

STEPHENSON TELLS CAMPAIGN SECRETS

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"HALF BREED" IDEA HIS

Progressive Campaigns Led by "Battling Bob" Won Largely with Ammunition Supplied by Author of Autobiography.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—At the age of 42 years, ex-Senator Jean Stephenson, one of the last of Wisconsin's lumber merchants, has issued a volume of recollections which are the first to reveal the secrets of his relations with Robert M. La Follette and with the tremendous political movement within that state which resulted in the election of the "Wisconsin idea."

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vention, which was held in Milwaukee, arrived the "Battling Bob" had capitulated early and La Follette was nominated by a unanimous vote. As his campaign manager and chairman of the State Central Committee, he chose General Bryant, whom he regarded, he said, as a godfather—an idealistic relationship, the value of which I was to realize later, when, seeking counsel and aid, he clothed me with attributes of fatherhood."

La Follette and his friends, Senator Stephenson continues, then set about to establish another newspaper. A list of subscribers was obtained, but the necessary fund lacked \$17,000. This Mr. Stephenson agreed to contribute. This was another disastrous venture.

Newspaper Enterprise Center. "The paper that was hatched for by a great constituency," he says, "seemed to meet with the vicissitudes of a stable appetite. The first year of its maintenance the first year was increased by \$17,000 the second year, and the process continued with discouraging persistence. The control of the state was in La Follette's hands. He had asked, according to Mr. Stephenson, that he would not go to Washington, and the possibility of electing Stephenson was discussed. La Follette said he (Stephenson) could not be elected.

"That insurmountable obstacle should have stood in the way of my going to the state," Mr. Stephenson writes, "but it almost broke his heart."

Eventually La Follette went to the Senate himself, despite his repeated declarations to the contrary. Senator Stephenson resigned his office on March 4, 1917. On the same date Mr. Stephenson announced his candidacy for election for the remaining two years of the speaker's term. On this occasion, however, the running was no easier than before. Senator La Follette had seemed to be fruitless.

To what extent it was anticipated, says Stephenson, "others may surmise for themselves. Senator La Follette himself had said that he could do no more than he had become the most generally recognized as his supporters or followers were his friends. A sudden delicacy of feeling, I suppose, forbade any zealous attempt to influence the speaker's term. The control of these men whom the outer world had erroneously regarded as parts of a well-organized political machine."

After a prolonged scramble for the place by the "half-breed" leaders, Mr. Stephenson, going his own way, was not elected on May 31.

La Follette Demands Boundaries. Mr. Stephenson tells of the inception of the movement for La Follette for President and continues: "The enthusiasm, incited by their requests for financial assistance to carry on his pre-convention campaign, was almost boundless. In January, 1916, some of them agreed that I contribute \$250,000 to defray the expense of this political venture. During the same month I came to Washington, and I was asked me to subscribe a very large sum."

La Follette's nomination, he thought, would be a foregone conclusion if the money were forthcoming to make the money plan at the hotel in Washington at which I was living at the time, and I urged me to supply the necessary funds. As he talked, he gradually scaled down the amount sought until it reached \$25,000.

The reduction did not bring his ideas into harmony with mine. There was no reason why I should shoulder the burden of attempting to nominate La Follette as the president of the United States, and I was not disposed to do it.

By the time that Mr. Stephenson prepared for another campaign for the place, the relations between himself and La Follette had become complete. He found that he had been turned out of the Republicans fold as spearheaded by La Follette.

Undaunted and with the chances against him he undertook the fight and in the case of it opposed it. He did not secure the nomination, but the La Follette faction fought tooth and nail to defeat him. Investigations were set in motion by the State Legislature which, after a year, reported to the Senate. None the less, Stephenson emerged from the ordeal victorious.

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WILSON'S VIEWS ON REVENUES WANTED

Members Unwilling to Shoulder Responsibility for Taxing Constituents.

PRESIDENT, TOO, IS WISE

Keeping Aloof From Specific Measures Adding to Burdens of People Viewed as Good Politics for Candidate.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 27.—If President Wilson adheres to his original purpose and declines to indicate to Congress the specific legislation he thinks necessary to raise ample revenue to wipe out the Treasury deficit and finance the National defense program, he likely will be called on, by resolution of Congress, to submit the first views of the Administration in definite form.

There is a decided unwillingness on the part of Democratic leaders in Congress to assume full responsibility for a new fiscal policy; they believe the President should bear a part of the responsibility.

President Seen Political Values. President Wilson is aware that it would be good politics for him to steer away from the question of additional taxation, and to let Congress, without advice from the White House, frame such bills as might be necessary in excess of what is provided by existing law.

The President is to be a candidate for re-election and knows he must continue stronger than his party or go down to certain defeat in 1916. If the President takes the initiative in the revenue fight by recommending to Congress that certain new taxes be levied, and those taxes are levied, the President will be held accountable, along with Congress, for the additional burden.

Members, Too, Grasp Situation. On the other hand, if the new revenue legislation originates in the House of Representatives, it is passed by that body and by the Senate, the President then can take the stand that inasmuch as the revenue was needed, he was obliged to approve the plan laid before him by Congress or go without. The personal equation figures quite as strongly with the Democratic leaders in Congress, who with the President, every man in the House of Representatives who has a hand in framing and reporting the new revenue bill is likely to be held accountable by the constituents who are hit by the new taxes, and the average Democratic member would prefer to go before his people asserting he had merely approved the administration's program than to go before them saying that he with other members of the House assumed responsibility for the additional taxes.

The rank and file of the Democracy in Congress is quite as much embarrassed as President Wilson over the empty Treasury.

Depleted Treasury Embarrassing. The depleted condition of the Treasury has convicted the Democrats of the charge that they are incompetent to administer the affairs of government. Consequently, the enactment of more revenue legislation by a Democratic Congress will be a formal recognition of this condition after the imposition of more taxes at a time when the United States is at peace with the world and when, according to the Administration, it is enjoying unusual prosperity. It is bound to be perplexing and bothersome to the party in power.

It is no wonder, then, that the party leaders in Congress are insisting that the President take the lead in the fight for more revenue.

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Liberty Given Woman. CENTRALIA, Wash., Nov. 27.—(Special.)—Judge Rice, in the Lewis County Superior Court yesterday, ordered Mrs. Ray Baker released from the County Jail. The woman recently was returned to Lewis County from California, being held on Grand Jury charges for the alleged theft of an auto. The woman's liberty, however, is contingent on her reporting daily to Sheriff Foster.

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