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HARDING IS REALLY LEADER OF PARTY

Senate Knows Firm Hand Will Hold Reins.

COUNCILORS BOW TO CHIEF

Influence of President-Elect Already Felt by Friends.

OLIGARCHY TALK STOPS

Next Executive of Nation Said to Be Ready to Confer, but Not to Be Dominated.

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MARION, O., Jan. 1.—(Special.)—At the time of Harding's nomination it was generally said that a group of his fellow-senators had been the chief instrument in bringing it about. To a degree that was true. Harding's initial entry into the race was probably half due to the persuasions of some of the republican senators.
At several times during the pre-convention months, when Harding rather wished he were out of the race, these same senators were influential in prevailing on him to stay in. But the precise extent to which the senatorial group was potent in finally bringing about Harding's nomination does not matter for the purposes of this article. Those days of the republican convention are too old for news and not old enough for history.
I allude to the senatorial group merely for its bearing on the thing we are trying to get at now, the question of what kind of a man Harding is. It is undoubtedly true that the public conception of Harding's personality, the picture that the public has of him, has been largely and erroneously determined by that early association of a group of senators with his nomination.
Unflattering Opinion Forward.
That early and widespread association in the newspapers gave rise to the phrase "the senatorial oligarchy," and the phrase in turn became a constantly reiterated campaign slogan of the opposition. The result of all this, with some other factors, has been that to a degree the public has thought of Harding not as a leader in his own right, but as the representative of a group, a mouthpiece for the republican senators.
The public has thought and to a large extent still thinks of Harding as the amiable, easy-going, rather pliant sort of man who would be content and happy in that kind of role.
People have thought of him as having a neutral personality, even a negative personality, destined as president to be the reflection in the White House of a group of stronger and more positive personalities in the senate. They have pictured the republican senators running the country, with the White House registering their decisions.
Picture Declared Wrong.
The picture of Harding is as far from the facts as black is from white. Harding is the leader, knows he is the leader, and will live up to that role. He will do it in a way different from the way Wilson did it, and different from the way Roosevelt did it, but he will be the leader no less surely than these two were. Right now, for example, Senator Harding is believed by all the republican senators to be in the process of making up his mind on a decidedly important matter.
Fully five-sixths of the republican

NEW AMERICAN MARK SET IN PLANE FLIGHT

702-MILE TRIP MADE IN 9 HOURS 15 MINUTES.

Naval Flier Travels Longest Distance in History Without Making Stop.

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 1.—Establishing a new American non-stop duration record for pilot and five passengers for seaplanes, the United States naval seaplane NC-5 flew from San Diego to Magdalena Bay in the remarkable time of nine hours and 15 minutes. The big triple-motored plane covered the 702 miles between Point Loma and Magdalena Bay at a speed of 77 miles an hour.

According to the schedule of the flight, the 12 P-4 machines were to have left Magdalena Bay this morning. At 7:15 tonight the naval air station announced that it had had no report today from the 12 planes which should have reached Banderias bay, 455 miles away, this afternoon. Navy officers said that they were experiencing great difficulty in communicating with the planes and that it was highly probable that a report from them would not be received until early tomorrow.

PRINCETON ORATORS WIN

University of Oregon Team Is Defeated in Debate.

As though to compensate in a measure for the defeat of one eastern college on western fields on New Year's day, the debating team from Princeton university invaded Portland last night and won from the University of Oregon team by a vote of two to one.

LIFE-SAVER GETS MEDAL

Chicago Guard Captain Honored by Treasury Department.

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—Captain John O. Anderson, in charge of the coast guard station at the mouth of Chicago river, has been awarded the gold medal of the treasury department, the highest award for saving lives. The award was made for the rescue of 17 members of the crew of the wrecked steamer R. E. Runnells at Grand Marais, Mich., November 14, 1919.

PEACE FULLY RESTORED

Diplomatic Relations Between Rumania and Bulgaria Resumed.

BUCHAREST, Dec. 31.—Diplomatic relations between Rumania and Bulgaria were re-established today. The Bulgarian minister, M. Nethoff, presented his credentials to King Ferdinand.

CONGRESS, BALKED BY WILSON, PLUGS

Lawmakers, Hobbled, Are Doing Their Best.

EFFORTS LARGELY FUTILE

Veto of War Finance Resolution Now Expected.

PATIENCE WEARING OUT

Signs of Disposition to Fight Obdurate President Noted—Ashurst Incident Significant.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 1.—Congress leaders will enter upon their work in the new year Monday with a sense of having tried, in the short session, which opened December 6, to do all that was promised to the electorate of the country in the late political campaign.

There is genuine realization, however, that most of the efforts to make good on campaign promises have been thrown away. Legislation to aid in a general industrial and economic readjustment has been handled with a rapidity never before known, but it is foreseen that little of it will ever become law.

Intimations which reached Capitol hill yesterday foretold the veto of the resolution reviving the war finance corporation intended to provide foreign markets for American farm products. If the president vetoes this bill leaders have little hope that he will permit any of the relief measures to become laws. In disapproving this legislation he is defying his own party as well as the leaders of the republican party.

Houston Held Obstructor.

Democrats in both house and senate gave hearty support to the plan to revive the war finance corporation, believing that it offered the remedy nearest at hand for the farmers' dilemma. It is understood that the bill will be vetoed on the recommendation of Secretary of the Treasury Houston, who has stood out against farmers' representatives almost every measure proposed for emergency relief in this period of low prices.

But the plan is to go ahead with the original programme of putting all possible remedial and reconstruction legislation through congress in order that the nation's lawmakers might be able to say on March 4 that their pledges were kept and that they cannot be held responsible for the Wilson embargo on the country's demands.

Patience Wearing Out.

Just whether the leaders in congress will continue to receive the acts of an obdurate president in good nature is a question. Signs have been noted in the last week of a tendency to fight back, or at least of a disposition on the part of several statesmen to give the president a piece of their minds. One of these was the sensational visit of Senator Ashurst of Arizona to the White House with a demand for an audience with the president. Senator Ashurst did not see the president but he made it so hot for the man who has been running the nation single-handed for the last eight years at the White House was glad to avoid any more scenes by approving the bill to extend the time for doing 1920 assessment work on mining claims.

The most of the United States had never heard of this bill until Senator Ashurst stormed the White House. Twenty-four hours later everybody had read about it and few measures have excited more widespread interest. Several senators, who like Senator

ETHERIDGE TO ARRIVE IN CITY TOMORROW

EX-PRESIDENT OF BOND HOUSE DUE AT 8 A. M.

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IMPORTANT POSTS ASSIGNED BUT NOT INDICATED.

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"BRICK" MULLER IS STAR

Easterners Outplayed at Own Style of Football.

ATTENDANCE IS 42,000

Spectators at Pasadena Game See Golden Bears Baffle Big Ten Champions.

Speculation Persists That Hughes, Dawes, Daugherty, Hays, Wallace and Hoover Are Certain.

MARION, Ohio, Jan. 1.—Although President-elect Harding has about decided on several of the most important appointments to his cabinet, it was indicated today that he had not yet committed himself to a definite decision in regard to any of the vacancies.

During the last few days he has reviewed the entire field of available, yet development of a positive character has not been revealed.

In circles close to Senator Harding, Charles E. Hughes of New York continues the most-talked-of man for secretary of the treasury, and Charles G. Dawes of Illinois still is a favorite for secretary of the treasury, although for the latter post Charles D. Hilles of New York and John W. Weeks of Massachusetts still are mentioned as possibilities. Mr. Weeks however, is more generally regarded as a likely secretary of the navy.

Others who keep to the front in cabinet speculation are Harry M. Daugherty of Ohio, most frequently mentioned for attorney-general; Will H. Hays of Indiana, discussed for postmaster-general or secretary of the interior; Henry Wallace of Iowa, put forward for secretary of agriculture, and Herbert Hoover of California, whose name frequently has been coupled with the portfolio of labor but who has been regarded in

Application for Injunction Holding Edmonton Bonds in City Also to Be Heard.

With the arrival in Portland at 8 A. M. tomorrow of John L. Etheridge, ex-president of the defunct bond house of Morris Bros. Inc. interest in the collapse of the institution which was reported to have been a \$1,000,000 corporation during the time he was its head, will center about what he may have to say. Federal Judge Wolverton's action relative to an application before him to restrain the United States National bank from restoring to the City of Edmonton, Canada, \$1,641,000 worth of bonds, against which interim certificates are held by creditors, will be another point of interest.

Next in public interest and importance will be the civil proceedings before Robert F. Maguire, master in chancery, acting for the federal court in relation to hearings regarding the interests of creditors. This is a court created to relieve the judge of a great mass of details regarding such cases and its findings, testimony, etc., are submitted to the judge for action.

Harrison Allen of the law firm of Griffith, Lister & Allen, counsel for W. D. Whitcomb, temporary receiver, announced yesterday afternoon that the first witnesses to be summoned for testimony in the chancery proceedings will be Mr. and Mrs. Etheridge and Fred S. Morris, who took over the affairs of the corporation when

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Demands Already Being Made That F. W. Vaille, Exiled to Honolulu by Burleson, Be Reinstated.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 1.—With the change in administration March 4 and the installation of a new postmaster-general, it is more than probable there will be a terrific shaking up of the railway mail service in the 13th division, which comprises Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Alaska.

Already there is a quiet movement to undo several of the changes made in the service in that part of the country by Postmaster-General Albert Sidney Burleson. Some of the railway postal clerks are beginning to demand that F. W. Vaille be reinstated as superintendent of that division, headquarters of which is at Seattle. Mr. Vaille was demoted by Burleson and transferred to Honolulu, Hawaii, as chief clerk at that post office. Edward McGrath is the present superintendent of the division.

Another demand is that Homer Elwell, formerly chief clerk of the railway mail service at Spokane, be reinstated as chief clerk at Portland. It is charged by some of the clerks that Mr. Elwell was reduced to the ranks because he declined to be a tyrant. It is said that Mr. Elwell, having worked his way up from the bottom, was inclined to be too considerate of the men under him after he became chief clerk in the view of the power in Washington. It is expected that just as soon as Mr. Burleson retires from office the fight on his favorites will be taken up in the open.

BRITAIN MAY HELP LABOR

Short Time and Jobs for Every-body Cabinet Proposal.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—In addition to other plans of relief for the vast army of unemployed workers, the cabinet proposes that the government's industrial establishments should be placed on short time to provide employment for the greatest possible number of persons.

This would avoid further reduction of the government establishments and absorb many workers who already have been dismissed.

Other reappointments announced by the governor today were: O. S. Blanchard of Grants Pass, W. C. Fellows of Sumpter, R. M. Betts of Cornucopia, W. B. Dennis of Carlton and F. A. Olmstead of Portland, members of the Oregon bureau of mines and geology; W. D. Wheelwright, Mrs. Edmond C. Giltner and Mrs. Henry L. Corbett, all of Portland, members of the child welfare commission; Amedeo M. Smith of Portland, member of the industrial welfare commission; G. M. Baker of Bend, member of the Oregon land settlement commission; David M. Dunne of Portland, member of the state board of vocational education.

None of these offices except accident commissioner and corporation commissioner is lucrative. The members are allowed expense money. The three members of the child welfare board were appointed by the governor July 10, 1919, when the entire personnel of the board was changed. Of the five members of the board the governor appoints three, the state university one and the State Medical association one.

Road Decision Delayed.

After Governor Olcott had been in conference for three hours today with R. A. Booth of Eugene and John Yeon of Portland, members of the state highway commission, he was yet unable to announce an appointment of a third member of the commission to succeed the late E. E. Kildie of Island City.

"We were unable to reach a decision," said the governor, "and the appointment will not be made until some time the coming week. It is an exceedingly difficult appointment to make." T. A. McCann of Bend has a greater number of endorsements than any other candidate, and apparently central Oregon is a unit in his behalf. If it were not for the difficulty that the governor seems to be encountering in reaching a decision, it would be apparent that the appointment will fall either to McCann, David H. Nelson of Bendition or William Poliman of Baker.

Nelson First Named.

Nelson was one of the first men mentioned in a trio of endorsements to the governor, but he appeared to be little known outside of his own county and apparently was not a

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Spectators at Pasadena Game See Golden Bears Baffle Big Ten Champions.

LONG PASS IS MADE

The ball was in the center of the field. Center "Fat" Latham snapped it to "Pesky" Sprott, who passed to End "Brick" Muller.

Muller, the 10-year-old San Diego youth, then hurried the ball 50 yards to End H. W. Stephens. The ball shot clear over Stinchcomb's head and into Stephens' waiting hands for one of the longest passes ever staged. Stinchcomb, Ohio's all-American half, stood dumfounded as the oblong pigskin sailed over his head, whirling after the fashion of a highly charged torpedo.

Stinchcomb was picked as an all-American player by Walter Camp. His main asset is snarking forward passes and "Hoge" Workman, Buckeye quarterback, is renowned for being able to throw the ball as far as he can kick it, but apparently neither Stinchcomb nor Workman had ever seen a ball tossed like that one shot to Stephens by "Brick" Muller this afternoon.

As previously related, California bucked the ball across Ohio's goal line in the first quarter. "Pesky" Sprott carried it over.

Muller's long pass piled the score up to 14 for "Crip" Toomey was kicking goal at the top of his form. "Pesky" Sprott scored another touchdown shortly after Muller and Stephens had engineered their famous pass, and little Charley Erb shot through center for the final touchdown in the final period.

Easterners Have No Chance.

Ohio did not have a Chinaman's chance, and don't let anyone tell you that the long trip or the bright, sunny afternoon had anything to do with the result. Dr. John Wiley and his men took today's game seriously and prepared carefully. So sure were Ohio men here that their hitherto undefeated aggregation would win that a goodly number of Blue and Gold supporters.

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SOME NEW YEAR OBSERVATIONS IN PICTURES, BY CARTOONIST PERRY.

