

DEMOCRATS PLAN TO MAKE TARIFF REFORM A REALITY

Governor Harmon of Ohio, Speaker Clark and Governor Wilson Leaders in Work of Democracy in Congress.

By Ralph M. Whitehead. (Publishers' Press Leased Wire.) Washington, March 11.—If the Democratic leaders in the house of representatives have their way, and it looks as though they would, the house will approach tariff legislation in a spirit of accomplishment. While the idea of a revenue tariff will prevail in such revisions as are attempted, it will be sought to make changes which will have a chance of passing the gauntlet of the senate and becoming law, rather than the adoption of a political tariff bill which is foredoomed to defeat, but which will form a basis of an appeal to the country.

There are of course divisions in the Democratic membership but the party has not been so nearly homogeneous and united for 35 years as it is today, if outward manifestations are true guides to inward feelings.

Democracy on Trial. The Democrats realize that they are on trial and that upon how they conduct their part of the government for the next year and a half depends entirely whether they will have a chance to secure the senate and the executive after March 4, 1913.

There are three men who are being very closely watched by the Democrats here. They are Governor Judson Harmon of Ohio, Governor Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey and Speaker to be Champ Clark of Missouri.

If the Democratic national convention were to be held this year instead of next, one of these men would undoubtedly be selected as the party's presidential candidate, with Harmon first choice, Clark second and Wilson third.

George Washington Sees Jeff Davis. A personage of great dignity and a good many years walked up to the doorkeepers at the entrance of the senate chamber and said he wanted to see Senator Jeff Davis.

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Several times the chaplain of the cruiser or battleship would be referee, and sometimes the captain himself would put on the gloves. I think boxing is very valuable to the men of the United States navy, and as a sport should be encouraged in every way possible.

Senator Beveridge, during his speech on the Lorimer case, brought up the fact that one of the bribed legislators of Illinois had received \$500. "He had \$500 in \$20 bills," said Senator Beveridge.

Now they are all talking red neckwear at the White House. The attaches, the newspapermen, and the official callers are preparing to fall in line. In a few days the labor leaders will feel the effects, and maybe new orders will be given.

Regrade Undertaking Will Continue Two Years Yet



Portland's first regrade project, the tearing down of the big hill north of King's Heights and facing the Cornell Road is well under way, more than 400,000 cubic yards of earth and gravel having been sluiced into Balch's Gulch and Guilds Lake, since the work began less than a year ago.

The big hill is being torn down by means of four monster giants, which handle about 14,000,000 gallons of water a day and sluice out about 4000 cubic yards of earth every 24 hours.

The power plant operating the giants is one of the largest pumping outfits on the Pacific coast. It consists of electric equipment of 2500 horsepower, and is capable of throwing with great force 20,000,000 gallons of water in 24 hours.

Believed Senatorial Plan Will Be Approved in Next Session of Congress.

Washington, D. C., March 11.—With a vote of 54 for and 23 against, thus falling by six votes to give a needed two-thirds majority, the resolution of Senator Borah of Idaho, for popular election of senators, remains an issue to be disposed of in the next session.

Senator Borah was in charge of the resolution, and conducted the most fight for its adoption. The house, of course, would have adopted it three to one without debate.

Sixteen years ago, William Jennings Bryan, then a member of the house from Nebraska, proposed a plan which he thought would have inaugurated the reform of the senate. It was that a resolution be drafted permitting any state if it chose to do so to elect its senators by popular vote.

Mr. Bryan said, "The resolution for the amendment of the constitution makes such popular election of senators mandatory, it is certain that an amendment will be offered and adopted, either denying to the federal government control of such elections, or giving the federal government control, if the former, then the northern senators will oppose it; if the latter, the southern senators will oppose it. But if the amendment merely elects and not compels any state to elect its senators in that manner, an immense majority in both houses will support it. The reform then will be before the people on its merits, several states immediately will adopt the new method, and the good results that will come from it will insure its spreading the country over."

In the light of the present demand for that reform, it seems probable that Mr. Bryan in 1894 was seeing the wiser plan, which, if followed, would by this time have been in effect in every state in the United States. It is known that the resolution which was defeated February 28 will be reintroduced in the sixty-second congress, and it is believed that it will pass the senate. Several new senators will be strongly for it, among them, Poindexter of Washington, Johnson of Maine, Works of California, who succeeds Flint, who voted against it, Martine of New Jersey, and others.

ing the '60s in organizing labor unions. In this work he was aided by Randall Cramer and Leo Ogden, both of whom are members of the British parliament, and are coworkers of John Burns, the labor leader.

When Joseph Mazzini went to London in search of volunteers for the war which Garibaldi was carrying on in Italy, Mr. McGregor enlisted, and went to help in the organization of the Italian campaign, and was on the staff of Garibaldi when the liberals took Rome. He was severely wounded in the leg by a cannon shot at the battle of Messina.

CIGARETTES ARE FOR WOMEN NOW

Fashionable New York Hotels Open Dining Rooms to "Lady" Smokers.

New York, March 11.—It wasn't so very long ago that the only place hereabouts where women could be seen smoking in public was in the cabins of incoming liners. And these women devotees of the weed were mostly foreigners. Today half the women in one of the big New York hotels, lately opened, puff monochloro carbonyl as the chemists may be—at their cigarettes, without creating more than passing notice.

As this change in the public attitude has taken place with unusual swiftness, those who model their conduct on more severe lines are wondering how long it will be before women smoke on the streets and at the theatres; the big stores have smoking rooms and the cars are assailed with such expressions as: "Claire, dear, won't you give me a light? I haven't a match in my chate-laine."

The "good fellows" are described as "women who can hold as much as any man," and who call the gentlemen of their acquaintance "bals." These had always smoked wherever they were allowed, and signified their joy over a public endorsement of their private idiosyncrasies by sprawling their elbows on the tables and puffing their smoke like old sea salts.

Hillsboro Firemen at Banquet. Hillsboro, Or., March 11.—The Hillsboro Volunteer Fire Department observed its thirtieth anniversary by a banquet. The exempt firemen and the members of the city council were invited guests. Only two of the original members were present.

Passenger Rate Reduced. Salem, Or., March 11.—William McMurray, general passenger agent for the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon, notified the railroad commission today that within a few weeks the new tariff would go into effect on all local runs in Oregon and that the passenger rate between Canby and Oregon City would at that time be reduced from 30 to 25 cents.

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