

# HEADQUARTERS TO SOON BE OPENED BY DEMOCRATS

### Presidential Aspirants Show Little Activity; Republican Organizations Well Built Up.

Chicago, March 6.—(U. P.)—Democratic presidential candidates will establish headquarters here soon, according to reports in political circles tonight.

The Democratic candidates' activities here have been restricted, while practically all Republicans in the field have built up large organizations.

James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Germany, is practically the only Democrat whose candidacy is formally announced, to conduct an active campaign in the Middle West. Attorney-General A. Mitchell Palmer has made several trips to the Middle West, said not to be for campaign purposes. The trips were made before he formally announced his candidacy.

Headquarters will be opened here to back Palmer, William G. McAdoo and other leading Democratic aspirants before April 1, it was freely predicted.

The candidacy of Edward I. Edwards has already received backing in Chicago from the "wet" Democrats, who had his name placed on the Illinois primary ballot. Political observers declared this action would be without definite result, as Roger Sullivan was practically certain to control the Illinois delegation to the San Francisco convention.

### WOOD BACKERS JUBILANT

Backers of General Leonard Wood here were jubilant tonight over the announcement that Frank H. Hitchcock would join their forces. Hitchcock, who resigned week ago and conferred with leading Republicans, including backers of Governor Frank O. Lowden.

The Lowden headquarters believed the fight for delegates in Illinois was practically ended today when the Republican state central committee adopted a resolution endorsing the governor's candidacy and calling upon party organizations in other states to take similar action.

Work of the organizations here will be concentrated during the next few weeks on the primary elections.

The South Dakota primary will be held March 23. Lowden, Wood, Johnson and Miles Poindexter will contest for the Republican delegates, Ambassador Gerard and James O. Monroe, of Illinois are the only Democratic candidates.

Another contest will be decided by the Michigan primaries on April 5.

Herbert Hoover's name will go on both the Democratic and Republican tickets. Other Republicans entered include Wood, Lowden, Johnson, Poindexter and Pershing.

On the Democratic ticket will be Bryan, Edwards, Palmer and McAdoo. The Indiana primaries will be held May 4 with Wood, Lowden, Johnson and Senator Harding certain to contest for the Republican delegates and Edwards and Vice-President Marshall on the Democratic side. Other names may be entered later.

The North Dakota primary on March 17 will see only two contestants—Lowden for the Republican delegates and Bryan for the Democratic.

Wood and Johnson are the only ones entered in the Nebraska primary set for April 20. The filing season has not yet closed.

Minnesota's Republican convention to choose delegates will be held March 26 and the Democratic April 6. The Colorado state Democratic convention will be held May 5 and the Republican a day later.

The Illinois Republican convention will meet at Springfield May 10. Other convention dates will be set later by state central committees.

# FREAR REPORT IS JUST "DOPE" FOR CAMPAIGN

Majority member of the Frear sub-committee, thus opened his address appealing for sober judgment of the hour in debate upon the inflammatory report submitted by the two majority members, Frear and Magee.

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# DANIELS DECLARES NAVY SHOULD BE LARGEST IN WORLD

Washington, March 6.—(U. P.)—Secretary Daniels said it would take four years at least to make the United States navy "incomparably the biggest in the world," in his testimony before the house committee today.

"If you say the United States should have the largest navy if we do not go into the league? How do you explain our program before the war, when we did not aim to have the largest navy in the world?" Representative Hicks, New York, asked.

"I have learned a lot during the war," Hicks replied. "Before the war I thought the people of the larger nations would not permit another great war. I was mistaken."

"How did you reconcile the fact that before the war Great Britain's navy was larger than ours, yet we paid no attention to it?" asked Hicks.

"We were not then trying to outstrip Great Britain. Why should we do so now?"

"We should not be influenced by any particular nation," replied Daniels, "but the investigation of the past few years in the world, then our country must have a navy unsurpassed by any navy in the world."

Representative Butler, Pennsylvania, pointed out that the new British ambassador to the United States, Sir Auckland Geddes, was "quoted as saying that Great Britain would not try to outstrip the United States."

Daniels replied he did not believe it was official, but intimated that Great Britain was encouraging her colonies to build naval vessels.

"With the construction program previously authorized in 1918 the additional program recommended by Daniels today would mean an expenditure of \$585,000,000 during the next few years."

Daniels, under questioning, said that with or without the league, the United States should have a navy as large as Great Britain, but that if this nation is not in the league it must have a navy in excess of that of any other country.

They should have cost, said Frear, and independent loggers who could have supplied the lumber needed were set aside in favor of cost-plus contractors.

"Pittable records show that Secretary Baker appointed Deeds, Potter, Ryan and Disque," said Frear, "none of whom knew anything about the business for which they were appointed, and that three of the four cost-plus contractors were completely ignorant of lumbering. Nothing but failure could have resulted, and a riot of waste during the expenditure of \$1,000,000,000 in 700 contracts was certain. All the waste could be forgotten, but the people will never forget nor forgive responsible officials who spent a billion dollars and yet failed to supply any American-built fighting planes with which to protect American flyers and troops."

Frear assured the house that the investigation had been conducted on non-partisan lines.

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