

JOHNSON HEAVES WRENCH IN WORKS; ATTACKS WATSON

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Chicago, Oct. 22.—Bitter senatorial fights are threatening to overshadow in point of interest even the battle between Harding and Cox in four Middle West states—Iowa, Indiana, Missouri and Wisconsin.

Republican national headquarters here are watching the situation with some anxiety.

In these states four G. O. P. senators are seeking reelection. In Indiana, Senator James E. Watson is the only one who suddenly became jeopardized by the election into the campaign of two letters of Senator Hiram Johnson, in far from complimentary terms. In Iowa Senator Albert B. Cummins' political troubles are many and serious, due chiefly to the aftermath of the Each-Cummins bill. In Missouri, the effect of Senator Selden P. Spencer's controversy with President Wilson over what Wilson said at the peace conference is still in doubt, while in Wisconsin Senator Irvine L. Lenroot is limping along without the support of LaFollette and his followers.

JOHNSON LETTERS FEARED
Senator Johnson, political leaders here say, probably never thought his letters attacking Watson would be made public. Even so, the Californian is at odds with members of his party, especially those who make it a policy of being "regular."

The letters, however, have thrown the Indiana campaign into confusion. Written by Senator Johnson to one of his supporters, Carl H. Mote of Indianapolis, in July, after he had been defeated for the presidential nomination at the Republican national convention, the letters accuse Watson of being "the willing, super-servicable tool for more cunning men" at the convention. The letters touched a sore spot in Indiana, where there is resentment of Watson's alleged delivery of the Hoosier delegates to other candidates than General Wood, who carried the primaries. They are being put to good use by Tom Taggart, Watson's opponent.

LENROOT LOSES SUPPORT
Some apprehension is felt as regards the Wisconsin situation, too. Here Senator Johnson has also played a part. Recently he went there ostensibly to make a speech for Senator Lenroot. He made his speech, but never mentioned Lenroot's name.

But in Wisconsin regular Republicans think they will be able to overcome the

opposition of the LaFollette faction and put Lenroot over by between 50,000 and 75,000 plurality. They base this prediction on a belief that LaFollette's hold on the state is weakening, but that remains to be seen. LaFollette, who has been ill for a long time, was able to make a speech at Milwaukee Thursday night. Lenroot's Democratic opponent is Paul S. Reineck, former minister to China.

SPENCER CHANCES LIKED
Republican leaders are not so concerned over the Missouri situation. They think Senator Spencer more than held his own in his controversy with the president and figure him stronger than Breckinridge Long, the Democratic candidate.

In Iowa, Senator Cummins is opposed by Claude Porter of the federal trade commission. Cummins is said to be in grave danger of defeat because of his part in the Each-Cummins law. The labor element in the state have carried on an energetic campaign against him. John T. Adams, vice chairman of the Republican national committee, recognizing the peril of Cummins, has come out with a statement that "failure to elect Cummins would be little less than a calamity" because of the services he would be able to render the next president in helping "to get the country back to a real peace basis."

COX IS IRELAND'S FRIEND—COCHRAN

(By United News)

Chicago, Oct. 22.—"The only deserters from the cause of Irish freedom are those persons who are keeping the torches alight in Ireland by standing for Harding against the league and against world disarmament."

W. Bourke Cockran, speaking before an audience largely of Irish ancestry at the Union Stockyards here Thursday night, thus declared himself in urging the election of Governor Cox as a friend of Irish freedom and an advocate of disarmament.

"Cox stands for disarmament," he said. "The plan he suggests may not be the best plan that could be devised. I think that the plan urged by the New York delegation to the committee on resolutions would have been a better one."

"If Mr. Cox is elected, the influence of this country will be sent for peace by disarmament, which is the only means by which peace can be made secure. With all armament abolished, English rule in Ireland would terminate overnight, as would every other international wrong from which people are suffering."

REED BOLTS PARTY IN ATTACK ON COX

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 22.—United States Senator James Reed tonight literally blew the Democratic lid off Missouri. In unmistakable words the Democratic senator bolted Governor Cox. He expressed the fear that Cox's election would mean the continuance of President Wilson's influence in Washington.

Senator Reed flatly repudiated Breckinridge Long, the president's league candidate for United States senator, declaring that the election of a senate that would guard the nation against entangling alliances was more important even than the election of a president. He cast into President Wilson's assumption of "kingly prerogatives." He ripped the league covenant into 1000 shreds and finally, after two hours' speaking, shouted:

"I do not know what you will do. But as for me and my house, we will never mortgage the blood of American sons. We will never pull down the American flag."

In his specific reference to Governor Cox, the senator said: "The Democratic candidate for president is for the present League of Nations with reservations, but nobody knows what they are. If he is elected I fear the influence of Woodrow Wilson."

Polish President To Resign if Allies Give Lithuania City

London, Oct. 22.—(L. N. S.)—A Central News dispatch from Warsaw today quoted General Pilsudski, president of Poland and commander of the Polish army, as saying:

"If the allies insist upon giving Vilna to Lithuania, I will resign." Vilna is in Lithuania. It was recently occupied by Polish troops under General Seliowski, who claimed a "government of Vilna."

Armour & Co. Are Charged in Court With Profiteering

New York, Oct. 22.—(L. N. S.)—Armour & Co., as a firm, and a number of its

individual officers, were indicted in the United States district court here Thursday on charges of violating the Lever act by profiteering in New Zealand lamb. The bill of indictment contained 135 counts, citing numerous alleged violations. It is charged that the average cost of the commodity was a little more than 12 cents a pound, while the lowest selling price was given at 23 cents and the highest at 35 cents a pound.

Governor Hart Expected
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