posses Scour Rough Country.

REDDING, Cal., Jan. 5.—Sheriff's posse and railroad detectives are searching the rough country surrounding this city tonight in an effort to capture the man who, alone, robbed the mailcar on Southern Pacific train No. 18, the Oregon Express today. Rewards aggregating \$2000 have been offered for the capture of the robber, who, by the description given by the mailclerks, probably is a consumptive and is a man of more than usual education.

Raymond Club Names Officers.

RAYMOND, Wash., Jan. 5.—(Special.)

—S. M. Bomber, president of the Raymond Commercial Club, has appointed the following committees for the year: Membership—O. R. Pederson (chairman), J. S. Rice, J. W. Mason, H. J. Thayer and Ted Gilbert. Entertainment—Dr. Edward R. Perry (chairman), Rev. W. E. Anderson, Henry Schloss, L. G. Branstetter and E. E. Collette. Manufacture and trade extension—F. A. Hart (chairman), Frank Stenzel, C. I. Hinkle, John Creech and C. A. Hayden. County and state roads and city streets—J. D. Henry (chairman), Ray Wheaton, T. H. Donovan, S. L. Hyman and J. W. Baker. Health and sanitation—Dr. O. R. Nevitt (chairman), Dr. C. W. Overmeyer, Dr. H. C. Barkman, D. H. Green and E. Butcher. Legislative and county offices—J. J. Haggerty (chairman), C. H. Fuqua, H. Sheppard and R. A. Kaib. Municipal affairs and insurance—M. C. Welsh (chairman), Howard Jayne, Robert G. Chambers, Lew Owens and Rev. F. W. Whitman. Taxation—Ralph Burnside (chairman), A. C. Little, L. V. Raymond, W. S. Cram and H. W. McPhail. New industries—Advertising and publicity—A. C. Little (chairman), L. V. Raymond, Val Heath, John Cheek, Rev. J. M. Weaver.

MCCARTHY PLEDGES AID

PLAN TO HARASS INCOMING MAYOR IS DENIED.

San Francisco Executive Will Cooperate With Rolph, He Says, to Improve San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Mayor McCarthy today set at rest all rumors of a grand 11th-hour coup d'etat by which, it was said, the outgoing administration was to hold control of the various municipal commissions. For weeks rumors had persisted that a plan was being formulated that was to be carried into effect a day or so before Mayor-elect Rolph took office. That such a plan is in or has ever been contemplated is emphatically denied by the Mayor.

"Nothing that I have ever said or done could be taken as indicating such a program," said McCarthy today. "This talk of my encouraging resignations is, of course, for the purpose of confusion and carries no weight whatsoever, but not satisfied for a single resignation from a Commissioner, for shall I?"

"It has been rumored as well that there was a plan on foot to hamper the Rolph administration. Is that a fact?" he was asked.

"Most emphatically it is not a fact and I am glad to have a chance to rectify any such misimpression. There is no desire on my part to hamper in the least or embarrass the administration of Mr. Rolph. My wish is that Mr. Rolph may have the absolute co-operation of each and every Commissioner appointed by me, to the end that Mayor Rolph may be enabled to carry out his purposes for the betterment of San Francisco."

"In so far as I am concerned, Mr. Rolph will have my support that I can in any way influence."

NUNS ORDERED TO LEAVE

Cincinnati Police Bar Sisters Who Lack Portland Credentials.

CINCINNATI, O., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Chief of Police Jackson ordered two women who said they were nuns to leave Cincinnati late this afternoon after they had been taken before him by Detective Hill. They gave their names as Sister Maria Theresa and Sister Maria Gertrude and said that they were collecting funds for a hospital at Portland, Or.

A priest who questioned them said he believed they were Catholic sisters, but they should have had credentials from the archbishop of their diocese.

Sister Theresa is not recognized by the Catholic Church in Oregon. Recently she started a campaign to build a home for consumptives at Oak Grove and it is believed that her mission to the East is for the purpose of securing funds for that project. Archbishop Christie said last night the woman was authorized to solicit funds for the proposed hospital.

ASHLAND YOUTH IS KILLED

Playmate of 18, Returning From Rabbit Hunt, Is Shot.

ASHLAND, Or., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Alexander Boyd, aged 18, was accidentally shot and killed by Raymond Bagley, another boy of about the same age, on Heilman street in this city today.

The two boys were returning home from a rabbit hunt when the accident occurred. The boy carried a shotgun and the Bagley boy's gun was a 20-gauge. The bullet penetrated the right breast of young Boyd and caused almost instant death. Just how the accident happened will be investigated by the coroner's jury to be summoned tomorrow. Both boys are members of prominent and respected families in Ashland and the tragedy is a most deplorable one. The Bagley boy is said to be heartbroken over the affair.

LEBANON GET NATIONAL BANK

LEBANON, Or., Jan. 5.—(Special.)—The directors of the Lebanon State Bank at the annual meeting of the board decided to change from a state institution to a National bank and have made application to the Federal Controller for a charter to that end. The bank was organized two years ago with a capital of \$25,000. This they have decided to increase to \$50,000. A few new stockholders will be taken into the bank under the new organization.

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Olga Steeb will appear 2:30 Sunday afternoon (tomorrow) at the Heilig Theater, with the Philip Peis Concert Orchestra, playing the Grieg A minor Piano Concerto. Miss Steeb will use her magnificent Chickering, which she obtained from the Eilers Music House, the exclusive representatives in the Western States for this superb instrument.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Following the action of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company in having its stevedoring done by contract instead of under direct supervision of the company comes the announcement today that the Pacific Coast Steamship Company has decided to adopt the new system. It is expected that other steamship companies will follow the lead of the Pacific Coast line, which has been bearing down hard on the Pacific Mail Company because of arrests of smugglers and the finding of large quantities of opium on Pacific Mail liners, for which heavy fines have been assessed against the masters of the vessels. To avoid responsibility and to assist the government in the fight against opium smuggling, the company is now offering to let the stevedoring out by contract. As a result, more than 100 stevedores lost their jobs yesterday. The contractors are getting along with fewer men in loading and unloading vessels, but are utilizing more machinery.

The employers' liability act, which recently went into effect, is also said to use to good advantage in breaking up the opium ring.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS

BIRTHS.

GALLAGHER—To Mr. and Mrs. Dominick Gallagher, 326 Market street, January 4, a son, PETROS, to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Gallagher, 320 Market street, January 5, a son, APATA, to Mr. and Mrs. Stefano, Apr. 450 Market street, January 2, a daughter, MILLER—To Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Miller, city, January 2, a daughter, COLLINS—To Mr. and Mrs. Roland B. Collins, 1084 East Grand street, January 4, a son, TYLER—To Mr. and Mrs. Oliver J. Tyler, 949 Lyon street, December 31, a son, SHEPHERD—To Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Shepherd, Carmelite Apartments, December 2, a daughter, HENKOW—To Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Henkow, 1233 East Lincoln street, January 2, a son, WILLIAMSON—To Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Williamson, 75 East Sixty-eighth street, December 29, a son, LIVERY—To Mr. and Mrs. HAYMA, M. Livery, 1014 North Sixth street, a daughter.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

WILSON—MCCOY—C. E. Wright, city, 25, and EDITH M. McCoy, 22.

HEIL—LUMBER—August Heil, Astoria, Or., 27, and Mina Lumber, Aberdeen, Wash., 24.

CHARLES-HOPKINS—L. W. Charles, city, 23, and Margaret Hopkins, 21.

CLELAND-TAYLOR—John M. Cleland, city, 27, and Mrs. Sue M. Taylor, 25.

SHAW-MUNSON—George S. Shaw, city, 25, and Maude Munson, 23.

FARRAR-WHITELEY—Herbert Farrar, city, 25, and Ruby Whiteley, 23.

WOOD-BELL—John Edwin Wood, city, 24, and Mrs. Violet Bell, 24.

JOHNSON-KNIGHT—Chris C. Johnson, Tonahay, Nev., 25, and Ina G. Knight, legal, 24.

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