## BORAH'S FIGHT NOW RECALLS OLD DRIVE

Two Campaigns for Conferences Paralleled.

SUCCESS NOW UNCERTAIN

Extra Session of Congress After March 4, Which Would Be Helpful, Not Assured.

BY MARK SULLIVAN. (Copyright by New York Evening Poot, Inc. Published by Arrangement.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—

(Special.)-If we could be sure that there would be a special session of congress after March 4 it would be possible to predict that whatever may be the vicissitudes of Senator

may be the vicissitudes of Senator Borah's resolution in its earlier stages something definite would come of it in the long run.

The parallel is most striking between Senator Borah's relation to this newly proposed conference and his part in the moves which brought about the Washington conference for the limitation of armaments. Ten months before the conference came for the limitation of armaments. Ten months before the conference came into being, and almost exactly two years ago. Senator Borah began his agitation for a conference to limit armaments. He did it by precisely the same device he has used in the present case, namely, as an amendment to the pending naval appropriation bill.

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Then, as now, the attitude of the opposition to the bill on the part of the administration was based on time and expediency.

Borah Keeps Fight Up. President Harding, who had been elected, but had not yet taken office, had already begun to think, himself, or such a conference but feit that the time was not ripe for it. Both he and his advisers felt that the United States ought to go along a little further with its own navel building programme before asking other nations to stop theirs, en the theory that while it might be proper for a matton with a dominant navy to suggest limitation, it would be dubious manners for a nation with an inferior navy.

On the first rollicall in the senate on Borah's resolution for a naval limitation conference, the vote in favor of it was negligible. But Borah kept the fight up. On other occasions throughout a period of six months the amendment was either voted down in the senate or in the house, or killed in committee.

In the meantime, then as now, there arose a great pressure of public opinion. The churches took an interest. Immense petitions began to come to congress from the country. Various newspapers and other leaders of opinion began vigorous advocacy. Finally, the administration withdrew its opposition, and aimost exactly five months after Senator Borah had made his first move, his proposal was adopted by the senate with 76 out of the 96 votes in favor of it.

Parallel Almost Perfect.

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Parallel between that and the present situation is practically perfect except in the respect that two years ago it was certain there would be an extra session of congress after March 4, which assures Borah the necessary length of time to carry his fight through. In the present case there is no certainty as yet that there will be a special session after March 4. Indeed, the effort of the administration for many other reasons is to avoid an extra session. If there should not be an extra session, Borah will have only two months in which to carry out his fight.

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perficial evidence. It must be re-membered that, among other things, membered that, among other things, one conspicuous effect of Borah's proposal, and of the identification with it of himself and several other former "irreconcilables," is to split the solidarity of that sentiment which has been watching the administration's foreign policies with minute suspicious.

President Bit Relieved.

It has been easy to guess at any time during the past two years that there have been things which the administration would like to do in the way of affirmative foreign action but which it hesitated to do for fear the old irreconcilable group in the senate would go on the warpath again. Of this old irreconcilable group doubt the ablest. But with Borah now conspicuously and wilfully A. W. O. L. from the irreconcilable army and in favor of affirmative action within the field of foreign policy on the part of the administration, it is clear that there are elements in the situation not except the state of the pack of the Jackson and Josephine counties judical district for the past 13 years, who retires from office on January 1, has just been deceded a director of the Jackson county bank of this city. Judge and Mrs. Calkins will leave the first of California, and on their return he will engage in the practice of law in Medford.

\*\*District Attorney in Quarantine\*\*.

\*\*MEDPORD\*\*, Or., Dec. 29.—(Special.)—Jackson county has been without the services of a district attorney since last Sunday because elements in the situation not exelements in the situation not ex-cessively heart-breaking to Mr Harding and Mr. Hughes

As regards the country, the opposition to Senator Borah's present proposal seems to be almost negligible. It rests on the theory that the administration is entitled to a chance to work out its foreign policy without interference. But, as has been explained already. Senator Borah's present position looked as Borah's present position, looked at in the larger sense, is really not one of interfering with the freedom of the administration to do some-thing affirmative in the foreign field but rather one of removing

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Looked at from the point of view of a comparatively small detail, Borah can perhaps be said to be "forcing the president's hand," but looked at from the larger standpoint of our foreign policy as a whole, Borah's action has the real effect of freeing the president's hand from such interference. Senator Borah's proposal may embarrass some of the administration's plans and the irreconcilable senate bloc, but with a declaration in favor of a more active affirmative foreign pelicy it can hardly be expected to cause Hardling and Hughes to cry themselves sick.

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cial.)—Jackson county has been without the services of a district at-torney since last Sunday because the 12-year-old daughter of County Prosecutor Moore took ill that day and he was at home when the quar antine was established. No ar-rangement had yet been made today to have an acting district attorney

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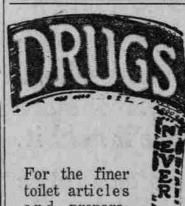
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The committee decided to interplay the wayin various individual realty. view again various individual realty dealers on proposals that have been made, and it is expected that a com-plete report on the proposition will be laid before the city council next

Sawmill Sold for Taxes.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 29 .- (Special.) —The Lammers Bros.' sawmill near Cottage Grove has been sold by Sheriff Stickels for the taxes due for the years 1919, 1920 and 1921, for a little over \$600, or the exact amount of taxes due. The plant has a capacity of 15,000 feet of lumber daily and is worth many times the sale price. The owners stated that they were unable to pay the taxes.



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tal at About \$9,000,000.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 29 .- (Special.) it is yet too early to give any ac-curate figures on the loss sustained through the Astoria conflagration

out his fight.

As regards official Washington, in spite of all that is said, the opposition to Senator Borah's present sition to Senator Borah's present half-hearted. If the senator's proposal should finally succeed, there would not be as many broken hearts as might be guessed from the such as might be guessed from the estate of Josephine and the might be guessed from the estate of Josephine and the might be guessed from the estate of Josephine and the might be guessed from the estate of paign.

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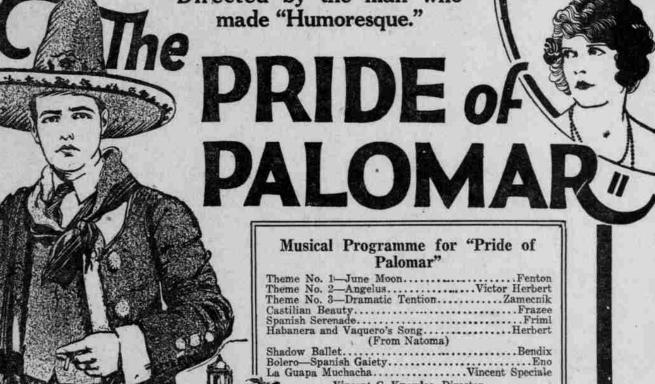


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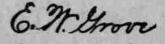


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