

Ringleaders

favor Governor over Wood. McAdoo Likeliest Democrat. Johnson may head own party. Chances are daily-brighter

For Lowden

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Washington, May 13.—Political events of the last 24 hours have emphasized the improbability of a reconciliation between the various factions in both the Democratic and Republican parties who have taken their respective attitudes toward the peace treaty and League of Nations during the past year.

Three divisions exist in each party and by virtue of their similarity they appear now to be the nuclei of three political parties.

LOWDEN AHEAD OF WOOD

President Wilson's letter to the Oregon Democrats, asking for the unqualified endorsement of the treaty and league, followed by the announcement of Republican leaders in Chicago that they would stand on the Lodge reservations, has now been attacked by the so-called "irreconcilables" led by Senators Johnson and Borah, who hint at a bolt from the Republican party unless the league, treaty and all are condemned.

The outlook at present for the presidential nominations, therefore, would appear to be as follows: Wood or Hoover, on a platform of Lodge reservations, and their chances about in the order named.

BRYAN MEN MAY BOLT

Democratic—McAdoo, Cox or Palmer, on a platform written by President Wilson advocating unqualified adoption of the treaty but accepting interpretative reservations such as those of the Hitchcock resolution.

Independent or third party—Senator Hiram Johnson or Senator LaFollette, on a platform opposing the entire treaty, league and reservations. Support for the third party will come from the Wilson platform, though Bryan himself would be prevented from supporting a third party which condemned the treaty and the league, though Bryan is ready to accept the Lodge reservations in the interest of a start toward peace.

REPUBLICANS CONFIDENT

Support for the third party would also come from those Democrats, particularly of Irish extraction, who think Article X of the covenant interferes with the prospect of Irish freedom, and they are lining up solidly behind Hiram Johnson.

Of course Republicans fond of Johnson will join a third party, but someone of the Democratic persuasion will be prevented from supporting a third party which condemned the treaty and the league, though Bryan is ready to accept the Lodge reservations in the interest of a start toward peace.

MADDOO BEST BET

The Democrats think the departure of Johnson and his following from the regular Republican party will make the Lodge reservationist program easy to attack, and that the real friends of the league will see the Democratic platform as the only means of bringing about an early partition of the United States in the present League of Nations.

But irrespective of the treaty issues the personal questions in each party are getting more and more vital. William Gibbs McAdoo has the edge on the Democratic nomination. By insisting on unqualified endorsement of the treaty, he has impressed Democrats in the capital here as a shrewd politician.

HAS MANY ENEMIES

Mitchell Palmer is well liked and probably has more strength among the members of the Democratic national committee than has McAdoo, but the latter was in the game before Palmer began.

Delegates were tied to the McAdoo band wagon when that individual was secretary of the treasury and director general of railroads. Added to this are the mistakes made by Palmer, or rather the group he has rightly or wrongly antagonized. He is under attack for failing to resign.

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FORGED WIRE COSED BY SIMS, DANIELS

American Admiral Tried to Fortify His Attitude by Use of Bogus Message About Convoys, Declares Secretary of Navy.

Washington, May 13.—(U. P.)—Secretary Daniels today charged Rear Admiral Sims with introducing a forged cablegram as evidence in the senate naval investigation.

The cable, as offered by Sims, bore the signature of "Daniels," but the secretary today offered the original copy of the cable and denied it bore his name. The dispatch in question related to the convoy system and held that vessels having armed guards were safer sailing independently. Daniels said the original bore the signature of A. F. Carter of the bureau of naval operations.

DANIELS WANTS APOLOGY

"The instigation of this attempt to fix upon the civilian secretary a telegram signed by another official ought to be produced by Admiral Sims, who produced this altered telegram and who owes an apology to me and to the country for the imposition undertaken to be made by his testimony based upon a false signature," Daniels told the committee.

"This shows that somewhere somebody was guilty of signing my name to an official dispatch which the original here produced shows I never signed, or of altering the original by erasing my signature and substituting 'Daniels'."

BY BRITISH EMBASSY

"I knew that I had never sent any telegram. I knew that if my name appeared on such a telegram, it would be because somebody had forged my name to it. The dispatch had been sent to London through the British embassy, which had retained the original copy."

The sentence in the cable to which Daniels took exception read:

"In regard to convoys, I consider that American vessels having armed guards are safer when sailing independently."

WHAT SIMS' ADVICE DID

Daniels also told the committee that Sims also opposed using the Levisthan as a test case for the reason that it offered too large a target. Later he insisted that it be sent to a British port, asserting no French ports were suitable, but that the British port of Liverpool, on her first trip the steamer in the mud in Liverpool and had to wait a month until the latter came in before she could be floated, Daniels said.

Daniels went into his charge previously made that Sims was more solicitous about the merchant ships than of troop transports.

SIMS' IDEA OF VALUES

"If I had believed that Admiral Sims cherished any such idea," Daniels said, "I would have been more than willing to endanger troop transports in order to save cargo ships, he would have been instantly removed from office."

He quoted Sims as writing to Admiral Bayly, British commander at Queenstown, that Daniels insisted on the safety of troops was "largely political."

Daniels told of a warning sent from Washington that the German submarines were aiming to step out of the convoy and the denial of the fact by Sims. "The convoy was attacked that night," Daniels declared.

Price of Sugar Should Be at 11 Cents, Railroad Labor Board Told

Washington, May 13.—(U. P.)—Sugar should sell for 11 cents a pound and present prices, ranging from 20 to 25 cents, are due to profiteering, W. Jett Lauck, consulting economist of the railroad brotherhood, told the railroad labor board today.

Sugar "gougers" will exact a total of \$600,000,000 from the American people this year, Lauck, who is urging the board to grant railroad men increases, said.

Income taxes for 1917 show that sugar producers had earned 52 1/2 per cent on the capital stock, 50 1/2 per cent on the capital stock, 45 1/2 per cent on their capital, actually invested after all taxes were deducted, he said.

Cane producers earned 27.38 per cent on capital stock, 23.34 per cent on capital actually invested and 19.04 on capital after deducting taxes, according to Lauck, who said sugar was then selling for 7.7 cents a pound.

The producer showed such amazing earnings then," said Lauck, "what must be their earnings today with sugar hovering about 25 cents a pound?"

LUSK GOES SOUTH FOR INVESTIGATION OF SUGAR

For further investigation of the sugar situation, Hall Lusk, assistant United States attorney, Wednesday night for San Francisco and probably will be in the south for a week. Lusk is food controller in the state.

Most of the sugar used in Oregon comes from the California refiners, and Lusk will inquire into production costs to determine if the wholesalers of this district are not being required to pay an exorbitant price. A telegram was received by his office Tuesday from Washington, fixing a 2-cent margin of profit for retailers and 1 cent for wholesalers. Merchants of both lines assert that they cannot break even on such a profit.

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CHICAGO PICTURE ASSURES DROP IN SUGAR PRICES

Chicago, May 13.—(U. P.)—Sugar dealers in Chicago, who have been holding up the price of that commodity to 32 cents a pound, were given a little picture entertainment given them here Wednesday by United States District Attorney Charles F. Glynn.

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FAR EASTERN TRADE VISION GAPS OREGON

Sixty-Five Billion Dollar Far Eastern Magnet Draws Portlanders to Realization of Vast Possibilities; Adopt Slogan.

By Marshall N. Dana

San Francisco, May 13.—Portland the abutment of the Pacific and bridge of ships, a terminal of the Trans-Pacific highway.

The most plegmatic of the Rose City's big delegation began "seeing things" this morning, as the main purposes of the National Foreign Trade convention became apparent.

Foreign traders from America and abroad have opened the eyes of the men from ports of the Columbia wider than ever before.

There is in prospect a \$65,000,000,000 annual commerce with the Orient. To build it calls first for allocation of an adequate number of Uncle Sam's 1500 merchant ships. The merchant marine is to be increased to 1944 ships by the end of the year.

PORT DEVELOPMENT NEEDED

To be an abutment of this "bridge of ships" calls for improvements for port facilities of the largest extent and highest standard.

That is why the \$10,000,000 port program proposed for Portland became a factor in the national foreign trade convention.

America must also maintain facilities abroad. There should be American-owned docks at Shanghai, Manila and other ports. The United States enterprise of Manilans in spending \$4,000,000 and the authorization of \$6,000,000 more for port facilities should be a lesson to us.

American incorporations in bulk trade sales under the British flag. American investors in the Orient. Americans incorporate under English laws in order to meet British competition in the Orient.

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All of Carranza's Former Leaders Have Deserted Him for Rebels

Washington, May 13.—(I. N. S.)—Former Carranzista leaders have practically all declared for the revolution in Mexico, according to reports to the revolutionary agency here today. The reports declared that there is little indication of further opposition from Carranzistas.

Reports that Saltillo had been recaptured by Carranzistas were not credited by the revolutionary agency.

No reports had been received today as to the whereabouts of President Carranza.

REVOLUTION IS ENDED AS FAR AS BORDER CONCERNED

By M. D. D.

Agua Prieta, Sonora, May 13.—(U. P.)—With the Mexican revolutionists claiming control of Nuevo Leon and Tamaulipas, in addition to Sonora and Chihuahua, the revolution seemed today to be practically over as far as the border is concerned.

That General Calles, rebel war minister, held this belief was evidenced by reports that he was heading for Chihuahua City and probably will not stop at Juarez or other border points as he had planned to do.

Revolutionary headquarters in Agua Prieta are all but closed. Only the necessary officers of the small garrison remain.

Announcement was made today that the Chinese club, chief gaming concessionaire, had been permitted to reopen for American patrons only.

Another announcement was the appointment of Alfonso Vasquez, now controller of the state, as revolutionary vice consul at El Paso.

Alfonso Vasquez will succeed Vasquez as consular agent here.

Senator Reverses Former Position; Issues Statement Saying He "Should Like to See Oregon Join California, Montana."

Washington, May 13.—(WASH.-INGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—Senator McNary today reversed his position as a neutral in the Republican presidential contest and issued a statement declaring for Senator Johnson, saying he hopes that Oregon will declare for the California senator at the primaries.

Heretofore McNary has stoutly maintained he would endorse no one and those who seek an explanation of the present turn of affairs believe that it lies in the personal friendship existing between McNary, Johnson and Borah.

Since Johnson returned here from his recent campaign tour he and Borah have sought conferences with McNary and it is believed they recalled that they "went to the bat" for him when he was engaged in a struggle with Robert N. Stanford at the Oregon primaries two years ago.

McNary's statement was handed to Johnson for use today and it is expected to be used in the final days of the campaign in Oregon. In it he said:

"Rooted to the West by birth and knowledge of its destiny, I feel justified in stating my preference for a far western man who, by environment and sympathy, is of the West and devoted to its development. Senator Hiram Johnson of California, in my judgment, fulfills the measure of our hopes. His personal views on foreign affairs, whether we agree or differ, must yield to the overpowering force of public opinion. I entertain no fear of his being overthrown by the forces of his innate desire to serve the public. Under the conditions that prevail I should like to see Oregon join with California and Montana and other western states in giving Senator Johnson its support, as that result will demonstrate to the country that the West still has a man who knows the possibilities of achievement and who will give assistance to her ambitions."

VICTORY FOR "LIBERALS" AT SPOKANE IS PREDICTED

Spokane, Wash., May 13.—A double delegation to the national Democratic convention at San Francisco from this city with the bare possibility of a dual state convention in Spokane, Monday, and victory for the "liberal" wing of the party, were the reasons assigned by Major General Leonard Wood, United States Chairman George F. Christensen of Stevenson.

"By some time of his present position Rogers published an advertisement in Seattle newspapers in which he said:

"On account of my inability to obtain assistance from some of the bankers and other interests of Seattle in financing the purchase of a shipbuilding plant, I have decided to provide satisfactory performance bonds. I have been obliged to reject contracts approximately \$44,000,000, which would have brought to Seattle employment for nearly 6000 men, with an annual payroll of \$10,000,000.

"G. W. Wood, spent a very large amount of my own money in an endeavor to put this deal over, and I have not only been unable to get financial assistance, but owing the milling concern, the Pacific grain company, successor to the M. H. Houser grain company, the Portland Flouring Mills, owned by Houser and various subsidiaries centered in Portland were all mentioned as figuring in these activities, the report setting forth the alleged conditions at great length.

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Open Shop Letter To Gary Admitted By Association of Seattle Citizens

Seattle, May 13.—(U. P.)—The Associated Industries did not sponsor the letter to E. H. Gary of the steel corporation, asking his support in an effort to keep David Rodgers from reopening the Skinner & Eddy shipyard No. 2, in Seattle.

That was made clear today at noon, following a disclaimer from the associated industries. The writer of the letter sent a copy of it to the Seattle Star and made a statement. The writer is H. E. Luby, an office employe of the American Association of Craftsmen and Workmen.

The credit and responsibility for the letter belongs entirely to the American Association of Craftsmen and Workmen, an organization of some 3000 American citizens who defend the right of every American to work, regardless of whether or not he is a union member," said Luby.

OTHER LETTERS SENT

"The letter was not written with any wish or intention of preventing Mr. Rodgers from engaging in the shipbuilding business, but in the hope that influence could be brought to bear upon him to allow equal opportunity for all American citizens to obtain employment in his yard when it opened. Similar letters were sent to others who were thought might have influence with Mr. Rodgers.

"There was no thought of blocking him in the financing of his project or in obtaining materials."

The association which Luby represents maintains a file of letters that were organized last October in Seattle. Some of its organizers say they are union members, or have been. We are for the open shop principle, but we will go through," said J. W. McDaniel, its secretary.

Inability to obtain financial support and opposition by Judge L. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel corporation, were given by David Rogers, veteran shipbuilder, as the reasons for abandoning his project to reopen the old Skinner & Eddy corporation shipyard, recently bought from the government.

Herbert Hoover, color was lent to this by the publicity given the charges in anti-administration papers, notably those supporting Hiram Johnson for the presidency.

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REPORT WILL SHOW HOUSER IS WORTHY

Result of Extended Inquiry Into Affairs of United States Grain Corporation About to Be Made Public Gives Him Clean Bill.

Max H. Houser, second vice president of the United States grain corporation, has been exonerated of charges of manipulation of the grain market during his term of office as an official of the federal grain corporation.

The investigation into the conduct of the grain corporation's affairs in the Pacific Northwest has been conducted by the department of justice at the request of Houser himself. It followed a report by a United States grand jury at Spokane criticizing the grain corporation for alleged price manipulating and suggesting that Houser, who is president of the Portland Flouring Mills company, had profited, with other millers, as a result of his government position.

United States attorney Humphreys, who has been conducting the investigation into the grain corporation's affairs, refused to give out information on the department of justice report until he is authorized to make an official announcement from Washington, but there is believed to be no doubt of the result of the investigation.

HOUSER IN SAN FRANCISCO

Mr. Houser himself is in San Francisco, attending the sessions of the national trade convention.

Two special investigators for the department of justice, working under United States Attorney Humphreys, have been examining witnesses both here and in Spokane and the inland Empire country for the past two months, so as to cover every angle of the charges involving Houser and the grain corporation's affairs.

Added interest to the findings of the Spokane grand jury was given by the belief in some circles that the report was political in character and was aimed at the administration heads of the food administration, particularly Herbert Hoover. Color was lent to this by the publicity given the charges in anti-administration papers, notably those supporting Hiram Johnson for the presidency.

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500,000 GALLONS OF GASOLINE COULD BE USED BY GIRLS' JOYRIDE ENDS IN DISASTER

Ruth Carey and Dot Powers are in the hospital ward at the county jail and Thomas McNeff and Felix Isaacson are under arrest as the result of a wild "joy ride" in the early hours this morning. The young women are slightly injured from what they allege were vicious attacks of the men who took them in an automobile for a drive up the Columbia highway, after a carrousal in a Portland restaurant. The girls declare that after the trouble they were thrown out of the automobile and left on the highway near Latourelle.

Miss Carey said she has been a telephone operator in Portland. The girls said they met the two men and were invited to go to a restaurant, where they dined and had several drinks, and that the men then proposed an automobile ride, which they accepted. About 4 o'clock, according to the story of the girls, came their quarrel with the men. The Carey girl was struck over the head and a scalp wound. Both are hysterical from nervous shock. They were discovered on the highway, after having been put out of the automobile, by J. F. Thompson, whose support was at the Bridal Veil Lumber company's plant, and he took them to the emergency hospital there for treatment.

The girls were notified by the police and Motorcycle Officers Jack LaMonte and Lee Mautheuer started in chase of the car. They were overtaken at the Locks ferry and were brought to Portland.

McNeff is in the hop business, with office in the Pittcock block and resides at 778 Johnson street. Isaacson is an employe of McNeff and resides at 6709 East Thirty-sixth avenue southeast.

360,000 More Jews Coming This Year

Paris, May 13.—If the present immigration into America of Polish Jews continues for a year at its present rate, the government is expected to dispatch from Poland to Paris journals more than 360,000 more Jews in America by the end of the year.

Legion Heads Would Force Through Bonus

Washington, May 13.—(U. P.)—The executive committee of the American Legion today called to Washington next week in an effort to force through congress a soldier bonus bill before the convening recesses. If the bill fails a delegation will be sent to each convention to obtain approval of the bonus in the party platform, it was learned.

Personal Ambition Is Laid to Wilson By Senator Kellogg

Washington, May 13.—(I. N. S.)—To gratify his personal ambition, President Wilson, standing practically alone in his insistence on unconditional ratification of the peace treaty and the League of Nations, is willing to sacrifice the peace of this country, to injure our commerce, to jeopardize the stability of Europe," Senator Kellogg, Republican of Minnesota, charged in the senate this afternoon.

Catholic Leader to Be Italian Premier

Rome, May 13.—(I. N. S.)—Signor Meda, leader of the Catholic party, may succeed Signor Nitti as premier of Italy. King Victor Emmanuel gave an audience to Signor Meda today.

White Salmon Ships First Strawberries

White Salmon, Wash., May 13.—The White Salmon strawberry season was ushered in Wednesday when the first shipment was made from the Arnelo, Henson ranch by J. Tanska, who runs the place.

Population Figures Show Increases for 3 Eastern Cities

Washington, May 13.—(I. N. S.)—Preliminary population figures were announced today by the census bureau as follows:

Parsons, Kan., 1920 population, 16,928; increase since 1910, 7,728; 45.6 per cent.

Sterling, Ill., 1920 population, 8,182; increase since 1910, 1,715; 20.9 per cent.

Marion, Wis., 1920 population, 11,928; increase since 1910, 2,271; 19.0 per cent.

Warship, to Guard Americans Living in Armenia, Is Asked

Washington, May 13.—(I. N. S.)—The president is requested to send an American warship and a force of marines to protect American citizens living in Armenia in resolution passed without a roll call by the senate this afternoon.

The resolution also extends the senate's congratulations to the Armenian people upon the attainment of their independence.

Snow at Crater Lake More Than Five Feet

Medford, May 13.—Snow at Anna Springs cove at Crater Lake park is five and one half feet deep and about a foot deeper near the lake rim, according to Superintendent Sparrow.

PRICE FOR WHEAT MAY BE CONTINUED

Washington, May 13.—(U. P.)—A conference of government officials, congressmen and railroad executives to discuss the possible necessity of continuing the guaranteed wheat price after June 1, when it expires according to present laws, has been called by Julius H. Barnes, director of the United States Grain corporation, to meet in Washington May 13.

In a telegram to congressmen, Barnes said the League of Nations, causing the results that may follow the discontinuance of the grain corporation's stabilizing of the wheat price at about \$2.26 a bushel, Barnes, in his telegram calling the conference, warns that "agricultural demoralization" may follow unless some other action is taken.

Conditions in Europe and the car shortage has caused the grain corporation to believe that it would be unwise for the government to step out of the wheat market entirely, Barnes indicated.

Friday Morning to Bring Drop of Two Cents for Butter

Consumers will buy butter Friday morning at 2 cents a pound less than previous values.

City creameries announce a cut of that amount in the price effective at the opening of Friday's business. This means a selling price of 54 cents a pound wholesale and at retail 60¢61 cents a pound.

Wheat men believe the market will be no lower this season as the present price is about 4 to 5 cents below that of a year ago.

The proposed constitutional amendment to provide a successor to the governor is discussed, on page 8 of today's Journal.

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