

GEORGIA PRIMARY PRESENTS CURIOUS PARTY PROBLEMS

Washington, April 18.—(WASH-INGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—The books have closed for entries in the Democratic primaries in Georgia, where one of the most interesting and curious of the early struggles on the Democratic side is to take place. The primaries will be held April 20.

Candidates in the race are Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer of Pennsylvania and two favorite sons of Georgia, Senator Hoke Smith and Thomas E. Watson, one time Populist candidate for president. These three had been named by petition had been struck off.

By their own request, William Gibbs McAdoo, Vice President Marshall, ex-speaker Champ Clark, Governor Edwards of New Jersey, Senator Reed of Missouri and ex-Secretary of State Robert Lansing were eliminated. Hoover was dropped because he declined to declare himself a Democrat, and the state committee ruled that only avowed Democrats were eligible.

WILSON PETITION EFFECTIVE
President Wilson's name was also put up by a petition only two days before the date for closing the lists. This was recognized as an effort to drag his attitude toward another candidacy, and at the same time embarrass Palmer, who is running on a platform indorsing Wilson's administration "in every phase." The dilemma was solved by inducing enough signers of the petition to withdraw their signatures to make the petition defective.

Senator Hoke Smith is not a Wilson Democrat and while much of his opposition has been masked, he broke with the president on the peace treaty. He has made many speeches in Georgia advocating reservations to the treaty, particularly on Article X of the League of Nations, and said he would not vote for the treaty unless the obligations of Article X were broken down.

SMITH NOT REAL CANDIDATE
Smith does not pretend that he is a real candidate for president. In a public statement he said he entered his name because he wanted to provide a means of expression for voters who want the treaty with strong reservations. Palmer wants the treaty without reservations or with merely interpretive declarations, and Watson is a "bitter ender" against any kind of a league. The tangle of local Georgia politics naturally enters into the contest. Smith is a candidate for reelection to the senate this year, and having opposed the president on the league, knows he has a fight for it. The presidential primary, if he can win it on a favorite son plan, may help save his seat.

WATSON RATED THIRD
Watson is rated third man in the race, though his following is considerable. Populism was once strong in Georgia, and Watson holds a residue of the old Populist following, to which he adds the present day radicals. Allied with him is former Senator Thomas W. Hardwick. Originally they were behind Senator Reed, but when Reed decided to withdraw his name Watson went in.

Hardwick was an opponent of administration war measures, and was defeated for reelection in 1918 after President Wilson had asked for his defeat. He has since been prominent as attorney for Socialists and other radicals prosecuted under the espionage act, and as attorney for Martens, the Russian soviet "ambassador." Watson's newspaper was excluded from the mails during the war because of its attitude toward the war. These facts fairly well define the Watson candidacy.

UNDERWOOD KEEPS NAME OUT
Prominent Georgians who know the politics of the state say that Senator Oscar W. Underwood of Alabama, who carried the state in 1912, would easily have carried it again had he permitted the use of his name, but Underwood has kept his name out of the presidential contest. Palmer, McAdoo, Bryan and Hoover sentiment is said to exist in real force, but Palmer is the only one of these to go on the ballot.

Palmer, it is thought, will become the beneficiary of a large number of supporters of these others whose names are not entered, and of those who believe in sustaining the president. On the other hand, Hoke Smith has been regarded as unbeatable in the Georgia domain, and will gather a certain personal strength as a Georgian as against Palmer, an outsider.

GEORGIA SYSTEM PECULIAR
Washington is much interested in the contest, as the choice of a Smith delegation would be considered an anti-administration victory, with a delegation which would be sent to test the purpose of an anti-administration cabal at San Francisco.

The Georgia plan governing the selection of delegates is peculiar. The candidate receiving the majority popular vote is not assured of the delegates, because of the county unit system. Whoever carries a county receives the unit vote of that county in the state convention, the county delegates being selected by the county executive committee from among the avowed supporters of that candidate, and whoever receives a majority of the county unit votes becomes the choice of the state's delegation, which will be selected at a state convention on May 18.

RESTAURANTS PLACE SPUDS AT 50 CENTS IN FIGHT ON COSTS

(By United News)
Detroit, Mich., April 19.—To further the boycott of potatoes, the Detroit Restaurant Keepers' association today boosted the price of potatoes to such a height that only the rockless would order them. Mashed potatoes went to 50 cents for a small portion on the menu cards of the medium priced places, plain Irish boiled were 40 cents and the aristocratic spud soufflé was firm on a rising market at 60 cents per wartime portion.

EATING SUBSTITUTES
The restaurateurs decided to make these prices uniform to start the second week of the potato fight on potato profiteers, murrins having hit the high price of \$8 a bushel. Even the stewards of the fanciest food parlors in town, where high priced buffets and dinners are served, decided that the price had about reached its limit.

Community meetings which began Saturday night were continued Sunday in which high priced dinners and dinners were held. The restaurateurs promised to abstain from tubers until the prices come down at least 75 per cent.

TELL THEM NOT TO BUY
Walters in all restaurants on Sunday were advising the patrons not to order potatoes and there were some places in which the great table staple had been scratched entirely from the carte, its place being filled by rice specialties or hominy, which were quite popular, to judge by the demand.

Lost their action in boosting potato prices was misunderstood, the restaurateurs posted placards explaining that the price to unreasonable limits and requesting that no potatoes be demanded until prices should fall.

Portland restaurateurs have offered slight aid in boycotting the potato. They have placed 4 and 49 cent charges on potatoes served with regular orders. If this does not offer sufficient discouragement to patrons, almost prohibitive prices may be claimed on.

Tenants Threaten to Try Walkout to End Rent Profiteering

New York, April 19.—(I. N. S.)—The fight between indignant tenants and profiteering landlords will culminate on May 1 by the "strike" of 25,000 tenants in Brooklyn. It was declared here by leaders of a mass meeting held to protest against rent profiteering.

The new Tenants' league now has 15,000 members and there will be 25,000 members by May 1, according to Leo Gittin, organizer of the league. He declared tenants had had their rents raised 100 per cent in many instances in the last few months.

Deal to Buy Power Company
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HIRAM JOHNSON RECOGNIZES ONLY ONE BOSS AT HOME

(By United News)
New York, April 19.—The next month is expected by political wiseacres to reveal Senator Hiram Johnson of California as a candidate of strong potentiality for the Republican nomination at Chicago. Where he has appeared in public he has had singular success in winning a majority or plurality of votes in ensuring balloting. For that reason many women have asked:

"If Hiram Johnson were elected president, what sort of a woman would be the first lady of the land?"
At the outset it is admitted by all of Johnson's friends that while he has made a specialty of fighting bosses throughout his political career, he has one at home that he acknowledges. He won't take dictation from any corporation or political group, but when the voice of Mrs. Johnson speaks in command, the senator responds, as he obeys:

"All right, boss, just as you say." Senator and Mrs. Johnson are real pals. Mrs. Johnson is rarely seen in public. Yet when one meets the senator these days it is more than likely that somewhere in the background is his wife, who isn't thinking of you or of the senator's meeting or of the presidential nomination, but of Hiram's personal comfort and welfare.

Has Husband Arrested
Kansas City, Mo., April 19.—(I. N. S.)—While Mrs. Gus Bell was mending her husband's coat the other day a woman's photograph dropped from a pocket. Mrs. Bell became jealous and forthwith told the police that Bell had purchased a stolen bride. Bell is serving a 60 day sentence in the county jail.

YOUTHFUL LOVE RECALLED
There's was a boy and girl love affair and is still just as much of a love affair as it was when Hiram was a student at the University of California and Mrs. Johnson was just Minnie McNeal of Sacramento, daughter of Archibald McNeal, pioneer Scotch Presbyterian citizen of the California capital.

The McNeals and the Johnsons were near neighbors. Hiram was only 21 when they were married. Many persons meeting the senator are surprised to learn that he has two grand children. They would have more difficulty in realizing that Mrs. Johnson is a grandmother.

WIFE IS VIVACIOUS
She is young in appearance and full of youthful vivacity. She loves her two sons and she loves her two grand children, but she worships her husband. During one of his recent trips to the West, Mrs. Johnson in great excitement telephoned a friend in Washington and said:

"I'm sure something must have happened. Do you know I haven't heard a word from Hiram in 24 hours." Mrs. Johnson has never been active socially on a large scale. She spends

PLUMB PLAN NOW LOSING SUPPORT

(By United News Staff Correspondent)
Washington, April 19.—The most reliable opinion in Washington has it that the railway brotherhoods have very considerably cooled towards the Plumb plan as a result of the "outlaw" railway strikes.

Labor leaders take little stock in the assertion that the so-called "outlaw" strike was fathered by revolutionaries. They believe that the strike was the result of widespread dissatisfaction in the ranks with the general economic situation.

Realizing this, the brotherhood chiefs are anxious for some official action on the part of the government that will at least partially satisfy the rank and file of the railway workers and give the brotherhoods a chance to regain their partially lost prestige and authority.

It is understood that the Plumb plan represents the ideas of the most radical elements among the railway workers, and the strikes have brought the brotherhoods in direct conflict with these elements. It is altogether probable that whatever sympathy organized union railway labor has hitherto had with the Plumb plan, and this sympathy has been practically destroyed by the latest strike, which was aimed at the brotherhoods as much as either the railways themselves or the government.

It is being recalled here as a significant fact that whereas Gompers and the brotherhood heads were crying out not only against the anti-strike provisions of the original Esch-Cummins bill—which were defeated—but also against the railway labor board, which was adopted and is now in operation—that since the "outlaw strike" those same

RAISING BONUSES MAY SPLIT PARTY

Washington, April 19.—One of the hardest fought legislative battles in recent years now appears certain to develop in the house over the method of raising revenue to pay the proposed cash bonuses to former soldiers. The Republican organization is due for another split, according to present indications.

The question at issue is whether the \$1,000,000,000 needed for the bonuses will be raised by a sales tax of one-half of 1 per cent on "turnover" sales, as proposed by the Republican leaders on the ways and means committee, or whether a retroactive tax shall be levied on war profits of the millionaire classes.

Representative Royal C. Johnson, Republican of South Dakota, has joined forces with Representative Henry T. Rainey, Democrat of Illinois, in support of the war profits tax. Rainey is confident the Democrats of the house will stand virtually as a unit in favor of the war profits tax and Johnson declares he will be able to line up more than enough Republican votes to insure its adoption over the sales tax idea.

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FOR THE CHURCH'S WORK ABROAD. Influenza came first from the Orient thirty years ago; nearly all plagues are Oriental plagues. So long as China has only one physician to every 400,000 people the Orient will continue to be a menace. So long as one-third of the babies of India die before their second year our own babies are not safe. A Christian doctor or teacher sent abroad is working for America as truly as though he worked at home.

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