

PRIMARIES THUS FAR WITHOUT ANY REAL SIGNIFICANCE

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Washington, April 9.—Every primary election may have a meaning all its own, but collectively, all the primaries thus far held have no meaning at all.

Symptoms they are, but they will grow more confused as the time of the political conventions approaches, and any attempts to draw deductions standardizing the opportunities of presidential aspirants are admittedly simply part of the pre-convention game wherein the wish is father to the thought.

ALL ARE ENCOURAGED

Those who don't like Hiram Johnson or Herbert Hoover point to New York's vote for an unpledged delegation to the Republican national convention as a strong disapproval of Johnson and Hoover.

Those who would like to saturate the Democratic platform with the moisture of liberalized planks on light wines and beer derive a comfort from the heavy vote given Governor Edwards, exponent of wetness, in the Michigan primaries. Those who would fain see the boom of Leonard Wood collapse under the weight of plutocracy's backing point to the Michigan vote as an example of what a state victimized by the Newberry campaign fund controversy will do for a man like Hiram Johnson who has practically no funds at all.

RESOLUTION LIKELY TO PASS

And lastly, they who have maintained all along that the people of the United States are against participation in a League of Nations are encouraged by the vote Johnson, who in all his speeches denounced the league and treaty with or without reservations.

Of the effect in this connection of the Michigan vote on the hesitant members of congress, who must in the next few days vote on a joint resolution declaring peace, there can be little doubt. Encouragement is derived by them from the fact that in none of the Republican primaries did an avowed exponent of the League of Nations exhibit himself, and even A. Mitchell Palmer, a Democratic aspirant, is quoted as having said in a campaign speech in Georgia that he favored "substantial reservations."

But no matter how much pleasure irreconcilable opponents of the peace treaty may get out of the successful Johnson campaign in Michigan, there is much that is disquieting in it to the regular conservative organizations of the Republican party.

JOHNSON'S CHARACTER

For Hiram Johnson is a radical. He fought alongside Senator La Follette, who, by the way, bobbed up successfully in Wisconsin's primaries again. The two men assailed the rich and insisted that the rich bear the burdens of taxation.

Hiram Johnson is much more sound in his views than William Jennings Bryan, but as a campaigner with personal magnetism in his oratory, the two have many points in common. The East is just discovering what type of man is the Johnson who managed to carry a progressive state like California by 250,000, while the regular Republicans lost the state altogether.

Hiram W. Johnson's triumph in Eastern sections will send his stock higher out West. Here is an excerpt, for instance, from the writer's summary of September 30, last, on political observations made during the month of Sep-

tember, when accompanying President Wilson on his Western trip:

"The people of the West are expecting the issue of the league to be decided clearly. A man who gives his reasons for refusing to see the United States join any league is much more likely to be listened to than a man who says he is for a league with qualifications or reservations that amount to a desire to reject the treaty and league, which he seems to hesitate to say directly. So if the peace treaty is defeated, it is Hiram Johnson who will get the credit or discredit. If he wins the fight, many Republicans will regard him as the most likely figure for the Republican ticket largely because of the ability to swing the senate in his favor."

There can be no doubt that Hiram Johnson kept Senator Lodge and his group of reservationists on reservations and insisted upon keeping Article X in such form as would accomplish the ratification of the article itself so far as the United States is concerned.

JOHNSON CREDITED

The difference is that Senator Johnson admits the covenant was thus rendered innocuous, while opponents of the peace who cling to the reservation idea contend that the league was still preserved. President Wilson himself is inclined to side with Hiram Johnson—that in effect Article X was killed by the reservations and the object of Johnson was accomplished.

Senator Johnson is on the upward grade. He will never suit the Eastern Republicans, because his radicalism on certain questions is not to their liking. The Roosevelt following is divided between Johnson and Leonard Wood. As the campaign develops it will be noted that the California senator, who had the ardent support of Hearst and his string of widely read newspapers, will get closer to the radical wing of the Republican party, while Leonard Wood tends to retain, along with Governor Lowden and Herbert Hoover, the Republican conservatives.

But the primaries are inconclusive. They show no great tides of opinion—merely ripples of dissatisfaction with some candidates. The real battle is for the personal campaigner, or stalwart support for organization politicians who pull the primary strings. Each state presents a case unto itself.

And meanwhile all the political head-pieces are professing to regard this "influence" as well as vital "fluctuations" in the vote of the respective candidates. Taken together the primaries reveal no substantial drift, and yet in the direction of party politics, though there is no escaping the conclusion that the man who fought most bitterly the treaty and the league, who has tied Hearst's support and the supposed weight of party infidelity in 1916, comes out on top in a Republican primary in mid-Western, not far-Western, America.

DAIRYMEN'S LEAGUE HEAD

CANDIDATE FOR LEGISLATURE

Alma D. Katz, local manager of the Mutual Life Insurance company of New York, and president of the Oregon Dairymen's league, is the latest announced candidate for the house of representatives for Multnomah county on the Republican ticket. He made formal announcement of his candidacy this morning and will file his declaration of candidacy with the secretary of state Monday next.

Mr. Katz, in making his announcement of candidacy, issued the following statement in evidence of the principles upon which he will seek nomination and election:

"The next legislative session will have important duties in straightening out the tangled taxation problems. It will be concerned with questions vitally affecting business, agriculture, and, in particular, dairymen. As a business man and a farmer who owns a large dairy ranch, I believe that I can be of service to the people of Oregon in the state legislature. I have, therefore, decided to become a candidate on the Republican ticket for election from Multnomah county as a member of the house of representatives. I favor a divided session of the state legislature. I believe there should be more business sessions and less legislative sessions."

ness and less politics in administering state affairs.

"Justice to the business man and farmer; businesslike taxation."

TWELVE MORE ASPIRANTS

FILE THEIR CANDIDACIES

Salem, Or., April 9.—Dr. Esther Pohl-Lovejoy of Portland filed her nominating petition as a Democratic candidate for congress from the third congressional district with the secretary of state's office here Thursday.

John C. Shillock of Portland filed Thursday an affidavit with the secretary of state for nomination for state senator from Multnomah county.

Other candidates filing Thursday were:

Will R. King, Ontario, Democrat, candidate for delegate to the Democratic national convention from the Second congressional district.

Bartlett Cole, Portland, Republican, candidate for state representative from Multnomah county.

K. K. Kuhl, Portland, Republican, candidate for state representative from Multnomah county.

Walter L. Robb, Portland, Republican, candidate for presidential elector.

Denton G. Burck, Clatsop, Republican, for state representative from the Twenty-first representative district.

Elton Watkins, Portland, Democrat, for presidential elector.

J. O. Erickson, Astoria, Republican, for district attorney for Clatsop county.

William M. Stone, Oregon City, Republican, for state representative from Clackamas county.

Seward D. Allen, Eugene, Republican, for state representative from Lane county.

J. N. Johnson, Grants Pass, Republican, for state representative from Josephine county.

SEEKS REELECTION AS COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Pendleton, April 9.—B. E. Anderson, Democrat, whose term as county commissioner expires this year, has filed for reelection. Democrats at Umpqua have requested blank petitions to enter a candidate in the commissioner race but so far his identity has not been disclosed. Friends of Anderson, C. P. Sartre, Democrat, are circulating petitions, requesting that he enter the county judge race. J. B. Saylor, Democrat, of Freewater, is the only candidate on that ticket for the nomination.

County Treasurer Again Candidate

John M. Lewis, an old faithful among county administration officers, who has been treasurer since 1902 without a break, has filed for reelection. His petition was received by Deputy County Clerk Bush today. Lewis is a Republican candidate. So far, no opposition has appeared. If he is reelected, it will be his tenth term. "Pledged to all the people—the faithful discharge of a public trust" will appear as his slogan on the ballot.

REELECTION TO COMMISSION

SOUGHT BY FRED BUCHTEL

Salem, April 9.—Asking for a second term as a member of the Oregon public service commission on the strength of his past record of "constructive business administration in the public's interests," Fred G. Buchtel, present chairman of the commission, has filed with the secretary of state's office his formal petition for a place on the Republican ballot as a candidate for reelection.

McDougal Enters Judgeship Race

F. C. McDougal, ex-service man, filed today with County Clerk J. W. Beveridge as Republican candidate for the office of district judge, department No. 2. He will make the race against the incumbent, Judge Joseph Jones. His slogan is "100 per cent justice and Americanism."

Democratic Meeting Called

Centrals, Wash., April 9.—J. H. Roberts, Democratic state committee man, has issued a call for a meeting of Lewis county Democrats in Chehalis May 1 to elect delegates to the state convention at Spokane on May 17. Lewis county will send 28 delegates.

Democratic Club Forms

Spokane, Wash., April 9.—The Young Men's Democratic club of Spokane was organized Wednesday.

FUGITIVE IN CUSTODY

NOW SAYS MESSAGE

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charges he was duped of \$5500 by the truck dealer.

Three other complaints against Jungie will be filed today, announced Deputy District Attorney McQuire. The principal one of these is the transaction whereby Jungie is alleged to have twice negotiated a note and contract entered into between himself and H. T. Donovan of the Portland apartment, who purchased a truck last fall, paying part down on a contract for a \$3400 truck. Jungie, it is alleged, sold the note to E. D. Stevenson, a broker retaining the contract and bill of sale. In March, it is charged, Jungie negotiated the contract with the Broadway bank, realizing on the double deal approximately \$5500. The other complaints are of similar character.

TRUCKS ALSO VANISH

Thirty-five automobile and motor trucks, 19 of which were new and valuable trucks, disappeared from their places of storage on Sunday, March 28, the date of Jungie's disappearance. The new quarters of the Diamond T truck agency at Tenth and Flanders streets were found stripped.

Jungie is said to have decamped with \$50,000 in travelers' checks, \$7000 in cash and many diamonds which he intended to convert into cash. He was said to be heading for Germany, his native land. Many of the trucks were later located in Vancouver, and ultimately all of the machines were recovered.

Jungie was accused of selling machines, but holding their delivery, in the meantime reselling them to other persons.

Portland Boy Held

By Medford Police

Says He Ran Away

Medford, April 9.—In the custody of the juvenile court here is Wilbur Jones, 14-year-old Portland boy, who, while en route home by freight train from California, stopped in Ashland and stole a bicycle, which he rode to Medford and sold for \$7. He asserts his parents are dead and that he ran away to California from his home with relatives at Portland two years ago.

George A. Coddings, Medford attorney, who enlisted after he had failed to get a commission and was discharged with rank of sergeant major, has been elected commander of Medford post, American Legion. He has also been elected loyal knight and a trustee of the Elks lodge.

CHARGE OF PERJURY

FACES MOVIE STAR

Sacramento, April 9.—Extradition proceedings to transfer Mary Pickford to Nevada to face charges of perjury will in all probability be the next move in the investigation of the celebrated movie star's divorce from Owen Moore, in the event the decree is set aside by the Nevada judiciary.

Such was the consensus of opinion today of high California officials who were in conference with Governor Boyle here Tuesday.

Charges of perjury will be preferred against Mary immediately upon the annulment of the Pickford-Moore divorce, according to those who conferred with Governor Boyle. The penalty for perjury under the Nevada statute is a sentence of from one to 14 years' imprisonment with the alternative of a fine.

The Nevada executive, while here visiting Governor Stevens, expressed sentiment of the movie star's "fraud which made a farce of Nevada's judiciary," and promised that the Nevada authorities will "go the limit" in an attempt to bring Miss Pickford to justice.

While in Sacramento it is learned from an authoritative source that Governor Boyle stated that it is practically certain the Pickford-Moore divorce will be annulled.

Los Angeles, April 9.—(I. N. S.)—Mrs. Mary Pickford Fairbanks, famous motion picture star and bride of Douglas Fairbanks, noted film actor, is "looking quite well" today following her nervous collapse yesterday afternoon. Still under the care of physicians and nerve specialists, Mrs. Fairbanks' condition is described today as serious but not dangerous.

The collapse is ascribed to the great strain under which she has labored for the past several weeks, beginning with the divorce from her husband, Douglas Fairbanks, and her attendant publicity and culminating in her secret wedding to Fairbanks and reports that her divorce would be investigated for irregularities.

PORTLAND MAN KILLED

TRYING TO AID SOVIET

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many of whose radical members have collided with Oregon justice recently. He was a prominent figure in the Chicago convention of the Communist party when he was "looked out" because of his extreme radicalism. He and his followers immediately called a convention of their own and the Communist Labor party was the result. He has been a delegate from the United States to the third international at Moscow, Russia, from which, department of justice officials aver, much troublesome radicalism has been developed.

Reed came into the limelight again less than a month ago, when he is said to have been identified at Abo, Finland, where he arrived as a stow-away in the coal bunker of a steamer bound for Sweden.

EXPECTED TO PAY WAY

In his possession was found a mass of soviet propaganda, as well as money and diamonds, with which, he declared, he expected to pay his way into radical affairs. When arrested Reed gave a fictitious name and told of having been in Russia for five months. He carried American, German and British passports. It was reported.

As editor of the "Voice of Labor," a "Red" journal purporting to be the official organ of the Communist Labor party, Reed was indicted as a conspirator with other radicals. In January under charges that he was conspiring to cause the overthrow of the United States government. However, Reed was not brought to trial, ostensibly because he had anticipated his indictment and had sailed for Russia for the expressed purpose of more closely amalgamating the radicals of Russia and those of the United States. A year or more ago he had appeared before a congressional committee to defend soviet government. His wife, Louise Bryant, was also a witness before the committee.

Mrs. Reed was in Portland last year and is said now to be in New York. Mrs. Reed worked as a news writer in Portland and entered radical ranks by way of the suffragists' campaign in Washington.

FOCH'S ARMY IS

GIVEN MORE MEN

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understood that they did not have sufficient data on which to base a decision.

FRANCE MAY INSIST

It was learned from an authoritative source that France might insist on the right to continue the occupation of Frankfurt until July 1, if the allies grant Germany's request to leave the Reichswehr (German government troops) in the Ruhr district until that time.

There were several conferences during the day between high French military leaders and individual members of the government to discuss the German situation.

The French press, previously misled by reports that England would support the French advance, displayed much bitterness in editorial comment today.

LLOYD GEORGE BLAMED

"Premier Lloyd George has dealt the entente a blow from which it will be difficult to recover, and abandons us at a time when we are at grips with our enemy of yesterday," said the "Matin." "But at the same time confidence is encouraged by our abandonment," said the Midi. "England has pronounced against the French occupation of the Ruhr zone."

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The Petite Parisienne emphasizes the cordial meeting between General Mayence and Major General Henry T. Allen, commander of the American army of occupation, quoting both as saying they have evidence that the Germans are circulating false rumors to the effect

that dissensions have broken out among the allies.

FRANCE IS PLAYING WITH FIRE, SAYS GERMAN NOTE

Paris, April 9.—A new war is likely to start at any moment, in the opinion of the German diplomatic delegation here.

The German envoys are extremely apprehensive lest a hasty firing of a gun or a similar incident between French and German troops may be the signal for a general uprising in Germany, plunging all Europe into the horrors of a conflict, the consequence of which cannot be calculated.

"France's plans are puzzling the German government, which is unable to understand what France is driving at," said one of the chief German diplomats here to a me a few minutes ago.

"If France keeps her fire and German troops are unable to withdraw from the Ruhr region until order has been restored, which means at least a fortnight."

The German government's original contention in her note was that it would take no longer than seven days to restore order in the Ruhr district.

"If France keeps her troops on German territory any length of time, Germany cannot be responsible for the course events may take," the note says. "France is now playing with fire and besides is making it extremely difficult for the Berlin government to repress the Red movement."

MOVE IS NOT JUSTIFIED

GERMAN NOTE DECLARES

Washington, April 9.—(I. N. S.)—"The military act of violence" of the French government "would not have been justified" if the treaty terms had been violated and they were not violated, Germany declared in its protest to France, April 7, against French occupation of Frankfurt, a summary of which was made public here this afternoon by the state department.

Germany contended that the present situation is one for the League of Nations to settle.

BALTIC BRIGADE DECLINES TO DISBAND AND MUTINIES

By Carl Grant

Berlin, April 8.—(Night U. P.)—Two battalions of the Baltic marine brigade at Doberitz camp, near Berlin, mutinied last night, killing several officers. It was reported here today.

The brigade was one of the chief supporters of the recent Von Kapp insurrection. It refused to disband and was ordered by the government after the Von Kapp movement dissolved.

GERMANY'S NOTE ACCUSES FRANCE OF ASSASSINATION

Paris, April 9.—(I. N. S.)—Herr Mayer, German charge d'affaires in Paris, handed Premier Millerand a note from his government tonight protesting in strong terms "the French murder of the citizens of Frankfurt by colored troops."

The note also registered protest on the "assassination" of Lieutenant Count von Kaimlein outside the newly occupied zone.

Belgians to Cooperate

Brussels, April 9.—(U. P.)—The Belgian government has decided to send a detachment of troops to co-operate with the French in their occupation of German cities in the neutral zone. The Belgian forces will be withdrawn as soon as German troops evacuate the Ruhr district, in accordance with the terms of the peace treaty.

Germany Held to Account

Paris, April 9.—(U. P.)—France will be held accountable for damage to the lives and property of German citizens during French occupation of the Rhine cities, the German delegation here announced today. Members of the delegation said they would hand a note to the French foreign office tonight outlining the Berlin government's position.

California Banker Dies

San Francisco, April 9.—(U. P.)—I. W. Hellman Sr., president of the Wells Fargo-Nevada National bank of this city and leading banker of California, died here today. Hellman's death is said to have followed a collapse brought on by the critical illness of I. W. Hellman Jr. He is survived by two daughters and one son.

Baker Will Attend Police Conference

Mayor Baker will attend a conference of police captains, lieutenants and sergeants which will be held on April 12 at 4 p. m. at the police station at the call of Chief of Police Jenkins, according to the mayor's announcement this morning. Important police matters, including methods of gathering evi-

dence in various cases, will be discussed at the conference. Municipal Judge Roseman, Deputy District Attorney Peck and Deputy City Attorney Stadler have been invited to attend.

New Angle Given In Christian Science Church Controversy

Boston, April 9.—(I. N. S.)—Charging that Edwin A. Krauthoff of Washington and Kansas City was trying to substitute the Christian Science manual for the law of the land in the Christian Science litigation, William G. Thompson, attorney for John V. Dittmore of the trustees, opposed Mr. Krauthoff's motion for entry into the litigation as member of the First church before Judge Pierce of the supreme court today. Krauthoff says that the removal of Lamont Rowlands of Piquette, La., as director, which precipitated all the litigation, was made because Mr. Rowlands did not obey the manual, and that those facts were not considered by Judge Dodge as master.

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WHENEVER MET, URGES BARROWS

"There is only one thing to do when you come up against anything so depraved as Bolshevism and that is to fight it," declared Dr. David Prescott Barrows, president of the University of California, in an address before the Oregon Civic League at the Chamber of Commerce Thursday.

Dr. Barrows held the rank of lieutenant colonel in the recent war and was head of the intelligence department of the American expeditionary forces in Siberia. His address on the fundamental principles in the soviet government and Bolshevism was given from a vast fund of first-hand information and was listened to with closest attention.

"Marshal Foch said, 'Bolshevism is a malady of defeated nations,' and his definition is a good one. Bolshevism is not Socialism, nor is it anarchism; it is a highly centralized government; it is essentially autocratic; it is the most tremendously and pitilessly reactionary thing that has ever been presented to the world. Majorities don't count, the power is in the hands of the small minority."

The soviet has but one form of punishment for those who fail to comply with its demands and that punishment is instant death. The soviet decided that the peasants must produce so much grain and other foodstuffs; they must work the land and where they were directed, and the returns must come up to a certain standard. If the returns do not meet the requirements the military is sent out, the men are summoned and they are shot down like dogs, not all of them, for that would defeat their purpose, but a few just by way of frightening the rest into submission. The peasants are a stubborn lot, and so the crop failures go on. The peasants love the land; they want to cultivate it, but they want to own it; they want to have for their own that which they earn.

"Hundreds of officers and officials and others in authority have been slain and those that have been let live have been whipped into line by threats against the women and children. The soviet has been a failure. It is hostile to everything for which American government stands, and I think we would make a grave mistake to let down the bars to trading for the sake of the small gain at the cost of making the soviet the more stable and secure. The Russian trade will be ours a little later, but this is not the time, in my estimation, for us to make this concession."

"America is not a defeated nation, and it doesn't want Bolshevism. It has been tried in Seattle; it was tried in Winnipeg, and it was a failure both times. I repeat, we don't want it and we don't have to have it; but if it comes to us by way of strikes and Red uprisings, we don't have to take it lying down. There is just one thing to do when confronted with Bolshevism and that is to fight it."

Dr. Barrows addressed a gathering of California alumni at a dinner in the University club Thursday night. He spoke of the needs of the institution in the light of the enormously increased attendance in the freshman class. Other speakers were President Campbell of the University of Oregon and Professor Morgan of Reed college.

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