

PALMER'S ENTRY PLEASES WORKERS

Candidacy Gives Party Heads Encouragement.

PRESIDENT STILL IS SILENT

McAdoo's Conduct Thought Not Sportsmanlike.

NOTHING IS YET SETTLED

Democrats Would Disintegrate if Hoover Were Nominated and Then Beaten.

BY MARK SULLIVAN.
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WASHINGTON, March 11.—Attorney-General Palmer's entrance into the presidential race this week followed by statements to the effect that the act was taken in pursuance of an understanding with the president, and that "Palmer in the race means Wilson out." This in turn has been followed by denials. The way this episode came about gives an opportunity to set the first glimpse of clarification in the democratic situation.

For more than three months a powerful group of democrats who are strong in the party organization have been urging Mr. Palmer to be a candidate. Undoubtedly Mr. Palmer has wanted to run, for he is an exceptionally ambitious man. But he felt obliged to take the position that he could not announce himself so long as he did not know and had no way of finding out whether such an act would be agreeable to the president. Silence Embarrasses.

The president's silence has been embarrassing to the friends not only of Mr. Palmer but of Mr. McAdoo as well. On Mr. Palmer's part the resolution forced upon him by the conditions preparable to Wilson yesterday. "The situation arose which made it possible for Mr. Palmer to get in the race not so much on his own account as in the role of a volunteer giving help to the administration.

In Georgia one of President Wilson's enemies within the party, ex-Senator Hardwick, was making an effort to capture the democratic delegation on an anti-Wilson issue and those democrats in Georgia who are loyal to Wilson needed some candidate favorable to Wilson to present to the party. The opening was presented to Mr. Palmer and he jumped into it.

Initiative Comes From Georgia.
Mr. Palmer in his public telegram of acceptance to these Georgia democrats was careful to make it clear that the initiative came from the democrats of Georgia and not from him. In the same spirit he stated the reason for his act in these words: "I deem it highly important that the democrats of Georgia should have the opportunity to directly pass upon the record made by the present administration and that the democratic party should be interpreted as indicating a determination on his part that his action should not be misunderstood at the White House. Persons whose public statements have been so candidly that Wilson are a little nervous since the Lansing episode.

But Palmer's act does represent an understanding with the party organization, with what may be called the "staff officers" of the democratic party. About of the more important leaders of the democratic organization held a meeting in Washington this week. The meeting was called primarily to discuss means of overcoming a deficit in the headquarters treasury, but it resolved itself into a meeting of minds as to how best to meet the emergency. It was at this meeting that the party suffered as the result of President Wilson's position.

Leaders Do Not Blame Wilson.
Mr. Wilson will not at this time say whether or not he expects to run himself nor indicate in any other way what his wish as party leader may be. There is good reason why he should not. The democratic leaders do not particularly blame him for his silence; but they have a painful realization that this silence embarrasses them. The dates of the presidential primaries are coming close, and if the organization leaders in the various states don't put forth someone in their point of view, as in the present case of Georgia, of a good many delegates being picked up by persons outside the organization, like Hoover, Bryan, Edwards or Reed.

In this dilemma the organization was forced to choose some one to enter in an informal way the organization representative. Propriety demanded that this should be someone connected with the administration, for the organization must seem to approve the administration. Within this limitation the choice narrowed down between Palmer and McAdoo.

Reasons for Palmer's Selection Given.
The chief reason for their selecting Palmer is that they like him better. Palmer has long been a member of the democratic national committee, and his associates have a high affection for him. Palmer has always been

MOTHER AND BABY ARE KILLED BY GAS

BODIES OF MRS. A. I. LAMBERT AND CHILD FOUND IN BED.

Deputy Coroner Decides to Hold Autopsy—Husband Employed in Candy Factory Here.

Mrs. Albyn I. Lambert and her 1½-year-old baby girl were found dead, apparently from asphyxiation, at the Lambert home, 206½ Grand avenue North, yesterday afternoon. Deputy Coroner Leo Goetsch, who took charge of the bodies, announced that an autopsy would be held to determine the cause of death.

The two were lying on the bed and when found had apparently been dead but a short time. A gas water heater was burning in a rear room. The water tank had burned dry and the air was filled with the odor of burning paint.

The woman and the baby were lying on the bed and they had apparently been, either asphyxiated or had died from suffocation, Mr. Goetsch said.

Motorcycle Patrolman Schad and Detective John Moloney also made an investigation.

Mr. Lambert is a candy maker, employed in a local factory.

OLIVES FOUND POISONED

Guinea Pig Killed by Liquid Taken From Bottle.

DENVER, March 11.—Poisoned olives discovered in this city today after one woman was made seriously ill. A warning has been issued by W. F. Cannon, state food and drug commissioner. The woman, Mrs. M. E. Blake, used the olives in a salad dressing. Another is slightly ill.

CHICAGO, March 11.—Contaminated elk meat and not poisoned olives, probably responsible for the death of five persons near Kallispell, Mont., recently, according to Sprague, Warner & Co., wholesale grocers who had sold the stuffed ripe olives eaten by the Montanans.

Federal officials traced the deaths to bacillus botulinus, after liquid from the olive bottle had killed a guinea pig. The grocers claim, however, that the victims had eaten meat from an elk carcass known to have been tainted.

Federal chemists have not completed their investigation of olive samples collected in eight states following the deaths in the west.

CASH HIDERS SENTENCED

Two Men and Woman Admit Concealment of \$40,000.

HELENA, Mont., March 11.—Oswald and Elmer Watkins, brothers, and Mrs. Anne Watkins, wife of the latter, entered pleas of guilty in district court here today to grand larceny by hiding \$40,000 alleged to have been stolen from the Union Bank & Trust company of this city last November.

Upon the plea of prosecuting Attorney John J. Lewis, in the district court Judge Word sentenced them to a term of one to two years in the state penitentiary and suspended the sentences. Charles Stevens, a bank messenger, was convicted last week of stealing the money and sentenced to a term of seven to ten years in the penitentiary. Oswald Watkins is declared to have confessed that with Frank Smith, he found the money where Stevens hid it. About \$17,000 has been recovered. Smith has not been arrested.

GERMAN VERSION GIVEN

Bureau Says Attack on Frenchmen Was for Poaching.

PARIS, March 11.—A version of the attack on March 9 on eight men believed to be members of a French military aviation commission at Wernitz, near Potsdam, published by the semi-official Wolff bureau of Berlin, says guards caught the men poaching and firing shots as a summons to halt, according to a dispatch from the German capital. The Frenchmen fired at the guards, the bureau version asserts.

The Frenchmen who were attacked declare only two of the party carried hunting pieces and these men fled without firing, while two others ran in another direction, the other four surrendering. Volleys were fired at them, they assert, even after one of the fleeing men fell mortally wounded.

MISSION SCHOOLS CLOSED

Methodists Having Trouble With Governor of Corea.

TOKIO, March 6.—Two American Methodist schools in Corea have been ordered closed by the governor-general, according to dispatches received by newspapers today.

The edict closing the schools, which were closed over by H. D. Appender and Miss B. A. Smith, says they failed to prevent the students from celebrating Korean independence day despite the government's strict prohibition.

James O'Connell at One Time in Public Service at Seattle.
SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—James O'Connell, employed in a confidential capacity by the United States state department, and former city post office inspector, died here today. He came here from Washington several weeks ago on account of illness. Before entering the postal service here he worked in the Seattle post office.

DEATH AIR SEEMS TO GRIP RUSSIA

Suffering and Privation Fearfully Depressing.

AGONY ENDURED BY MILLIONS

Belgians, French Nor Germans Can Cite No Equal.

LENINE PROVES PARADOX

High Soviet Official Flashes Along in Automobile While Poor Stumble in Streets.

BY LINCOLN EYRE
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PARIS, March 11.—The first thing that impressed itself with photographic clarity on my consciousness a few moments after our arrival in Moscow was the sight of Leon Trotsky, people's commissary of war, racing through the Tverskaja in a big limousine. The second was the spectacle of an old woman dragging behind her a diminutive sled, heaped with small logs, falling down on the ice-slippery pavement.

That the old woman should have fallen was of little moment, for she was evidently unhurt, but that of many passersby not one should have gone to her assistance was a painful phenomenon. In any great city outside Russia a dozen persons would have hurried to help the old dame to her feet.

Now the Moscovites are not less kind or courteous than other folk; it is simply that if they undertook to pick up every woman who slipped down in the snow they would be thus engaged all day long. In Moscow there is too much big distress to make the lesser troubles even noticeable.

Comrade Trotsky and the poor little babushka (grandmother) tottering along with her sled of logs were both of the proletariat, therefore both dignitaries over the erstwhile empire of the czars. Yet the difference between them was as broad as that separating Nicholas II from Leon Trotsky three years ago. That is the paradox of proletarian dictatorship—and of Moscow.

Substituting sleighs for taxicabs, snow for asphalt and sheepskins and furs for tailor-made clothes, the scene that met our eyes as we emerged from the big terminus in the capital of the soviet republic differs little from that which one beholds outside the Grand Central station, New York. There were porters, though their skin was white—or fairly so—and they did not wear red caps. They were paid, and well paid, for their services.

The taxi chauffeurs, or rather the sleigh-driving *lavotchnik*, also got paid, and at exorbitant rates. Two

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WILSON SCORED BY FAITHFUL FOLLOWER

FAULT FOR TREATY DEADLOCK LAID TO PRESIDENT.

Senator Ashurst Wanders Away From Grain Resolution 'Discussion to Fix Blame.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 11.—Serious criticism and a touch of humor marked the discussion in the senate this afternoon on the Reed resolution to investigate the United States grain corporation and charges made by a Spokane federal grand jury against Max H. Houser of Portland, Ore., grain administrator of the northwest.

Senators Chamberlain of Oregon and Kellogg of Minnesota took the serious side of the question, while Senator Ashurst of Arizona became facetious in elaborating on the alleged political tinge of the resolution, declaring it was aimed at Herbert Hoover and not at the grain corporation. Mr. Ashurst also assailed President Wilson's handling of the peace treaty.

Hoover Is Defended.

Senator Chamberlain said he would not oppose the resolution, but that he thought the investigation being made by the department of justice was adequate. He defended Mr. Hoover as a man of fine character and a patriotic citizen, after which he said:

"The strange part about this whole situation to me is that a grand jury, acting upon the advice of a trained lawyer, should go to work and make a damning report against an individual without finding an indictment against him. It seems to me that if these men were justly criticized in the report of the grand jury, there must have been enough evidence to have warranted their prosecution and conviction."

Senator Kellogg, like Senators Ashurst and Chamberlain, said he was not opposed to the resolution, but he paid a high personal tribute to the men who managed the grain corporation. Senator Ashurst said:

Ashurst Favors Motion.

"I am heartily in favor of the motion. We have only 66 investigating committees out. Each committee that is conducting an investigation is a joke and we ought to have another investigation because we need another joke. This is the season for jokes, so I think the resolution ought to pass unanimously."

"I hope that no one will object to the resolution, for I understand that it is not an investigation of the grain corporation, but is an indirect thrust at Mr. Hoover. Let us therefore add the name of Mr. Hoover and strike out all the other parts."

"Mr. Hoover will never be president because he is not a democrat, but if he would say the words, 'I am a democrat,' he would be elected president," Senator Ashurst wandered away from the discussion, which began with the resolution to investigate the grain corporation. He asserted there was an effort to keep the peace treaty before the senate in order to avoid consideration of other questions, such as universal military training and soldiers' relief.

Then he startled his hearers by referring to the treaty situation. He wound up with this parting shot at

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FEMINE PRODIGALS' PLAINT IS FLOUTED

WOMEN WASTERS WHO PROTEST RENTS DECRIED.

Apartment House Proprietor Tells of People Who Wear \$20 Shoes and Want Rates Cut.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—"Many of the women who are demanding rent reductions in San Francisco are wearing \$20 shoes and \$3.50 silk stockings and spend as much as \$12 at a single sitting in a cafe," C. K. Niekerbocker, an apartment-house proprietor, told the public welfare committee of the board of supervisors here today in a hearing on apartment and hotel tariffs.

The hearing followed a meeting of the committee at which it received the complaints of tenants against rent increases. The evidence of both hearings is for the benefit of the city attorney's office in an effort to see if corrective measures by the city are necessary.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—A meeting of 35 representative merchants, federal officials and former food administration executives was called in the federal building here today for the announced purpose of "rounding up and stigmatizing the food and clothing profiteer and stabilizing and normalizing the cost of vital commodities here." The conference was suggested by the merchants to determine the best possible means of overcoming the unrest resultant on high prices.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—Efforts of the government to check profiteering have resulted in 1916 prosecutions under the Lever food control act, Attorney-General Palmer announced today.

Convictions have been obtained and sentences imposed in a total of 197 cases, Mr. Palmer said. In 744 additional cases indictments have been returned and the accused are awaiting trial.

In addition to the drive on profiteers, Mr. Palmer reported that large quantities of foodstuffs had been forced on the market by operation of the law.

Man Carried 1000 Feet.

Ridgeway Manky was carried 1000 feet from his home at Melva, and when he regained consciousness on the opposite bank of Turkey creek, he saw his young brother William struggling in the water. He was too weak to give aid. Later the body of the brother was recovered downstream. The bodies of the two children, taken from Turkey creek, had been swollen to large proportions by incessant rains last night and early today. Because of the rains the roads were impassable, and there was no school in many localities today. Consequently, many children, who were playing away from home, are believed to have been caught unawares and injured.

POLES BUY ARMY GOODS

Soldiers to Be Re-equipped by Purchase in United States.

WARSAW, March 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Polish army will be re-equipped by the purchase of supplies from the United States, it was learned here today.

A formal contract has been signed between the Warsaw and the Washington governments. It is stated, under which the American liquidation board will sell to Poland such of the surplus American army stores as Poland may require.

RETAILERS IN SESSION

George A. Phillips Is President for Washington State.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 11.—George A. Phillips, Spokane, was elected president of the new Washington State Retail association here today. Other officers named were B. C. Beck, Seattle, first vice-president; Frank Cardwell, Garfield, second vice-president; C. W. Rhodes, Tacoma, treasurer, and C. Y. Colman, Tappanish, secretary.

MANY LEFT DEAD IN CYCLONE PATH

"Shepherd of the Hills" Country Stricken.

HOMES ARE CARRIED AWAY

Buildings Demolished; Number of Injured Unknown.

REGION CELEBRATED ONE

Ozark Hills in Missouri Scene of One of Most Violent Tornadoes in History.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., March 11.—Eleven persons are known to be dead, one reported dead, two missing and eight injured as the result of a tornado which swept through the valley of Turkey creek, near Branson and Hollister in Taney county, today.

Seven of the dead are minor children of Dan and William Fox, brothers, living at Melva, a small town five miles south of Branson.

Mr. Alva Howard and child, living at Melva, were killed instantly and William Jackson, living five miles southeast of Branson, is dead. The sisters of Jackson were missing but were found later, one seriously injured. John Gross and his wife, living on a farm near Ozark, north of Branson, were blown away with their home and no trace found of them or the house.

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KING'S VILLA IS ROBBED

Silverware and Antiques Toll of Norwegian Bandits.

COPENHAGEN, March 11.—Burglars have ransacked the villa of King Christian, situated on the Skaw. Silverware and antiques valued at several thousand kroner were stolen.

NATIONAL DECADENCE BLAMED ON WOMEN

"PURITAN MANIA" SCORED BY CHICAGO DOCTOR.

"American Pop" Passes, Birth Rate Drops, While "Man Apes" Woman, Whoops Her Reforms."

CHICAGO, March 11.—Dr. William J. Hickson, head of Chicago's psychopathic laboratory, today declared that "decadence of the nation can only result from the ascendancy gained by women in affairs."

"The women have secured the drop on the men in this country," said Dr. Hickson. "The nation has put its head in the noose of puritanism and degeneration of individual and national fiber is inevitable."

Dr. Hickson said "Prohibition is typical of the modern puritan mania," and added:

"The church movements are typical. They, with prohibition, with so-called high standard of morality, result in a deterioration of masculine physical and mental vitality. There is a falling off of creative ability. The lowering of the birth rate already is noticeable. American pop, which was the result of a masculine-dominated country, soon will be a thing of the past."

The effemination of man already is noticeable. The male today is inferior in most respects to the female. He is aping her in the matter of clothes. He bows to her legislation and vaguely whosops it up for her reforms. He is fast taking second place and with his fall there is no question that production in the United States, mental and material, will decline."

SENATOR'S RELATIVE FREE

Gustaf Nelson Acquitted of Charge in Connection With Death.

ALEXANDRIA, Minn., March 11.—Gustaf Nelson, son-in-law of United States Senator Knute Nelson, was acquitted before a justice of the peace here tonight on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon in connection with the death of Joseph Middleton, a farmer who was shot yesterday during a quarrel and a struggle with Nelson. The shooting was accidental, Nelson said.

During the hearing tonight a crowd of about 40 persons gathered outside the justice's office and when Nelson was released from custody he was attacked and knocked down. Nelson, guarded by two deputy sheriffs, was brought back into the office.

Appeals by authorities to the crowd to disperse failed. Someone suggested that Nelson be locked up for the night and the matter discussed again tomorrow. This was done and the crowd went home.

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SUBLIMATED LOVE COMMUNIST DEAL

Joys Unknown to Sordid World Visioned.

WORKERS 'UNIVERSAL FAMILY'

All Who Toil to Be Brothers and Comrades.

COURT VIEWS PROPAGANDA

Evidence of Preaching of Radical Doctrines Produced at Trial.

"All the joys of the so-called free love, enabled by true social equality of the masses, joys unknown to the commercial society of the capitalist regime," were to be enjoyed in the communist state toward which the eyes of the publication weekly and had 423 copies on hand before the federal raid on state headquarters, Second and Alder streets.

"Proof of direct advocacy of the communist idea of state parentage was established by District Attorney Evans yesterday with the introduction into evidence in the criminal syndicalism trial of 'Soviet Russia,' official organ of the Russian soviet government bureau in New York, taken from Hurat, local financial secretary of the new party, who had subscribed for 50 copies of the publication weekly and had 423 copies on hand before the federal raid on state headquarters, Second and Alder streets.

"In place of the individual and egoistic family, there will arise a great universal family of workers, in which all the workers, men and women, will be, above all, brothers, comrades," read the comment on 'The Family on the Communist State,' the article admitted into evidence by Judge Morrow because of direct connection with one of the defendants.

"The family is essential to be a necessity, to the state, as it was in the past; on the contrary, it is worse than useless, since it needlessly holds back the women workers from a more productive and far more serious work," argued the propaganda, which the labor communist party, scattered all over the state, are conscious of through their work. It is not her husband but her robust arms which will support her.

"Marriage is henceforth to be transformed into a public union of two souls in love with each other, each having faith in the other; this union promises to each working man and working woman, simultaneously, the most complete happiness, the maximum of satisfaction which can be attained by the individual, and it is the lot of creatures who are conscious of themselves and of the life which surrounds them.

"This so-called indissoluble marriage, which was at the bottom merely a fraud, will give place to the free and honest union of men and women who are lovers and comrades."

"Henceforth the worker-mother who is conscious of her social function will rise to the point where she no longer differentiates between yours and mine; she must remember that there are henceforth only our children, those of the communist state, the common possession of all the workers."

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