

COX ASSERTIONS AGAIN RIDDLED

Surdity of Slush Fund Charges Proved.

CITY QUOTAS COX FICTION

Only State Requirements Issued, Declares Republican National Treasurer.

MILLION DECLARED ENOUGH

Oregon Man Eager to Help Party Paying Most Gets Job With Democrats.

CHICAGO, Aug. 31.—Republican finances were again under scrutiny of the senate committee investigating campaign expenditures today. Will Hays, Fred W. Upham and other party leaders found occasion for further denial of Governor James Cox's charges that a \$15,000,000 fund was being raised and also offered the committee leads directed toward the democratic coffers.

Mr. Upham, as treasurer of the republican national committee, was questioned at length by Senators Clegg and Reed, democrats, who elicited the information that the congressional and senatorial campaign committees of the party had budgets totaling \$700,000, in addition to the more than \$3,000,000 budget appearing in Chairman Hays' testimony yesterday.

Upham Submits Quotas. At Senator Reed's request Mr. Upham read a table of state quotas which the witness said he made up 4 months before Senator Harding was nominated. This table totaled \$4,491,500, but Mr. Upham explained that he had no hope or desire to collect more than \$3,000,000 of this amount.

Senator Reed delved deeply into the amounts assigned counties, cities and other local subdivisions of the party organization, but did not make Mr. Upham's denial that he had no knowledge of the city quotas which Governor Cox read in a recent speech at Pittsburg. The questioning by the Missouri senator finally led to the point where Mr. Upham said he did not know how much of the various state quotas was assigned to particular localities. He said he knew of only two city financial directors of the party, one each in Chicago and New York, but he "hoped there were a lot more."

"I never saw a quota for any city in the United States," said Mr. Upham. "I assigned only the state quotas, and how these were subdivided by the state organizations was none of my affair."

"No, but you are responsible for them in law, fact and conscience so long as these subdivisions were made by agents of your committee and so long as these agents did nothing criminal in carrying out your system," rejoined Senator Reed.

Senator Reed then argued that there was no way to limit the amounts that might be collected in any one state and Mr. Upham reported that he would "stop them before they got to \$3,000,000."

Cox Statement Decried. Mr. Upham agreed with Senator Clegg that it was both possible and probable that large sums would be raised in industrial centers by either party of which the national officers of the party would have no knowledge. The witness said no one knew what amounts would be expended by county organizations, and when reverting to the list of 51 cities which Governor Cox used, he said he had never heard a statement that only four copies of this list were made.

Mr. Upham turned over a complete file of the treasurer's official bulletins to which Governor Cox also referred. Senator Reed pointed out discrepancies between some items in the bulletin and the list of state reports given by the committee to Mr. Upham. The latter opined that the language of the bulletin, which he said, was designed to encourage the field workers, might be taken

SHORTBRIDGE LEADS CALIFORNIA COUNT

REPUBLICAN NOMINATION FOR SENATOR AT STAKE.

Milo D. Campbell Is Ahead in Race for Gubernatorial Ticket in Michigan.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 31.—Samuel M. Shortbridge was far in the lead of William Kent, ex-representative from the first congressional district, and A. J. Wallace, ex-lieutenant governor of California, contestants for the republican nomination for United States senator, when 1355 of the state's 6121 precincts had reported tonight.

Justice Stone, candidate to succeed himself for one of the short terms on the supreme court bench, also was leading, with 3,935, his only opponent in 812 precincts, his only opponent in 812 precincts.

The vote showed: Kent 23,423, Shortbridge 22,116, Wallace 11,972. Returns for supreme court from 812 precincts gave: Stone 22,625, York 11,418.

DETROIT, Aug. 31.—With the bulk of the city vote in Tuesday's primary still to be heard from, Milo D. Campbell of Coldwater continued to lead Attorney-General Groesbeck by a margin of slightly more than 3000 for the republican gubernatorial nomination. In returns from 662 out of 1000 precincts in the state and representing incomplete figures from 82 of the state's 83 counties, the vote stood:

Campbell 19,435, Groesbeck 16,433, Charles S. Mott of Flint was running third with 9,595. Lieutenant-Governor Dickinson fourth with 5294, Fred C. Martindale of Detroit fifth with 5256; Frank B. Leland sixth, 4668; James Hamilton of Detroit seventh, 4238; Cassius L. Glasgow eighth, 3958, and Horatio S. Earle, Detroit, ninth, 2138.

In the republican race for the lieutenant-governorship nomination Thomas W. Read was largely maintained his lead over Charles D. Scully of Almont. With the vote tabulated from 356 precincts, Read had 15,616, Scully 11,128.

The vote for ex-Governor Ferris, unopposed candidate for the democratic gubernatorial nomination, bore out early predictions that the democrats would display comparatively little interest in today's primary. The 662 precincts tabulated gave Ferris 2407. Ferris' unopposed running mate, Lieutenant-Colonel Guy Willison of Flint, received 1589 in 354 precincts.

EX-CITY EDITOR LASHED

Woman Accuses Chicago Man of Eloping With Daughter.

CHICAGO, Aug. 31.—H. R. Daniel, a former city editor of the old Chicago Inter-Ocean, was lashed across the face and body in the union station today by Mrs. Charles M. Cooper of Indianapolis, who drew a "black-snake" from under her cape.

Mrs. Cooper said that Daniel had attempted to elope with Sarah Frances, her 20-year-old daughter. "I'm of age and I'll do as I please," Miss Cooper said at the detective bureau.

All three were released. Daniels and Miss Cooper later obtained a marriage license. He gave his address as Brooklyn and his age as 45. Miss Cooper gave her age as 46.

Daniel was divorced several years ago. Daniel and Miss Cooper were married late today and left tonight for Decatur, Ind.

COBB THINKS COX BEATEN

Governor Gunned Works, Declares Speaker at The Dalles.

THE DALLES, Or., Aug. 31.—(Special.)—"Governor Cox gunned the work and Harding is as good as elected," Irvin Cobb declared at an informal dinner given here tonight by the chamber of commerce. Representative Sinnott presided.

Mr. Cobb, who is an avowed democrat, said he could not understand why the democratic nominee had made his charges of a huge slush fund when he was unable to prove that such a fund existed or was being raised.

"My platform consists of four planks—wine, ale, liquor and cigars," Mr. Cobb intends to spend a month in Oregon, gathering material for magazine stories. He will leave tomorrow morning for Bend, Or.

TOTS PASS BABE AROUND

Boy Gives Infant Ride in Wagon and Wanders Far From Home.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 31.—(Special.)—A baby about 18 months old, was left at the home of Mrs. Agnes Tibbodeau, Nineteenth and Washington streets, about 10 o'clock today, by a little girl. She got the child from a little boy with a wagon. The baby followed the little boy and he gave it a ride. When he reached Nineteenth and Main streets he decided he did not want the baby any more and did not want to walk or ride back with it—it is uphill back so he gave the infant to the little girl. Mrs. Tibbodeau called the police and the mother has failed to call and the child, who is able to toddle around pretty well, refuses to talk.

Song Writer Is Killed. NEW YORK, Aug. 31.—Samuel Lehman, well-known musical conductor and author of "Bicycle Works" but "Father," was killed here Sunday by an automobile. It became known today. Lehman was 38 years old.

OREGON EDUCATOR FIGURES IN PROBE

Democratic Pay Wins Willamette ex-Professor.

JOHN O. HALL IN LIMELIGHT

Republicans Held Unable to Meet High Offers.

SENATOR NEW TESTIFIES

\$7500 and Non-Political Job Promise After Campaign Declared Beyond Party.

CHICAGO, Aug. 31.—(Special.)—The sensation of the day before the senate sub-committee investigating contribution of campaign funds was a letter written July 31, 1920, by John O. Hall, formerly a professor in Willamette university, Salem, Or., at the time he was in the employ of the emergency relief corporation, to Harry S. New, United States senator and chairman of the speakers' bureau of the republican national committee.

Professor Hall declared that he had received an offer of \$7500 and expenses and the promise of a non-political job after the campaign from the democratic national committee, but would rather join the republican forces.

Senator New replied that it was impossible to compete with the democratic committee on the terms mentioned. Senator New then stated to the investigating committee that Professor Hall is now in the employ of the democratic committee at the Murray Hill hotel headquarters in New York, at the head of the Scandinavian bureau.

Position Called Delicate. Professor Hall's letter, dated at Washington, D. C., and written on the letterhead of Willamette university, read:

"My Dear Senator—I wish to thank you for your kind letter of the 29th inst. My position has been quite delicate, as I have been engaged in government work, and many of my democratic friends have been pressing me to join them in their political campaign.

"In order that you may fully understand my present position and my future plans, permit me to go somewhat into details. I have always voted the republican ticket up to nine years ago, when I moved to Oregon. Then, for several reasons, I registered as an independent. Being somewhat disappointed with President Taft's administration and not fully in

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IT DIDN'T WORK.



PRICE RISE IS GIVEN TO MILK PRODUCERS

COMMISSION'S ACT IS NOT TO HURT CONSUMERS.

Distributors Must Absorb 35 Cents a Hundred and Retailers Are to Lose 1 Cent.

An increase in price of 35 cents a hundred pounds was awarded Portland producers for their milk by the newly appointed city milk commission in its first report since its appointment by Mayor Baker. Consumers' prices were not increased, the milk distributing plants that buy from the producers being required by the report to foot the bill for the increase to the producers. The commission's report, which both producers and distributors have promised to live up to, means that the producers will get many hundreds of dollars more for the milk produced during August than they would have obtained without the settlement.

Grocery Store Profit Cut.

The report, his grocery stores to the extent of 1 cent, results on each quart bottle of milk. The grocer will pay 13 cents for quarts instead of the former price of 12 cents and will continue to sell quarts for 15 cents. The price for pints is unchanged.

The practice of cutting the wholesale price to grocers and other stores will be discontinued, according to an agreement reached before the commission by Alma D. Katz, representing the producers, and M. M. Work, representing the distributors.

The commission made its first report after four meetings at which the subject was investigated extensively. The report was signed by W. L. Brewster, Jonah E. Wine, W. D. Whitcomb and A. L. Tetu. The fifth member, W. B. Fletcher, has been unable on account of illness to attend the meetings.

Settlement Held Temporary. Mr. Brewster, chairman of the committee, said the report was meant only as a temporary settlement until the commission can go into the subject deeper, when permanent winter prices will be fixed. He said the commission hopes to have this settled by October 1.

The producers of milk have been receiving \$3.20 a 100 pounds from the distributors and have been very much dissatisfied, declaring that such a price made it impossible for them to realize a profit for their work. They asked \$3.50 a 100 pounds or an increase of 40 cents dating from August 1. The distributors contended for a price of \$3.50 dating from September 1. Accordingly, the commission compromised the matter by awarding a price of \$3.55 dated August 1.

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AUGUST RECORD IN BUSINESS GOOD ONE

SHOWING FOR MONTH JUST ENDED FAVORABLE.

Decided Gains in Practically All Lines in Past Year and Outlook Is Promising.

Business statistics for the month just ended show a steady gain since August a year ago. Bank clearings, building permits, electrical and plumbing permits indicate rapid growth for Portland.

Bank clearings for August, \$180,398,175, exceed those of August, 1919, by \$12,231,460, when the total reached \$168,176,715. This is nearly half a million dollars for each business day. The balances last month, \$30,187,510, eclipse those of August, 1919, by approximately \$100,000.

Building permits for last month, 977 in all, represent a value of \$29,700 as compared with 866 permits in August, 1919, with a valuation of \$28,840, a difference of \$91,520. Electrical permits for the month were 322,625, as against 386,230 last year, a slight decrease. On plumbing permits a gain of \$65,425 is shown in the figures for last month, \$137,350 as against \$71,925 last year.

Merchants, bankers and business men generally report the city's prosperity far in excess of the seasonal expectations. There were 139 new residences included in the building permits.

Postal officials reported yesterday a steady gain in postal savings deposits, the figure standing at \$1,745,628, with a total of 4925 depositors. Government figures on money orders issued and paid were said to eclipse the July figures of \$498,961 paid out and \$304,409 issued. This compared with the same month in 1919 shows an increase of \$191,919 being \$427,347 paid out and \$295,976 issued.

JAP SOLUTION REPORTED

Negotiations Between Colby and Shidihara Are Rumored.

HONOLULU, Aug. 31.—(By the Associated Press.)—Negotiations between Secretary of State Colby and Ambassador Shidihara at Washington have reached a solution of the Japanese immigration problem in the United States, according to a Tokio dispatch to the Nippu Jiji, a Japanese paper here, giving its authority as the Kokumin Shinbun Tokio newspaper, crediting the report to a reliable source.

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AID RECLAMATION, PLEADS HARDING

Nominee Stresses West's Natural Resources.

SOLDIER HOME PLAN URGED

Work Rejected by Democrats Last 8 Years, He Says.

FOOD SHORTAGE RESULTS

"We Must Make Mountain West Country of Homes for People Who Need Homes."

MARION, O., Aug. 31.—The Roosevelt policy of conservation to develop the west and insure an adequate food supply was advocated by Senator Harding today in a speech to a delegation of republican governors.

The republican nominee also suggested that many former soldiers might be provided homes in the undeveloped western country and declared the duties of reclamation and development rested both on federal and state authorities and on public as well as private financing.

Governor Frank G. Lowden of Illinois was spokesman of the delegation and in a speech praised the "dignity and self-restraint" with which the senator had conducted his campaign. He also voiced a hope that republican victory would insure a fuller measure of co-operation between the federal and state governments and in response Senator Harding pledged himself to exert his influence to prevent "encroachments on the several states of the union."

Peril in City Trend. Drawing an analogy between present conditions and those following the civil war, the candidate declared his conviction that many former soldiers would be glad to help open the unsettled regions of the west as a reward for their service to their country. He asserted that peril to the nation would result unless there were greater development of agriculture in comparison to the growth of the city population.

"It was against profligacy," he said, "that Roosevelt raised his voice and exerted the veto power. He started the great reclamation movement. Roosevelt's greatest boon to the nation and what he did for his time we must carry forward to the future."

Senator Harding also declared that in his conservation policy the government must guard against private monopoly but said he had "no particular choice" between the employment of private capital and public funds to attain the highest productivity of natural resources.

Conservation Is Stressed. He asserted that the country needed a resumption of the republican conservation program inaugurated by Roosevelt, but "neglected since 1912."

Eight republican governors and several republican gubernatorial nominees were in the delegation. After the nominee's address at the Harding front porch, the entire party were guests at a G. A. R. picnic.

To the old soldiers Senator Harding made only a two-sentence talk, saying his appointment as senator possible for him to indulge in a more extended address. The meeting at the park was closed by a fire and drum serenade, in which the nominee's father, Dr. George T. Harding, a civil war veteran played the snare drum.

Besides the state chief executives, those who saw the candidate during the day included Joseph G. Cannon, former speaker of the House; Senator Charles E. Townsend of Michigan and Colonel Dan M. Hall of Columbus, commander-in-chief of the G. A. R.

Japanese Question Boils Up. Governor Stephens of California also talked to Senator Harding, and afterward said that the senator might be expected to make a public expression on the Japanese question "in the near future." The governor added that he could only say that "I am going away extremely well satisfied with his attitude and understanding of the whole situation."

In his address Governor Lowden praised Harding's ability and his method of conducting his campaign.

"We admire you," said the Illinois governor, "for the dignity and self-restraint with which you discuss public questions. We approve most heartily of the devotion you have to the constitutional government, which you so strongly manifest in your utterances, and we not only admire your public utterances, but we applaud the fact that you do not resort to charges against the opposition, and it is entirely beyond me, and out of my power, to express the regard we feel for you because you do not hold out false promises to the people."

"We are glad, thoroughly glad, that you do not believe that there is any anarchy in government. The republican party is progressive, but it believes in that progress that comes along the line of evolution and not through revolution."

"There is an undeveloped mountain west awaiting the touch of genius and industry," said Senator Harding, "and

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Through her attorney, Phillip Twoeger, she declares that the Booths had married in Victoria, B. C., within six months after Carrie Booth, the wife, had been divorced by a man named Laird. The legal effect of marrying within the prohibited time is to void the marriage, according to Twoeger.

Mrs. Dwyer denied that she had bestowed expensive gifts on the young husband in order to lure him from his wife.

Shortly after Mrs. Dwyer filed her answer to the \$50,000 alienation suit, young Booth entered a suit for divorce against his wife. He alleged that she was the victim of continued nagging and declared that his wife at one time had caused his arrest on a charge of assault that she knew was false.

HORNETS START PANIC

Hood River Yellow Jackets Rout Children and Teachers.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Aug. 31.—(Special.)—Yellow jackets, emerging from their nest beneath an old board sidewalk near the school building, routed children of the Coe primary school today. The janitor, neighbors and teachers, rushing to aid the youngsters, went down to defeat, and it was necessary to call in City Marshal George Doering, dozens of children were stung, the insects creating hysteria as they fastened themselves in the children's hair or became entangled in their clothing.

An attempt was made to burn out the nest, and a bale of hay was fired, but this only caused the wasps to fly over a wider area in search of victims. Tonight the sidewalk was roped off, and about a peck of yellow jackets were warning around the wreck of their home. The school board has ordered the marshal to impress deputies tomorrow to abate the nuisance.

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Meier & Frank Furniture Warehouse Burned.

SMOKE OVERCOMES SEVERAL

Flames Cause Residents of Adjacent Hotel to Flee.

THOUSANDS SEE BLAZE

Short Circuit Between Trolley and Guy Wires Blamed for Broadway and Taylor Fire.

Damage estimated at \$200,000 was caused last night by a fire which practically destroyed the Meier & Frank furniture warehouse at Broadway and Taylor streets and ruined valuable furniture in storage there.

Two firemen were injured and several were overcome by smoke while fighting the blaze. At an early hour this morning the flames threatened the Caples hotel, adjoining the warehouse, and it was thought possible that the fire might get out of control.

The injured firemen were: Elmo Bradford of engine No. 7, head cut by falling glass. Julius Heiberg of truck No. 1, overcome by smoke.

Heiberg was carried from the building unconscious in time to prevent serious injury and taken to the emergency hospital. Bradford was also rushed to the emergency hospital, where he received treatment for minor cuts. At 3 A. M. both men were reported resting easily and out of danger.

Short Circuit Starts Fire. The fire was said to have started from a short circuit between a trolley wire and a guy cable attached to the building. The blaze started at 11:15 with a flash which lit up the downtown district for blocks.

The fire flared into the center of the roof, but within a few minutes the blaze had spread through the whole building, fed by the dry, highly varnished furniture.

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