DRYS, NATIONALS IN MERGER DEADLOCK

Caustic Epithets and Charges Exchanged by Delegates at Chicago.

BOTH SIDES EXPECT TO WIN

Faction Favoring Combine of Parties Suffers Three Defeats in First Day's Struggle—Thompson Snubs Prohibitionists.

CHICAGO, March 5.—After a day of bitter debate, during which caustic epithets and charges of disloyalty to the party were hurled from one side to the other, the delegates to the National Prohibition Convention were deadlocked tonight on the question of merging with the new National party, formed at St. Louis by Socialists who disagreed with that party's stand on the war.

Throughout the day the anti-merging faction had the better of the argument, three times winning minor skirmishes, but by night leaders of each side, though predicting victory, were planning compromises to be introduced later.

The first victory for the anti-merging faction came when they forced through a motion to make the debate on the question unlimited.

Led by William A. Brubaker, of Chicago, and Judge H. L. Peak, delegate from Ohio, the delegates favoring the merger attempted to have the debate limited to 30 minutes each side, but were overwhelmingly defeated after E. J. H. Prugh, of Harrisburg, Pa., charged that an attempt was being made to railroad through the merger.

Majority Limit Raised.

The anti-mergers won again a few minutes later when they succeeded in passing a motion making two-thirds majority necessary to pass the merger resolution. It was said to be the first time the Prohibitionists had required more than a majority to pass on any action.

The third victory came when the merger faction was defeated in an attempt to have representatives of the Nationals, who convene here tomorrow, address the convention after the debate had closed. The anti-mergers insisted that the Nationals speak before the debate closed, thus giving them a chance for rebuttal.

The resolution calling for the merger provided that a satisfactory platform must be adopted by the Nationals. The chief objections found to the Nationals' platform by the Prohibitionists were that it favored the single tax and that its main purpose apparently was not Nation-wide prohibition, though delegates favoring the merger insisted that prohibition was the main thing for which the Nationals are working.

Three Compromises Offered.

Among compromises suggested one was that the Prohibition party keep its National committee intact to work for Nation-wide prohibition. Another was that an agreement first be reached that the Prohibitionists have a certain number of representatives on the Nationalists' National committee.

A third, strongly favored by the anti-merger faction was that each party retain its own name, but that committees be formed to co-operate in obtaining certain legislation.

The Prohibitionists were exceptionally bitter over the fact that Mayor W. H. Thompson, of Chicago, apparently refused to deliver the address of welcome. He was requested to do so, and Virgil Hinshaw, chairman of the National committee, in opening the convention, said that "prominent Chicagoans asked to deliver an address of welcome had refused."

Herman P. Faris, of Clinton, Mo., was elected chairman of the convention without opposition.

UNITS TO BE KEPT INTACT

Senator McNary Assured Drafted Men Will Not Be Separated.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 5.—The Adjutant-General of the Army today assured Senator McNary that the drafted troops at American Lake will train and be sent abroad as a separate division and will not be ordered out in small contingents as replacement troops.

This was in response to a wish of the men that they be kept together and not be distributed among other units at different parts of the country.

Forger's Sentence Ten Years.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 5.—Samuel Mittleman was sentenced to 10 years in the Federal prison at McNeil's Island, Washington, by United States District Judge E. E. Cushman, of Tacoma, upon his plea of guilty today to 15 counts in an indictment charging him with forging money orders.

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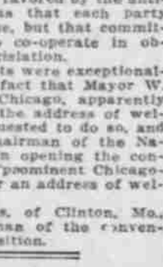

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PATRIOTIC PORTLAND WOMEN DEVOTING THEIR SERVICES TO THE COMPILING OF CARD INDEX SYSTEM FOR THE LOCAL LIBERTY LOAN CAMPAIGN.

ONE CLASS OF INDEX VOLUNTEERS AT WORK ON THE BIG CLERICAL JOB OF FILLING OUT THE CARDS.

WOMEN HELP CAUSE

Index Cards Being Prepared for Liberty Loan Drive.

NEW SYSTEM IS THOROUGH

More than 150,000 Questionnaires Are to Pass Under Pens of Fifty Volunteers Before Voluminous Task Is Completed.

Fair and dark, blonde and brunette, 16 years and 70, but all alike in their common desire to speed the organization of the third liberty loan in Portland—such is the assembly of volunteer women workers who are daily giving their time to the compilation of a card index system for use in the local campaign.

At room 601, in the Beck building, under direction of H. T. Hutchinson, of the Polk Directory Company, the recruits are filing names and addresses on liberty loan questionnaires, which will be circulated by the campaign solicitors throughout the city—one for every householder and resident. The task is voluminous, requiring application and fathoms of penmanship, and more than 150,000 cards are to pass under the pen before it is completed.

Fifty women are now at work on the card index, which is to comprise the basis of a permanent record of liberty loan subscribers and non-subscribers. In subsequent drives the same cards will be used, showing the amounts subscribed by each individual in previous campaigns, as well as the rating assigned to him on the basis of his ability to buy liberty bonds.

Supervision of the card indexing task was delegated to Mr. Hutchinson by Emery Olmstead, chairman of the Portland campaign. The cards to be used elsewhere in the state vary slightly from the Portland questionnaire in that they require additional information.

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proprietor of the Baggage Transfer Service Company. Washburn is a business man of Eugene.

It had been intimated that a number of prominent people of this city, who are said to have been regular customers of members of one of the two conspiracies, might be implicated in the secret indictment which was returned several days ago by the Federal grand jury. But the names of none were included in the list of defendants.

Sleuth Gains Evidence.

The wholesale indictments were made as the result of an investigation conducted by H. H. Dolley, special agent of the Department of Justice, and Assistant United States Attorney Goldstein, of this city. Representing himself to be a Southern Pacific dining car conductor, Dolley first formed the acquaintance of Edmunds, directing head of one of the rings, and Cressens, hotel porter, who superintended packing most of the liquor for shipment. Cressens finally told Dolley that he had packed a large quantity of liquor in trunks that had defied detection.

At the same time Cressens told the officer of his relations with Edmunds and Hardy. When packed Dolley learned that the trunks were taken to the depot by the City Transfer Company, which had an arrangement with McKenna, night baggageman for the Southern Pacific Company, who checked the trunks through to Portland. The baggage checks with which the trunks were checked were stolen from the Southern Pacific Company by McKenna, who received $2 for every trunk he checked and started on its way.

Dolley Soon Released.

Later Cressens introduced Dolley to Hardy as "one of the boys." Dolley entered enthusiastically into the bootlegging plans and accepted Hardy's invitation to accompany him early in January with six trunks and three suitcases filled with liquor to Oregon Dolley assisted Hardy pack the liquor, but when they reached the station both were arrested, as prearranged, and lodged in jail, where Hardy confided in Dolley and furnished the names of those implicated with him.

Dolley was soon released from custody, and with the information gained from Hardy, caused the arrest of Hardy's associates and also seized the liquor as evidence.

Following his arrest Hardy confessed and told of having at one time bought seven barrels of whisky from the William Hunt Liquor Company for $450. The barrels were taken to Shea's barn, where they were crated in phonograph cases as a disguise for shipping. Some of the liquor was taken in kegs to the Occidental Hotel and packed in trunks and suitcases by Cressens, Temps and Hardy.

Hardy admitted that he had operated for 46 weeks prior to his arrest, January 5. His customers were confined chiefly to prominent people of Salem, Eugene, Corvallis and Portland. Included among about 50 customers whose names were found in a memorandum book taken from Hardy was the name of Carl Washburn, owner of a department store at Eugene.

The Government charges that Washburn was a regular customer of Hardy and had perfected a code whereby liquor could be shipped to Eugene for the benefit of Washburn.

E. K. Brown, proprietor of the Baggage Transfer Service Company, is charged with having handled most of Hardy's trunks on their arrival in Portland. It was said Brown removed the trunks from the depot to the various hotels where Hardy stopped and from which he distributed the liquor to his customers. Hardy registered under a different name at each of these hotels, according to evidence in possession of the Government. It is estimated by the authorities that Hardy successfully shipped into the state between 30 and 40 trunks of liquor and probably as many suitcases.

Confession Is Made.

It was from McKenna, the baggageman, that Dolley first found trace of the operations of Edmunds and his associates. Cressens also told Dolley that he had packed considerable liquor for Edmunds. Confronted with the evidence gathered by Dolley, Edmunds made a confession and told the officer who were associated with him in the conspiracy.

Edmunds told Dolley that when employed as steward on the Hill steamers between Portland and San Francisco, he had observed the apparent ease with which liquor was being brought itno this state and conceived the idea of personally engaging in the business on an extensive scale. For a time he traveled back and forth on the steamers Beaver and Rose City, later transferring his operations to the Southern Pacific trains, where he met and financed some of the bootleggers who were jointly indicted with him.

Taxicab Drivers Aid.

Frequently Edmunds, carrying six or eight suitcases of liquor, would leave the train at Salem, where he would be met by Smith and Thompson, taxicab drivers, who would bring him and his cargo to this city. Edmunds also shipped several trunks of whisky from San Francisco to Salem and Portland. At Salem the trunks would be received by Smith and Thompson and brought to Portland and cached in some suburban district. The trunks checked through to Portland were looked after by Kirkpatrick, a local expressman.

Nix was probably the cleverest member of either group. Although he is known by the authorities to have shipped a number of trunks filled with whisky from San Francisco to Portland he was only suspected and apprehended through the confessions of a number of the bootleggers and documents and which came into the possession of the investigating authorities.

PROSPECTS ARE LISTED

LIBERTY LOAN COMMITTEE HOLDS MEETING.

Corporations Are Classified and Chairmen Named to Head Workers in Coming Campaign.

Foreign corporations operating in Oregon, 700 in all, and non-resident taxpayers, must have had an equal number of itching noses yesterday, if grandmother's old axiom is reliable, for someone certainly was talking about them. In the rollcall of those expected to respond to Oregon's quota of the third liberty loan, their respective names are decisively written.

Called for the purpose of considering plans to enlist the finances of such corporations in the state's quota, the special committee in charge met at the offices of Julius Meier, chairman, and spent several hours in debate on the corporation feature of the coming campaign. Classification of the various corporations was made as follows, and chairmen of sub-committees were named in each instance.

Non-resident taxpayers of Multnomah County, Henry E. Reed; insurance companies, Edgar Smith; public utilities, W. E. Coman and C. V. Galloway; railroad and steamboat lines, express companies, telephone companies and private car lines, Arthur Spencer; manufacturers and jobbers, C. B. Woodruff; automobiles and accessories, C. M. Menzies; loan, trust and bond agencies, with branch houses, John Cronan; film companies, Gus Metzger. John C. Stanton was named as chairman of a list committee, to properly assign the various companies to the soliciting committees.

ILLNESS MYSTERY SOLVED

Meal Made of Frosted Corn Declared Probable Cause.

CHICAGO, March. 5—The thousands of cases of mysterious illness which recently puzzled Chicago physicians and health authorities probably was caused by eating cornmeal manufactured from frosted "soft" corn.

This announcement was made today by Dr. John D. Robertson, Health Commissioner of Chicago.

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SOUTH DENIES DELAY

Lumbermen to Defend Themselves Before Senators.

EVIDENCE TO BE PRODUCED

Delegation to Prove to Board That They Are in No Way to Blame for Delays in Wooden Ship Construction in South.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 5.—"We will no longer remain silent while our good name is being traduced before the Nation. We will no longer allow ourselves to be made the scapegoat for the Government shipbuilding blunders."

In this language the press agent for the Southern Pine Association yesterday announced that a large party of Southern lumbermen will come to Washington on Tuesday of next week to defend themselves before the Senate commerce committee against charges made by various officers of the Shipping Board who have uniformly blamed Southern lumber mills for the delay in wood ship construction on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts.

Evidence to Be Produced.

The Southern pine men promise to produce conclusive evidence that they are in no way to blame for the shipbuilding delays. As early as May 3 of last year they assert they warned the Government that the South could not produce the large timbers called for by the plans of the standard Ferris ship and that they advised the Shipping Board that it would be the part of wisdom to substitute Pacific Coast timber for Southern pine in the interest of a prompt carrying out of the Government's shipbuilding programme. This, of course, was with reference to the larger timbers only. The Southern lumbermen now say they tried for seven months to induce the Shipping Board to buy its big timbers in the Pacific Northwest, but not until December was their advice heeded.

Another Complaint Given.

Another complaint of the Southern lumbermen is that the Shipping Board had refused to accept smaller timbers in its ship schedule. They claim that Southern yards have turned out larger ships than the Ferris, built of smaller timbers than the Government requires, and that these ships have given satisfactory service on the Atlantic and have the highest rating by Lloyds. The Shipping Board has ignored the experience and advice of practical shipbuilders, says the press agent.

Chairman Flecher, of Florida, has arranged to give the Southern lumbermen all the time they want to answer the charge brought against them by the Shipping Board.

Safe Blower's Romance Is Bared to World.

Wounded Yeggman Writes Will on Envelope Back.

SPOKANE, Wash., March 5.—(Special.)—A touch of romance entered into the burglarizing of the Meyers jewelry store at Davenport, Wash., Monday morning when E. L. Lucas was killed.

A crude will of a man who thought he was dying, leaving his earthly possession to "My Sweetheart," was made by C. H. Lea, of Spokane, after he was wounded with the same bullet which killed his partner in the crime, Lucas. Lea is now lying wounded in the County Jail at Davenport. Officers have found scraps of an envelope torn up by the wounded man.

Portions of these, pieced together, direct that his worldly wealth, $600, be given to "My Sweetheart, Miss Louise Murray, of Seattle, in case I die." "The money," the "will" states, "is located in safety box No. 597 of the Fidelity National Bank, of Spokane."

As Lea was not killed and the "will" bequeathing the money to Miss Murray, who was addressed on the envelope as sweetheart, was torn up, the Seattle girl will not get the cash.

Monday, Lea gave an order for $80 of the money to Mrs. E. L. Lucas, a widow of the other safe blower, who died from loss of blood after being shot.

MRS. B. L. SHARPSTEIN DIES

Walla Walla Woman Settled in Washington City in 1865.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., March 5.—(Special.)—Mrs. Benjamin L. Sharpstein, wife of the late Judge Sharpstein, died last night at the age of 88 years. Mrs. Sharpstein was married in 1855, and with her husband crossed the plains from Wisconsin in 1865, making her home in Walla Walla. Mr. Sharpstein was elected to the Territorial Legislature the year after he arrived here and was re-elected twice.

Mrs. Sharpstein was an active worker in the relief society. She leaves four children: John L. Sharpstein and Frank B. Sharpstein, attorneys, of Walla Walla; Mrs. Addie E. Upton and Charles M. Sharpstein. The latter was ill in Los Angeles and against the orders of his physician left for Walla Walla last night on receiving word of the death of his mother.

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DIVORCE PETITION DENIED

J. A. Sapp Reprimanded for Attitude Toward Wife by Judge Duffy.

Severely reprimanding the plaintiff for his attitude toward his wife, Circuit Judge Duffy, a visiting jurist of Prineville, yesterday afternoon denied the petition of J. A. Sapp, a Portland motorman, for a divorce from Mary Sapp because of cruel and inhuman treatment.

Judge Duffy refused to take three minor children from the custody of their mother and put them in the care of Sapp's mother, as prayed for in the plaintiff's petition.

Sapp, in his petition, had charged his wife with failure to Hooverize, with unnecessary extravagance, with a fondness for public dances and a desire to go out without their children.

Alaska Canneries Merge.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 5.—Merger of the Alaskan Salmon Company and the Northern Fisheries Company was announced here today. The purpose of the union was to effect the handling of cod and salmon packs by one organization.

Peruvian Mine Suspends Operation.

LIMA, Peru, March 5.—The Cerro de Pasco Mining Company, of Cerro de Pasco, in the copper and silver producing region, 110 miles northeast of Lima, has suspended operations. More than 3000 men are out of employment.

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POST-BELLUM RAILROAD CONTROL BY U. S. AGREED ON.

Compromise Between House and Senate Effected—Conferees Fail to Fix Rates Satisfactorily.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—Government control and operation of railroads probably will continue for 21 months after the war.

A tentative agreement fixing that time limit was reached late today by conferees on the railroad control bill as a compromise for two years proposed in the House bill and 18 months in the Senate.

The conferees adjourned until tomorrow with the important question of ratemaking still in dispute. On returning from a conference with the President, Senator Pomerene, of Ohio, one of the conferees, announced significantly that he would not "now" yield from the Senate provision.

Another question still in dispute and discussed today at considerable length concerns provisions to prevent all possible interferences, during Government operation of the railroads, with regulatory and taxation functions of the state.

The conferees today also finally ratified their tentative agreement bringing all "short line" railroads into the Government system.

WAR FINANCE BILL STICKS

Secretary McAdoo Seeks to Reconcile Opposing Factions.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—Contention in the Senate over the Administration bill to create a war finance corporation continued today, again preventing action on the measure after sharp clashes between its advocates and opponents and effort by Secretary McAdoo to compose their differences.

Attack was centered on the provision establishing a capital issue committee to license security issues of $100,000 and over. Republican leaders joining with Democrats in the fight on the legislation.

Secretary McAdoo was invited to a conference of banking committee members and other Senators, and is said to have urged passage of the bill substantially as it is pending in the Senate. Later Senator Hollis, of New Hampshire, a Democratic member of the committee, broadly intimated that Administration influence had dominated the consideration of the bill and that Secretary McAdoo had outlined just what matter should and should not be discussed or changed. This drew a sharp retort from Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, in charge of the bill, who declared the assertions were "unjust and unfair."

WASCO GETS HOME GUARD

Sheriff Chrisman, of The Dalles, Confers With Adjutant-General.

THE DALLES, Or., March 5.—(Special.)—Sheriff Levi Chrisman has instituted a movement to organize a home guard for The Dalles, and has taken up the matter with the Adjutant-General. The minimum strength of the company is 65, but it is expected that from 70 to 75 will join.

Every member will be sworn in as a Deputy Sheriff for home protection, and will be under a Captain elected by the members.

Snow at Long Beach.

LONG BEACH, Wash., March 5.—(Special.)—Snow fell to the depth of an inch Sunday night, after a cold east by north wind. Signs of clearing up; moderating at 9 A. M.; mercury at 41.

Army Orders.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 5.—The following order was issued by the Western Department of the Army here today: Major Oscar W. Hoop, 62d Infantry, is granted five days' leave of absence.

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