

NON-PARTISAN FUNDS TO BE INVESTIGATED

Senate Commission Will Resume in Few Weeks.

TOWNLEY MAY BE CALLED

Many of Committee Believe Result of National Elections May Have Been Influenced.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 2.—How much money the non-partisan league sent in the national and state campaigns that ended with the November election is a question to be inquired into by the senate non-partisan investigating committee, headed by Senator William S. Kenyon of Iowa. The committee will resume its hearings within the next few weeks to examine witnesses about the non-partisan league activities.

It became known tonight that Senator Kenyon will call a meeting of the committee soon to consider its future program and to check over the work already done with a view of getting a report to be submitted to the senate. So far the members of the committee have been so busy with their matters that they have been unable to devote any attention to the campaign fund investigation.

National Result Influenced.

Some of the members are particularly anxious to go into the non-partisan league question on the ground that a tremendous amount of money was spent in the campaign, chiefly in state elections, but influencing the national result. There are reports current that the non-partisan league spent as much money as either of the national parties, perhaps even more.

Sensation May Be Sprung.

They believe it would be one of the sensations of the investigation, shedding a new light on the methods employed by the leaders of this new power in national politics. The resolutions creating the committee, introduced by one of its members, Senator Alton C. Parker (Ohio), called for a report to the senate at the opening of the present session. The report, however, was not ready, and so an extension of time was granted. The report will be made before March 4.

There is talk that there may be two reports, due to the charges made during the campaign by the democratic presidential nominee, Governor Cox, that the republicans were raising a fund of \$15,000,000 to buy the election.

Parties Still Insistent.

It is being said that the democrats and the republicans will insist that Governor Cox proved his charges, while the republicans will be equally insistent that he did not. This, however, is merely talk, as there has been no formal discussion of the report.

PORT CONSOLIDATION UP

Multnomah Delegation to Consider Measure Tonight.

Final consideration of the bill to consolidate the Port of Portland and the Portland dock commission will be undertaken at an adjourned meeting of the Multnomah legislative delegation in the green room of the Oregon building tonight at 8 o'clock.

An effort will be made by bankers tonight to bring before the delegation proposed remedial legislation for the supervision of bond houses. This legislation is designed to prevent failures such as was brought about by the financial methods of John J. Ethington, president and treasurer of the bond house of Morris Brothers, Inc. Under the rules of the delegation nothing but local legislation can be considered, but it is possible that this rule will be suspended because of the importance of this legislation.

IMMIGRATION BAR DECIED

General Du Pont Declares Need Is Only to Bar Unsubstantiated.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—There is much exaggeration about the volume of immigration, General Coleman Du Pont, chairman of the board of directors of the inter-racial council, declared tonight.

"What is needed," he said, "is to see that those actually arriving are desirable and that whether we are getting the kind of immigrants who will contribute to the upbuilding of the country."

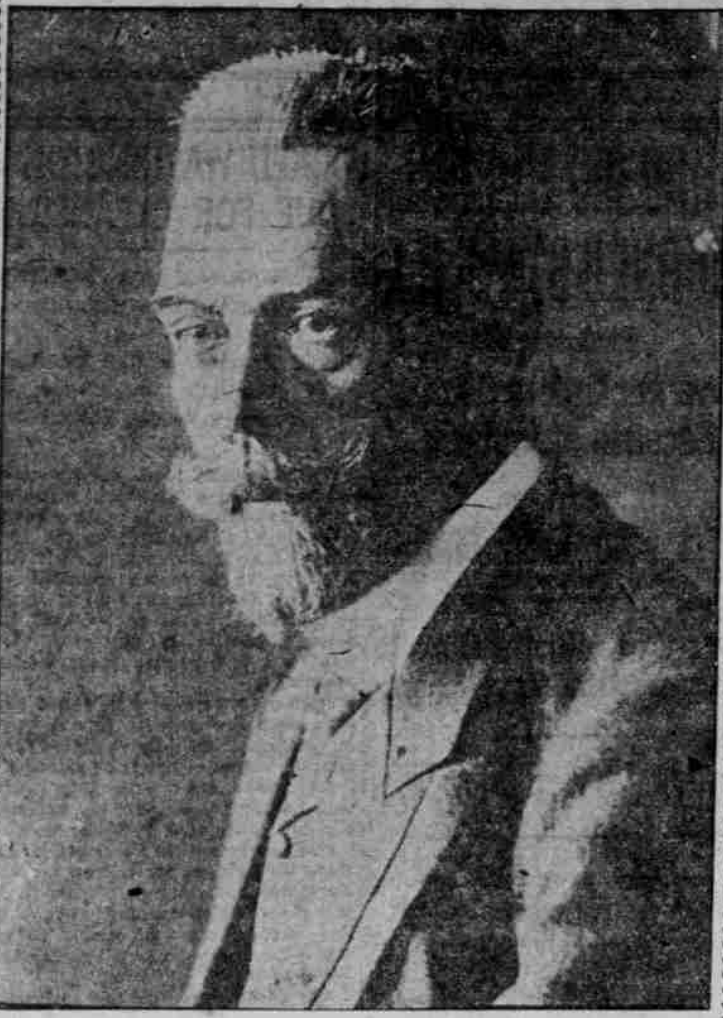
Enactment of restrictive immigration legislation, he added, is being sought in the United States through revival of the "old dread of the alien and an open hostility resembling the 'know-nothing' of a little over half a century ago."

POSTMASTER IS ARRESTED

Honolulu Government Employee Is Charged With Embezzlement.

HONOLULU, T. H., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—William C. Peterson, assistant United States postmaster here, has been arrested on a warrant charging him with embezzlement of approximately \$30,000 in postoffice funds. Peterson admitted the shortage in funds by means of an affidavit but states that he is unable to account for the shortage. He declares that it existed in part at the time he came into office some years ago and that he has covered it up at each official inspection for fear of losing his job. He declares he did not spend it on pleasure or gamble it away. An examination of the postoffice records has commenced.

EX-CHANCELLOR OF GERMANY, WHO IN 1914 TERMED TREATY GUARANTEEING BELGIUM'S INTEGRITY A "SCRAP OF PAPER," DIES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS.



DR. THEOBALD VON BETHMANN-HOLLWEG.

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GERMAN EX-CHANCELLOR OF WAR NOTORIETY SUCCUMBS.

Kaiser's Official Noted for Terminating Treaty of Neutrality of Belgium Mere "Scrap of Paper."

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inability to understand Great Britain's attitude with regard to Germany's attack on Belgium.

Marquage Lasts 20 Minutes.

"I found the chancellor very much agitated," said Sir Edward after the "marquage" which lasted about 20 minutes. He said the step taken by his majesty's government was terrible to a degree. Just for a word—neutrality—a word which in wartime had so often been disregarded—just for a scrap of paper, Great Britain was going to make war on a kindred nation which desired nothing more than to be friends with her."

Sir Edward replied that he understood the chancellor's inability to comprehend the British action, but that Great Britain attached importance to the "scrap of paper" because it bore her signature, as well as that of Germany.

"Our troops have occupied Luxembourg and perhaps also have found it necessary to enter Belgian territory," he said on August 4, 1914. "That is contrary to international law. We know, however, that France was ready to invade Belgium. France could wait; we could not. The ultimatum could invade our lower Rhine flank, which would prove fatal."

Protests Are Disregarded.

"So we were forced to disregard the protests of the Luxembourg and Belgian governments. We shall try to make good the injustice as soon as our military goal has been reached."

Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg was chancellor of Germany from July 4, 1909, to July 13, 1917. He was succeeded by Dr. George Michaelis, an appointee of the former kaiser. It was said von Bethmann-Hollweg was forced out of office through efforts of the militarists, headed by Hindenburg and Ludendorff, largely because of his "scrap of paper" statement and his admission that the German invasion of Belgium was unjust. The former chancellor had on several occasions issued statements blaming the militarists for the war, while previously he had declared England was responsible.

Von Bethmann-Hollweg received prominent attention in June, 1915, when he asked the allied and associated powers to place him on trial instead of the former kaiser. The supreme council ignored his request.

Monarchist Activity Reported.

His national activities before 1914 were marked by his opposition to democratization of Germany. At times he was sharply outspoken in his derision of socialism. Early in the war, however, he became known as a moderate. In 1915 reports from Geneva said he was credited as being at the bottom of a monarchist movement in favor of both the Hohenzollerns and Hapsburgs. On several occasions during his tenure of office Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg threw out peace feelers, particularly in 1918, when he invited the allies to enter negotiations. All of his overtures were rejected.

He was born in 1856 and was educated at the Pforta gymnasium and at the University of Strasbourg, Leipzig, and Berlin. Entering the Prussian administrative service in 1882, he rose to be president of the province of East Prussia in 1909. In 1905 he was appointed Prussian minister of the interior and two years later became imperial secretary of the interior and vice-president of the Prussian ministry of state. He succeeded Prince von Bismarck when he became imperial chancellor in 1909.

POLICE BURN 7 HOUSES

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martial law area, crown forces were fired on by civilians when arresting men. They returned the fire, killing one and wounding two, who were captured and sent to a hospital. Five arrests were made.

MRS. DE VALERA SILENT

Wife Won't Tell of "Irish President's" Whereabouts.

DUBLIN, Jan. 2.—Mrs. Eamon de Valera refuses to say whether her husband is in Ireland. Questioned by

the Associated Press today she merely smiled and shook her head.

"I agreed when I left New York," she explained, "not to say anything to newspaper men."

Asked if it were true Professor de Valera had sent her a postcard announcing his arrival, she replied: "I would rather not answer."

Mrs. De Valera appeared in radiant spirits, indicating she felt no anxiety for her husband's safety. She spoke glowingly of her visit to the United States, saying:

"I became utterly attached to your people. I have never met any people more generous and kindly. Please remember me to the home of the free."

Dublin castle today continued to deny all knowledge of De Valera. The official view seems to be that if he is really here, he has come to unravel Ireland's troubles, not to aid the campaign of the Sinn Fein militants.

It is admitted that, though he may have lost some prestige in consequence of his long stay in the United States, he still wields great power and it is thought there will be no objection to meetings of the Dail Eireann to consider peace unless attended by men urgently wanted by the authorities.

The position of the peace negotiations has considerably improved.

2 Civilians Slain by Police.

BELFAST, Jan. 2.—Two civilians were shot dead Saturday at Ballynary, Thurles, while trying to evade arrest.

ALL AIR SQUADRON SAFE

Reports Received From San Diego—Panama Seaplane Fleet.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan. 2.—After having been without definite news from F-5-L squadron of the San Pedro-Panama seaplane fleet since the night of December 31, the naval air station here tonight received four wireless messages in rapid succession announcing the safe arrival of 12 F-5-L planes at Banderas bay, on the mainland of Mexico, and the landing of the two giant NC type flyers at Magdalena bay yesterday.

14 ships lay at ease today and, according to schedule, will remain at their stations tomorrow.

The NC planes, one hop behind the F-5-L squadron, may make the flight from Magdalena bay to Banderas bay tomorrow, or they may wait for the F-5-L on schedule time Tuesday for the flight to Acapulco, 450 miles to the south.

LONDON SPEAKER HEARD

F. L. Rawson Delivers Address at Auditorium on Healing.

F. L. Rawson of London last night lectured to several hundred people in the Municipal auditorium on the true meaning of life. His belief is that all true life emanates from God and that, if men and women think of God, their physical ailments may be healed. He said that he has demonstrated this time and again and detailed some cases he had handled.

"It is not Rawson who heals, but God," said he. "If a man or woman says 'Rawson healed me,' I should say the healing might be but temporary, but if they say 'God healed me,' I should say it probably will be permanent. God is the truth and as people think of God their physical ailments may be healed."

MORE WEDDINGS ORDERED

Keeper of Zion Thinks Bachelors Dodge Responsibilities.

ZION CITY, Ill., Jan. 2.—A campaign for more marriages was announced today by Wilbur Glenn Voliva, general overseer of Zion, who also denounced "selfishness" of bachelors in dodging responsibilities of matrimony.

Voliva declared he had prepared lists of every eligible man and woman among the 3676 members of Zion city, and that these would be compelled to "attend social gatherings, once a month over which he would preside in role of matchmaker."

"There will have to be more marriages in Zion or I will know the reason why," he announced.

CITY CAR LINE INCOME UP

Receipts of \$2,811,123, Gain of \$178,840 Over 1919.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 2.—The municipal street railway of San Francisco showed receipts of \$2,811,123 during 1920, according to the annual report.

This was a gain of \$178,840.71 over 1919.

Braiding, embroidery, hemstitching, Booth's, Morgan bldg.—Adv.

PLOT TO SLAY KING OF GREECE FAILURE

Many Arrests Made on Eve of Monarch's Return.

COMMUNISTS ARE BLAMED

Originators of Assassination Conspiracy Declared to Be of Bolshevik Class.

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ATHENS, Jan. 2.—Discovery of the scheme to assassinate Constantine as he returned to Athens has brought onto the stage a new element—that of the Greek communists—according to the police. While of approximately 15,000 organized workers only about 1,500 are "class conscious" bolsheviks, their party rotters are said to contain over twice that many followers who, as yet, do not clearly understand the difference between Constantine and bolshevism.

If the plot against Constantine, as the police suspect, was engineered from communist quarters, the originators were of the purely intellectual stamp, such as preached the "Down with Constantine, down with Venizelos, up with Lenin" doctrine during the election campaign.

Every Precaution Taken.

More than 200 arrests were made on the eve of the sovereign's arrival. It has become known, and it is due to this preventive measure, the police believe, that the popular rejoicing to welcome the ruler from exile did not turn abruptly into what would have been regarded as a national catastrophe.

Most of those arrested following the discovery of the plot have since been released, but both the communist and Venizelist irreconcilables are being carefully watched. During the triumphal procession when the mobs were allowed to press immediately up to the royal carriage, some even hanging on to the seat, there was a strict order forbidding the throwing of bouquets or flowers from windows and balconies. Every available detachment of gendarmes was summoned to guard the persons of the king and queen and members of the royal family against a possible attempt at assassination.

One young Constantinist, discharged from his post as manager of a local bank upon Venizelos coming into power, told how, to avenge the wrong, he chose the directors' balcony as his post.

No hint of the alleged existence of a plot to assassinate the king was given to the people for fear of anti-Venizelist and anti-labor riots.

Alexander's Widow Ignored.

Owing to the death of King Alexander, M. Aspasia Manos, the deceased monarch's widow, is living in solitude in her little palace in Kephissia street, almost forgotten by members of the royal family. King Constantine, when asked whether it was true that M. Manos would be asked to leave the country, denied the rumor, but insisted that her status is merely that of an ordinary citizen.

He had not yet looked into the matter of her legacy, which at first his representatives contested and which, according to well informed Athenians, amounts to about 2,000,000 drachmas in personal property such as jewels, furniture and automobiles left by the young king. This property has been removed from the reach of the Greek law courts, it is understood, and some among the sorrow-stricken widow's friends fear she may lose it all if steps to protect her are not taken soon.

Peace Report Denied.

War Minister Gouras firmly denied a report which appeared in the French papers that his government was about to embark on a policy of peace with Mustafa Kemal without the entente's consent. Both he and the prime minister may accompany Constantine on a tour of inspection in Asia Minor when the sovereign goes there shortly to greet his army.

He was explicit in denying the truth of statements made abroad that during the electoral campaign he and other leaders of his party, which now is the strongest single group in the parliament, planned to overthrow the king. Lily, the strong-necked goat mascot, favored one of Lady Luck, in San Francisco.

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AUTHOR VISITOR IN CITY

WILEY PLANS TO WIND UP "WILDCATS" CAREER HERE.

Six Years Ago Work as Civil Engineer Here Was Bringing \$75 a Month. Is Declaration.

Hot on the trail of "The Wildcat," Hugh Wiley, noted author, arrived in Portland yesterday and took up his temporary habitat at the Multnomah.

"The Wildcat" has been assumed by an adventurous Ethiopian from Tennessee, whose various wanderings are faithfully recorded in the pages of the Saturday Evening Post by Wiley.

Recently "The Wildcat" came to Oregon in the confines of a deportation train and promptly left the train at the first opportunity, presented when the train was honored by bandits. After whistling through the black night for some time, the negro came to rest by the banks of the Columbia, dipped his hands into the river and hauled out a dinner of smelt. Later he fell asleep, rolled into the river, was scooped up by a

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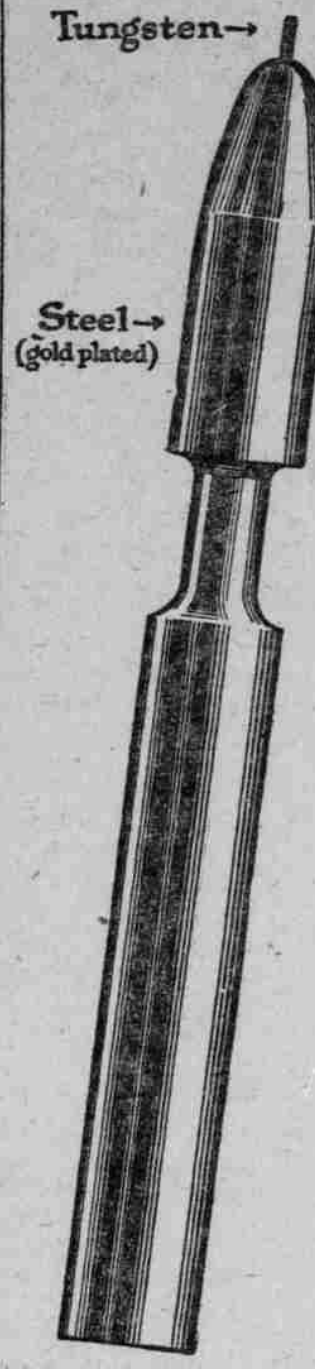
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