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ISSUES BEFOGGED, SAYS MR. WILSON

Chicago Platform "Prussian in Inspiration."

DECEPTION HELD PURPOSE

"Veiled Rejection of League Will Fool No One."

PARTISAN ACTS DECRIED

Republicans Charged With Policy of Negation for Sole Purpose of Winning Coming Election.

NEW YORK, June 17.—President Wilson, in a special interview given to the New York World to be published tomorrow morning, said he was "extremely confident that the democratic convention at San Francisco will welcome the acceptance by the republican party of my invitation to make the league of nations the issue in this campaign."

"I am even more confident," the president said, "that such referendum will confirm my faith that the American people desire it above anything else that a political party now may provide and that they will condemn the republican policy of denying them the consummation of their hopes. No one will recommend a referendum on that issue more than I.

Platform-Workers Rapped.

"I suppose I should feel flattered," he said, "over being made the issue of the presidential campaign by the republican party. But even the effort of the platform-makers at Chicago to confer the distinction of being not only a burning, but a living issue by camouflaging and obscuring the real issues, will not deceive the people.

"The processes by which the Chicago platform was accomplished seemed to me to have been essentially and scientifically Prussian in inspiration and method. Instead of quoting Washington and Lincoln, the republican platform should have quoted Bismarck and Bernhardi, because the republican attitude regarding the supreme issue that can not be abandoned or disregarded strongly suggests the arbitrary influences that dictated the doctrines of those two eminent persons.

Evasion Held Attempted.

"Every charge directed against me and my administration is obviously designed to becloud and negative the paramount issue confronting the American people, to befog their sense of responsibility and make violation of the obligations they have assumed to be of small consequence. I sincerely believe that the attempt of the republican party to win the sanction of the American people for its attempted evasion of these obligations will be decisively rebuked."

With one thing I am fully satisfied—this is that the republican party in its platform has joined me in the suggestion I made in my letter to the guests at the Jackson-day dinner in Washington in January last. In that letter I expressed the hope that a sincere attempt would be made to determine the attitude of the American people on the league of nations by the resort to the genuinely democratic process of the referendum.

President Is Confident.

"Of course, I have no way of anticipating the probable trend of sentiment that will be expressed in the democratic national convention at San Francisco or forecasting the ultimate conclusion of that body. But I have every confidence that the delegatees who will sit in that convention will repeat the challenge I issued to the republican party and express their readiness to permit the people to decide between the vague and ambiguous declaration by the republicans and a positive and definite expression of opinion by the democratic party. Whatever else the democratic party may do, I hope that its convention at San Francisco will say just what it means on every issue and that it will not resort either to ambiguity or evasions in doing so.

"This thing (the league of nations) lies too deep to permit of any political sculduggery, any attempt to sidestep or evade moral and humanitarian responsibilities much too solemn to treat so lightly or ignore.

Pledge to World Cited.

"I should prefer at this time not to discuss partisan politics or to venture any predictions as to the probable attitude that the democratic convention will take on any subject. I sincerely believe, however, that the vast majority of the gentlemen who will sit in the San Francisco convention will appreciate the necessity and permanent value of keeping the word that America has given to the rest of the world.

"The thinly-veiled rejection of the principle of the league of nations by the Chicago convention will not fool anyone. The attitude of Senator Lodge and that of Senator Johnson differ only in degree. Both are equally opposed to it in any form. One of these gentlemen is disingenuous and evasive and the other candidly hostile.

Policy Reversal Noted.

"It must be a trifle disconcerting to some republicans," he added, "to have their party propose now to repudiate that which was approved a

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WILSON STILL SILENT AS TIME LIMIT ENDS

ACTION ON BILLS ENACTED BY CONGRESS IS MYSTERY.

Chief Among Measures, Perhaps Automatically Killed, Is Repeal of War Laws.

WASHINGTON, June 17.—The 10-day period afforded President Wilson under a ruling by Attorney-General Palmer to approve or veto 10 measures enacted by congress during the closing days of the recent session expired tonight without announcement from the White House as to action taken.

Public officials said tonight that the fate of the 10 measures, together with the action on the water power bill, the time limit on which expired Friday, might be revealed tomorrow.

Chief among the measures on which action had to be taken by midnight tonight to prevent automatic death were the joint resolutions to repeal all war laws with the exception of the Lever act and the trading with the enemy act, and to authorize appointment of a commission to confer with the Canadian government or the provincial governments of Quebec, Ontario and New Brunswick relative to certain restrictive orders in council of the three provinces as to export of pulp wood from Canada.

The other eight measures include five providing for extension of time for the construction of bridges at Pittsburg and at St. Louis, to authorize the enlistment of non-English-speaking citizens and aliens in the army, to authorize transfer by the secretary of war of surplus material, machinery and equipment to the department of agriculture largely for use in road construction, and to reimburse Michael MacGarvey to the extent of $35 for a set of false teeth which he lost in an accident in the Brooklyn navy-yard.

"PALS" SEE BOY DROWN

Group Watches Death Struggle Without Realizing Danger.

Donald Burke, 10, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Burke of the Dennison apartments, East Thirty-fourth and Belmont streets, was drowned in a pool of water in Sullivan's gulch, near Grand avenue and East Everett street, at 5:30 P. M. yesterday. The body was not recovered.

The boy was playing on a raft with Jack Stewart of 66 East Thirty-second street north, a lad of about the same age. He jumped into the water and a group of boys who stood on the bank watched him drown without realizing that he needed help. The boy made no outcry. The water where the drowning occurred was about 20 feet deep.

ONCE FAMOUS CAFE GONE

"You Can't Shimmy on Tea," Says Proprietor at Auction.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 17.—Levy's cafe, for 30 years a gustatory landmark of Los Angeles, and known to many thousands of the traveling public, passed out of existence today when it went under the hammer at auction.

Al Levy, who came here from San Francisco, and, with a tamale wagon, started a business which developed into one of the largest restaurants and cabarets in Los Angeles, smiled, as usual, as he watched its disintegration piece by piece to the highest bidder.

"Cafe life is dead," he said. "You can't shimmy on tea."

CHICAGO MOST RELIGIOUS

Windy City Leads Whole Country in Number of Converts.

NEW YORK, June 17.—Chicago, with 35,154 converts, leads all districts in the country in the centenary evangelist campaign which to date has won Christianity 307,790 persons. This announcement was made today by Dr. George B. Dean, in charge of the division of evangelism for the centenary conservation committee of the board of home missions and church extension.

Cincinnati is second with 30,175, followed by Detroit, with 24,000; Omaha, 22,600; St. Paul, $19,360; Buffalo, 19,085; Philadelphia, 18,806; Pittsburg, 16,303; Chattanooga, Tenn., 10,121, and New York, 7200.

CHINAMAN WEDS WHITE

Portland Girl, 18, Becomes Bride of Hong Ho at Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 17.—(Special.)—Hong Ho, aged 33 years, a Portland Chinaman, today married Miss Violet Stewart, 18, a white girl of Portland. The ceremony was witnessed by Mrs. H. S. Hirose, a white woman, who gave her address as 347 Oak street, Portland.

Harry McBee, 20, and Miss Virginia Souders, 16, both of Portland, were married. They were accompanied by their parents, Mrs. L. B. McBee of Gresham, Or., and Mrs. Emma Souders, of Lents.

MAYOR COMING BY PLANE

Seattle Executive to Make Air Trip to Portland Soon.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 17.—Mayor Hugh M. Caldwell today announced his intention to fly from Seattle to Portland Sunday or Monday afternoon in an army airplane piloted by Lieutenant Leland Miller, 9th aero squadron.

The mayor said he was jealous of the record made by Governor Ben W. Olcott of Oregon.

LABOR URGES U. S. CONTROL OF LINES

Federation's Act Is First Defeat for Gompers.

CANDIDACY IS NOW DOUBTED

Leader "Not Quite Sure" of Seeking Re-election.

SALARY IS INCREASED

Rise From $10,000 to $12,000 Year Is Voted Over Protests; Military Training Opposed.

MONTREAL, June 17.—The American Federation of Labor's indorsement today of government ownership of the railroads at its annual convention here was declared by labor leaders tonight to have been the first genuine defeat Samuel Gompers, its veteran president, has suffered in years. The final vote was 29,059 for government ownership and 8349 against.

The decisive vote, it was reported, prompted the labor chief to state to the convention late today that he "was not quite sure" he would be a candidate for re-election.

Mr. Gompers fought hard against the convention's action, declaring it was a step toward the "enslavement of the workers as government employes," to whom he said, had been denied many political and economic rights under the past administration. He received only a mild ovation.

Mine Men Oppose Gompers.

The United Mine Workers and the powerful railroad workers' organizations combined to bring about Mr. Gompers' defeat. They also had the support of the machinists' union and the metal trade organization, all powerful voting factors.

The carpenters' union and the building trades organization stood loyally by Gompers, but were overwhelmed.

After the federation's action the executive council, whose members supported Mr. Gompers, are said to be placed in an embarrassing position. They must now take steps to bring about government ownership, which they have opposed, or resign, it was stated.

Supporters of Mr. Gompers declared tonight that they would urge him to retain leadership of the federation and stand up for re-election for the 39th time.

Salary Is Increased.

Despite the protest and desires of Mr. Gompers, the convention increased his salary from $10,000 to $12,000 a year.

In making an appeal to the dele-

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WOOL MEN PROPOSE $100,000,000 FUND

STEPS TAKEN TO MAKE CHICAGO AMERICA'S CENTER.

Financial Support for Movement of Clip Would Be Revived. Senators Call Conference.

CHICAGO, June 17.—Steps to make Chicago the wool center of America were taken here today at a conference of wool growers and bankers, with the decision to name a committee to place the question before officials at Washington. The committee will be appointed by William J. Williams, president of the Wyoming Wool Growers' association, who presided.

Under the proposition approved by the meeting, which was called by representatives of the American Wool Growers' association, the movement of the wool clip for 1920 would be financed by Chicago bankers, which would require $100,000,000 annually. Heretofore this has been done by Boston banks, which have been compelled, it was said, to relinquish their financial support due to demands for funds from other sources.

It was announced that the plan was favorably received by Chicago financiers, who, it was added, desired cooperation and support of western bankers in the extension of the credits required. The fund, it was stated, would be used to carry the wool through the warehouse, where the bulk of the product is stored pending better market conditions.

Senators Hitchcock of Nebraska, Walsh of Montana, Pittman of Nevada, Chamberlain of Oregon and King of Utah, joined in calling the conference. Conditions in the wool market, they said, in summoning the bankers and growers, were similar to those prevailing in 1914, there being neither actual nor speculative demand, with the wool growers unable to obtain loans to finance them while awaiting a profitable market.

The American Wool Growers' association today issued the following statement relative to today's meeting:

"It is fully expected that the wool market soon will be re-opened on a reasonable basis of value. In the meantime growers will be able to secure loans on unsold wool from banks that are members of the federal reserve system. Federal reserve banks will not fail to re-discount any paper that is presented in proper form.

"The whole matter is to be discussed fully with the federal reserve board at Washington next week. There need be no disposition on the part of growers to sacrifice their wools at prices below intrinsic values, or to consign them on low rates in advance."

The committee to visit Washington will hold a conference Monday, it was announced tonight, with Secretary Payne and a number of eastern and middle western wool handlers to discuss plans to solve the wool situation. It was stated that the drop in the wool market had affected the big western wool growers more than others, as many of them, it was added, have their money tied up in unsold wool not held in warehouses. It was said that a plan would be discussed to stabilize the wool market by financing the westerners who would then be in a position to dispose of their wool as it was needed without flooding the market.

'SALT,' 60, IS RESCUED AS SMALL CRAFT SINKS

BREMERTON-SAN FRANCISCO CRUISE ATTEMPT FAILS.

Westport Life-Guards Save Lone Occupant—Attempt Is Second Since Last Fall.

ABERDEEN, Wash., June 17.—(Special.)—Westport life-savers yesterday rescued Helgar Torsensen, 60, retired chief master-at-arms of the United States navy, from a 20-foot open naval boat that was in a sinking condition. The "salt" had been 11 days making his way from Bremerton in an endeavor to cruise to San Francisco.

Captain J. M. Hawthorne, commander of the Westport life-saving crew, declared that when rescued, Torsensen seemed unaware of his danger and was calmly attempting to bail out his boat.

Torsensen insisted that he be allowed to finish the trip.

The frail craft carried no cabin and barely had room enough for the provisions he had placed aboard with the expectation of putting into the Golden Gate harbor within 25 days from the time that he left Bremerton. He set sail alone on Monday, June 7. The only motive power was three small sails.

This was Torsensen's second attempt to make the trip, the first having been abandoned last fall upon orders from the naval authorities, who acted on the appeal of his wife, that the stormy weather at the time made the attempt unusually dangerous.

This second trip was started with the full consent of his wife.

Torsensen's escape was narrow because of the fact that he cannot swim, although he had followed the sea since he had been a youngster of eight, and had been in the service of the navy for 30 years.

Mrs. Torsensen resides in Bremerton.

28TH HUIRT WIFE FOUND

Chicago Woman Certain She Married Murderer.

CHICAGO, June 17.—The 28th wife of Richard Huirt appeared today before Superior Judge Dennis Sullivan. As Mrs. Minnie Ballew-Gordon, she filed suit seven months ago against Charles W. Gordon on the charge of bigamy.

She told the judge today she was certain that the man she married as "Major Charles W. Gordon" was Huirt, who now is serving a life sentence in the California penitentiary for murdering one of the more than a score of women he "married."

OIL PRODUCTION HIGHER

3446 Barrels Average Increase Daily During May.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 17.—An increase of 3446 barrels daily in May was shown by the monthly report of the Standard Oil company of California, made public here tonight. The daily production was 278,323 barrels.

Shipments in May were 295,100 barrels a day.

THE TENDERFOOT.

KIWANIAN SCORES "STRING PULLING"

Personal Ambition Made Taboo by Dr. Barnwell.

TALK MADE IN CONVENTION

Divine Declares Organization Should Shun Sectionalism.

ELECTION WILL BE TODAY

Officers of International Body and Choice of Meeting Place Next Year to End Work.

TODAY'S PROGRAMME FOR KIWANIS.

10 A. M.—Business session at Elks temple.

2:30 P. M.—Business session and election of officers, Elks temple.

6:30 P. M.—Banquet for 1000 Kiwanians at municipal auditorium; Judge George W. Stapleton, toastmaster.

Personal ambition and local pride were bombed in a sweeping attack on those who would pull strings in the international Kiwanis club convention for favorite sons as officers of the organization by Dr. M. S. Barnwell, an Episcopal minister of Birmingham, Ala., in the address of the afternoon at the fourth annual conference yesterday.

"There must be no sectionalism in Kiwanis," warned the speaker. "A hyphenated Kiwanian is as dangerous to Kiwanis as a hyphenated American to America. Personal ambition has no place in Kiwanis. Local pride has a secondary place. Kiwanis must exclude from its councils those whose social ambition is predominant and those whose God is the eagle on the almighty dollar. Kiwanis must choose men of vision and of sympathy, whose mission is service, co-operation and fellowship."

Officers of the international Kiwanis club will be elected in the final business session of the convention to be held this afternoon. The sessions in Portland will come to a close with an automobile trip out the Columbia river highway tomorrow.

Clubs Are Flayed.

Dr. Barnwell flayed the clubs which were formed without knowledge of the ideals of Kiwanis, in his address, the topic of which was "We Build," the slogan of Kiwanis.

"There are too many storage battery clubs and not enough dynamos," he declared. He went on to explain: "The dynamo is a source of power. The storage battery is a recipient of power and can only give out what it has received."

When the speaker laid voluminous notes on the table before him as he began his talk, he reassured his listeners that the notes served the same purpose as flanges on a car wheel, not to make the car wheel go further, but to keep it on the track.

In opening, the minister sought to trace the derivations of the word "Kiwanis," but admitted that he had met with defeat, having found numerous conflicting definitions of the supposed Chippewa Indian word. One definition he found was "big noise and nothing in it," which he characterized as a "hopeless definition" for a club; another, "we trade." The speaker exploded the favorite theory of Kiwanians that the word "Kiwanis" means "we build," which is their slogan. That is but a slogan, he said, not an interpretation.

Word Meaning Not Limited.

"But I think it is far better to take something which has no meaning and give it a meaning," he said, "and this is what the Kiwanis is doing. 'Kiwanis' means exactly what we mean. It means the ideals we have, the dreams we dream and the deeds we do which would make our cities better to live in.

"The meaning of 'Kiwanis' is not limited to the dictionary. It is as broad, as deep, as far-seeing as you and I are. 'We build' is but a slogan for the present which will be dropped later as we progress. There is no idea of encompassing Kiwanis in that slogan. It is but a mile post."

Dr. Barnwell recommended that organizers of new clubs remain with the clubs for some length of time, to make sure that they do not launch out on new work with no conception of the ideals of Kiwanis.

On the subject of hyphenated Kiwanians, the speaker said that the mistake of America in allowing too many persons to come to the shores of the country who lacked the American point of view or ability to assimilate it was the same mistake Kiwanis made in admitting members who could not grasp its ideals of service.

World Brotherhood Painted.

"We cannot have Kiwanis and individualism at the same time," he asserted. "We cannot have individualism and work shoulder to shoulder in the solving of common problems."

In conclusion, Dr. Barnwell painted a world brotherhood of Kiwanians, founded on ideals and a common un-

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MAN IS FOUND DEAD; SHOOTING IS MYSTERY

THREE SHOTS HEARD; SOFA PENETRATED BY TWO.

Coroner Begins Investigation of Death of Myron Otis, 71—Police Theory Is Suicide.

An element of mystery surrounds the finding late yesterday of the body of Myron Otis, 71, lying on the sofa of his little home at 792 East Thirty-second street, with a bullet hole through his head. The greater mystery attached to the manner of the man's death because of two other bullet holes through the sofa and sofa pillow and the fact that neighbors had heard three shots.

The shots were heard shortly after noon and attracted no attention at the time. It is certain that Mr. Otis' death occurred at that time, as he had been dead several hours when discovered. The police who investigated held to the theory of suicide, but were at a loss to account for the extra shots which missed and the additional fact that his hands were folded across his body. The revolver, one of 32-caliber, was found on the floor beside the sofa.

Mr. Otis had been a carpenter, but could not work at the trade since suffering a stroke of paralysis about a year ago. He had deeply mourned the death of his only son, which occurred two years ago, neighbors said. There are no known relatives here. He had been a resident in Portland 35 years and had lived in the little cottage, which he built, the past 35 years. He was a member of Orient lodge of Oddfellows.

An investigation by the coroner is under way.

DR. BISHOP IS HELD UP

Robber Hits Victim on Head With Pistol; Shot Is Fired.

Dr. W. Lafayette Bishop, 480 East Seventeenth street North, was held up and robbed at Fifth and Columbia streets last night by a robber, who struck him on the head with his pistol. The robber fired one shot during a struggle which followed Dr. Bishop's attempt to grapple with him.

The highwayman obtained Dr. Bishop's watch and $3 or $4 in silver. He is described as 30 years old, 5 feet 10 inches tall and weighing about 160 pounds. He had a long, slim face, wore dark clothes and carried an automatic pistol.

GORGAS' CONDITION GRAVE

Little Hope Now Entertained for General's Recovery.

LONDON, June 17.—The condition of Major-General William Gorgas, former surgeon-general of the United States army, is much more serious than his friends have heretofore been willing to admit, it was learned here today.

It is reported that three or four days ago hope for the general's recovery was abandoned, but he rallied. He is still dangerously ill.

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CITY IN GAY TOGS TO MEET SHRINERS

All Headquarters Moved to New Location.

SPECIAL TRACKS BEING LAID

Steel on North Park Block Prepared for Trains.

PHONE LINKS ESTABLISHED

Water Connections Also Are Ready to Be Made as Soon as Cars Go on Sidings.

SHRINE HEADQUARTERS IN NEW LOCATIONS.

All Portland Shrine headquarters are now connected with the special Shrine telephone exchange, Broadway 6000. To this number all Shrine trains will be connected as they arrive.

Shrine housing headquarters are now at Broadway and Couch.

Shrine information and general headquarters are at Broadway and Davis.

Shrine auto headquarters are on Sixth street, next to the Y. M. C. A.

All Shrine general headquarters were moved yesterday to their new locations on Broadway, between Burnside street and the Broadway bridge. The telephone number is Broadway 6000.

At the same time, auto establishments in the neighborhood burst into a blaze of color as decorators began work for the various Shrine temples which will occupy them.

The housing headquarters, located at Broadway and Couch, began to send Shriners to their various Portland addresses, more than 1000 of the be-fezzed individuals being assigned.

And a force of 200 railroad men started laying emergency tracks for the special trains in Portland's most accessible beauty spots. On both sides of the north park blocks, ties and steel were thrown down in a hurry and all connecting links laid save that across Glisan street, which will not be added till just before the first train rolls in Sunday.

Garden Spots Favored.

Out in the Twenty-third-street neighborhood another gang started laying steel. Every effort is being made to locate the special trains in literal garden spots.

The telephone company had a crew of men getting telephone connections ready for each car on each train, while the city water department was making water connections, so that the moment the trains are parked their water tanks can be emptied and the Shriners receive opportunity to partake at will of Portland's matchless Bull Run water.

Building owners were decorating feverishly, and with the practical completion of the street decorations a great force will be assembled today to complete the work of dressing up the steel structures in their Sunday-go-to-meeting best.

Entertainment Committees Busy.

And while all this activity was in progress the members of 147 Portland host and hostess committees were meeting all over the city and planning entertainment features and special efforts as a tribute to those from the far deserts.

Leading auto dealers of Portland, recognizing the official character of members of the imperial divan, have pledged themselves to provide new automobiles at their own expense, with drivers, for the members of the imperial party.

All Portland's downtown buildings will throw open their comfort room facilities for the use of the Shriners and the quarters on every floor of every building will be left unlocked during the Shrine session, James J. Sayer, secretary of the building owners' association, announced yesterday. The new comfort stations on the north park blocks and at Second and Washington streets, while not complete, will be thrown open. Similar facilities in a more limited way are offered by all churches, which will also open their parlors as rest rooms, Mr. Sayer said.

New Postoffice to Open.

A fully-equipped postoffice, with every facility, will be opened Saturday in Shrine headquarters. A force of young women postal clerks will take charge. All Shrine mail without definite addresses will be made available there. Hundreds of pieces of mail have arrived already.

The Western Union Telegraph company opened an office in the Broadway headquarters, and is completing an elaborate office in the auditorium, and Manager Robb announced that most of the downtown offices would remain open until midnight while night and day service would be maintained at the Third and Oak office, and the office on Broadway between Alder and Washington streets.

The moment telegraphic connections were made at Shrine headquarters, the following message was sent

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