

COX BACKERS FAIL TO PROVE CHARGES

Evidence of Corruption Fund Still Lacking.

NEW BOGY TROTTED OUT

Barnes Republican Violation List Book Declared Substantiated of Federal Law.

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occurs and eight republicans had already given \$1000 each to the association. Mr. Marsh said anyone contributing to a protective tariff association should be classed as a republican and used the term "camouflaged democrats" in this connection.

Senator Kenyon wanted to know if Mr. Marsh thought the republicans had any reason to spend money in the southern states, and the latter retorted that he had heard the republicans expected to carry North Carolina and "on very hopeful days" extended this hope to Texas.

Senator Kenyon asked if the league to enforce peace was not spending money in advocacy of the league of nations and whether the witness thought the democratic national committee ought to do that work instead.

Taft Doing Well Enough.

"If you mean the organization of which William H. Taft is the head, I see no reason why we should undertake work that Mr. Taft is doing so well for us," replied the democratic official.

The Chairman Suggested that Large Expenditures would not in themselves indicate corruption if the work itself was legitimate.

As possible electoral reforms Mr. Marsh advocated legislation classing as political parties all organizations engaged in collecting funds for political propaganda and compelling them to make public reports of their finances. He also said that he favored strongly a law which would prohibit individuals sending money for political purposes into states of which they were not residents, citing as an example of this practice \$20,000 which he said, Coleman Dupont sent to Indiana in 1916.

Every Check Scrutinized.

Books submitted by Mr. Marsh included a complete list of contributors to the democratic treasury containing thousands of names. The witness said Mr. White told the committee that no limit had been fixed on the size of individual subscriptions, but that every check was scrutinized closely as to its size and source. From the list Senators Spencer and Edge learned that the largest sum under description was for \$20,000 from E. A. Rowe, a banker of Boston, Tex.

Mr. Marsh Explained that this Amount had been given by several individuals with the understanding that it was to be repaid.

The republican investigators had Mr. Marsh identify other contributors, bringing out that Edward N. Hurley, former head of the shipping board, had given \$500 and James Gerard, former ambassador to Germany, \$200. Then a subscription of \$1000 by William G. McAdoo was mentioned.

He is also a former office holder,

repeated Mr. Marsh.

Adjournment Today Likely.

Sensors Kenyon and Edge announced tonight that the committee planned to complete its work here tomorrow and adjourn to some eastern city, possibly Pittsburgh. The committee had received no word tonight from H. H. Moore of Ohio, who was reported as being en route to Chicago as Governor Cox's personal representative.

Democratic national committee requests for contributions from federal office holders and committee members delivery stamps for delivery at homes instead of offices to avoid conflicting with the law.

D. Jamieson, the democratic national committee's financial director, told the senate committee tonight.

Jamieson, who was called to the stand primarily in connection with the interview published by the New York Herald Tribune, also said he was saying from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000 would be required to elect a democratic president in 1920, and also described the "Jamieson plan" of raising money.

White Has No Evidence.

George White, chairman of the democratic national committee, said on the stand today that he had no evidence to sustain any one of the charges made by Governor Cox, his party's presidential nominee, as to republican campaign funds and quotas or the alleged desire of contributors "to have back of them in industrial centers the best of their puppets in office." He told Chairman Kenyon he believed the charges were true because he had confidence in Governor Cox, but he had not discussed them in detail with the nominee and brought nothing from him to aid the committee in assisting them.

I talked with Governor Cox last Sunday for a few minutes," said Mr. White.

"I asked him: 'Are you sure of your ground?' He said he was and I told him: 'You're the boss and you run it.'"

Mr. White said the committee had reserved six rooms in the Murray Hill hotel in New York in which he had planned to install a "foreign voters' league." He said the rooms were not yet occupied.

Oregon Man Has Job.

Senator New, head of the republican speakers' bureau, testified yesterday that Professor John O. Hall of Willamette university, Salem, Or., who had offered to work for the republican campaign provided his managers would raise a democratic fund of \$7500 for his services, was in the Murray Hill hotel quarters as he had the Scandinavian bureau.

Senator Kenyon asked if Mr. White did not consider it the duty of the men who have this evidence, if it exists, to give it to us whether they are presidential candidates or not,

and when the witness did not reply, the chairman said he realized that the query might be embarrassing and he would not press it out of respect for Mr. White's relations with Governor Cox.

Senator Kenyon read to the witness telegrams from Governor Cox to the committee and to Senator Reed,

a member, promising to furnish the investigators with information. The latter message told the Missouri senator that the candidate would "get some matters into your hands soon."

White Trusts Governor.

Pressed by his questioners, Mr. White said he was willing to abide by the judgment of Governor Cox as to whether the candidate should be furnished the committee.

"But you have a speaking trip arranged for Governor Cox next week, and you would not wish us to interfere with that," argued Senator Ken-

yon. "In fact, we have no desire to interfere with it."

"The committee has jurisdiction over its own affairs," said Mr. White. Mr. White, under questioning by Senators Spencer and Kenyon, said the only example of a "sinister influence" in the republican campaign was which he knew of personally was the republican year book being published by William H. Barnes.

Discussion of the Barnes book disclosed that photographic copies of pledges of moral and financial support to the book, signed by prominent eastern men, including the Rockefeller family, had disappeared from the records, in which they were introduced Monday. A heated clash between Senator Reed and Senator Kenyon followed when Senator Reed insisted on an investigation of the disappearance of the papers.

"Do you understand that these pledges related only to the support of the book?" Senator Kenyon asked Mr. White.

Papers Might Mean Much.

"They could mean anything," the witness answered.

"Do you think they relate to support for the republican campaign?"

"Yes, through republican propaganda."

"Do you think the Barnes book is a more sinister influence than the circulation through country newspapers of propaganda favoring the league of nations, such as this story 'Uncle Sam of Freedom Ridge,' and having it paid for by a particular political party and having the man who reads it not know that it is political propaganda?"

more sinister," Senator Kenyon asked.

"I don't apologize for wanting to circulate that story," Mr. White retorted. "The editor of the paper is responsible if he uses it. He isn't paid to print it."

Mr. White said he had not seen the Barnes book.

Senator Kenyon then questioned the witness about salaries paid speakers or other campaign workers and inquired particularly about Professor John O. Hall, head of the Scandinavian bureau of the democratic national committee, who was shown in letters read by Senator New yesterday as negotiating with both the democratic and republican committees for his services.

Professor Hall Dismissed.

The inquiry developed that Mr. White had dismissed Professor Hall last night, following disclosure of the New letters.

"How about this professor?" Senator Kenyon asked.

"I was interested and investigated," Mr. White said. "He seems to be bipartisan."

"Yes, he seems to be," Senator Kenyon replied.

"He made a statement before a witness that he was offered \$2000 by the republicans," Mr. White retorted, "but he said he would not work for the democrats. The joke is on us, though, for paying him \$100 a week."

Mr. White said he had not seen the farmer-labor party?" Senator Kenyon asked.

Refund Is Questionable.

Senator Edge asked if Mr. White would return any part of his campaign collections if the fund exceeded the \$2,000,000 which he had estimated would be necessary.

"You were here when I said approximately \$2,000,000," Mr. White replied, "and I qualified that by saying I would not return any part of it if I know more about the matter than I do before fixing a definite amount."

Professor John O. Hall, whose dismissal as head of the Scandinavian bureau of the democratic national committee Chairman White disclosed in his testimony today, offering his services to the republican party for a minimum of about \$1500, according to yesterday's testimony.

Professor Hall, in correspondence put in evidence yesterday, outlined his former affiliation with the republican party and said, "my wide experience in government service," since he had affiliated with the democratic party had inclined him to "assist my old party to the maximum of my ability." He wrote that the democrats were offering him from \$200 to \$10,000 for his services in this campaign. He wrote that "my long and extensive professional training and my philanthropic work at a sacrifice salary make it necessary, for the welfare of my family, that my present income should be somewhat commensurate with my services. And the services which I could render in the republican campaign are unique."

Talents Are Disclosed.

Describing some of these services, the professor wrote, according to the letters submitted:

"You probably know that Scandinavian church people (especially the Methodists) are not only indifferent to politics, but consider it a spiritual contamination to have anything to do with it. This prejudice I have been able to overcome."

"Another obstacle to be overcome is the Non-partisan league, and as many of the leaders in that movement are Scandinavians, I am positive that I could gain many converts among them for a republican victory."

"When you consider that I am in the service of the present administration and considering also its ardent efforts to enlist my services in its political campaign, you can readily see that to go over into your campaign means that I must burn all the bridges behind me as far as the democratic party is concerned, and I am willing—yes, glad—to do so, for the welfare of my country, providing you can by August 10 offer me a salary approaching the minimum amount offered me by the democratic committee and if you can also give me the assurance that the republican party will promise me a re-appointment, provided that my services in the campaign, as well as my qualifications, would warrant such an appointment."

Offer Refused by New.

Senator New testified that he refused this offer and that Professor Hall went with the democratic campaign. He said that his first letter from Professor Hall came on the letterhead of the Willamette university of Salem, Or.

Senator Edge learned that Mr. White did not know whether "Big Bill" Edwards, Harry Payne Whitney and other New York men were on the democratic finance committee in the last campaign and remarked that the present chairman seemed to have much ground to cover in gathering up the threads of past affairs.

Mr. White then told Senator Edge the democratic committee has no definite plans as yet looking to co-operation between state and national finance committees.

He said funds might be collected by local organizations over which he had no control but would not admit that he knew of any such plans.

Mr. White gave as his judgment that all democratic funds would be limited to \$2,000,000, and told Senator Reed he had publicly announced that he would refuse any contribution carrying with it any improper obligation, either expressed or implied.

Tammany Control Denied.

"Do you not know that the New York democratic committee, commonly known as Tammany Hall, will raise hundreds of thousands of dollars in addition to funds which they may

turn over to the national committee?" asked Senator Edge.

Mr. White said he did not know that, and added that he had no control over Tammany Hall.

Senator Kenyon reverted to the Barnes political publication. The senator asked Mr. White's judgment on what would happen if Barney Baruch wrote a book endorsed by Thomas Chabourne, other New York democrats, adding that all the financiers were not in the republican party.

"Well, our receipts would indicate that," rejoined Mr. White.

Senator Kenyon took up campaign advertising and publicly and drew the statement that William J. Cochran, democratic publicity director, had planned a \$400,000 billboard campaign, but the arrangement lapsed because funds were not available.

Senator Kenyon asked about the 1916 democratic fund, said to have been \$2,300,000, and after lengthy questioning persuaded Mr. White to state that the same campaign, repeated this year, would cost anywhere from \$3,450,000 to \$4,600,000, because of the increased cost of everything.

"Do you think it explained again, and again that, while he believed the 1916 fund was spent for perfectly legitimate purposes, he did not believe so large a fund was necessary and was planning a more economical campaign."

Collections Rather Costly.

Senator Kenyon questioned the witness about the expense of maintaining his financial collection agency in Washington and brought out that \$15,000 was spent for furniture and the equipment; that the payroll at its peak averaged \$15,000 a month, and that the rentals at their height were \$300 monthly.

About 300,000 letters were sent to prospective contributors, he said.

All letters to confidential employees bore special delivery stamps.

"That was so they would go to their homes," Senator Kenyon asked.

"Yes."

"You know that the law prohibited the solicitation of funds in federal buildings?"

"No, they would not commit themselves."

"Did you think this plan would not violate the law?"

"Yes."

"Did you have any advice to that effect?"

Chance Admitted Taken.

"I talked to two members of the civil service commission."

"Did they tell you it would not?"

"No; they would not commit themselves."

Senator Kenyon questioned Mr. Jamieson about the collection of funds by the Iowa Democratic club and referred to the letter from I. W. W. Drenner, secretary of the club, to Miss Clara Boehle, postmistress at Norway, Iowa.

The chairman brought out that Wilbur W. Drenner, democratic national treasurer, and E. T. Meredith, secretary of agriculture, were directors of the club.

Reading from the letter, Senator Kenyon quoted: "In order to count on the aid of the Iowa Democratic club, I am sending this under a special delivery stamp."

A letter said the club had given \$10,000 to the democratic national committee, while Jamieson said his figures showed but \$5000 received.

Mr. Marsh interrupted to say that the figures in the letter might be correct.

Jamieson Denies Report.

Mr. Jamieson denied ever having said he planned to raise from five to ten millions for the democratic presidential campaign.

Senator Kenyon read the interview which quoted the witness as saying he planned to get 3,000,000 contributors to give \$5 or \$10 each; planned to have 1000 employees in his financial department; would send out 3,500,000 letters; and would spend more money for 2-cent postage stamps alone than had been spent in any previous democratic presidential campaign.

Mr. Jamieson replied that he had never said anything about the amount of money he intended to raise, but had said he wanted to get an army of contributors, and had, in fact, obtained about 300,000.

Senator Kenyon asked if he expected to get \$5 or \$10 from each of the 300,000, but Mr. Jamieson retorted that no amount had been fixed.

Few Millionaires Respond.

Senator Kenyon introduced copies of various form letters sent out by Mr. Jamieson asking the recipients to contribute amounts ranging from \$20 to \$200. One pamphlet accompanying a letter, said several million names were on the democratic mailing list.

Senator Reed interrupted to ask what Homer Cummings, former democratic national chairman, gave to the campaign, and learned that Mr. Cummings' check was for \$1000.

Two hundred letters were sent to other men with incomes ranging from \$250,000 to \$1,000,000, asking them to donate \$5000, but Mr. Jamieson said, but only six or eight responded.

Senator Kenyon asked about news-

paper reports that Mr. Jamieson had met Bernard Baruch and Thomas Chabourne in New York and that they "pushed to the financial rescue of the democratic presidential nominee." The witness denied having met either man for several weeks.

1916 Contributions Cited.

Mr. Jamieson testified that the 1916 democratic campaign contributions included \$75,000 from Cleveland H. Dodge; Bernard Baruch, \$50,000; Thomas Chabourne, a total of \$45,000; and William G. McAdoo, \$1000.

Senator Edge sought to disclose some connection between the democratic financial department and the "Stars and Stripes," a Washington publication. Mr. Jamieson said the secretary, a Mrs. Parks, was a stockholder in the magazine and the president of its board of directors, and that Mr. Parks, also employed in the democratic financial bureau, was also interested in the paper. The "Stars and Stripes," he said, had offices in the Bond building, where his offices also were located August 1, but there was no connection between the two organizations, he declared.

The committee will move its hearings to Pittsburgh next week to investigate charges that the liquor interests have contributed to various campaign funds, Senator Kenyon announced tonight. William Barnes, publisher of the Albany Evening Journal, will be subpoenaed to appear there and tell about his Republican Year Book.

Senator Kenyon announced that Ed Moore, Governor Cox's personal representative, will be the first witness heard in the morning. Senator Pat Harrison, head of the democratic speakers' bureau, also is to be heard tomorrow, he said.

HALL CENSURED BY DONEY

Use of University Stationery in Hunting Political Job Criticized.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—

Carl G. Doney, Willamette university, in a statement today, censured Professor John O. Hall, now censored in political investigation at Chicago for using school stationery in his search for a job with one of the two great parties.

"Mr. Hall's connection with Willamette university in the summer of 1918," said President Doney, "when he handed me his resignation. Prior to that time he had held the chair of instructor in economic geography, while in Salem Professor Hall appeared to feel the political urge and seemed to be interested in state institutions only where they related to his own department of work."

Professor Hall was a brilliant man, Mr. Doney said.

PERSHING MAY GO SOUTH

"Good Will" Visit to Latin-American Republic Considered.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—(Special.)—

Consideration is being given by the war department to a suggestion that General Pershing pay a "good will" visit within a few months to South America.

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