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JOHNSON MAY WIN BY SMALL MARGIN

Old-Time California Majority Impossible.

TUESDAY IS PRIMARY DATE

Hoover Now Real Contender in Home State.

SITUATION MUDDLED ONE

Formidable Showing Made in Campaign by Former Administrator Now Is Clear.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1.—(Special.)—Senator Hiram Johnson will carry the California presidential preference primary over Herbert Hoover Tuesday, but by the smallest majority he has polled since his entry into the political arena 10 years ago. This was the general estimate today of San Francisco politicians, who are convinced that the claims of Hoover's managers of a 20,000 victory at the polls and those of Johnson's electors that he will get a majority of between 60,000 and 70,000 are equally over-optimistic.

This is not to be interpreted as an indication that Johnson will nose under the wire with a paltry few thousand votes. Some of his rivals here concede him the state by probably 25,000. But such a vote for the California senator would be little short of a defeat, a repudiation of the policy he has pursued in the United States senate.

Johnson Triumphs Revealed.

To understand this situation it is necessary to examine briefly the past electoral triumphs of Johnson. When he started his political career in this state it was as the successful prosecutor in the San Francisco graft cases following the fire of 1906. His campaign of 1910, built around his promise to "kick the Southern Pacific out of politics" swept him into the governorship by a majority of approximately 90,000.

Four years later he met his rivals at the polls and doubled that majority, which had now climbed to 180,000. When, two years later, he sought the senatorship, he won by almost 300,000 votes. The senator is accustomed to big majorities, and when he got the returns Tuesday night, say impartial observers here, he will not be pained. Even 40,000 or 50,000 majority to a campaigner accustomed to six-figure leads in his home state would prove a poor solace.

Campaign Bewildering One.

Bear in mind that 300,000 senatorial majority. It represents the showing Senator Johnson expected to make until two months ago. With the entry of Herbert Hoover, hopes for that vote went glimmering. The former food administrator's friends and supporters made a formidable showing in the campaign which ends tomorrow. They started out with that huge majority staring them in the face. They were confronted with Johnson's gubernatorial record—a showing of real achievements.

They offered as against a dynamic, beloved personality, who had personal contact with at least 500,000 voters, their candidate, known—except for his works—by but a few hundred. That they have succeeded in enrolling a following that challenges seriously Hiram Johnson's claims to California is one of the most remarkable features of a bewildering campaign.

Affairs political in California are in a curiously muddled condition. Two years ago the so-called "old guard" were fighting Johnson tooth and nail, fighting unsuccessfully, but none the less earnestly. This year, the "old

SLACKER IN SWAMP ENVELOPED BY POSSE

BLOODHOUNDS AID IN SEARCH OF DRAFT EVADER.

Escape Made Amid Fusillade of Bullets at Home of Mother by Leap From Window.

WITHEE, Wis., May 1.—A large posse, aided by bloodhounds, today enveloped a swamp near here in search of Louis Krueger, for 18 months a fugitive from justice on a charge of military draft evasion.

When brought to bay last night at the home of his mother, Mrs. Louise Krueger, the man escaped by leaping through a window amid a fusillade of bullets from possesmen and took refuge in the swamp near by.

Today's activity recalls the "battle of Krueger farm," in September, 1918, when Harry Jensen, station agent at Owen, Wis., was killed and four other possesmen wounded, and which brought life sentences for Frank and Leslie Krueger, brothers of Louis. The two brothers are now serving their sentences in Wausau prison.

The fight at the Krueger farm in 1918 was precipitated when United States deputy marshals sought to arrest the four Krueger boys as draft evaders.

GRIEF ACCOMPANIES JOY

Duke of Connaught on 70th Birthday Hears of Daughter's Death.

STOCKHOLM, May 1.—Crown Prince Gustave Adolph of Sweden, who before her marriage was Princess Margaret of Connaught, died here this afternoon.

Crown Princess Gustave Adolph was the daughter of Prince Arthur, duke of Connaught. She was married to the crown prince June 15, 1905. They had four boys and a girl.

LONDON, May 1.—The duke of Connaught received news here of the death in Stockholm of his daughter, Crown Princess Gustave Adolph of Sweden, amidst hundreds of congratulatory messages sent him on his seventieth birthday.

BIG SAVING IS PROMISED

Drastic Cuts Made by House Appropriations Committee.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—Approximately \$1,500,000,000 has been saved for 1921, Chairman Good of the appropriations committee today told the house.

The reductions will not prevent the "healthful and vigorous functioning of every needed government activity," he said, adding, however, that they did mean retrenchment.

"It will mean the cutting of certain war activities that ought to have been eliminated long ago," said the chairman.

COURT ORDERS RECOUNT

New Jersey Primary Results Will be Re-examined May 10.

NEWARK, N. J., May 1.—Chief Justice William S. Gummere of the supreme court today signed an order for a recount of the vote cast in last Tuesday's presidential preferential primaries for Senator Johnson and Major-General Wood.

The recount will be for the entire state and will begin May 10 in Essex, Morris, Camden, Gloucester and Cape May counties, where the supporters of Senator Johnson allege that mistakes were made in vote tabulations.

COBBLER, 126, IS DEAD

Nebraska Man Files Trade for 100 Years but Never Marries.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., May 1.—Thomas Morris, aged 126 years, died this morning at the home of Charles Mitten, ranchman, eight miles northwest of Anley, Neb. He was born in Berren, North Wales, January 16, 1794.

The aged man never married and was a cobbler for 100 years. He came to this country in 1817.

WOES OF U. S. LAID TO TOO MUCH LAW

Cabinet Officers Join in Non-Partisan Dinner.

RIVAL CANDIDATES ATTEND

Attack on Wilson Failure, Says Secretary Colby.

HOOVER WINS OVATION

Senator Owen Traces Weakness to Too Many Laws, Too Little Enforcement, Too Many Officials.

NEW YORK, May 1.—Cabinet officers, presidential aspirants of the republican and democratic parties, and men prominent in the affairs of the nation, state and city tonight attended the 48th annual dinner of the New York Press Club.

Secretary of State Colby, Secretary of the Navy Daniels, Senator Robert L. Owen of Oklahoma and Governor Edward W. Tamm of New Jersey made addresses.

Herbert Hoover and James W. Gerard were among the guests. The weakness of the American government is too much statute law, too little enforcement and too many officials, declared Senator Owen of Oklahoma, a candidate for the democratic presidential nomination.

War Statute Repeal Urged.

After urging repeal of the war statutes, especially the espionage and sedition acts and declaring for ratification of the peace treaty with "such reasonable reservations as shall prevent its misinterpretation," the senator continued:

"The one overwhelming domestic problem is to abate the abuses of private monopoly and profiteering. These are living parasites fed by increasing production and distribution by stimulating both capital and labor to honest efforts."

Secretary of the Navy Daniels, speaking from the viewpoint of a newspaper man, pointed out the difference between what he termed good and bad news.

Mr. Daniels Discusses News.

Mr. Daniels said "there is no news when the 100,000 officers and men of the navy are studying and training and hitting the target in southern waters in spite of reduced personnel and delayed increased pay, but there is a sensation if one vain admiral lets loose an unfounded assault upon the navy."

Secretary of State Colby made a defense of President Wilson. He declared that the great issues of the war are still undetermined so far as we are concerned and that "it is hardly an exaggeration to say that there is not an aspect of the post-war situation that is not approached, discussed and treated primarily in its bearing upon somebody's candidacy. Of one thing, evidence abounds on every side, and that is the utter failure of the envenomed and impassioned attack upon the president."

Hoover Remark Applauded.

Ex-Ambassador Gerard said: "I had a candidate and his name commences with H." Mr. Gerard was looking directly at a table at which sat Herbert Hoover.

The remark was greeted with applause and when it had subsided, Mr. Gerard continued: "I am glad you like him. He ran out from us and went and herded himself with the republicans. Before he is through he will feel more comfortable if he were seated under here between Secretary Colby and Secretary Daniels and near myself."

An appeal to the press club, transmitted through Herbert Hoover, from the destitute journalists of Vienna.

Hundreds join Chicago rent strike.

POST DECLARED TOO FRIENDLY TO REDS

EFFORTS TO OUST ALIEN RADICALS HELD FOILED.

Charges Against Assistant Secretary Made Openly Before House Rules Committee.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—When the house rules committee resumed hearings today on the resolution for investigation of the official conduct of Assistant Secretary Post of the department of labor representative Davey, republican, Ohio, charged that efforts of the department of justice to rid the country of alien radicals were being blocked by Post. He said that within the last six months Post had ordered the release outright and canceled deportation warrants of 1600 foreigners whose deportation had been authorized by officials of the immigration bureau.

Several hundred other aliens arrested in raids by department of justice officers, Davey said, also had been released by Post and without bond.

Mr. Davey said Tom Milloukas, arrested by agents of the department of justice as an alien member of the communist party, was released by Post early this week, and three days later he was distributing circulars in Milwaukee urging a general May-day strike, praising the soviet form of government and demanding a revolution in the United States.

HUNDREDS JOIN IN CHICAGO RENT STRIKE

TENANTS REFUSE TO VACATE APARTMENTS.

Others, Unable to Get Moving Vans, Remain in Quarters.

COURTS PREVENT EVICTION.

CHICAGO, May 1.—Although there were many eleventh hour agreements reported between landlords and tenants and thousands of persons moved, hundreds of persons went on a "rent strike" today, refusing to vacate apartments, according to leaders in the movement against high rentals.

Other tenants who were unable to find space agencies to obtain the services of moving vans remained in their present abodes.

Eviction of tenants refusing to vacate apartments due to the high rent situation and housing shortage was prohibited several days ago by Dennis Eagan, bailiff of the municipal court.

One van company today was found guilty of charging higher rates than those fixed by city ordinance.

Mrs. Elizabeth Vglione obtained permission from a judge to remain in her flat. "What am I going to do, judge?" she pleaded. "I work in a factory to support my three children and when I got home last night I found the door of my flat had been broken into by the landlord. We had to break into the house so that we could have a place to sleep."

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BLUEBEARD DENIES DECEPTIVE INTENT

Authorities Are Unable to Find Woman's Grave.

TRUTH OF BURIAL AFFIRMED

Murder Scene Could be Found if Blind, Says Bigamist.

DETAILS OF CRIME TOLD

Woman's Body Stripped, Buried, Clothing Burned and All Signs Obliterated.

LOS ANGELES, May 1.—Protestations that he had told the truth about the burial spot of the body of Nina Lee Deloney were made today by Walter Andrew Watson, alleged "bluebeard," when officials who had been unable to find the lonely grave Watson had rather vaguely described to them intimated he might have deceived them.

"I hope you will believe me," he protested, on a cot in the county hospital, "because I am sincere in telling you the truth. If I were stronger I could go to the place with my eyes shut."

Watson then gave details of certain parts of a confession he was alleged to have made Thursday night, telling of the trips he made to the grave.

The first, he said, was to bury the body, which he declared he stripped of all clothing.

The second, he stated, was to burn the clothing, an act of precaution he said he had forgotten on the first trip, so eager was he then to leave the spot.

All Signs Obliterated.

The third, he added, was to make certain he had obliterated all signs of a grave and of the ashes of the clothing.

When this additional data had been obtained, officials arranged to take Watson to the eastern part of San Diego county the latter part of next week so that he could locate the grave.

Information that some of the wives of Walter Andrew Watson, alleged bigamist, had been sold into slavery below the Mexican line was given the police and sheriff's office here several days ago, shortly after the man's arrest. An investigation was made, with the aid of American officers at border towns, and nothing was found to substantiate such suggestions, which had come from privately employed detectives working on the case.

It was said here today that while all possible angles of the case were being followed out, there was nothing definite at present to bear out such rumors.

Sincerity Is Believed.

Watson's attorney, J. Morgan Maraduke, was quoted tonight as saying he was convinced Watson was sincere in his efforts to locate the body as the promise of a request to the court that he be given a life sentence instead of the death penalty, caused him to desire an aid in establishing here "the body of the crime" rather than face extradition to Washington, where a body has been found and where it is said he has no hope of avoiding hanging.

District Attorney Thomas Lee Woolf and Under-Sheriff Al Manning returned to Los Angeles early today from the search for the unmarked grave after having toiled many hours under a hot sun, among rocks and sand, in their vain effort to locate it.

They at first planned to work on a new theory—that Watson had misled them by false statements in the

SUGAR JUMPS AGAIN; REASON KEPT SECRET

IDAHO CONCERN RAISES PRICE FROM 13 CENTS TO 22.75.

Federal Agents at Omaha Seize 80,000 Pounds Sent Out From Bay City March 22.

SALT LAKE CITY, May 1.—The Utah-Idaho Sugar company, largest producers in the inter-mountain region, today announced an increase in their price of refined sugar from a 13-cent basis to 22.75 cents a pound. This has caused a jump in retail prices of beet sugar here from 16 cents to 28 cents a pound to the consumer.

The company has declined to state the reason for the advance.

OMAHA, Neb., May 1.—Federal agents last night seized a car of sugar containing 80,000 pounds as it was about to be sent to Des Moines. They said the sugar was sent from San Francisco on March 22 to a Chicago firm and diverted at Savannah, Ill., to Omaha. The sugar belonged to a sugar brokerage concern.

Seizures here now total 250,000 pounds.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—A bill designed to prevent speculation in sugar was introduced today by Representative Howard, democrat, Oklahoma. It would prohibit re-sale of sugar by dealers without "reasonable justification."

The department of justice, Mr. Howard told the house, has been unable to meet the present emergency because of inadequate legislation.

ALAMEDA, CAL., IS LARGER

Population Increase of 23.2 Per Cent Over 1910, Announced.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—Census figures announced today follow: Alameda, Cal., 28,896; increase 422 or 22.2 per cent.

Connessville, Pa., 13,804; increase 853 or 7.5 per cent.

Wilson, N. C., 10,653; increase 2026 or 28.8 per cent.

North Platte, Neb., 10,466; increase 5672 or 118.4 per cent.

Clifton, N. J., 26,470; increase 14,601 or 123 per cent.

Hoquiam, Wash., 9885; increase 1714 or 21.0 per cent.

Pittsburg, Pa., 68,192; increase 54,388 or 102 per cent.

Terre Haute, Ind., 65,914; increase 7757 or 12.3 per cent.

Joplin, Mo., 29,858; decrease 2218 or 6.9 per cent.

TIMES MIXED IN CANADA

Daylight Saving Adopted in Some Places but Not in Others.

TORONTO, Ontario, May 1.—The average Canadian citizen will find himself in a maze of daylight saving, railroad and standard time beginning at 2 A. M. tomorrow morning.

The cities of Montreal and Quebec and virtually all municipalities in Quebec province will adopt the daylight saving to conform to the time of New York state. The maritime provinces as a whole will adhere to standard time, as will Ontario, except the cities of Ottawa, Toronto, Kitchener, Sarnia and Niagara Falls.

Train schedules in eastern Canada are a maze of double clock puzzles because of local time changes in the western provinces.

Western Canada, except where west meets east in commercial dealings, will not feel much inconvenience, as the greater part of the western provinces will not set their clocks ahead.

PERSHING KISSES SCORE

Osculation of Balboa Maidens Takes Place During Inspection.

PANAMA, April 30.—General Pershing today kissed more than a score of pretty young Balboa girls in the course of his inspection of Panama canal activities, afterward presenting them with a cup as a reward for war work.

The general this afternoon reviewed the parade of the Mystic Shriners, which was the most gorgeous event in the history of the isthmian temples.

BUFFETED BUDGET PASSED BY SENATE

What Democrats Didn't Do Republicans Do.

PROMISE TO NATION KEPT

Legislation Long Used in Campaign of Both Parties.

RETIREMENT BILL WINS

Measure Assuring Civil Service Efficiency Makes Another Victory for Majority Solons.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 1.—The adoption of the McCormick budget bill by the senate this afternoon assures the enactment of all but two measures promised in the programme of the present republican congress when it met in conference just previous to the call for the extra session last May.

A bill somewhat different already has been passed by the house, and the two measures will be used as the basis of an early agreement on definite budget legislation by a conference committee of the two houses. Budget legislation has been promised by both major political parties over a long period of years, but was slow in getting into party platforms.

During the eight years that the democrats had control of the house, covering the period from March 4, 1911, to March 4, 1913, the budget plan was often a subject of discussion in debates, but it never was possible to get the indorsement of a committee.

Promise Made Good.

Another measure of long promise was brought down to the point of final enactment yesterday when the house passed the Sterling-Lehigh civil service retirement bill. This, like the budget system, is another measure in the interest of greater efficiency. It provides for the retirement of civil service employes at the ages of 60, 62 and 65, which will remove the spectacle of aged and decrepit men and women, long past the years of usefulness, showing up as government departments each day merely to draw their salary at the semi-monthly pay day.

The bill was promised first in the republican platform adopted in the national convention at Chicago in 1912, but no opportunity was offered to carry out the pledge until the present republican congress was elected. The bill passed the senate some time ago. The present week has been momentous in the history of this congress. It has been a week of big things. The water power bill, which has been in the making for 12 years, is to the point of becoming a law, an agreement having been reached yesterday between the conferees from the select committee of the two houses.

Water Policy Definite.

This bill gives the country a definite water-power policy that is especially advantageous to the west, where extensive development has long been awaiting the word that investment would be made. Former Secretary of Interior Franklin K. Lane, who labored long in behalf of water-power legislation, is happy over the final action on this measure, but asserts that this nation lost millions by failure of the government and congress to act sooner.

He points specifically to an application for a permit for power development on the Peard d'Oreille river in eastern Washington made to him almost eight years ago. It was proposed to expend \$10,000,000 for a nitrate plant, but the government, in the

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PICTORIAL COMMENTS BY PERRY ON SOME TOPICS IN THE RECENT NEWS

