

Harding Administration Liked by Business Men; Is Popular in West and Particularly in Southern Part of California

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Los Angeles, Oct. 12.—The Harding administration is popular in Southern California. There is little question about it. Such waves of criticism as have swept the East have not reached the Pacific coast. Ask the average man what he thinks of the Harding administration and he looks at you with a quizzical expression on his face as if to say, "Well, if there's anything wrong with it I haven't noticed it."

This is typically Western. Even in March, 1920, when the East was beginning to pile high its grievances against the Wilson administration, the writer found a noticeable difference of attitude and mind toward the Democratic president in the East. When, of course, the autumn of 1920 was at hand the wave had struck and there was almost as intense dissatisfaction out here as in other parts of the country.

Possibly it is the distance, possibly it is because the newspapers are not so partisan, possibly it is the breadth of mind and tolerant spirit of the West, and then again it may be the effects of preoccupation—for these people are busy building a wealthy empire—but anyhow, whatever may be the reason, Warren Harding would get a real reception if he came West.

STRONG WITH BUSINESSMEN
Among business men, the president is just now particularly strong. His veto of the bonus bill made him solid with that element. It is recognized that the president had an awkward problem to handle at the moment, suffering from the measure by an overwhelming vote and the strength of the executive men politically was and is not small consideration. To have vetoed the bill and stood by his convictions with the respect of many who wanted to see him sign the bill.

Another outstanding reason for Mr. Harding's popularity with the businessmen is his attitude toward labor. It is conceded that he made mistakes. It is admitted that his first proposal to restore seniority rights unimpaired to the shopmen savored a good deal of the trucking spirit which brought down the scale of not criticism but forced the Adamson eight-hour law through congress, but the later position adopted by Mr. Harding is what

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WOMAN HIT BY AUTO MAY DIE

Miss Elisabeth West, Fordham apartments, 170 Vista street, was struck and probably fatally injured Thursday night at 16th and Morrison streets by a roadster driven at a high rate of speed. Police were called to the scene and the identity of the driver or the number of the machine, which was speeding north on 16th street, Miss West was thrown to the ground and sustained a fracture of the skull. She was taken to St. Vincent's hospital, where it was said today she has a slight chance for recovery. Miss West lives with her brother, Charles West, and for 10 years has been a teacher of domestic science in the elementary schools.

D. M. Rodman, No. 261 12th street, and H. B. Thomas, No. 2715 Madison street, were the witnesses and assisted the woman until medical aid arrived. They stated that the driver of the car did not slack his speed after striking the woman.

Charles Eycholson, 18, a Western Union messenger, was knocked from his bicycle and run over at 6:45 Thursday night at Broadway and Davis streets by a motorist who kept on going after his machine passed over his victim.

The motorist was driving north on Broadway at a rapid speed, witnesses say, and the messenger was going west on Davis street. The driver applied the breaks enough for him to permit looking back to see what he had done and then he speeded on faster. Eycholson was taken to the Emergency hospital, where it was found his right ear was almost severed and that he had received several other cuts and bruises. He lives at No. 504 Bybee street.

G. P. A. Walker, No. 325 Morgan building, Fred Dover of the Modern Dairy company, and Ellis Jordan, an employee at the Shell Oil company filling station, at the scene of the accident, were witnesses, but were unable to get his license number. He was driving a large automobile with a Washington license. He was accompanied by a woman, the witnesses stated.

Dorothy Lookes, age 5, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Lookes, No. 624 Second street, was injured Thursday night when a laundry truck, driven by O. C. Duncan, No. 546 East 34th street, ran into her as she ran from behind another car. She was knocked down and bruised and cut her head, arm and leg. She was taken to the emergency hospital and later removed to her home.

Bank Messenger Is Robbed of \$9500
Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 12.—(I. N. S.) Two automobile bandits here this afternoon robbed a negro messenger of the Livestock Exchange bank of a sack containing \$9500 in bills on a 12th street car.

Old Home Is Bought By Harding

(By Universal Service.)
Washington, Oct. 13.—President Harding today owns "The Old Homestead."

It is a boyhood ambition that even being chief executive of the United States could not eclipse.

As farms go, it is not much. Just 268 acres of "tillable soil at Blooming Grove, Morrow county, Ohio. The house is an even less promising one story with an attic and an old fashioned porch out in front.

It was here that the president was born.

He played in the shade of the great tree, which almost completely overshadowed the little dwelling. About 100 years in the back is the stable. Mr. Harding used to tumble out when the frost was on the pumpkins behind a couple of hungry and lazy mules. Then he tried to teach them some of the fundamentals of agriculture.

Like all normal, healthy country boys, the city youngster him. One day he put a saddle on Mr. Mule and rode him into Marion. En route he created about the same furor as did Mr. D'Artagnan on the steed bequeathed by him by his dad.

From that point on Mr. Harding progressed to the White house.

FAIR CARAVAN IN DRIVE ON VALLEY

More than 25 automobiles, carrying flaring banners advertising the 1927 exposition, left Portland this morning in caravan to carry the message of the fair plans to residents of the Willamette valley. Plans for extensive decorations were abandoned, so that only a few of the cars carried flowers for ornamentation. Several machines left the city early this morning and will join the caravan at Newberg. On account of a large meeting of realtors in session at Hillsboro today, a number of the exposition advertisers will join the procession there. Six cars under the leadership of the firm of Whitfield, Whitcomb & Co. will meet the company at McMinnville this evening.

Mayor Baker and Ray Albee occupied the official car, the mayor tricked out in duster and tweeds, and apparently enjoying the excitement of getting the crowd together and off on time.

Tommy Luke was the faithful head charioter and traffic manager. His job in getting the cars in line and started off at the clock at 10 a. m. kept him flying in and out of the mob which filled the street between Morrison and Yamhill on Sixth. The caravan is in charge of William P. Merry, who promises to return the company Saturday night at about 6 o'clock.

The list of car entries in the caravan includes: Pilot car, Tommy Luke; pacemaker, Claude Hubbard, Otto Hartwig, George L. Rauch, Rev. Chas. MacCaughy, William P. Merry; George L. Baker, Ray Albee; press car, Paul Kelly, A. W. Cuthbert, Telegram, John Grate, David L. Hoggan, A. W. Stanchfield and party; Fred Vogler, R. J. Todd, Phillip Buehke, Paul Westinger, Jack Henderson, Professor

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Action Urged to Prevent Strikes

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 13.—(U. P.)—The American Mining congress in convention here today went on record as advocating laws which will "forever strip labor organizations as well as employers of the ability to cause strikes and lockouts. This was contained in a resolution passed just before the convention ended and marked the attitude of the delegates toward the labor situation.

Two Stock Brokers Indicted for Fraud

New York, Oct. 13.—(I. N. S.)—Dr. Leonard K. Hirschberger and Winthrop Smith, formerly of the stock brokerage firm of Winthrop, Smith & Co., today were indicted by a federal grand jury on the charge of using the mails to defraud. They were arrested last month and released on \$15,000 bail after a hearing.

Hollis E. Alger, Pioneer Lumber Leader, Is Dead

Hollis Elbert Alger died suddenly at his home, No. 1168 East Davis street, Thursday evening, following an operation three weeks ago for appendicitis, from which he was thought to be convalescent.

Mr. Alger was born in Portland in 1874 and attended Portland public schools and Portland academy. Following the death of his father, Hollis Alger, a pioneer lumberman of the Northwest, he was generally known as the Alger Lumber company, operating on the Cowlitz river near Skamokawa, Wash.

Alger had always been actively interested in musical organizations and was unusually fond of classical music. Several years ago he played in various local orchestras of the city. He was a Scottish Rite Mason and a member of Al Kader temple. He had taken part in many civic enterprises for the good of the community and for years had been a member of the Portland Chamber of Commerce.

He is survived by his wife, Harriet Alger, and his mother, Myra C. Alger. His brother, Edgar Alger, is associated with the Northwestern National bank and his brother Morton was in the logging business with him.

Federal services will be conducted at the Holman undertaking parlors Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Three Who Figure in Rector Murder Case

AT THE left, Miss Pearl Bahmer, daughter of Nick Bahmer, New Brunswick, N. J., saloonkeeper. Pearl, with Ray Schneider (right) first reported finding the bodies of the Rev. Edward W. Hall and Mrs. Eleanor Mills in the field near an abandoned farmhouse. She is held in jail as is Schneider, who has confessed his story that Clifford Hayes fired the fatal shots is untrue. In the center is Miss Charlotte Mills, 15-year-old daughter of Mrs. Eleanor Mills, who demands that the murderer of her mother be arrested.



ACID GUN IS USED IN ADDICT'S RAID

Brandishing a small squirt gun filled with acid, Harry Willard, drug addict, attempted to hold up the Haeck Brothers drug store in the Medical building late Thursday night to obtain some morphine. He was met by the store counter. A. M. Boyd, a clerk, was burned by some of the acid.

Four persons were in the store when Willard entered. He walked up to the counter as though he was about to make a purchase, but instead thrust the gun at the people in the store.

"Get back in the back part," he said, brandishing the gun.

Boyd made a lunge at the intruder to grab the gun. As he did so, Willard pulled the trigger and shot the acid into the hand of the clerk.

Willard then ran from the door and to his room on the third floor of a hotel near by, where he is said by the police to have taken off the raincoat he wore and put on a vest under his suit coat. He then went back to the scene of the holdup. He was partly drunk, the police say. The clerk saw him and immediately called Patrolman Wright, who arrested Willard.

Willard denies that he staged the attempted holdup.

Police Detective Schum went to Willard's room and there found not only the raincoat, but Donna Deane, a companion of Willard's. She was placed under arrest as a drug addict.

Willard was arrested here in 1912 as a bunko artist by Police Detectives Moloney and Swennen. He also went under the name of Earl De France.

Newberg Citizens Greet 1927 Fair Auto Caravan

Newberg, Oct. 13.—Except for the berries which went to the prune harvest festival, Newberg turned out almost en masse to welcome the 1927 exposition caravan on its arrival here. The main street was crowded. Song leader Jack Henderson lived the gathering with the revised exposition song and Mayor L. F. Moore welcomed the party.

Rev. Charles MacCaughy of Portland presided. George L. Rauch, president of the Portland Ad club, discussed the legal aspects of the exposition bill, which makes a state-wide vote necessary before Portland can vote funds to hold the big fair. Otto Hartwig predicted the fair will build up the state and benefit Oregon workers. Mayor Baker pleaded for cooperation on the part of the entire state for the development of all sections. A luncheon followed the meeting.

The caravan left Newberg for Dayton and meetings were also held at Dallas and Independence, with a big meeting scheduled for McMinnville, where the party will spend the night.

Congress Is to Be Called November 20

Washington, Oct. 13.—A tentative agreement has been reached between President Harding and legislative leaders of the Northwestern National bank in extra session on November 20, 13 days after the country decides on the complexion of the new congress at the polls. It was learned today.

San Francisco, Oct. 13.—(U. P.)—An increase of one cent in the price of sugar, announced by sugar refiners here today. The new price is 47.30 wholesale.

MRS. HALL IN NERVOUS BREAKDOWN

Relict of New Brunswick Pastor Gives Way Under Strain; Investigation of Double Murder Is Centered in Her Home.

New Brunswick, N. J., Oct. 13.—(I. N. S.)—Suffering from nervous strain, Mrs. Frances Hall, widow of the murdered Protestant Episcopal clergyman, Dr. Edward W. Hall, collapsed in her home today. She is under the care of a physician. T. M. Pfeiffer, counsel for Mrs. Hall, said she had been grieving deeply ever since the bodies of her husband and the choir leader of the Church of St. John the Evangelist had been found lying side by side on the old Phillips farm, two miles from this city, on September 14.

Investigation of the case centered today about the home of the slain clergyman.

TO QUERY MRS. HALL
There was a report that Mrs. Hall, the widow, was to be grilled again by state police, who are working upon the theory that two or three men and one woman are involved. Counsel for Mrs. Hall was prepared to use all possible means of preventing this, even to the extent of seeking a court order.

Mrs. Hall's lawyer said she had been annoyed sufficiently, and that she has made it plain that she can throw no light upon the strange killing of her husband and his companion on the lonely Phillips farm, two miles from this city, the night of September 14.

The celebration which began last night for the return home of Clifford Hayes, formerly charged with the murder, was continuing today. Many stores in the region of Hayes home have large placards in the windows saying:

"Hayes is home!"

FIREWORKS DISPLAY
There was a fireworks display in front of the Hayes home last night.

Contrary to assertions repeatedly made by her friends, Mrs. Hall knew of the clandestine friendship existing between her husband and Mrs. Mills for a week before they were found murdered on September 14, according to Attorney Joseph Stricker was informed today.

The prosecutor's informant was Miss Figg at the sick of the clock at the hotel for Miss Charlotte Mills, 15-year-old daughter of the slain woman, Miss North said she got her information through interrogation of servants in the Hall household and friends of the Hall family.

In addition, Stricker was informed that Mrs. Hall had been hearing reports of an attachment between the

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Equestrian Statue Of Col. Roosevelt Is Now in Portland

The heroic-size equestrian statue of Theodore Roosevelt created by Phinister Proctor, and which Dr. Henry Waldo Coe is to present to the city of Portland, arrived from New York at the dock at the foot of 17th street early this morning.

The statue was brought to a west side dock because of its size and possible difficulties in transporting it across the bridge. It has been unloaded at east side docks. It was taken from the steamship Ohio of the Columbia-Pacific line this afternoon, and will be held at the dock until the granite base is completed in the park block directly in front of the Ladd school. Dr. Coe and City Commissioner Pier, with several other ardent admirers of the late Colonel Roosevelt, were present when the statue was being unloaded this afternoon.

The formal dedication of the Roosevelt statue will be one of the features of Portland's observance of Armistice day.

Girl Seeks Man Who Was Reported Dead

Wenatchee, Wash., Oct. 13.—Miss Louise Shaper of Tacoma, is here searching for L. J. Dolle, assistant cashier at the Milwaukee station at Tacoma, who was reported to have died in Wenatchee. Police and coroner know nothing of the death of Dolle and it is believed that he is out in the hills on a hunting trip, as he owns here in Tacoma for that purpose. Jack Kelly of Portland informed Miss Shaper at Tacoma, she said, that Dolle had died in this city. Dolle came here five days ago and wrote a letter on Elman hotel stationery telling his friends at Tacoma he was a "sick man."

Chinese Pheasants

Verse by Grace McCormac French and drawing in color by R. Bruce Horsfall make a timely front cover for The Sunday Journal Magazine next Sunday.

Industrious Hillsboro

How Washington county seat utilizes the varied resources tributary to it is set forth in picture and text on the front cover of The Sunday Journal Automotive section next Sunday.

The Week's Stock Market

An exclusive feature of The Sunday Journal's business news page.

Oregon Journal

The Circulation of The Sunday Journal Is Over 100,000