

SENATOR CUMMINS IS PORTLAND GUEST

Iowans Overwhelm Noted Visitor, but Greetings Enjoyed and Returned Cordially.

MR. WILSON IS LAUDED

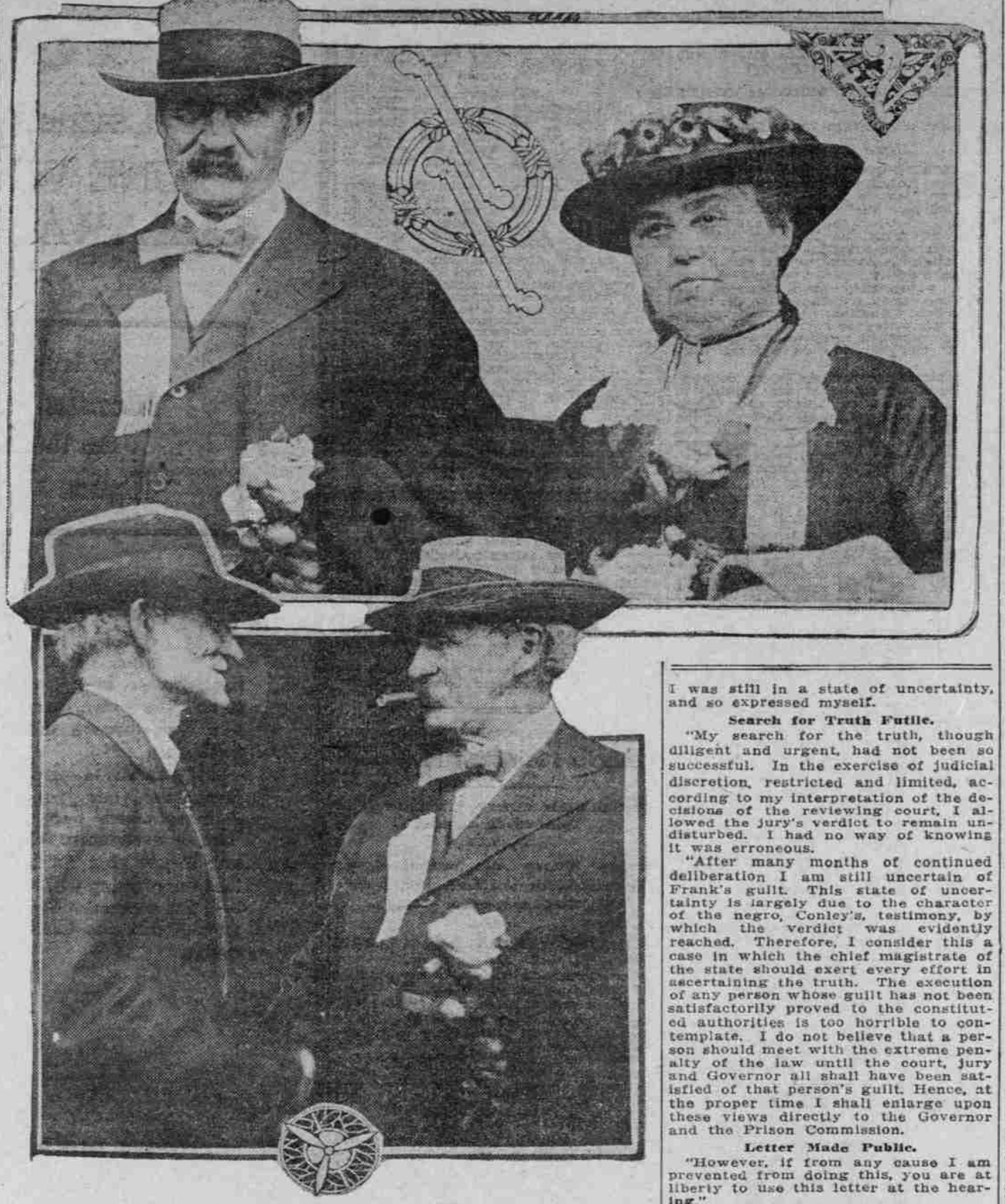
President's Strength Declared Increased by Recent Events, but Republican Victory Predicted Due to Tariff Law.

SALENT POINTS IN INTERVIEW WITH SENATOR

President Wilson's handling of European war situation cordially approved. Extra session of Congress over German crisis believed certain. War will certainly not be expected. United States could accomplish nothing by war, is opinion.

A tall, erect citizen of distinguished appearance, wearing a rather weather-brown Panama hat and a Mark Twain mustache, stepped off the Shasta Limited at the Union Depot yesterday afternoon. His foot had hardly touched the platform before he was surrounded by a crowd of beaming Iowans, who grabbed his hand, hailed him as "Hullo there, Senator! Remember me, don't you?" and even tried to take his baggage from him.

SENATOR CUMMINS, OF IOWA, PROMINENT REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL POSSIBILITY, WHO IS IN PORTLAND TODAY.



Top View (Left to Right)—Senator Cummins and Mrs. Cummins. Bottom, Senator Cummins, on Right, and One of the Host of Former Iowans Who Met Him at the Depot.

At his suite in the Benson Senator Cummins discussed with newspapermen a variety of subjects, ranging from the German situation and Mexico to Theodore Roosevelt, the next campaign and Republican success, which he believes certain.

The senator was asked his views on the present crisis in the relations of the United States with Germany. "I have positive no objection, but what I don't know that I ought to say what they are," said Senator Cummins. "I feel that I should not do or say anything that might in the slightest degree embarrass President Wilson, who should have the united support of the whole country in whatever action he takes."

"I approve the President's European policy as cordially as I disapprove his Mexican policy."

"Do you believe that President Wilson has become stronger in the last few months?" asked a reporter. "I am undoubtedly stronger," said Senator Cummins. "But if you quote that answer, I want you also to quote my reasons for believing so."

"At the same time the war has resulted in a great demand for war materials, especially steel products, and we have done a great volume of business on this account. But the American people cannot bank on this war to be a permanent thing, and if it stops with a Democratic Administration in power and the Underwood tariff in effect, its disastrous effects would quickly become felt."

LETTER AIDS FRANK

No Opposition to Commutation of Death Penalty Voiced.

NOTED MEN MAKE PLEAS

Judge Who Tried Case Leaves Letter Saying He Never Was Convicted of Prisoner's Guilt and Recommends Delay.

(Continued from First Page.) In the punishment of Leo M. Frank, I wish to say that at the proper time I shall ask the Prison Commission to reconsider the Governor's order to commute Frank's sentence to life imprisonment.

AMERICAN NOTE PUT IN "SHIRT SLEEVE" CLASS

German Government, Consequently, Not Excited, Says Berlin Newspaper, Commenting on Reply.

BERLIN, via London, May 31.—All the newspapers of Berlin publish today the German government's answer to the Washington communication on the Lusitania incident, but few of them make any comment on it.

To those who expect signs of going to the part of the submarine barge, Count von Reventlow quotes from the war zone declaration of February 4 the phrase which warns vessels that they are likely to be torpedoed, and he intimates that this will be enforced in the future as it has been in the past.

The writer approves of the friendly language of the German note, which he says will disappoint the prophets of hostile countries, who were hoping for a rupture of German-American relations.

LONDON, May 31.—Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent sends an article written by Georg Bernhard in the Vossische Zeitung, in which Bernhard emphasizes what he styles the politeness of the German reply to the American note.

I was still in a state of uncertainty, and so expressed myself. Search for Truth Futile. "My search for the truth, though diligent and earnest, had not been successful. In the exercise of judicial discretion, restricted and limited, according to my interpretation of the decisions of the reviewing court, I allowed the jury's verdict to remain undisturbed. I had no way of knowing it was erroneous."

"After many months of continued deliberation I am still uncertain of Frank's guilt. This state of uncertainty is largely due to the character of the negro, Conley's, testimony, by which the verdict was evidently reached. Therefore, I consider this a case in which the chief magistrate of the state should exert every effort in ascertaining the truth. The execution of any person whose guilt has not been satisfactorily proved to the constituted authorities is too horrible to contemplate."

"When my husband was first arrested on the charge and was detained at police headquarters, Tuesday, April 23, 1913, I hurried to the police barracks, accompanied by my father and brother-in-law, and immediately went in to see my husband, and remained in the office of the probation officer, from whence my friends prevailed upon me to return home. Being assured that my husband would be released at any moment, I remained at home, but as soon as it became apparent that he would be retained indefinitely, I went to his cell every day since, and spend most of the day with him in jail."

"On the 26th day of April, 1913, my mother and I had tickets for the matinee to Grand opera, and in order to get there on time we sat at table at 1:30 P. M., before my husband came home to dinner, and at about 1:15 father came in and said 'don't you write us, we are waiting for you.'"

"That evening after supper a number of friends of my mother and father came over to the house to play cards. My husband and I did not play, but he was away from me at that time. He went to a game for a while in the dining-room and then would go into the hall and talk to my husband. My husband read in the hall reading, I watched him, but he did not seem to be in any hurry to get home. When he came back again I asked him who it was, and he said some detectives had telephoned him to come right down to the factory; that there had been a tragedy down there, and that they were sending an automobile for him."

"After a minute or two my husband came down and joined us at the front door. They asked him if he knew Mary Phagan, and he told them he did not. They then asked him if a little girl had been killed in the factory, and they told him what they knew about it."

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RUSSIANS TURN TIDE

Advantage Is Reported in Vicinity of Przemyel.

26,000 TEUTONS CAPTURED

Nearly 19,000 of Number Taken Between May 12 and 24 and 7000 Added Saturday Night, Says Petrograd War Office.

PETROGRAD, via London, May 31.—The battle of the San in the vicinity of Przemyel is developing in favor of the Russians, according to an official announcement given out today. Furthermore, the Russians between May 12 and 24 captured nearly 19,000 of their antagonists. The text of the communication follows: "In the Shavli region, in Kovno province, the Germans continue to resist our offensive with violent fire, but the fighting in this district continues to our advantage."

PROJECTS TO BE VISITED

CONGRESSMEN AND RECLAMATION MEN START TODAY.

Commission Will Make Tour of 35 Proposed Irrigation Systems, Embracing 6,000,000 Acres of Land.

CHICAGO, May 31.—Members of the joint commission representing the United States reclamation bureau and the appropriations committee of Congress met here today to prepare for their inspection of 35 reclamation projects now under consideration by Federal authorities.

UTAH REGENTS SCORED

UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATION FIXES BLAME FOR LATE TROUBLE.

Faculty Resignations Not Justified, Says Report of American Professors Investigating Recent Incidents.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, May 31.—The conduct of the state university administration in the recent troubles at the institution is strongly disapproved in the preliminary report of the committee of the American Association of University Professors, made public here today.

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Girl Who Disappeared From Home at Centralia in Portland. Florence Parsons, who had been missing from her home at Centralia, Wash., for several days and whose parents feared she had left with show men, was found last night in Portland at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Leuhra, 463 Everett street. The girl said that she left home because her mother would not let her stay.

ASTORIA CATCH IMPROVES

Salmon Landed by Mid-River Seiners Average Large in Size. ASTORIA, Or., May 31.—(Special.)—There was a decided improvement in the catch of salmon today, but whether or not it was simply on account of the Sunday closing remains to be seen. The Mehan and other middle river seiners beginning seining operations tomorrow started up again today. A crew is at work clearing the snags from the Sand Island grounds, with the expectation of beginning seining operations tomorrow. The fish taken average large and are of exceptionally fine quality. At the Sand Island grounds, a ton of shad was caught. Of the salmon, one tipped the scales at 26 pounds and 1300 pounds of the catch was of fish that weighed more than 28 pounds each. To engage in purse seining off the mouth of the river, the U. S. Fish Commission says, sunset have arrived from Puget Sound. They plan to operate in the vicinity of

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