

44 DELEGATES ARE ELECTED TO TAFT

Week Adds 12 to President's Strength—No Opposing Votes Yet Recorded.

NEW YORK MAKES STRIDES

Campaign Committee Reviews Developments Showing That Renomination Is Favored Widely—Situation Clearer.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Summarizing the developments of last week, the publicity bureau of the Taft campaign committee tonight makes the following statement:

Twelve additional Taft delegates, six each from Georgia and Virginia, were elected last week, making a total of 44, with no delegates but Taft delegates yet in the field.

Important contributions to the progress of the Taft campaign came from many sections of the country. In Texas, the executive committee of the Progressive Republican League, declaring that Senator La Follette seems to be out of the race, resolved unanimously in favor of President Taft's renomination to New Virginia the situation was cleared by the announced support of President Taft's cause by ex-Governors Dawson and White, and ex-Senator Elliott.

Rhode Island Out in Open.—The Rhode Island leaders are out in the open for the President and 79 per cent of the Republican legislators of the state have declared their preference for his choice and the other 20 per cent remain noncommittal for the time.

Wisconsin has put a full set of Taft delegates in the President's camp for the support of that state. In Iowa, Calhoun County instructed its delegates to state and district conventions for President Taft and the Union County committee, previously some on record as favoring the President's renomination, Oklahoma and Newton, in the sixth district have instructed their delegates to Madison County 89 of the state's delegation of 97 to the state convention are similarly bound.

Oklahoma Continues in Line.—Oklahoma continues to give a good account of herself. Ottawa, Adair, Craig and Wapello counties have instructed delegates to state and district conventions to support the President. New York made further strides towards a solid Taft delegation by endorsement from the district committee of the Ninth Congressional District. Republican committee of Clinton and Franklin counties and the Bronx Republican Club organization of the Thirty-second District.

In neighboring New Jersey the Republican committee of Union County endorsed President Taft.

In Tennessee the committees of Bedford and Shelby counties unanimously endorsed the President for renomination, and the Roane County delegation was instructed for him.

Page, Henry, Rockbridge and Franklin counties, in Virginia, chose Taft delegate to state and district conventions.

Minnesota Report Encouraging.—In Minnesota, according to Representative McCall, just returned from that state, the situation is improving daily, and, with little opposition, the President's renomination is envisioned.

In Louisiana the contending factions of the party have been harmonized and the caucus will be held in Alexandria Tuesday, and unless the federal election declines to hear Mr. Asquith, which is not likely, he will address the meeting.

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Drastic Measures Urged.—The Daily Mail, in an editorial, urges the government to take drastic measures to prevent a coal strike, and suggests that the government might appoint receivers to work the mines and render an account to the mine-owners afterwards, or by the compulsory purchase of all the coal already above ground, bringing pressure to bear upon the disputants and secure a delay in which to discover whether by granting a minimum wage or in other ways a means can be found to solve the problem.

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PLAN STARS BRITISH

Impending Strike of 800,000 Miners Arouses Chiefs.

PREMIER SEEKING PEACE

Newspaper Urges Government to Take Drastic Measures to Prevent Walkout of Employes and Suggests Wage Method.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—One of the largest mineowners in England, who has taken part in the conferences with the government, expressed the opinion tonight that the only hope of preventing a coal strike that would involve more than 800,000 miners is for the government to persuade the men to postpone their notices until February 29 unless their demands are granted. Mr. Haslam added that the Derbyshire miners could settle the whole question in 24 hours, but they could not break away from their fellow workers in other fields.

In other quarters a more optimistic feeling prevails. This is based on a report from the Derbyshire Miners' Association, which may lead to a postponement of the notices. It is understood that Premier Asquith and Chancellor Lloyd-George will endeavor to induce the miners, temporarily, to hold their notices in abeyance and will try to persuade the owners to deal with all questions which have arisen except that relating to the minimum at once, leaving the latter to be negotiated later.

Chiefs to Meet Miners.—The Daily Chronicle says that the Premier, Foreign Secretary, Chancellor of the Exchequer and the president of the Board of Trade are expected to attend the meeting of the Miners' Federation Tuesday, and unless the federation declines to hear Mr. Asquith, which is not likely, he will address the meeting.

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THROWING RECORD IN LAWRENCE STRIKE

Children, Who Were Not Permitted to Leave City, Restored to Parents.

NEGLECT TO BE CHARGED

Military Commander and Acting Marshal Announce That Policy of Preventing Deportation Will Be Continued.

LAWRENCE, Mass., Feb. 25.—The millworkers' strike, marked today by a recurrence of the riotous scenes of yesterday, were not connected with the exportation of children to Philadelphia.

Police officers were forced to use their clubs on a crowd of strike sympathizers who had thrown stones at the military commander, Charles Wilson, a small number of infantrymen and a troop of cavalry were sent to the scene and dispersed the crowd, which offered no active resistance to the soldiers.

The city officials today gave back to the parents most of the children who were taken in charge yesterday morning as they were about to be placed on a train en route for Philadelphia. The children had passed the night at the city poor farm.

The parents of these children will be called into court tomorrow or Tuesday to answer to charges of child neglect. Leaders of the Industrial Workers of the World said tonight that another attempt would be made Tuesday or Wednesday to send children to homes provided for them in other cities.

The leaders maintain that the authorities overstepped their rights in preventing the departure of the children. Federal investigation by Congress, it was said, will be welcomed by the strikers.

Thus far more than 300 children have been sent out of the city under the direction of the Industrial Workers of the World.

The strike leaders and some of the parents declared today that they have a legal right to send their children away for a vacation. At the same time, the officials said that when the parents called for their children they said they had surrendered them and are now desirous of taking them home and keeping them there. The strike leaders say no children were taken away without the consent of the parents.

Colonel Sweetser, commanding the military forces, and Acting City Marshal Sullivan, said tonight that they will not allow further exportation of children.

NEW BILLS OPEN AT THEATERS

"MUTT AND JEFF." A Musical Comedy in Three Acts. Presented at Baker Theater.

CAST. Mr. A. Mutt.....Sedley Brown. Othello Montgomery Jeffries.....George Beach. Jack Weyler.....Harry R. Hoyt. Curley McRidge.....Chad Haber. John Meade.....Frederick M. Cushman. Antonio Ferrandinos.....Robert Elliott. Gen. Martinez Corillo.....R. G. Burnett. Jim Montgomery.....Leo Ford. Captain Swift.....Fred Lawler. Wireless Operator.....G. Ashforth. Lieutenant Lopez.....Earl Ames. Dorothy Mead.....Violet Stanley. Senottis Rosa Corilla.....Betty Barnell. Donna Paprika.....Mayme Taylor. Jessie May.....Manolita Stetson.

VARYING considerably but losing none of their humorous qualities in their transition from the pages of comic papers to the footlights are "Mutt and Jeff" who came yesterday afternoon to play for a week at the Baker. In the history of that house such an audience has never gathered under its hospitable roof, as was the first one to witness this musical play founded on Bud Fisher's cartoons.

The action of the piece yesterday was broken into two parts, the laughter of the audience, and if properly attends on a complete selling out of the house, with spectators hanging out of boxes and cackling in great glee, then at the end of this week George L. Baker can retire and live in luxury the rest of his days.

The two comedians saw up little long nights to learn all the ins and outs of their roles. They have the characteristic attitude and facial expressions of the pair down to a nicety. Sedley Brown is the volatile Mutt, Mr. A. Mutt, as it were. George Beach in his diminutive friend, Jeff. While these two characters are naturally the center of activity, and the big attraction of the production, the company that revolves itself about them is equally competent in the main. The chorus is well gowned, capable in a general way and very pretty collectively. There is as much wit to be witnessed in many larger and more pretentious musical comedies, and even the plot has more solidity than the average.

Of course, the stage story cannot, by its very nature, take its audience into the hundreds of queer spots and unusual predicaments where Fisher has taken the busy twain, but, on the whole, it does better than most comedies of this sort. It takes them to an eddies of their early love; on board a ship, and in the third act, into the thick of a South American revolution.

Of the support, Manolita Stetson takes first honors after all due regard has been rendered under Mutt and his companion in distress. Miss Stetson is pretty, dances nimbly and leads the chorus in pretty ensembles, of which her Spanish solo dance stands out well.

Harry Hoyt sings pleasingly in a rich baritone, and his "Just a Little Smile" caught the favor of his audience. Mayme Taylor, who was the original discoverer of some brand of liquid refreshment, has a comedy role as the affinely-would-be of Mutt, and the audience liked her.

The production will remain at the Baker all week with matinees Wednesday and Saturday.

"GET-RICK QUICK" WALLINGFORD. Made into Play from George R. Chester's Stories—Presented at Heilig. CAST. Edward Lamb.....Jay C. Yorks. While.....Junius Matthews. Andy Dempsey.....James H. Manning. Mack James.....Rose Curry. G. W. Battles.....John D. O'Hara. Clint Harkins.....Charles H. Wilson. Abe Gunther.....Milton B. Pollock. Beanie Meers.....Florence Dunlap. Gertrude Dempsey.....Lois Burnett. Mrs. Andy Dempsey.....Ella Southern. Jane.....Mabel Maclyn. Dorothy Welles.....Marjorie Foster. Horace Daw (Blackie).....William H. Forestelle. Yosi.....Yoshin Sakurai. J. Rufus Wallingford, John Webster. Charlie.....H. L. Barnes. Jack Kenneth.....Arthur V. Gibson. Timothy Battles.....James C. Mack. Henry Quigg.....Abner Symmons. E. B. Lott.....William Walcott. Tom Donahue.....Milton Pollock.

BY LEONE CASS BAER. THAT other little task of "refining gold or painting the lily" becomes a veritable child's task in comparison to putting down in cold, calm print an estimate of "Get-Rick-Quick Wallingford," which came to the Heilig last night. It's easy enough to say that this or that show has been the "best" of the season, or that a certain actor or actress has been the "best" of the season, or that a certain character is the "best" of the season. But a careful listener to the keyhole listening of opinions that floated out with the crowd at the playhouse last night revealed a hollid-dew of agreement. They all said it was the funniest thing that had graced the Heilig stage since it opened.

Everybody who reads the ever been the character, J. Rufus Wallingford, created by George Randolph Chester. George M. Cohan has lifted him bodily out of his funniest scenes, refined him, put new blood in his veins and introduced him in a comedy that sparkles like another Robinson with fun and fine flavor.

Naturally Mr. Cohan has departed from the trend of the actual stories, inasmuch as he winds a mighty pretty love tale all in and out of the play. But it only adds to the interest that Wallingford capitulates to his pretty private secretary, who forces him to become a detective to sleuth him in order that he be scared into staying good.

No more telling lines have ever been written into a comedy than Mr. Cohan has put into this story of the buoyant, irresistible Wallingford. "Get-Rick-Quick" is his friend, Blackie Daw, walked in to the dead-and-buried village of Battlesburg, Ia., and in less than ten hours among respectable rich citizens formed the "Universal Covered Carpet Tack Company," forms the bread and meat of this big feat of fun.

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town; there's the reporter on the weekly Blade, and a dozen or so hotel patrons. And the women! A fussy, busybody in the landlord's wife, the headwaitress, blonde and haughty; the landlord's daughter, spoiled to a degree of sauciness, the gumchewing chambermaid and the barmaid, a manicurist, stenographer and late private secretary.

Each of these is, in enactment, an individual comedy gem without a flaw. John Webster has the role of Wallingford and he gets out of it every finest shade of meaning in the Cohanese lines. Changed from the big, provincial, stonographer and late private secretary, Webster's Wallingford is a typical business man, of affable presence and such evident nervousness that he hears and over the top he has become over sharp looking for just his kind.

William Forestelle is Blackie Daw, and most admirably does he impersonate the character in fleeing. Jay C. Yorks, as Eddie Lamb, the head clerk, who rushes out to get his savings to give to the graders and the tacks, is a fine general manager of the tack concern, is an incessant laugh-getter.

Right on down the line of capables are found Matthews, as the acrobatic office boy; Rose Curry, as the quiet-voiced stenographer; John D. O'Hara, as the rich banker; Charles Wilson, as the realty dealer; James Mack, as the Mayor, and James Manning, as the hotel keeper.

The action is cyclonic and never loses interest. The equipment is perfect in every detail. The play will remain at the Heilig up until an intermission on Wednesday night with a matinee on that day.

Wilson, of New Jersey, reached El Paso this morning after being delayed for many days in Northern Chihuahua, due to the cutting of the Mexican Northern Railroad tracks.

Miss Wilson came to El Paso in the automobile used by a newspaper man, who had been to the rebel camp, southeast of the city, to interview the leaders. Her train had been forced to stop at Baucha, 12 miles from Juarez, because of a burned bridge which Juarez citizens destroyed to prevent the rebels from getting into town.

"There really has not been a thing interesting about our trip, no excitement whatever," said Miss Wilson. "We left Madera on Wednesday and went to Pearson in a private car on the Northwestern road, which was tied up for two days at Pearson, which we left at noon Saturday, and 7:30 Saturday night we were delayed by destruction of bridge. This morning I was taken in an automobile to El Paso."

Miss Wilson is with friends here.

PORTLAND MAN ACCUSED

C. A. NEWCOMBE WANTS PROBATION RETURNED.

Bonds in Columbia River Orchard Company Disbanded by Los Angeles Citizen—Other Defiant.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Charles A. Newcombe says he was duped out of property worth \$20,000 by R. Catterlin, of Portland, Or., who traded \$20,000 worth of bonds in the Columbia River Orchard Company, now disbanded, for the property.

The property consists of a business building and lots on Central avenue, Los Angeles. It is alleged that Catterlin presented the orchard bonds to Newcombe that they were all right and the latter made the exchange.

Catterlin now defies Newcombe to oust him. When Newcombe learned the actual market value of the bonds, he asked for cash to make up the difference between the actual value and the par value of the stock.

Catterlin turned a deaf ear and said that he was an innocent person and that the bonds were not on the market value which he represented. Newcombe has taken the matter up with attorneys and court proceedings are pending.

TROOPS MAY CROSS BORDER

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disturbing elements being Yaqui Indians. It is believed that more Americans will be ordered to the border towns within the next week. The Washington Government believes that the presence of a large body of well-equipped infantry and cavalry, as well as field artillery, might have a deterrent effect on lawless bands in Northern Mexico and would reassure the Texas communities.

REBEL PROMISES CAUTION

After Taking Juarez, Army Plans to March on Capital.

EL PASO, Texas, Feb. 25.—Juarez will not be attacked until proper notice has been given to the rebels, according to Emilio Campa, in command of 700 men now camped at Batche, 12 miles south of Juarez, on the Mexican Northwestern Railroad.

Campa made the statement at noon today in his camp that he is awaiting the arrival of Colonel Ines Salazar and Antonio Rojas with their troops. He said that as soon as they had arrived from the South, if Juarez did not surrender, the town would be taken, but care would be exercised to attack from such point that El Paso would not be hit by any bullets from rebel guns.

"We shall advance on the river and place our artillery there, firing parallel with El Paso," said Campa. "Our best advice is that President Mariscal Juarez should resign, and that he will resign when Juarez surrenders. If not, we shall proceed southward, leaving a large detachment in Juarez to maintain order."

"We have 700 men here now, 600 cavalrymen and 100 infantrymen. We also have five 1-1/2-inch cannons, 10 machine guns, 100 rifles and other total strength will be 1700 men at a minimum."

"At what time we will march on Juarez tomorrow is problematical. It is certain that when we do advance we will be equipped and prepared not only to take Juarez but to march on Juarez."

"We are for Emilio Vasquez Gomez for the presidency and will not accept anyone else," General Trevino is an old man, but we do not feel that anyone can meet the exigencies of the present situation as can Gomez. With Gomez as provisional president, with no hope of restored liberty, he can be held in ethical election."

Regarding the position of General Orozco, General Campa said: "Two troops of the fourth Cavalry and Orozco will join us in the march from Juarez to Mexico City."

Campa and his men resent the terming of the advance as one of bandits and vandals. "Had we wished to steal horses," said the General, "would we now have 600 infantrymen who are marching into Mexico City?"

In conclusion I wish to reiterate and emphasize that ours is not a desultory movement created by agitators. It is a conscientious effort by principled men to restore Mexico to economic and political independence."

Some of the men are used as pickets five miles from the city.

Permission was given to more than 600 citizens of Juarez to arm themselves today for defense of the city. The conscription was issued by Sheriff Edwards as a result of his notice that he would authorize to carry arms all worthy volunteers.

In spite of this, the general opinion is that Juarez probably will be occupied without much show of resistance.

Two troops of the fourth Cavalry and a detachment of infantry are on the river front to protect El Paso in the event of a battle at Juarez. The spectators from San Antonio bearing troops are expected to arrive here about 6 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Wilson's Daughter Is Safe.

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 25.—Miss Eleanor Wilson, daughter of Woodrow

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HOME PATRONAGE IS AIM. Vancouver Residents Would Keep Trade in City. VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 25.—(Special.)—Three million dollars, it is estimated, are spent annually in Portland by residents of Vancouver, and it is believed by the Vancouver merchants that a large part of this money should be spent in this city, instead of in other cities.

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