

REPUBLICANS ARE DUBIOUS OF VOTE IN LARGER STATES

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New York, Sept. 29.—On one or two points the rival managers of the presidential campaign are in accord. One of these is that the contest has entered the intensive fighting stage, another that the result of it may be largely determined by the most effective use made of printer's ink. The final bid of each party for popular support is, therefore, to take the form of a vigorous advertising campaign in those daily journals and other periodicals considered as affording the most direct avenues to the eyes and minds of the people.

The Republicans are about ready to launch their elaborate publicity campaign. They will not be hampered for means to do so.

DEMOCRATS HOPEFUL
The Democrats, who are encouraged by an increasing flow of small contributions, believe that they will be able to match the Republican bid, although they assert that the opposition "will have \$3 to our \$1." That some of the difficulties encountered by the Democratic managers at the outset of the campaign are disappearing is manifest from the rapid consummation of plans which could not be put into operation unless a reasonable supply of money were assured. There is less talk of the calamity sort among the Democratic leaders than there was two weeks ago and a more optimistic note in their utterances. As for the Republican managers, they are serenely confident that nothing the opposition can do will affect the result which the Republicans desire as "favoring our side."

Despite this confidence, the Republican managers have sounded a note of warning in their instruction to state leaders against over-confidence. Conditions in some of the larger states are admitted by the Republicans to be "disturbing and likely to result in mischief unless closely watched."

IRISH STRONG FOR COX
If the Democratic leaders are to be believed the open hostility which the leaders of the Irish have directed against Governor Cox shows signs of modifying. Men who are presumed to reflect the intense views of voters of this class have been returning to the Democratic fold, according to the leaders of that party. Several of the most active of these spokesmen in New York, Boston, Chicago and other centers where the Irish vote is politically important have already taken the stump for the Democratic presidential candidate. While by no means reconciled to the attitude of their presidential candidate on the League of Nations, men of this type apparently experience little difficulty in justifying their support of Mr. Cox on other grounds.

The Democratic national committee is preparing to send these men in states where the Irish-American vote has clearly revealed their unfriendly attitude toward the Democratic ticket. The Republican view of the problem does not harmonize with the Democratic contention that the Irish opposition to Governor Cox has modified in the slightest degree. Some of the Republican leaders admit, however, that Senator Harding has alienated support of some voters of this class by his failure to satisfactorily explain his opposition to the senate resolution asserting the right of the Irish people to self-determination.

DIVISION EXPECTED
The more conservative of the Democratic and Republican leaders admit the probable division of the so-called Irish-American people rather than its delivery en bloc to either side, a concession that the Democrats argue will help them. The friendly attitude for organized labor to the Democratic candidate may prove a great help in switching the Irish vote to Governor Cox and at least in modifying the intensity of the bitterness with which he has been assailed by the spokesmen for voters of Irish origin and ancestry. Here in New York city the attitude of the Irish voters will probably affect the Democratic presidential ticket to some extent, though Governor Smith and the local candidates of tomorrow probably will benefit because of the openly expressed sympathy of the Democratic state and city candidates with Irish aspirations.

The attitude of Tammany toward the Democratic presidential ticket is not wholly gratifying to the national leaders. They do not make any charges that the Murphy organization intends to "knife"

Governor Cox, though reports persistently crop up that Tammany, realizing the depth of feeling against the Democratic presidential candidate among the great mass of its adherents, will try to save its state and local candidates.

DEALS DENIED
The leaders in both organizations denied that any deal will be countenanced by them. Yet there is a suspicion among the Republicans and the Democrats that results of the balloting in November will prove the contrary. For two or three weeks Tammany and Republican leaders have been called on to deny the existence of a deal by which Republican votes are to be gained for Governor Smith and the Tammany local candidates in exchange for votes for Harding and Wadsworth. Some of the Republican leaders who very earnestly desire the election of Judge Miller, the party candidate for governor, feel justified in making the covert charge that the Republican national organization is not according him the amount and character of support to which he is entitled.

Judge Miller is by no means popular with several of the "old guard" of pronounced reactionary tendencies. These men appear to regard the Republican gubernatorial candidate as "another Hughes" and predict a recurrence of the troubles that the organization had in "handling" the latter. Judge Miller urged the nomination of Hoover at Chicago in the face of the opposition of nine-tenths of the other state leaders. Since his nomination for governor he has displayed unmistakable tendencies toward independence of thought and action that does not wholly square most of the party leaders.

MILLER SECONDARY CONCERN
The chief thought in the mind of these men is Harding and Wadsworth. Their concern for Judge Miller is of secondary importance. It is, therefore, not surprising that there should be greater confidence on the part of the Democrats regarding the chances of Governor Smith for reelection than over the outlook for carrying the state for Governor Cox. While hopeful that conditions may prove to bring about a reversal in existing conditions, even the Democratic national leaders are not as confident as they would like to be regarding the prospects for their presidential candidate in this state.

They have not abandoned hope, and appear to think that Tammany will be awakened from the apathy that now characterizes its undertakings on behalf of the Democratic national ticket, and show what it can do in the line of rolling up a majority when it is really interested. Up to date its activities have been mainly directed toward promoting the fight of Governor Smith and the nine candidates it has nominated for the supreme court of New York city.

DEMOCRATS HOPE FOR NEW YORK
Every Tammany leader is throwing the full power of his influence behind the governor. Tammany Leader Murphy and the governor are credited by the national Democratic leaders with motives wholly sincere in their desire to work for both the national and state tickets. One of the most important men in the Democratic organization tonight predicted that Murphy and the governor will soon make a personal appeal to Democratic voters to give to Governor Cox the full measure of their support. The Democratic national managers hope that they will do so. There is little question but that Murphy would be extremely gratified if the 55 electoral votes of New York could be delivered to Governor Cox.

The Tammany boss contributed a substantial percentage of the votes that nominated the Ohio governor at San Francisco. He has even expressed confidence that the latter will carry New York state, though he is confronted with the unmistakable fact that there exists a very strong prejudice against the Democratic presidential candidate that is not reflected in the attitude of voters susceptible to Irish, German and Italian influences toward his state and local candidates.

Mrs. Bergdoll Is Convicted of Aiding Dodger of the Draft

Philadelphia, Sept. 29.—(I. N. S.)—Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll, mother of the millionaire draft dodger Grover Cleveland Bergdoll and Erwin Bergdoll, today faces a federal prison term of 32 years and a fine of \$30,000, as a result of the conviction of herself and several co-defendants on the charge of conspiracy, in the federal court late yesterday.

M'ARTHUR FACES STRENUOUS FIGHT, FRIENDS REALIZE

Friends of Congressman McArthur, whether Pat himself has come to or otherwise, have awakened to the disconcerting discovery that he is going to know he is in a tight before the congressional campaign is over. Here and there they are beginning to elevate their eyebrows and hazard the remark that the congressman is not to have such a walkway after all. They are beginning to wonder if it might not be a good idea for Pat to get out and circulate a little, pat the boys on the back and mend some of the holes in his fences.

McARTHUR AGAINST FIELD
The congressional battle in the Third district is a two-handed affair now for the first time since McArthur has had

to go up against the ballot box. Lafferty and his perennial candidates have been relegated to the limbo of forgotten political history and it is now McArthur versus Lafferty, and not McArthur against the field.

The only thing that brought his certificate of election home to McArthur in 1916 was Lafferty, and Lafferty did it again in 1918. It was not McArthur's political strength, for he was weak. Barring what reflected strength he will have from the presidential year psychology, he is just as weak this time, if not weaker. In 1918 Lafferty polled 27,649 votes and John A. Jeffery 9824, a total of 37,473. McArthur received 35,822, or 1651 less than the combined vote of his two opponents, and they were not political race horses by any manner of means. It was a presidential year in 1918.

In 1918 Lafferty was given 7661 votes, Smith 15,728, a total of 23,389. McArthur polled 23,277, or 112 less than the combined vote of the other two.

DRYS AFTER HIM
This year the forces, split against McArthur in 1918 and again in 1918, are united in opposition to him. The dry forces of the district are out openly after his scalp and its taking is the one big thing they see in the present campaign. The labor vote is against him more avidly now than ever before. Its affiliated campaign organization is more active and is apparently working with more systematic effort. For weeks and longer centralizing efforts has been directed toward getting this vote registered up to the maximum. McArthur's safety is in inverse ratio to the success

attendant upon this effort, for the labor vote will not be a McArthur vote. Organized labor has a potential strength of approximately 40,000 in Multnomah county. It has had in years past an approximate registered voting strength of 10,000, and even all of that has not been in the habit of going to the polls to vote. If half of this maximum strength could be converted into ballots on election day McArthur would not go back to Washington March 4

next. The question is whether it can be done.

WOMEN ARE FACTORS
McArthur is "in bad" with the women of Multnomah county. Even some Republican leaders admit that to be true, and what they admit must be a fact, for admissions against interest do not constitute their long suit. He has been, politically, too wet to suit them, and even many of those of his own party are

skipping over the traces, a condition which the affiliated dry workers are not permitting to go by unheeded. All in all, the spirit of protest abroad against McArthur is putting him in a dangerous position that is not passing unnoticed by his political friends and supporters. They are not as easy in their minds as they were a month ago. They are beginning to say that "Pat ought to do something," which is a lot for them to admit. They are uneasy.

Democrats Form Club
Organization of the Central East Side Democratic club was accomplished Saturday night at a meeting in the East Side branch library. It is proposed to hold meetings, with the exception of tonight, each Tuesday until election. E. J. Wood is chairman and Johnston Wilson is secretary. The Rev. Thomas A. Jenkins addressed Saturday's meeting on the League of Nations.



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