

FOREIGN VOTE IS HELD BIG FACTOR IN HARDING TALK

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Marion, Ohio, Aug. 6.—Senator Harding has touched off a fuse in the presidential campaign here that is more than likely to burn the fingers of both the Republican and Democratic candidates if they don't watch out. Admittedly the question of the prejudices and wishes of the foreign born voters in America is one of the most delicate of all political schedules to handle.

The senator in his front porch speech to Wayne county Republicans struck out boldly against the League of Nations as a "world experiment" which threatened the concord of American citizenship because, as he said, it is a "world experiment" of trying to blend aliens in American unity "when the land of their adoption sits in judgment on the land from which they came."

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Now, the truth is the League of Nations has been attacked on the ground that it would cause friction among foreign-born residents in the United States and defended on the basis of American cosmopolitanism being the useful factor in mediating disputes abroad. But the interesting thing is that both at the Republican and Democratic campaign headquarters there are to be found this year as in every other presidential contest certain bureaus designed to corral the foreign born vote.

To the Irish voters, the Republicans are appealing for support on the theory that the League of Nations somehow through Article X requires America to support England as against Ireland.

DEMOCRATS DENY IT

This the Democrats stoutly deny, asserting that Article XI in the league covenant would enable America, for the first time, to approach England officially and make the matter of Irish self-determination an international, instead of a domestic question, as England claims it is.

To the Italian voters the Republicans are appealing for support, because of President Wilson's supposed antipathy to Italian aspirations in the Fiume question. The Democrats would probably be happy to see the Fiume controversy settled to enable them to point to Italy's acceptance of a settlement as a proof of Italian approval of the concert of nations.

To the German voters, the appeal of the Republicans need not be more than an emphasis on Wilsonism, which is still an abhorrent term among those German-Americans, who felt that American participation in the war was unnecessary, among those who thought the accusation of "hyphenate" was too loosely applied.

If the German born voters were in-

fluenced by the wishes of the country of their birth they would side with the Democrats who want to see the League of Nations established, because it is a fact that Germany fully expected the United States to be a member of the all important reparations committee and to help keep down the size of the indemnity.

It is a striking confirmation of the American viewpoint expressed at the Paris conference by President Wilson that the imposition of an unlimited indemnity now has been abandoned.

Germany fully committed on American influence in the League of Nations to get her a "square deal." But it is a serious question how much German sympathizers in America are in touch with the desires of the fatherland and how much more vital to them is the expression of a protest against the Democratic regime which offended during the war.

STANDPOINTS DIFFER

To the Poles the Republicans and Democrats will present different aspects of Poland's plight. The Democrats will say the troubles in Poland today are due to neglect by the powers, and especially the inability of America to help through the League of Nations, while the Republicans would answer that if this is true, President Wilson's stubbornness kept America from being in the league to render that help.

Among the Czech Slavs and Jugo Slavs, the assistance already rendered by America to the new republics in Central Europe would be used to political advantage in the claiming of credit by the Democrats for the part played by President Wilson in the establishment of those countries and by the Republicans for the financial assistance and relief rendered in Austria and elsewhere in Central Europe by Herbert Hoover, who has announced his support of Senator Harding.

HARDING IS FACTOR

But, fundamentally, Harding has opened up wide the question of the sympathies of the foreign born in the event that a dispute arises between the United States and the country of their birth. The dissention inside America when the United States got into conflict with Germany occurred, say the Democrats, when there was no League of Nations, and they declare, moreover, that the Irish-Americans have sat in the lobbies of congress and influenced the passage of resolution after resolution offensive to Great Britain. On the other hand, Wilson himself has contended that because America was made up of various nationalities her people could bring friendly influence to bear and could better understand European controversies.

CONFIDENCE FELT

Senator Harding is confident from America's experience with the hyphen in the war with Germany that the United States would be perpetually torn with disputes among her own citizens if this country sat on a council and discussed European questions. It is considered by Republicans as one of the most powerful arguments that could be made against America's entrance into the league and unquestionably be the basis of Republican efforts to secure the support of foreign born voters for a policy of hands off Europe. But the trouble is that many foreign born want America to use her influence in Europe and to mix in its two egged sword.

ALLEGED WASTE BY DEMOCRATIC RULE G. O. P. THUNDER

By James Kilgallen
Chicago, Aug. 6.—Republican speakers, soon to be spellbinding in all parts of the land, are going to charge the Democratic party in

"wanton waste" and "criminal extravagance."

Government finances during President Wilson's two terms will be made one of the campaign's big issues and will be scathingly denounced.

Plans for covering the country with speakers were made Thursday at Republican national headquarters.

CONFERENCE HELD

A conference was held with Senator Harry S. New of Indiana, chairman of the speakers' bureau, presiding. Others at the conference were Congressman James W. Good of Iowa, chairman of the house appropriations committee; Colonel Thomas W. Miller of the New York headquarters; J. J. McCarl, secretary of the G. O. P. congressional committee, and Mrs. Manley L. Fosseen of Minnesota.

Around September 1 a battery of

speakers will invade Maine, the first state to hold a general election. Then for a while there will be isolated speaking campaigns throughout the country. The Maine election will be held September 12. Speakers assigned to that state are Henry Lane Wilson of Indiana, Congressman Nicholas Longworth of Ohio, and Leslie M. Shaw, former secretary of the treasury.

EXTRAVAGANCE IS CRIB

Congressman Good said after the conference that he will deliver several speeches during the campaign and his theme will be the extravagance of the Democratic administration. "The government today is honey-combed with waste and duplication," he declared. "When congress made its budget proposal, a remedy that would put the government on a business basis, a man in the treasury department wrote a veto for the president and it was lost."

From the time the United States entered the war to the end of this fiscal year, June 30, it paid out more than \$40,000,000,000, according to Good.

"Such waste is without parallel," he said. "It was wanton and in some cases criminal. The people have a just right to protest."

Idaho Physician Is in Trouble

Idaho Falls, Idaho, Aug. 6.—A sensation was created here Tuesday in

the swearing out of a complaint by County Attorney Owen against Dr. J. R. Shupe, who is in jail charged with performing a criminal operation. The arrest of Dr. Shupe followed the doctor's request to investigate the death of Miss Florence Naef, aged 15 years, of this city, who was found dead in a rooming-house last week.

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