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RESULTS IN STATE

Republican Primaries in Many Counties.

FIGHT FOR CONGRESS

Doubt as to Moody or Williamson Geer and Furnish Both Secure Delegations-Uncertain in Many Places.

Republican county conventions and primaries were held in a number of Oregon countles yesterday. In the Second Con-District the fight between Moody and Williamson was the chief issue.

Results seem to have left the contest in as great doubt as ever. Moody appears to have the best of it in Baker County, and Williamson in Union, so far as heard and Williamson in Union, so far as heard from. Wheeler and Gilliam are for Willfamson, and Sherman for Moody. Columbia County is said to be mostly for the One Report Says for Williamson and Wasco County man. Clatsop is doubtless for the candidate from Crook. One thing only seems to be now certain about this contest, and that is that Multnomah County will decide it.

For Governor, Geer has carried a number of counties, and Furnish is in general favor in Eastern Oregon. In many of the ore important countles, however, the delegations are noncommittal, either because they have a candidate for some other office on the state ticket, or they are not now ready to make their choice

Wherever expressions have been made as to the Senatorship, they have been without exception anti-Simon.

BAKER COUNTY IS IN DOUBT. But It Will Probably Go for the Winner.

BAKER CITY, March 22.-The Republican primaries in this county passed very quietly today outside of this city. It is not possible to say who has the advan-tage for Congress-Moody or Williamson, The only contest between the friends of these two candidates was in the second precinct in this city, where there were two tickets in the field, one an avowed Moody delegation, and the other for Will-immson. The Moody ticket was elected by a large majority. The result in this precinct, it is claimed, is a clear indication of how the county convention will vote next Wednesday The friends of Mr. Willfamison dispute this, and there is really nothing to indicate that such a conclusion is correct.

Outside of the second precinct in this city, the delegates elected to the county convention refuse absolutely to say whom they prefer for Congress, except in a few instances, and those who talk are about evenly divided between Moody and Will-iamson. A conservative estimate of the result tonight gives Moody the advantage over Williamson. The contest for joint Senator from Baker, Malheur and Harney Counties between George Chandler and J. L. Rand, of this city, is favorable to Rand.

After obtaining the opinions of the party leaders, including both Moody and Will-lamson men, a correct estimate of the way this county will go is as follows: If, when the convention meets Wednesday next, it is possible for the members of the convention to determine who has the advantage in the other counties of the district, Williamson or Moody, the delegates from this county will be instructed for that If the question is in de the delegates will go uninstructed. This view of the situation is concurred in by a number of gentlemen who are in close touch with the party pulse. Mr. Johns will, of course, have the support of the delegation from this county for Governor. He received a message tonight from Canyou City that five of the delegates from Grant County had declared for him. It is understood that the Grant County delega-

Moody-Cake Delegation.

HUNTINGTON, Or., Morch 22.-At Huntington today, the Republicans elected a Moody-Cake delegation to the county convention. Judge Cake is here to-A close friend says he is here in the interests of his candidacy for Gov-ernor. Judge Cake declines to talk, but says he came on legal business,

WHEELER IS FOR GEER Congressional Delegates Are

Candidate Williamson. FOSSIL, Or., March 22.-The Wheeler Congressional convention, and four Geer delegates to the state convention. The following county officers were nominated: Sheriff, W. T. Johnson; County Clerk, G. O. Butler; Assessor, J. T. Anthony; Com-missioner, Joseph Frizzell; Surveyor, W. W. Kennedy; Coroner, Dr. Jenkins.

For Moody and Geer. BIGGS, Or., March 22.-The Sherman

County primaries went solidly for Moody

COLUMBIA IS FOR F. A. MOORE. Instructs for Him for Senator-Mostly for Moody.

HELENS, Or., March 21.-The Columbia County Republican convention met in St. Helens today and nominated the following officers: Representative, J. M. Booth, of Rainier; County Clerk, Dave I. Davis, of St. Helens; Sheriff, A. L. Clark, of Rainier; Treasurer, E. Ross of St. Helens; Commissioner, H. Ross, of St. Helens; Commissioner, H.

of Marshland; Assessor, A. T. of Deer Island; Surveyor, W. T. Watts, of Scappoose; Coroner, E. C. Dal-Martin Booth, the nominee for Representative, is a strong Fulton man, but the convention passed a resolution in-structing him to use his best endeavors for the election of Hon. Frank A. Moore

for United States Senator. The delegates to the state convention are: H. R. Cliff, of St. Helens; Norman Merrill, of Clatskanie; C. E. Runyon, of Quincy; Casper Libel, of Mist; W. E. Stevens, of Warren; Oscar Elliott, Clatskanie, and James Muckle, of Port-

The delegation will be divided for Governor and is non-committal. Delegates to the Congressional convention are mostly for Moody. The names of delegates are: John Dolan, of Warren; R. Cox and J. B. Godfrey, of St. Helens; Ed Joseph and A. P. McLaren, of Raimier; L. D. Mason, of Mayger, and G. W. Barnes, of Quincy. G. W. Johnson, of Rainier, was elected

chairman of the county central commit-tee and E. E. Quick, secretary.

CLATSOP IS ANTI-SIMON. Only One Ticket in the Field-Light

ASTORIA, Or., March 22.-A very light vote was cast at the Republican pri-maries today. Only one ticket, the anti-Simon list of delegates, selected by the county central committee, was in the field and it was elected without opposi-

ANTI-SIMON IN UNION. Williamson-Furnish Combination

Carries La Grande. LA GRANDE, Or., March 22.—The primaries today were carried by the Will-lamson-Furnish men by a good majority. The vote in La Grande No. 3 was 88 to 42; No. 2, 141 to 57. No. 1 has not reported, but will give about the same vote. Union has reported a beaver majority for anti-

has reported a heavy majority for anti-Simon. Elgin was close, but nearly all the anti-Simon men were elected. Perry elects three Moody delegates.

On the Independent Republican ticket, Union County, 21 delegates were elected at La Grande. 21 at Union 19 at First. at La Grande, 11 at Union, 10 at Eigin, 4 at Hilgard, 3 at Summerville, 3 at North Powder, 2 at Antelope and 2 at Kamela.

HOW IS GRANT COUNTY!

Another for Johns. BAKER CITY, Or., March 22—An un-confirmed report from Grant County says the county convention has named a Fur-

nish-Williamson delegation. CANYON CITY, Or. March 22-Dele gates to the state convention are: George Rader, Grant Thornburg, C. C. Belknap, Frank McBean, W. C. Gibbs, Clarence Johnson and George Weigand. They are uninstructed on Governor, but are probably for Johns and anti-Moody.

PENDLETON, Or., March E.-W. J. Furnish claims the Grant County dele-

Gilliam Is for Williamson.

CONDON, Or., March 22.—Condon pre-cinct elected a Moody delegation. The county is for Williamson. There is not much interest in the Governorship. Dele-gates are mostly for Geer.

JOSEPHINE FOR CHAUSSE.

Wants an Important Place on State Ticket.

GRANT'S PASS, Or., March 22.—The Republican County Convention met this afternoon at the Courthouse at 2 o'clock. W. H. Hampton was made temporary and permanent chairman, and L. V. Stewart secretary. The convention was very harmonious and finished its business by 4 o'clock. The following ticket was neminated:

Delegates to State and Congressional Conventions, J. G. Campbell, F. W. Chausse, H. L. Truax, W. L. Babcock, W. H. Hampton, J. Steiner and L. V. Stew-

For Representative, W. H. Hampton was nominated and declined, and Judge W. C. Hale was elected by acclamation. Other candidates: County Judge, John H. Williams; Sheriff, George W. Lewis; County Clerk, Roy L. Bartlett, now serving his second term. Assessor. Pike.

The state delegation was instructed to support F. W. Chausse for the office of State Printer. In the Congressional convention they will support Thomas H. Tongue and are against the Simon machine. The ticket as a whole is very sat-isfactory, and should stand an excellent chance of success in June.

The Democratic primaries were held to-day and Hon. R. G. Smith, a lifelong Republican, was made a delegate from his precinct. He is said to be after the nomination for Representative on this ticket, The Democratic County Convention will

YAMHILL IS FOR GEER. But the County Is Divided on the

Sensiorship.
M'MINNVILLE, Or., March 22.—The Republican primaries held in Yamhill County today are a complete victory for Geer. Every precinct but one selected a delegation pledged solidly to support Geer for Governor. In North Sheridan precinct, two Geer delegates were elected, and six

On the Senatorial question the delega-tion will be divided. The fight was made entirely on the Gubernatorial office, with the understanding that the Senatorial question will be kept out of the conven-

KLAMATH IS FOR TONGUE. Also for C. S. Moore for State Trens-

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., March 22inces of the Republican County Convention here today are:

A. Castel, Clerk; J. W. Slemens, Sheriff; L. F. Willits, County Judge; O. A.
Stoarns, Commissioner; H. H. Van Valkenburg, Treasurer; Charles Drew, Assessor; A. C. Lewis, Surveyor; Dr.
Reames, Coroner.
Delegator

Delegates to state convention: C. R. Delap, A. Kershner, W. F. Arant, H. F. Murdoch, who also represent the county at the Congressional convention.

Resolutions were passed indorsing Thomas Tongue for Congress, Charles S. Moore for State Treasurer and R. A. Emmitt for joint Representative, and instructing the delegates accordingly. A. L. Leavitt was elected chairman of

LANE LARGELY ANTI-SIMON.

Kuykendall and Harris Will Be Leg-

islative Nominees. EUGENE, Or., March 22.—Today was Republican primary day throughout Lane County, and a good percentage of the voters want to the polls. All the impor-tant precincts have been heard from, and returns show that the county convention and legislative delegation it will nominate will be overwhelmingly anti-Simon. The renomination of Dr. William Kuykendall for Senator, and Attorney L. T. Harris for Representative, is generally conceded. Harris will receive the vigorous support of Lane County's delegation for Speaker of the House. The Republi-can County Convention will have 204 delegates, and meets in Eugene next Satur-

day, March 29.

The Gubernatorial situation is in the balance and may tip either way. Geer has many friends in Lane County, but Simon will stand no show. It is impossible to make any prediction from the pri-mary returns, as the question of the Governorship aid not enter into the issue at all.

Cottage Grove Anti-Simon COTTAGE GROVE, Or., March 22 .- The

and West Virginia.

One More Effort Will Be Made to Secure a Conference With Operators on Uniform Wage Scale Question.

INDIANAPOLIS, March '22.-Secretary-Treasurer W. B. Wilson, of the United Mineworkers of America, returned to national headquarters today from the East,

MINERS MAY STRIKE

White, of the United Garment Workers, and Mr. Easley.

It was decided that the men continue to work under the schedule now in force until after the next meeting, which will take place in the first week in May, when it is expected the matter will be finally decided and a uniform schedule put in force.

Want a Shorter Schedule.

APPLETON, Wis., March 22.—The con-35,000 MEN ARE INVOLVED Carried on against paper manufacturers of this state by the United Brotherhood of Paper-Makers of America, is expected to page a crisis within two weeks. Of 41 reach a crisis within two weeks. Of 41 caper mills in the state, six are operating with nonunion labor, all the union em-ployes being on strike. Nineteen mills are operating on the new schedule on three months' trial. This trial period expires April 1, the Brotherhood having agreed with the manufacturers concerned to go back to the old schedule provided their competitors in this and other states have not fallen into line by that time. Only one mill is now shut down by the strike.

BRIDGEBUILDERS WILL STRIKE. Unless Their Wages Are Advanced to

Opposition to Roosevelt Is Taking Shape.

RENOMINATION TO BE FOUGHT

Move Against the Railway Merger Main Cause for Discontent Among Moneyed Interests of the Country.

WASHINGTON, March 22.-The movement of large financial interests to pre-40 Cents an Hour.

NEW YORK, March 22.—There is a posto be taking quite formidable shape.

necessarily control the volume of the currency for its possessions. To Debute Oleomargarine Bill. The Senators are now devising methods by which the oleomargarine bill can be defeated. The scheme is to amend it so as to nullify its provisions. It is well known that if the House could have voted it sentiment, rather than the sentimen constituents of the members, the bill could not have passed that body. The dairy interests have been

than the present silver dollar worth only

half as much, but those who have the matter under consideration say that con-

ditions as they are found in the Orient,

respecting money and currency, must b met, and it will not do for this country

to impose its own custom in this regard

any more than in other matters, when

they are not applicable. The men rep-

resenting silver states in Congress are

doing what they can to make an unlimit-

ed coinage for the Philippines, but this is not probable, as this Government must

insistent, and if a direct vote could be had at once, the oleomargarine bill would go through the Senate, but by long debate, a vote may be avoided, or such amendments may be adopted that even its friends will not care to see it enacted.

> Urges Assay Office for Portland, Representative Tongue today called or the Director of the Mint to urge his favorable consideration of the bill to establish an assay office at Portland. He left with the Director a long statement showing why the bill should pass, together with a telegram from the Chamber of Commerce in its favor. The bill ,has not yet been referred to the department by the committee, and Director of the Mint Roberts will give no intimation as to what action he will take, although Mr. Tongue expresses the belief that he will favor the Portland bill as

against that for Baker City. Oregonians Meet President. / Representative Tongue today presented

to the President Jefferson Myers, of Salem, his wife, Mrs. Breyman, of Salem, her daughter, Mrs. Prael, of Portland, and sister, Mrs. White, of Tillamook County. As they were shaking hands with the President, Mrs. White remarked that she and her sister crossed the plains to Oregon with an ox team in 1854. This aroused the President's Interest and he reopened the conversation, chatting for some time with the ploneer, and expressing his admiration for the people who settled the West, and particularly Ore-

In Favor of Chemawa Appropriation. Representative Tongue has filed a letter from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs recommending the adoption of the Ross is as averse to giving information as Mitchell amendment to the Indian appropriation bill, appropriating \$25,000 for the erection of a new brick dormitory at the Chemawa Indian School.

Money for Washington Streams. harbor bill, authorizing the expenditure of the balance now accredited to Willapa River and harbor for snagging and improving North and Nasel River, and authorizing the removal of the lock and dam in Nooksack River with funds now available.

Tail-Docking Bill Vetoed.

FRANKFORT, Ky., March 22.-Governor Beckham today vetoed the new bill to permit the docking of the tails of horses, hich was adopted at the General Assembly session just closed. ouncing the killing of the measure, the executive says legislation should be di-rected at those who demand such horses, and not at those who sell them,

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BREAK MERCER

McBride Sends Attorney-General Stratton East.

PROCEEDINGS TO BE BEGUN

Governor of Washington Confident Point on Which Minnesota Lost Its Suit Will Not Apply to His State.

> **************** Governor McBride, of Washington,

has sent Attorney-General Stratton to Washington, D. C., to begin proceedings for the dissolution of the great road merger. He is confident the point on which Minnesota lost its suit will not apply to Washington. Attorney-General Stratton left Olympia last week ostensibly for Spokane, but it now transpires he is en route to the National Capital on the mission here-tofore indicated. Washington will have the co-operation of Minnesta and Montuna in its fight.

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 22.-Attorney-

General Stratton, of this state, left Olym-

pia very quietly a week ago, ostensibly

for Spokane. It now seems certain, how. ever, he is en route to Washington, D. C., to file an action in the United States Supreme Court, looking to the dissolution of the merger of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern Railroad Companies, The utmost secrecy attended General Stratton's departure, and the same state of affairs exists here now among those who should know of the proceedings. ernor McBride, though closely and persistently questioned today, will neither affirm nor deny that General Stratton intends to proceed for this state against the merger, but it is significant that since the Governor assumed office he has conferred many times with the Attorney-General on the subject, but nothing could be obtained as to the result of the con. ferences. Assistant Attorney - General is the Governor. This much is known, however: Both the Governor and the At. torney-General are known to hold to the view that the question of jurisdiction upon which the United States Supreme Court The House yesterday adopted two un-mportant amendments to the river and not apply in the case of an action brought on behalf of this state, Governor Mc-Bride, as a lawyer, has made a careful study of the United States Supreme Court's opinion in the Minnesota case, and should Attorney-General Stratton file a complaint for Washington it will be found that it will avoid the objectionable features in the former case. It is said that Attorney-General Stratton has been in conference since leaving here with Attorney-General Douglas, of Minnesota, and the Attorney-General of Montana, and that he will have the active co-operation of the law departments both those states in the latest fight against the Northern

STRATTON AT ST. PAUL.

Agrees With Attorney-General Dougles on Line of Action. ST. PAUL, March 22.-The Pioneer

Securities Company.

Press tomorrow will say: "Attorney-General W. B. Stratton, of the State of Washigton, has been in this city during the past week in consultation with Attorney-General Douglas, and plans have been outlined for proceeding against the so-called merger of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern Railways. The plan embraces a suit against the two rallroads and the Northern Securities Company in the state courts of Washington State. It has been argued that because the Northern Se-curities Company was a foreign corporation, the state courts would refuse to take jurisdiction over it, and that as the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States held that Minnesota's remedy lay in her own courts, the state was helpless to act against the proposed merger. Attorney-General Douglas, however, has come to the conclusion that as the situation presented is unique, in that

take a broad and liberal view of the matter, and allow the state to present its case before them. As to the proposed action in the Federal Courts of Washington State, that state is not barred from the Federal Courts, because none of the members of the corpo-ration is a citizen of that state. The allegations and complaint to be brought in that state, it is said, will be identical with those made in the United States Supreme Court by the State of Minne

a sovereign state would thus be left at

the mercy of a foreign corporation formed as alleged, for the purpose of

violating a state law, the courts will

Montana Official Will Not Talk.

BUTTE, Mont., March 22.—Concerning the Associated Press dispatch from St. Paul today to the effect that Montana might commence an action against the Northern Securities Company, Attorney-General Donovan, who returned last night from the East, would say nothing. It was reported in the East that Attorney-General Donovan had gone to Washingon with a view to conferring with the United States authorities on the subject of a suit against the Securities Company. The Attorney-General today would not state what his business had been in the East, but did say that the alleged interon the subject had no

foundation in fact.

May Balk Continuous Work Plan PITTSBURG, March 22.-Four thousand organized tinhouse men employed in the nills of the American Tin Plate Company may balk the plan of continuous operation during the busy period of this Summer. For the past three days the executive committee of the Tin Workers' International Protective Association has been in session in Pittaburg, considering a proposition of the executive officers of the American Tin Plate Company to con-

tinue the base agreement for another year from July 1. The board finally de. cided to submit the matter to a referendum vote, the result of which will be made known at the annual meeting in Newcastle, beginning the first Tuesday

GUESS WHO'LL GET IT!

tion in the coal fields of Virginia and West Virginia, and gave out the statement that in all probability a strike involving 25,000 miners will be called in those two states within a short time. A final effort will be made by the officials of the National organization to secure a conference with the mineowners and operators looking to the adoption of a uniform wage scale, and in case a conference is refused, as it is expected will be, the men will probably

be called out without further delay, NO AGREEMENT AT SHAMOKIN.

of the Wage Scale. SHAMOKIN, Pa., March 22.-Differences of opinion on matters pertaining to the wage scale prevented a final adjournment today of the convention of districts Nos. I, 7 and 9, United Mineworkers. After being in asssion for three hours, the convention adjourned to meet Monday and many of the delegates assert that a conclusion will not be reached that day. President Mitchell announced that the re-port of the scale committee had been adopted, but declined to state the nature of the matters now under discussiis understood that a committee was appointed to draft resolutions covering the

committee's report. The conservative element is known to favor referring final decision to a com-mittee composed of President Mitchell and District President Nicolls, Fahey and Duffy. The radicals, who represent principally the Wyoming and Lackawanna regions, insist on the adoption of a resolution allowing the operators until April 1 in which to grant the concessions demand-ed in the wage scale, and if this time limit is fixed, they say they have no objec-tion to placing the matter in the hands of

PAPER-MAKERS' GRIEVANCES.

the committee named.

Attempt Being Made to Avert the Threatened Strike.

NEW YORK, March 22.-Representatives of newspaper manufacturers and of labor unions interested in the paper trade had a conference today. It was called by Secretary Easiey, of the National Civic Federation, to avert, if possible, a threatened strike of the men employed in the paper The men had said they out in the near future unless the different spanies would grant certain concessions in their favor. Up to six months ago they worked 12 hours a day and six days a week. This did not suit the employers, and it was decided that a schedule of eight or nine hours a day would be put in force with seven days' work, instead of six The labor unions would not indorse this schedule, and it is one of their rules that no work be done on Sundays. The employers wish to keep to the new rule on account of the necessity of using the pulp

before it becomes dry.
Oscar S. Straus presided, and the follow ng representatives were present: Fred H. Parks, of the International Paper Com-pany; President Garrett Schenck and Vice-President William Dillon, of the Great Northern Paper Company; David Coles, of the Parsons Paper Company; G. C. Sherman, of the Taggert Paper Company; National President C. W. Moulton, of the Paper Machine Tenders' Association: President George Mackay, of the Limited Brotherhood of Paper-Makers of America; General Organizer Herman Robinson.

where he attended the conventions of the miners. Mr. Wilson discussed the si-na-structure known as the East River bridge can exert, as on various occasions it has and all fron work on buildings in the course of construction in New York City, will come to a sudden stop on May I next, the Brooklyn Eagle will say to-morrow. On or before that date, the rep-resentatives of the housesmiths and the talk which President James J. Hill is bridgesmiths' union will demand an ad-

to 60 cents an hour.

Unless their demands are met with, they are determined to stop work throughout the entire county. If they so decide, work will not only be stopped on the new Custom-House building, and structures in the course of erection for several large department stores in Manhattan, but also on the other two contemplated bridges. As a matter of fact, work will be tied up n all directions where steel and fron workers are concerned. This will not only affect the completion of the cable-making on the Eastern District bridge, but will also stop the work of erecting the steel work for the suspended structure across the river, which is in the hands of the Pennsylvania Steel Company. The Pennsylvania Steel Company is part of the American Bridge Company. Even at this early date demands have been made to the Pencoyd Bridge Works for an advance in wages. The demand is for 40 cents an hour for the structural bridge construction workers. All bridge workers are members of the housesmiths and bridgesmiths' union. It is known that D. F. McIntyre, of Pittsburg, National secretary, has received the vote from at least 30 lodges, each in favor of demand eight hours for a day's work.

DOES NOT APPLY TO THEM.

Government Printers May Work for

Advancement. WASHINGTON, March 22.-President Lawson and Secretary Garrett, of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, called on the President today and made inquiry as to how far the Executive order pro-hibiting persons in Federal employ from interceding for advancement would af-fect officers or committeemen from taking an active part in matters pending in Congress affecting the organization of printers as a whole. The President replied, through Secretary Cortelyou, substan-

tially as follows: "The President directs me to state that he has come to the conclusion that the legislation to which you refer is legislation affecting the interests, not of ernment printers, as such, but as print-ers generally; but if that is the case, is nothing in the President's which in any way interferes with your continuing to interest yourselves in such legislation in the future as in the past, nor is there the slightest need of any members of the association to which you signing for that reason

May Close Boston Breweries.

ceptions enumerated in your letter.

BOSTON, March 22.-Unless one party or the other recedes from its present po sition, the probabilities are that every brewery in Boston will be closed April 1. The trouble may also affect the bartenders of this and other cities. The 1909 brewery workmen have requested the master brew-ers to grant them an eight-hour work day April 1, without reduction of wages. The firemen employed in the breweries have asked for 40 cents per hour overtime and that Sunday and holiday work shall be paid as overtime. The master brewers strongly object to the demands of the

can exert, as on various occasions it has been demonstrated that when the capital executive of the country becomes alarmed its power in politics is considerable. said to have indulged in while discussing the merger case with public men in Washington. Men who feel that it was an unwise political move for Roosevelt to direct the prosecution of the merger feel that any assertions by Presiden Hill that he is antagonistic to the President, and that his fellow capialists will do what they can to defeat him, are unwise and, if authentic, will prove a boom erang. Of course, it is well understood that one reason why Platt and certain other Republicans of New York were so earnestly anxious for Roosevelt to be the Vice-Presidential nominee was to "get him out of the way," so that he would not be Governor of New York, and thus men. of that state.

ace some of the large financial interests In this movement against the merger, as in other cases, the President is moving regardiess of the effect upon him politically, and if in directing a suit against great railroads he incurs the opposition of the financial world, he is willing to abide by the result. While shrewd politicians here do not believe that his action in this regard necessarily means his defeat for renomination, they do fear that, coupled with many other acts calculated to arouse antagonism, it will result in serious opposition before the nominating convention. The President's friends are pleading with him to be more conservative, and in the future to consult politicians more in shaping the course of his Administration,

Outlook for Chinese Exclusion. From the best information available, the ndications are that after full discussion of the Chinese exclusion bill it will finally be determined that a re-enactment o the Geary law, or something very much upon its lines, is all that can be acomplished. While the labor interests are very determined, there is a general feeling that any legislation more drastic cannot be passed at this session, and further, that to enact the pending bills would work disastrously and injuriously in many cases. This is especially the sen timent of those who are giving careful attention to the bill, but who are not influenced by the labor element, or by being residents of sections where the Chinese are numerous.

Currency for Philippines. The Senate committee on Philippines

is struggling with a serious problem regarding the finances of the islands. It seems to be well understood that silver coin is the only money which can circulate freely in the Islands, and at the same time have a distinct value in this country. The opinion of experts is that the gold standard of the United States would be impracticable, and that a coin to replace the Mexican dollar, which will also have a value in United States currency, is necessary. If such coin as is proposed should be adopted, there would be the strange conditions of a minted