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## REPUBLICANS BAR PROHIBITION ISSUE

### Question of Drink Held Settled One.

### JOHNSON REPORT WELCOMED

### Promise Not to Bolt if Beaten Cheers Leaders.

### BIG HALL WILL BE READY

### Correspondents, Get Shock When They Hear Western Union Will Have No Wires in Building.

CHICAGO, May 27.—Beer, light wines and prohibition will not be mentioned in the republican national convention if present plans of party leaders are carried out. It was learned today.

Directors of the party's policies have decided that the question has been settled. The party will not have a "dry" plank, nor endorsement of any modification of the present "bone dry" rule will be incorporated in the platform, according to Samuel A. Perkins, national committeeman from Washington.

The prohibition question and its possible effect on the forthcoming presidential campaign have been under consideration by party leaders for several months. It is known that the matter was discussed at national committee meetings here as far back as last January.

One member of the national committee who is here this morning at the committee believed the "wet" were in the minority and that the country as a whole wanted prohibition.

### Johnson Report Welcomed.

National committeemen who are gathering here for the opening of the hearing on contests Monday received with interest the reports of Senator Hiram W. Johnson's speech at Concord, N. C., in which he declared he would not "bolt" the convention if not nominated. His probable attitude in the event of defeat in the convention has been the source of speculation for weeks along "presidential row" and his pronouncement on the subject was received with visible relief.

"I am glad to hear that," said A. T. Hart of Kentucky, chairman of the convention. "I have thought all along that would be Mr. Johnson's position."

Senator Johnson will enter the convention with 199 instructed delegates. Major-General Leonard Wood has 22 votes pledged to him. Governor F. O. Lowden is third with 74 pledges.

### Correspondents Get Shock.

With approval today by the city building inspector of the temporary galleries installed to accommodate extra seats to the normal capacity of the Coliseum, Charles R. Hall, superintendent, notified the convention committee that he would have the hall ready to turn over to the republicans late next week.

Special correspondents of many metropolitan newspapers were thrown into consternation when it was announced by the Western Union Telegraph company that it would have no wires running into the convention hall.

Superintendent Hall notified the company that the hall would be used by all workmen employed at the Coliseum if non-union telegraph companies attempted to place wires in the building. The Post-Telegraph company said it had not heard of the trouble and expected to install an office.

The union men have been trying to organize the elevator boys in the Western Union building here. The elevator boys, according to the company, already are unionized, as they belong to the Western Union Employees' association.

### Hoodoo Gavel Discarded.

L. W. Henley, secretary of the convention committee, placed an order for a new gavel today and the hoodoo mallet used in 1912 and 1916 will be discarded. "It has gone through two defeats," Mr. Henley commented, "and because of the association connected with it, I think we would better lay it aside and buy a less dangerous weapon."

There will be plenty of room in Chicago, at reasonable prices, to care for the 40,000 convention visitors, according to the information bureau of the association of commerce. First-class hotels in the loop have 13,000 rooms available and outlying hotels 21,000. Scores of apartments whose owners have listed them at fancy figures are going begging. One owner of a nine-room house asked \$12,000 for six days. There were no takers. The average price of 250 apartments listed was \$450 for the week, but not more than a dozen have been rented.

Rooms are available in hotels and homes at an average price of \$5 per day.

Women leaders are conferring with committeemen in an effort to draft a plan for participation of the newly enfranchised voters in the direction of the republican party. The plan will be presented to the convention. It is understood, with the recommendation of a committee, that the

## COST OF SHOES LAID TO TASTE OF PUBLIC

### LEATHER COMPANY HEAD DENIES UNFAIR PROFIT.

### Witness Says Production Reduced Because of Marked Decline in Factory Demand.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Fastidious tastes of the public are in part responsible for present high shoe prices, William McAdoo Jr. of New York, vice-president of the Central Leather company, declared today before the senate committee investigating shoe prices. He denied that his company was making exorbitant profits, but said its profits in 1919 were \$12,388,481 compared with \$4,876,923 in 1914.

Mr. McAdoo said that "because of a marked decline" in the demands of shoe manufacturers for leather, his company has reduced production 10 to 12 per cent during the past three weeks, but added that no further reductions were anticipated if transportation and financial conditions became more nearly normal.

The witness agreed with Senator McNary, republican, Oregon, that if leather dealers and others connected with the shoe trade had been content to accept smaller profits shoe prices would be lower now.

## CONVICT SEIZES TRAIN

### Folsom Prison Break Made in Hail of Bullets.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., May 27.—Holding up the engineer and fireman of a switch engine in the yards of Folsom prison this afternoon and forcing them to dismount, Carl Otto, a convict, pulled the throttle to its capacity and the engine bounded through the heavy gates at a high rate of speed, carrying Otto to freedom.

As the locomotive speeded down the track and the engine gave warning of what had happened, the guards located at pivotal points opened fire, discharging several hundred rounds without effect.

Otto brought the engine to a halt 1000 yards down the track and disappeared in the brush under a fusillade of bullets.

Accompanying him in the first stage of his dash were J. Quijada and George Clifford, fellow convicts, who were captured under the prison.

## ELOPERS ON WAY HOME

### "Couldn't Be Separated" Declares Carroll L. Wainwright.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 27.—Mr. and Mrs. Carroll L. Wainwright, newly-weds, motored through Philadelphia today homeward bound.

"It was a question of getting married now or being separated all summer long—we couldn't do that, so we eloped."

That is how Mr. Wainwright, aged 22, who is a student at Yale, explains his elopement with Miss Edith Kingdon Gould to Elkton, Md., yesterday. His bride echoed his sentiment.

George J. Gould is surprised, but quite satisfied with the romantic marriage of his sister's daughter.

Stuyvesant Wainwright, father of the bridegroom, is equally satisfied and both said parental forgiveness would be forthcoming as soon as the youthful elopers returned.

## 30 SALVATIONISTS LOST

### Efforts to Locate Workers in Russia Meet With Failure.

CHICAGO, May 27.—Thirty Salvation Army officers have disappeared in soviet Russia and have been given up by their superiors as lost, according to a telegram received by the Chicago headquarters from New York. The telegram said:

"Repeated efforts have been made by the international headquarters of the Salvation Army in London to communicate with its workers who remained to uphold the banner of practical Christianity in soviet Russia, but all attempts have failed. As a last resort a high Salvation Army officer is now traveling incognito in Russia in an endeavor to learn the fate of the 30 missing officers."

## FARE HEARING JUNE 1

### State Commission to Consider Application of Portland Firm.

SALEM, Or., May 27.—(Special.)—The Oregon public service commission has set Tuesday, June 1, as the date for hearing the application of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company for an increase in rates. The hearing will be confined to verification of allegations in the new application and no testimony will be taken dating back of the order issued by the commission last March.

The hearing will be held in Portland with Commissioners Buchtel and Cory in attendance.

## BONUS RATE SHOOTING UP

### Hawaiian Plantation Laborers Are Drawing Higher Pay.

HONOLULU, T. H., May 27.—(Special.)—The bonus rate for the past month on sugar plantations has reached new figures. It is governed by the price of raw sugar, and since this jumped recently the rate is now 464 per cent.

This is tremendous advance over the past month, and gives the \$24-a-month man a total of \$84 on the basis of 20 days' work. This example is that of a plantation laborer, who gets his lodgings free.

## GOVERNOR OUSTS MR. SCHULDERMAN

### Corporation Commissioner to Quit Immediately.

### HANDLEY NAMED SUCCESSOR

### Tillamook Man Slated to Fill State Vacancy.

### OFFENSE GIVEN BY ACTS

### Primary Campaign Utterances of ex-Official Said to Have Caused Executive to Act.

SALEM, Or., May 27.—(Special.)—Henry J. Schullerman, state corporation commissioner and candidate for secretary of state on the republican ticket at the primary election held last Friday, today was requested to resign from his office, in a letter prepared by Governor Olcott. Mr. Schullerman's resignation is to become effective at once, according to the executive's letter.

Concurrent with the request for Mr. Schullerman's resignation, Governor Olcott announced the appointment of T. B. Handley of Tillamook, as successor to the office.

"When I entered into the duties of the governor's office, I made it plain that there would be no change in the appointees of Governor Withycombe unless the good of the public service demanded it," said Governor Olcott, in announcing that he had asked Mr. Schullerman to resign.

Governor Olcott expressed his regret that Mr. Schullerman should have been publicly expressed himself as being opposed to the present administration and its policies, and also has sanctioned publication of statements in the press to the same effect.

"Inasmuch as the policies of this administration are for the greatest efficiency in public office that it is possible to attain, I am certain it will be beneficial to the state as a whole for Mr. Schullerman to seek employment elsewhere."

Mr. Schullerman, according to the executive's friends, was active in the first campaign waged by Governor Withycombe, and on May 1, 1915, soon after the latter's election, was appointed corporation commissioner. On December 28, 1918, Mr. Schullerman was reappointed for a four-year term, which would have expired on January 1, 1921.

Again in the succeeding campaign, (concluded on Page 3, Column 2.)

## PORTLAND BUILDER KILLS SELF WITH GAS

### DESPONDENCY CAUSES DEATH OF ALEXANDER MCINNIS.

### Body Found in Bathroom When Wife Returns From Downtown. Inquest Held Unnecessary.

Alexander McInnis, contractor of the firm of McInnis & Reed, committed suicide yesterday afternoon at his home, 225 Grand avenue north.

Despondency brought on by illness and heavy financial losses was believed to have been the cause.

The man's body was found in the bathroom at his home by his wife, Mrs. Esther McInnis, when she returned from a trip downtown yesterday afternoon. The body was turned over to Deputy Coroner Coatsworth. Since that time he had not been in the best of health and had been subject to fits of despondency. Business conditions of the firm with which he was connected were said to have caused him to worry.

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Mr. McInnis was 66 years old and had been a resident of Portland for 40 years. The firm with which he was connected constructed the Multnomah club building and the Buchanan building, as well as other structures in Portland.

He is survived by his widow, a son and daughter.

Mrs. McInnis said that when she left the house at 11 o'clock her husband was working there and was apparently in good spirits.

## INTERCHURCH MOVE LOSES

### Presbyterian Support Withdrawn by Assembly.

PHILADELPHIA, May 27.—Support of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America was withdrawn from the interchurch world movement, but it was decided to continue the new era movement and cut the annual budget from \$900,000 to \$460,000 at today's session of the general assembly.

In its action on the interchurch world movement the general assembly adopted the new plan of the executive commission providing for contribution of \$100,000 for the ensuing year to the movement, "when properly reorganized, to be used for the payment of its current operating expenses as a going concern for that period and for no other purpose."

## WOMEN'S BAND PREPARES

### Organization to Attend National Republican Convention.

HERRINGTON, Kan., May 27.—The Herrington women's band is putting the finishing touches on its repertoire for its appearance at the republican national convention.

The band has been organized three years. It has a membership of 36, of whom 12 are high school girls.

## BILL SEEKS BILLION DUE ON BACK TAXES

### BACK TAX SETTLEMENT MEASURE PROMPTLY AND FINALLY PASSES HOUSE.

### Legislation Asked by Treasury Officials to Enable Them to Adjust Pending Cases.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Authority for the treasury to make final settlement under which back taxes estimated at \$1,000,000,000 will be paid the government is provided in a bill passed today by the house and sent to the senate. The measure amends the 1918 tax law.

The bill provides that treasury decisions accepted by the taxpayer shall not be reopened, modified or set aside by any official or court except on a showing of fraud materially affecting the tax levy.

The legislation was asked by treasury officials to enable them to dispose promptly and finally of pending tax cases.

The bill would create additional liberty bond exemptions. Bonds to the value of \$125,000 held by one individual would be exempt from the income surtax, excess profits and war profits levies for two years after the proclamation of peace. The same exemptions on \$50,000 would be granted for three years after that proclamation.

## WOMAN INJURED BY FALL

### Mrs. W. E. Waggoner of Lebanon Goes Headlong Down Stairs.

LEBANON, Or., May 27.—(Special.)—Mrs. Wilma E. Waggoner, widow of the late G. A. Waggoner of this city, was seriously injured yesterday by falling down the stairs into the basement at the country home of J. P. Stearns, two miles west of Lebanon.

The women of the First Presbyterian church were holding an afternoon social at the Stearns home at the time of the accident. Mrs. Waggoner, who was assisting in serving luncheon, started to go from the dining-room to the kitchen. She mistook the door to the basement for the kitchen door and fell headlong to the cement floor. One arm was broken in two places and she was severely cut and bruised about the head.

She was brought to the Lebanon hospital. Her recovery is expected.

## PRINCE MURAT INDICTED

### New York Fur Dealer Charged With Loss of \$1500 in Check Deal.

NEW YORK, May 27.—Prince Michael Murat, at whose home in Paris President and Mrs. Wilson resided during the peace conference today was indicted by the May grand jury on a charge of grand larceny in the first degree on complaint of a Manhattan fur dealer, who alleged he lost \$1500 through a check transaction during the prince's visit here last June.

A bench warrant will be issued for the prince and the New York police department may send a detective to Paris to serve it and ask for his extradition to the United States.

The testimony of John T. King of Connecticut, ex-manager of the Wood campaign, before the committee yesterday, was a disappointment to those who were some expecting that there were to be some dreadful exposures.

King, who was displaced in the Wood campaign after several weeks of activity, has shown deep resentment at his removal and he was understood to have given Senator Borah the basis of the charges which the Idaho senator made against General Wood. Many reports have been going the rounds about what King would tell.

The fact was he appeared to have nothing sensational or scandalous to unfold. Up to the time that he dropped out of the Wood campaign he had disbursed only \$9600, \$5000 of which went to Dow Walker of Portland, manager of the Wood campaign in Oregon. The King testimony was far short of being even interesting.

### Palmer Has Real Scandal.

The only real scandal uncovered so far was turned up in an unexpected spot. It is in connection with the campaign of Attorney-General Palmer for the democratic nomination, it being shown that the Palmer campaign investigation had been in the hands of Bruce Starling, counsel for the Crucible Steel company, which was caught in an attempt to defraud the government of \$9,000,000 in income taxes and was permitted to settle without prosecution; also that C. C. Carlin, Palmer manager here, is counsel of President Dupuy, of the Crucible, who also has been called upon to pay taxes on more than \$1,000,000 of income which he is alleged to have withheld from his return.

"These disclosures are causing the committee to go carefully into the Palmer contributions, which are shown to have come in large part from men whose high salaries under Mr. Palmer in the alien property custodian's office, or who were retained in legal capacity, receiving fat fees."

### Wood Expenses Not Unusual.

The Wood expenditures, it has been developed by comparison with those of the other candidates, are not so extraordinary because a campaign has been made for Wood in every state but one—California. No other candidate has made a country-wide campaign, others picking out a state here and there just as the public jinx picks out 20 certain well-traveled streets for its business.

For example, Hiram Johnson, heralded as the poor man candidate, is shown to have expended more than \$100,000 in campaigning only a dozen states. Warren Harding expended \$118,500 in one state, Ohio, and Attorney-General Palmer, democrat, spent \$60,000 in Georgia and Michigan.

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## Temple to Be Remodeled.

### ROSEBURG, Or., May 27.—(Special.)—The O'Connell brothers of Roseburg last night let contracts for the remodeling and enlarging of the temple, the improvement to cost approximately \$25,000. E. J. Runyan was the successful bidder and stated today that a force of men will be put on the work next Monday.

## PROBE IS FAILURE AS BLOW AT WOOD

### Only Scandal Found Is in Palmer's Campaign.

### GENERAL'S EXPENSE NOT HIGH

### Army Candidate Only One to Comb Whole Nation.

### BORAH'S HOPES DASHED

### Connection of Attorney-General With Crucible Steel Officials Carefully Probed.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 27.—(Special.)—Up to this time, the senate investigation of expenditures of candidates for republican and democratic presidential nominations has not proved fruitful of all the scandal foretold by Senator Borah of Idaho, author of the resolution by which the inquiry was ordered. The Borah resolution was aimed, as is well known, specifically at Leonard Wood and the Idaho senator said nothing about reaching any other candidates.

Nothing sensational has so far been brought out in connection with the Wood campaign. It has been known and admitted that large sums were being spent in behalf of Wood.

Senator Borah's hope was to show that much of the money for the Wood campaign had been contributed by large oil and other interests that might profit by having a friendly president. The Idaho senator has undoubtedly been disappointed in the developments to date, because the Wood managers have not so far had to apologize for any of their contributors. Not more than two of the men mentioned by Senator Borah in sensational charges made by him in a senate speech some time ago have been shown to be identified in the least with the Wood campaign.

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## OREGON CITY BLOCK IS SWEEPED BY FIRE

### CITY JAIL AND FOUR STORES PRACTICALLY DESTROYED.

### Apparatus Sent From Portland. Wooden Structures Burn Rapidly—Flames Uncontrolled.

OREGON CITY, Or., May 28.—(Special.)—An entire city block, including the city jail and four stores, was practically destroyed early this morning by a fire which started at 12:45 o'clock and was still in danger of spreading to the rest of the business section of the fire department had fought the flames for an hour. An emergency call was sent to Portland for more apparatus, and two fire companies arrived here to assist the local department.

The following stores were believed to be doomed: Theros music store, Lageson shoe store, Falls Transfer company and the Portland Feed house. The city jail was believed doomed, as the flames were raging throughout the structure.

All the buildings were of wood construction and burned like tinder. The Portland Feed house was the largest of the structures, covering about half of the block. All the buildings, except the jail, which is a two-story building, were only one story in height.

The cause of the fire had not been determined at an early hour this morning. The burning block is at Seventh and Main streets, in the heart of the business section. Fireman warned that the flames would get beyond control and spread to adjacent blocks.

### BILL HART FOR SHERIFF

### Hood River Admirers Write in Name on Ballot.

SALEM, Or., May 27.—(Special.)—Bill Hart, well-known moving-picture actor, probably has received the greatest nomination for sheriff of Hood River county, according to the official returns which are now being canvassed by the secretary of state.

Mr. Hart received five votes at the hands of his friends in Hood River county. Inasmuch as Mr. Hart is at present at Hollywood, Cal., where he is playing the leads in a number of western dramas, it is hardly possible that he can step in on an occasion there was vociferous applause for 37 seconds and on another occasion for 22 seconds.

In his final analysis, he outlined the chances for the league as virtually hopeless until a new president is in the White House. He pointed out that the resolution of congress will be again vetoed by the president and that his veto will be sustained by the democrats in congress; that then the president will send the treaty again to the senate, demanding, as he has done in the past, that it be passed "without the dotting of an 'i' or the crossing of a 't'" and that there the matter will rest.

## FILER FARMER CONVICTED

### H. F. Ramseyer to Be Sentenced for Murder of Neighbor.

TWIN FALLS, Idaho, May 27.—(Special.)—H. F. Ramseyer, prominent filer rancher, was convicted this morning of the second degree murder of John Abel, also of Filer, in a quarrel over irrigation water. He will be sentenced tomorrow morning by Judge Babcock of the district court.

Contrary to popular belief the trial lasted only two days, the defense sending no witnesses to the stand. It is thought Ramseyer will appeal, but his attorney, Wolfe & Martin of the city, have intimated no action of that kind.

## CHESS PHENOM AGED 8

### Child Expert Plays 20 Games at Once, Winning 18.

PARIS, May 27.—The youthful chess phenomenon, 8-year-old Samuel Reschewsky of Poland, taught 20 picked players from the Paris Chess club yesterday the ancient game should be played.

Samuel, who is a mere infant in size as well as in age, played 20 simultaneous games, winning 18, but his attention wandered only once. The games lasted four hours.

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## TAFT HAS NO HOPE IN LEAGUE LINEUP

### Chances of Success Held Small Under Wilson.

### NEW PRESIDENT IS AWAITED