

118 CONTESTS FOR SEATS IN CHICAGO CONVENTION FILED

Chicago, May 18.—(I. N. S.)—The G. O. P. National committee is confronted with 118 contests for seats in the Chicago convention, it was disclosed at Republican headquarters here today. Title to 99 other seats is somewhat obscure, and the national committee may have to act on the credentials for these.

The contests and the number of delegates by states involved are as follows:

Arkansas, four at large; Florida, eight, the entire delegation; Georgia, 14 of 17 delegates; Louisiana, 12, the entire delegation; Minnesota, two; Mississippi, 12, the entire delegation; Missouri, two; Oklahoma, six; South Carolina, 11, the entire delegation; Tennessee, two; Virginia, six; District of Columbia, two; Alabama, complete state contest, with 14 delegates, and Texas, complete state contest, with 23 delegates.

Most of the contests are between Wood and anti-Wood delegates. Today was the last day for filing contests.

LOWDEN'S OREGON MANAGER CONGRATULATED ON STAND

Louis L. Emerson, secretary of state of Illinois and national campaign manager for Governor Lowden, has wired his congratulations to Joseph Dunn, Oregon manager of the Lowden campaign for his prompt refusal to consider the proposed withdrawal of the Lowden candidacy in Oregon.

"Please accept congratulations on your statement," Emerson wires. "Governor Lowden has no thought of withdrawing from the Oregon primary. He will remain in to the finish and you are quite right in emphatically denying the rumor that his support will be turned over to any other candidate. Reports we are receiving from all over the nation are more encouraging daily and we are convinced that Governor Lowden is in a more favorable position as regards the nomination than at any time during the campaign."

HITCHCOCK SEEMS TO HAVE MAJORITY AT CONVENTION

Omaha, May 18.—(U. P.)—Senator Hitchcock's forces apparently were in control when the Democratic state convention opened here this afternoon. Charles W. Bryan, leader of the opposition, however, expressed himself as satisfied and said he believed the Bryan forces will get about everything they want from the convention. Former Governor Shallenberger was named temporary chairman.

The big fight in the resolutions committee will be over the question of a "beer and light wines" plank in the platform.

Senator Hitchcock was present to take personal charge of his interests. William J. Bryan was not in attendance.

FLOWER SAYS McNARY MUST EXPLAIN JOHNSON SUPPORT

Salem, May 18.—Senator McNary's appeal for the support of Hiram Johnson's candidacy for president will necessitate an explanation to the voters of Oregon at a later date, according to Montavilla Flower, California author and lecturer, who addressed a meeting at the armory here Monday night in the interest of General Leonard Wood's candidacy. McNary's stand is highly inconsistent, Flower insists, declaring that Wood is the only candidate now before the American people who is big enough to cope with problems which confront the nation.

Colorado Democrats Back Wilson
Denver, Colo., May 18.—(U. P.)—

Eastern Travelers Are Entertained by Photo-Engravers

Visitors passing through the city en route to their homes in the East were the guests of honor at a banquet given at the Chamber of Commerce Monday night by the Portland Photo-Engraving club and the Portland Photo-Engravers Union No. 21. The guests were E. W. Houser, president of the Burns-Crosby Engraving company of Chicago, and Wallace Smith, correspondent of the Chicago American.

F. E. Andrews of the Hicks-Chattem company, acted as toastmaster, and L. P. Otto, chairman of the conference committee of the photo-engravers' union, was called upon for a talk, together with the Chicago visitors.

Houser was organizer and served three times as president of the International Association of Photo-Engravers, constituted of employers. All of the Portland newspapers were represented, together with the Beaver, West Coast, Oregon and Portland engraving companies.

Houser and Smith were passing through the city to Chicago after returning from the foreign trade conference at San Francisco.

Cooperation to End Car Lack Promised

Salem, May 18.—Cooperation with the Oregon authorities as well as the authorities of other states in solving the car shortage problem is promised by the Interstate commerce commission in a telegram received by the public service commission here Monday. Complete and detailed daily information relative to the situation in Oregon is requested by the federal regulatory body, which declares that any situation has become one of national consequence.

MULTNOMAH ASKS ROAD PREFERENCE FROM COMMISSION

In view of the fact that Multnomah county pays 35 per cent of the money expended for road making in Oregon, County Commissioner Holman has been urging that the state highway commission give this county the advantage of connected lines of improved highway.

A few days ago he wrote to the commission urging the completion of the Pacific highway south from the Multnomah county line, through Oswego to Oregon City, where the bulk of the grading has been completed, the bridge over Tryon creek has been finished and the reinforced concrete arch at Sucker creek is well under construction. In its reply, the state highway commission says, in part:

FAVORABLE VOTE AWAITED

"No plans have been made for the paving of this section at this time, since it has been held up pending a favorable vote on the 4 per cent bond limitation amendment. The plans for the bridge at Oregon City have been held up also, due to the fact that increasing prices have left Clackamas county short on their proportion of the cost. At the time the bridge was first spoken of it was estimated that the structure would cost \$250,000 and plans were made on that basis. However, at this time it is not thought that the bridge can be built for less than \$360,000, and the county finds itself unable to meet the one half proportion agreed upon since the amount is limited by the amount set forth in their bond issue, and the matter has been held up pending the raising of additional funds. It has been proposed that the other one half of the

PENROSE BLAMED FOR SIMS' ATTACK

Washington, May 18.—(U. P.)—Senator Boies Penrose is behind the attack which Rear Admiral Sims is directing at the conduct of the navy during the war, Secretary of the Navy Daniels intimated today, continuing "his testimony before the senate naval affairs committee."

In bringing the Pennsylvania Republican chieftain into the controversy Daniels conveyed the impression that he believed politics is responsible for the Sims charges.

Daniels quoted from a speech Penrose made in the senate August 24, 1918, in which he blamed the secretary of the navy for "procrastination," delaying active naval participation three months at a cost of \$15,000,000 and many lives—the same accusation which forms the keystone of the Sims attack.

"I have been informed that it was not Admiral Sims who originated this charge, but that it was first made in the senate on August 24, 1918, by Senator Penrose," Daniels said.

"The original charge, amplified and repeated by Admiral Sims before this committee, are contained in Senator Penrose's speech."

Daniels remarked on the use of similar language by several witnesses testifying in support of Sims.

"They all speak the senator's language, figures, phrases and all," Daniels said.

They were either plagiarists or received thought waves from the Penroseoulia board, he declared.

"It is worthy to note that at the very time Penrose was making his speech

Sim's writing to Captain Pratt in the navy department here, threatening an investigation of the conduct of the war."

"The telepathic wireless between Penrose and Sims must have been working clear across the ocean," Daniels continued, "for Sims was telling 'practically the same things to Americans in Europe.'"

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Flower Predicts Era of Prosperity For Pacific Coast

Salem, May 18.—Predicting for the Pacific coast an era of unprecedented industrial development, Montavilla Flower, nationally known lecturer and author, in an address before the Commercial club at luncheon Monday noon, declared that the world today stood on the verge of the greatest revolution in history—a revolution for the location of industry. The Middle West, Flower declared, will be denuded of its hardwoods in 16 years, after which the industries of these states must look to the Pacific coast, whose timber resources are good for another 40 years at least.

Flower's prediction and assertion were made in connection with a brief address on Mexico, which he declared to be the "greatest undeveloped and unprotected industrial empire in the world today."



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