

ELIHU ROOT! WILL HE GUIDE ALSO BORAH, JOHNSON?

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Chicago, Ill., Oct. 21.—Elihu Root's speech in New York favoring the modification of the present League of Nations covenant to meet American objections, is now the big topic of discussion at political headquarters of both parties. The importance of Mr. Root's pronouncement is that everybody in Republican circles expects him to be secretary of state in the next administration or the head of another American peace commission which will negotiate with European governments concerning reservations or changes in the covenant of the league.

Mr. Root's expressed friendliness to the present league did not come as a shock to the "irreconcilables," but it has caused them some anxiety, for it is believed he would never have made such a statement without letting Senator Harding know something about it in advance. Here is the portion of Mr. Root's speech which is accepted now as the cardinal principle of the next administration if Mr. Harding should be elected.

CHANGE SUITS HIM
"The question is whether the agreement creating the league shall be accepted absolutely unchanged or shall be modified to meet the American objections. I would be glad to have the provisions of the agreement so changed as to obviate these American objections. Then would follow an ordinary commonsense negotiation as to the best way to obviate the objections. I think the American objections can be met and obviated without interfering with the scheme of the league or impairing its usefulness."

It will be noted that Mr. Root makes no reference to the "Wilson league" as the Republican campaign orators have been uniformly calling the present league. Moreover, Mr. Root clears away the notion that Senator Harding would attempt to establish a new league. He interprets Senator Harding's promise of "a new relationship" with Europe to mean revision of the existing league and use of the present machinery. To the irreconcilables this means a departure from their suppositions about Mr. Harding's having "scrapped" the league. Senator Borah announced recently that he wants no league at all, but the foreign relations plank in the Republican national platform at Chicago, written by Mr. Root, pledges the party to an agreement with the other nations of the world to preserve Senator Johnson and Borah formally approved that plank.

WOULD HALT WILSON
To the Democrats, hereabouts, the Root speech brings confirmation of their charge that the only purpose the Republicans have had from the start was to prevent Woodrow Wilson from achieving during his administration the distinction of American merchant in a league of nations, the creation of which had been so largely his inspiration and work. The Democrats pointed to the Hitchcock reservations offered in the senate as early as November, 1919, in which practically every objection recited today by Elihu Root was covered even to the limitation of Article X. The Democrats naturally see behind it all only a partisan fight against Wilson with an attempt to hold him responsible for the failure to accept the League reservations. Indeed, the Democrats recalled today the agreement reached in the bipartisan conference of senators whereby reservations on every subject were agreed upon except Article X, and then Senator Johnson threatened Senator Lodge with a revolt in the party and the Massachusetts leader declined to continue the bipartisan conference unless Johnson's views on Article X were accepted.

MAY HAVE FOUNDATION
That's what the Democrats think and say, but just how much validity their view has will hardly be proved until after the election is over and the United States actually negotiates for reservations to the present League of Nations. If America, under a Republican admin-

istration, should offer the League reservations again, then it will be evident that partisanship had nothing to do with it. If Elihu Root should follow the lead of certain Republicans in the Chicago convention, who opposed a flat footed approval of the League reservations because they were considered cumbersome and in some respects destructive, it will be apparent that the Democrats had some foundation for their charge.

Meanwhile the speech of Elihu Root is considered the big gun of the campaign fired in the last two weeks of October, not only to keep in line those Republicans who had begun to think a vote for Harding was a repudiation of the present league altogether, but to pave the way for the future overthrow of the Borah-Johnson group in the American senate.

Guitar Player to Be Special Feature Sunday Afternoon

One of the best programs of the season is promised by city officials at the third popular Sunday afternoon concert to be held Sunday afternoon at the Auditorium.

Charles Dimond, noted Hawaiian steel guitar player, is the special attraction at this concert. Mr. Dimond has long played on "big time" vaudeville and the city was only able to procure his services because he was making a short stay in Portland before taking up his stage work again.

Mr. Dimond will play Hawaiian melodies as well as popular selections. Thirty-five voices from the Portland Oratorio society will be another feature. This chorus is under the direction of Joseph A. Finley, with Miss Dan Livesey as accompanist.

In addition Lucien E. Becker will play a number of selections on The Auditorium pipe organ. The concert will begin at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon and a nominal admission fee will be charged to defray incidental expenses.

Car Shortage Due To Wreck in Tunnel Is Improving Daily

Wrecking of a car of lime in Tehachapi tunnel on the Southern Pacific railway system, September 6, caused a loss of 1000 cars to Oregon shippers because blocked tracks did not permit free movement of traffic. But this condition was changed October 6 and since that time 124 empty cars have been received from the California territory by the Ashland division as a daily average. Today 180 empty cars were received.

Predicting that the car shortage conditions would receive rapid relief from now on, F. L. Burkhalter, assistant general manager of the Southern Pacific, in charge of the northern district, made this statement this morning. He is at his Portland desk for a few days.

Attorney Cleared Of Fraud Charge Brought by Widow

Aberdeen, Wash., Oct. 21.—Title to property valued at \$25,000 was cleared and charges affecting the honesty of C. W. Hodgdon, attorney, were quashed in a decision made by Judge Back of Vancouver, Wash., called by the case on account of alleged prejudice of the superior court judges at Montesano. The suit involved title to a block in Hoquiam formerly owned by James Connor, who died in an asylum.

The property came into the possession of Hodgdon through a small mortgage and other claims and Mrs. Jennie Connor, the widow, alleged fraud. The court decided in Mrs. Connor's favor as to the right of title, but said the charges of fraud had not been proven. Hodgdon's claims will be made against the estate of Connor.

City Ticket Nominated
Dayton, Or., Oct. 21.—At a mass meeting called by Mayor Snyder of Dayton the following were nominated on the citizens' ticket for municipal offices: Mayor, J. J. Denison; city recorder, W. T. H. Tucker; treasurer, A. W. Hatfield; councilmen, W. S. U'Ben, F. M. Herd, J. E. Proffitt, F. T. Mellinger, J. L. Sherman and E. Demaray.

Marriage Licenses
Oregon City, Oct. 21.—Helen Freitong and Fritz Kleland, both of Macksburg, and Mary F. Brit and Edward C. Blackwood, both of Portland, were issued licenses to wed here Wednesday.

TANGLED ROMANCE UNWOUND IN KASTE SUIT ON DANNELLS

Trial of the suit of John W. Kaste against John Dannels, manager of the United States laundry, 180 Grand avenue, was begun before Circuit Judge Gatens this morning. Most of the day was taken in statements of the case to prospective jurors and impaneling the jury. In these statements sensational charges were made on both sides.

Kaste is suing for \$800 alleged to be due from Dannels on a note for \$2000, given, it is claimed, as payment to Kaste for services as attorney for Ruby Caldwell, in trying to get a settlement for her with Dannels of difficulties extending over a series of years, says Kaste. Chester Shepard, attorney for Dannels, made the direct charge that the attempt to get money from his client was "blackmail."

The statements brought out a sordid story. It is alleged that Dannels, who is a married man with a grown family, met Miss Caldwell, who was a professional nurse, about six years ago and that after many detailed experiences and rebuffs she went to Kaste's office and told her story. He then took up her case and sent for Dannels. Finally agreements were signed, it was alleged, whereby Dannels was to make provision for Miss Caldwell and pay Kaste \$2000 for his services. Of this sum \$800 remains unpaid, he said.

Shepard told the prospective jurors that proof would be produced to the effect that Miss Caldwell had continued to visit Dannels repeatedly after he had tried to break away from her, that Dannels had made financial provision for her from time to time, that she had deceived him as to her actual condition. He declared the agreement eventually signed by Dannels in Kaste's office was obtained under duress and threat.

The agreement, which was read, showed that Dannels had undertaken to buy a bungalow home and furnish it for Miss Caldwell at a cost of approximately \$10,000; that he was to purchase for her a new automobile; was to deposit \$1500 in a bank in her name; was to pay all hospital expenses during 1919; was to pay her \$150 a month for 30 months and thereafter \$100 a month for the remainder of her life, or until she married, and was to leave her \$10,000 in his will.

INCORPORATION ASKED BY SPIRITUAL CHURCH CENTER
The Scientific Christian Spiritual Church Center of Portland, through R. M. Singleton, Jack Wilson and Mrs. Harry Holman, filed its articles of incorporation today with the Multnomah county clerk. It sets forth as its object: "To teach the worship of God and to teach the gospel of Jesus Christ in accordance with the true faith, teachings and practices of Spiritualism, and to demonstrate communion with spirit and to hold and conduct meetings and seances, both public and private, for worship, instruction, healing, spirit communion and scientific research."

Bloch Estate \$25,581.25
Inventory and appraisal of the estate of Ernestine Bloch were filed with the probate department of the Multnomah county court Thursday by B. D. Sigler, Andrew Koerner and George L. Buland. The total value of the estate is placed at \$25,581.25, of which \$20,000 is in Portland realty and \$481.25 in notes, mortgages and other securities.

Herbert Wilson in Trouble
Herbert Wilson, wanted at Tillamook to answer a statutory charge, was arrested Wednesday evening on East Washington street by Deputy Sheriff Bailey and taken to the county jail to await the arrival of a Tillamook county officer to take him to that place.

Klein Sues City
Karl Klein is suing the city of Portland, in Circuit Judge Kavanaugh's court, for \$9000 damages which he alleges he sustained from injuries received about two years ago, when a trap door at the Auditorium fell on and injured his face and head. The trial is before a jury.

Chinese Face Hearing
Harry Chin and Charley Chin, who appeared before United States Commis-

SUIT IS FILED TO APPOINT ADMINISTRATOR

After certain legal processes are carried through, Mrs. Fannie Crawford, who disappeared from Portland August 7, 1913, with her two children, will be legally declared deceased, Samuel A. Reed, her father, filed with the probate court of the northern district, today a petition to be appointed administrator of her estate.

In his petition Reed alleges that on the date mentioned his daughter announced she was going to California with her two children—Agnes Blanche, aged 6, and James William, aged 4—and that from the day of her departure nothing was heard from her or from the children except by the receipt of a letter to her sister, Mrs. Minnie Ferguson, Houstonia, Mo., dated August 27, 1913, in which she gave her address as 145 Scott street, San Francisco.

Reed says diligent search has been made and it was ascertained that she lived at the San Francisco address but a short time and then disappeared. The estate of the missing woman consists of \$229.65 cash from the estate of her mother, \$101.50 which she had deposited in the Northwestern National bank, one-sixth interest in a lot in Portland (her share being valued at \$500), one-twelfth interest in 150 acres in Oregon—making a total estate of \$2184.50.

SUIT FOR MISUSING PROPERTY LOST BY MRS. ETHERTON

A verdict for the defendant was given by a jury in Circuit Judge Kavanaugh's court Wednesday in the suit of Mrs. Harriet W. Etherton against Mrs. J. E. Pershall, operator of the Westminster apartments. Mrs. Etherton, who is a professional musician and reader, sued for the value of several costumes and evening gowns which she alleged were left in an apartment at the Westminster when she became ill and was hurriedly taken away, and which were missing.

she claimed, when she sent persons to look after her property.

LENIENCY SHOWN WOMAN ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED
Martha Gilbert, aged 23, indicted Wednesday morning by the Multnomah county grand jury on the charge of stealing a dress and other articles to the value of \$288 from the hotel room of Josephine Teague, October 6, appeared before Presiding Judge Tazewell in the afternoon and pleaded guilty, but showing was made that she would be married at once if given her liberty. The grand jury had recommended leniency and this recommendation was joined in by Deputy District Attorney Graham. She was sentenced to one year in jail and then paroled.

Warren Confesses Committee Error, Lauds Island Plan
That the Committee of 15 made a blunder when it went into elaborate details of possible development of the Macks bottom and Guilds lake districts when it should have confined itself to showing only how disposal of the spoils of dredging the west channel past Swan island, was admitted by Frank M. Warren, chairman of the port commission, and one of the members of the committee which framed the Swan island development scheme, at the luncheon of the Progressive Business Men's luncheon at noon today.

Warren, however, declared that Portland will cease to be a seaport unless the voters approve the consolidation measure November 2. He urged upon all present a thorough consideration of the measure from the standpoint of a vital necessity.

Divorce Mill
Divorce suits filed: Vera E. Taylor against William J. Taylor, cruelty.

Bishop Sumner to Be Banqueted Monday
Chicago, Ill., Oct. 21.—Bishop Sumner of Oregon, and former chaplain of the organization, will be banqueted Monday night by the Forty club, a Chicago association.

Cox Heads Harding Club
University of Oregon, Eugene, Oct. 21.—Henry Cox heads the University Harding club. Vivian Chandler was elected vice-president and Ollie Stoltenberg, secretary. A Republican rally for Tuesday is planned.

Term of Court Is Postponed to Let Poll Officials Act
Medford, Oct. 21.—The almost record-breaking criminal business for the October term of circuit court, which was to have been opened Monday, together with the fact that the grand jury's session to have begun last Monday will probably not be completed until after election day, and that many of the summoned jurors are on the election boards of their respective precincts, has resulted in the postponement of the court term until November 9 by Judge F. M. Calkins.

The grand jury is considering 21 criminal cases, a number of them important, including that of William Johnson, president of the wrecked Jacksonville bank, the rumored cases growing out of the wrecking of the bank, and others, which the grand jury will consider direct without the accused having been arraigned in a preliminary court.

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