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PRESIDENT MAKES TREATY MAIN ISSUE

Reed Declares Proposed Plank Will Loose Every State North of Mason-Dixon Line to Democrats

BRYAN REAFFIRMS FORMER DECLARATION

President Denied Information Essential to Safe Leadership

WASHINGTON, May 10.—President Wilson's call to the Democratic party to carry the treaty ratification issue into the campaign, drew expressions today from two members of his own party, W. J. Bryan and Senator Reed, of Missouri, and also from Senator Johnson of California, leader of the Republican irreconcilable group in the senate treaty battle.

Senator Reed, in a statement, declared such a platform would mean the Democratic loss of every state north of the Mason and Dixon line and the breaking of the "solid south." Senator Johnson in a statement said he could respect the president's consistent advocacy of unreserved ratification but had no respect for men whose views shifted "with the varying popular wind."

Mr. Bryan, at his home in Florida, re-affirmed his declaration for immediate ratification by joint action of Republican and Democratic friends "in order to take the issue out of the campaign."

"The president's demand that the treaty shall be accepted exactly as it is brought in from Versailles, is the finest scheme of premeditated political suicide yet devised," Senator Reed said.

Every member of the senate except six, Mr. Reed stated, voted for one or more of the Lodge reservations denounced by the president. The president, or Democratic senators, who voted for reservations, will face repudiation at San Francisco, he added.

Senator Johnson said he had consistently opposed the "league of nations in its original form and with reservations appended," and added: "The league presented to us was either a good or a bad thing. If it was as good as the president and his associates insisted, it required neither amendments nor reservations. If it was as bad as we insisted, neither amendment nor reservation could make it good."

BRYAN ISSUES STATEMENT

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., May 10.—President Wilson has been denied information "essential to sound judgment and safe leadership," W. J. Bryan said today in a statement commenting on Mr. Wilson's call to the Democratic party to carry the fight for ratification of the peace treaty into the presidential campaign.

The party had fought for ratification without reservations as long as there was hope of such action, he said, and the issue now was "whether the Democratic party believes in the fundamental principle of democracy—namely, the right of the majority to rule." He urged immediate ratification with such amendments as might be necessary to accomplish that purpose—to take the league of nations issue "out of the campaign and speak peace to war distracted Europe."

"Broken down in health by the weight of cares and anxieties, such as have fallen to no other occupant of that high office, the chief executive has been denied the information essential to sound judgment and safe leadership," Mr. Bryan said.

Names of Babies Begin to Arrive at Headquarters

Names of babies to be examined at the May eugenics clinic of the Marion County Children's bureau are beginning to arrive at headquarters, showing that interest in this most worthwhile undertaking of Salem women has been long-felt, and very necessary, for the betterment of child life in the county, as much work has already come from the good done. All mothers with children between the ages of 6 months and 6 years wishing to have them examined should phone or write to Mrs. F. Von Eschen, 1775 Court street, Salem, for registration cards. The next clinic will be held in the Salem Commercial club, Thursday afternoon, May 27.

COMPANY CONSIDERS INTERESTS OF STATE

DOCTORS AT INSTITUTIONS NOT CURBED IN FUEL NEEDS

Tractors and Trucks To Have Plentiful Supply, But Pleasure Cars Are Restricted

Tractors and trucks operating on the farms of the state institutions, and automobiles used by institution physicians on state duty, will be allowed by the Standard Oil company all the gasoline necessary to their business, but pleasure cars belonging to the state or to state employees will be limited as any other cars. This information was given by a representative of the Standard Oil company yesterday to R. B. Goodin, secretary of the state board of control. No proposals were made by representatives of other companies, but so far the other companies have announced no restrictions of sales here.

Pleas that the state suspend operation of the gasoline gravity test law for the present, to relieve the shortage of motor vehicle fuel, continue to be received by Governor Olcott. Telegrams came yesterday from W. R. Scott, president of the chamber of commerce at Albany; from the Cascade Investment company of Portland, owner and renter of a large number of motor trucks; Dr. C. J. Smith of Portland, on whose Eastern Oregon farms half a dozen tractors are in operation, and from the Central Transfer company of Bandon, which uses trucks on milk routes.

BLAME PLACED IN TRAIN WRECK

Coroner's Inquest Will Be Held at Portland This Evening

PORTLAND, Or., May 10.—Austin Pharis, conductor of the inbound Southern Pacific electric train wrecked in a collision near here yesterday with a loss of eight lives, today placed the blame for the accident upon his dead engineer, Silas K. Willett. In two statements made at a local hospital where he lies seriously injured, one to newspapermen and another to the superintendent of the Southern Pacific, Pharis said that Willett knew he had orders to make the stop at the siding near Bertha Station, where a meet with the outbound train was scheduled.

According to Pharis' statement, Motorman Willett was ill when he got aboard the train at Reedview. "When I handed the order to him, he complained he was not feeling well, but believed he could manage the trip without difficulty," Pharis said.

Contrary to first reports, Pharis insisted that his train did make a stop at Bertha station. Three persons corroborated this. When his train failed to slow down at the siding, Pharis said today, he gave the stop signal to his engineer and he says, Willett answered the signal with two blasts of the whistle. Pharis was on his way to ask Willett why he did not stop when the collision occurred, he said.

The coroner's inquest will not be held until tomorrow night, it was announced today. Members of the Oregon public service commission also will listen to the testimony of witnesses.

Royalty Is Paid State by Sand and Gravel Companies

The state land board has received a total of \$644.51 in royalties from three Portland sand and gravel companies holding contracts with the state for taking sand and gravel from the Willamette river. The royalty is 10 cents a cubic yard. The amount received are \$314.62 from the Diamond C. Navigation company, which has paid in full; \$84.38 from the Nickum & Kelly Sand & Gravel company, and \$245.50 from the Columbia Contract company. \$98.255 will be due July 1 of this year, and \$495.20 on May 1, 1921.

The money goes into the irrevocable school fund of the state.

Seaplane Does Business in Salem All Day Sunday

The seaplane Sea Gull, owned by the Oregon, Washington, Idaho Airplane company of Portland was in Salem Sunday, arriving in the morning about 10 o'clock and spending the day taking Salem folk for rides over the city and vicinity. George F. Emery of the Portland office was here to manage the plane. A number of Salem people took this opportunity of seeing Salem from above. Shortly after 3 o'clock of the afternoon the plane hopped off from the Court street landing for the return trip to Portland.

BLUEBEARD GIVEN LIFE SENTENCE

Confesses to Have Murdered Nine of His Twenty or More Wives and Relates Gruesome Incidents

MAJORITY OF MISSING WIVES WERE DROWNED

Prisoner Laid Bare All Crimes Committed Is Prosecutor's Opinion

LOS ANGELES, May 10.—A total of nine murders of his "wives" had been confessed tonight by the man who, today, under the name of James P. Watson, was sentenced to serve a life term in San Quentin penitentiary for the slaying of Nina Lee Deloney.

In making that statement, Thomas Lee Woolwine, district attorney, expressed the opinion the prisoner had laid bare all of the murders he was alleged to have committed.

No additional information was obtainable on bigamous marriages charged to the confessed murderer, but officials declared the number was in excess of 20.

Three of the alleged wife murders became known today. They were the slayings of Mrs. W. A. Watt, Winnipeg, Canada; Marie Austin and Eleanor Fraser, both of Calgary, Alberta, Canada. The first two were drowned in Lake Couer D'Alene, Idaho, and the latter in the Spokane river, Washington, it was said.

In addition the man asserted his true name was Dan Holden and that he had been born and reared in Arkansas and was of a "respectable" family.

The nine murders to which the district attorney state Watson, or Holden, had confessed, were:

Nina Lee Deloney of Eureka, Mont., married in San Francisco, December 5, 1919; struck on the head with a hammer and smothered in a blanket at Signal Hill, near Long Beach, Los Angeles county, January 26, 1920, buried on a rocky mountainside in imperial valley, where the grave pointed out by the murderer himself to establish the crime in Los Angeles county so that he might receive a life sentence in California, in accordance with an alleged agreement with the district attorney and escape extradition to and a possible death sentence in the state of Washington.

Elizabeth Prior, of Wallace, Idaho, married March 25, 1919, at Couer D'Alene, Idaho, skull crushed with a sledge hammer and body buried near Flinn station, Wash., where it was found.

Alice M. Ludvigson, of Seattle, married at Port Townsend, Wash., October 6, 1917, drowned under heavy logs in the St. Joe river, Idaho.

Bertha A. Goodrich, of Spokane, Wash., married at North Yakima, Wash., June 11, 1919, drowned in Lake Washington, Seattle.

Agnes Wilson of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, married at Vancouver September 29, 1918; drowned in Lake Washington.

Beatrice Andrewartha, of Calgary, married at Tacoma February 19, 1919; drowned in Lake Washington.

Eleanor Frazier of Calgary, married in Seattle 1919; thrown into Spokane river, near Spokane City, believed by the murderer to have been carried over the falls and crushed on the rocks below.

Marie Austin of Calgary, beaten with a rock and drowned in Couer D'Alene, Idaho.

Mrs. M. A. Watt, Box 792, Winnipeg, Canada, drowned in Lake Couer D'Alene, Idaho.

WATSON'S LIFE STORY

In telling his history to the district attorney, the "modern bluebeard" as he has been termed, said he was the son of John Gilliam, a farmer, supposed to be living now near Paris, Kansas. He said he believed he had been christened Joseph but the first name he could remember being called was Don Holden. He explained his father and mother separated and he took the name of the man his mother later married.

Successful in a small way with a mercantile agency in Chicago, he later assumed the name of his father, John Gilliam. Using this name, he married for the first time, he said, about 17 years ago. His wife was Marie Hollingsworth of Coffeyville, Kan. They had been boy and girl sweethearts, he said, but their marriage was unhappy. They were divorced.

In Moose Jaw, Can., where he arrived about 1912, he said, he adopted the name of James P. Watson. He went to Calgary and worked for a milling company. Then he went into business for himself in Vancouver. At the beginning of the war he moved to Calgary, where he lost his savings through a slump in the markets.

His fourth marriage, he said, occurred in 1919.

SMITH IS SUED BY CITY SCHOOL BOARD

IMPORTANT QUESTION IS THRUST INTO SUPREME COURT

District No. 24 Seeks to Collect \$8902 Alleged to be Due Under Legislative Acts

Whether the Marion county court had a right to levy a special tax in excess of the 6 per cent constitutional limitation to meet taxation requirements of legislative acts will be tested out in the supreme court through a mandamus proceeding instituted by Salem school district No. 24 yesterday against W. M. Smith, Marion county school superintendent, to compel him to pay over to the district \$8,902.

The Marion county court made a special separate levy of approximately \$48,000 in excess of the 6 per cent limitation, covering the common school fund, the high school tuition fund and \$19,000 for the county's share in construction of the Silverton armory. After the levy was on the rolls and collection began a representative of the Marion County Taxpayers' league brought a successful injunction suit to stop collection of the tax under the special levy. The county did not appeal and the case begun yesterday will serve in place of an appeal though refund of the additional tax is under way.

CLARK SCORES ABSENT ONES

Salesman's Club Members Taken to Task for Not Attending Meeting

The Salem Salesman's club held its regular monthly meeting at the Commercial club last night and though there were but few members present, it was a spirited meeting. F. N. Clark of the Salem King's Products company of Portland and Salem was the principal speaker. Mr. Clark scored the absent members when he said that he would rather talk to one live man than a thousand dead ones after which he gave a talk on salesmanship and what the salesman can do for the people of Salem and Salem in general. He said that the people of Salem think that anything in Salem is no good, and that they would rather go outside to invest their money than to invest it in Salem industries where it will not only do them the most good but will benefit Salem as a whole.

Mr. Clark touched on the loganberries of dollars invested in stocks in enterprises outside of Oregon by Salem people, which, if they had invested in home industries would have earned them more than the 7 per cent which they are now getting but would have built up the city as well.

Mr. Clark touched on the loganberry situation from the packers point of view. He said that the buyers could not afford to pay the prices that the growers are asking and that his company will not purchase any loganberries unless the price asked are reasonable. He also stated that the Salem Kings Products company has orders for five carloads of dehydrated loganberries of this year's pack, but that they will not be able to furnish them, as to do so at the present price asked by the growers would lose money to them on the transaction. He declared that if they did pack the berries at the present prices that the people would refuse to buy them, and if the packers do not stop advertising the article which would mean suicide to the loganberry industry. Mr. Clark cited the Bull Durham tobacco company as an example. He said that although the government had bought the output of Bull Durham, the company did not stop advertising. The loganberry industry is only in its infancy, the speaker said, and if this year's pack is not put on the market at a price which will be within the reach of housewives, the industry will be set back for several years.

Some big things will be brought before the club at the next meeting which cannot be made public at present, though it is hinted that there will be a half holiday granted to all the clerks and salespeople each week during the hot summer months.

A committee was appointed to arrange for a boxing bout which the club will stage at the next meeting and from all indications this bout will be a hummer. It is hoped to stimulate more interest among the younger members of the club by giving entertainment of this nature.

Committees Made Bigger by Typographical Union

The executive committee of Typographical union No. 210 was increased from three to five members at a meeting of the union Sunday through adoption of a revised constitution and by-laws.

C. G. Gray resigned as a member of the union's representation on the Central Trades and Labor council and S. R. Vall was elected in his place.

INDUSTRY GOES AHEAD

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., May 6.—There is nothing slow about the Klamath county lumber industry this year. Mill owners are preparing for an estimated cut of 250,000,000 feet and 20 sawmills will be in operation.

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HILLQUIT PLATFORM PRECIPITATES FIGHT

Convention's Choice For Head of Ticket Both Serving Sentences

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Following introduction of a "declaration of principles," and party platform drafted under leadership of Morris Hillquit, the "fighting minority from Chicago" led their state's representatives into what may develop into a party warfare of threatening aspect, it was stated tonight.

J. Louis Engdahl, Samuel H. Holland and William F. Kruse, all of Chicago, the last two under sentence for violation of the war-time espionage act, captained the radical element's troops today. When the "Hillquit platform" was submitted with the motion that it be adopted, Holland gained the floor amid a tumult. "I don't like this platform," he cried. "It contains nothing but nice phrases. We have had no opportunity to consider it. Yet Hillquit has the audacity to move its adoption. What are they trying to do? Throw it down our throats?"

Hillquit stated he was following ordinary parliamentary procedure in moving the adoption of his committee's program, opening the way for debate. He said the program of the independent socialist parties in Germany, France, Italy and Russia had been studied, with resultant eliminations until the tentative platform submitted had been brought down to its present size and shape to meet the needs of America in 1920.

Engdahl in reply declared the platform bore "no resemblance to the program of our comrades in Germany and Russia."

The convention finally voted to go into committee of the whole to consider the platform tomorrow.

The convention set Thursday afternoon for the nomination of candidates for president and vice-president. Eugene V. Debs, now serving ten years for violation of the espionage laws, already has been proclaimed as the party's probable candidate for president.

A movement to induce John L. Maurer, president of the Pennsylvania state federation of labor, to accept the nomination of vice president was started today. Scott Nearing, formerly professor of economics at the University of Pennsylvania, and Toledo, and Seymour Stedman of Chicago, general counsel of the party, are leading candidates for the vice presidential nomination. Mrs. Kate Richards O'Hare, now serving two years in the state prison at Jefferson City, Mo., is also mentioned.

The convention voted to send a telegram of greeting to the striking miners of Kansas.

The "Hillquit platform" includes the following "declarations of principles" over which the principal fight is being waged.

"The socialist party of the United States demands that the country and its wealth be redeemed from the control of private interests and turned over to the people to be administered for the equal benefit of all."

"The socialist party desires the workers of America to take the economic and political power from the capitalist class."

"The socialist party when in political control proposes to reorganize the government so as to change it from a tool of repression into an instrument of social and industrial service."

"The socialist party promises to make family life fuller, nobler and happier by removing the sordid factor of economic dependence of woman on man."

"The socialist party adheres strictly to the principle of complete separation of state and church."

"The socialist party seeks to attain its end by orderly and constitutional methods. Violence is not the weapon of socialism by the short sighted method of the ruling classes. The socialists depend upon education."

STANDARD OIL SAYS GASOLINE GOES UP

PREDICTION IS THAT RETAIL PRICE WILL BE 34 CENTS

Product Goes to Garages at 30 and 32—Increase Since January 1 Is 22 Per Cent

NEW YORK, May 10.—Motorists today became the latest victims of advancing prices.

The Standard Oil company of New York announced that the price of gasoline to garages would be raised to 30 cents a gallon, an increase of 1 1/2 cent while independents were reported to be quoting "gas" as high as 32 cents.

This, it was said, would mean that the retail price would be at least 34 cents.

Today's advance brings advances since January 1 to 22 per cent.

LIMIT PROFITS OF LANDLORDS

Portland Investigating Committee on Rent Profiteering

PORTLAND, May 10.—A limit of 13 1/2 per cent on the profit of Portland landlords is the recommendation of the committee investigating alleged rent profiteering here. The committee allows 6 1/2 per cent to meet taxes, insurance, depreciation, repairs, management and vacancy charges, and 7 per cent for profit on investment. Lionel C. Mackay, assistant city attorney, who has been investigating alleged rent profiteering in Portland, said today that he had found instances where the return is from 40 to 50 per cent, and even higher.

"Merciless publicity" is the punishment to be meted out to offending landlords, according to Mr. Mackay. The committee has no legal existence, although it was appointed by the mayor.

Some Property Owners Cleaning Up Premises

One Day of "Clean-up Week" Has Passed and Though Some Property Owners Have Made an Effort to Beautify Salem Others Have Done Very Little Towards Cleaning Up Around Their Places, and the Streets and Vacant Lots are Full of Rubbish and Papers which Should be Gathered up and Placed in the Alleys Where the City Teams Can Get Them. Everyone is Expected to Make This a Civic Duty as There will be Thousands of Visitors in Salem this Summer who will Judge Salem by the Appearance of the Streets.

One residence with rubbish around it or in front of it spoils the appearance of the whole block, and a vacant lot full of trash is an eyesore to every one and should be cleaned up at once.

The city teams will call on the middle some today which will be from Mill street to Union street and to the east and west city limits. Tomorrow they will work in the north zone which is from Union street to the north, east and west city limits.

Johnson Campaign Speaker to Be Here Wednesday Night

Charles A. McGee of California, who Campaigned in Michigan and New Jersey for Hiram W. Johnson for President, will Speak at the Salem Armory Tomorrow Night in behalf of his Candidate. He is Said to be a Strong Campaign Speaker and has been on a general tour of the east. He will discuss the League of Nations.

Mr. McGee will speak at Silverton next Saturday night. He already has appeared at Klamath Falls.

Lope Sing Reports Good Growth of Hop Vines

Lope Sing reports the hop vines in the Independence district making a thrifty growth. He has set out 70 acres of new hops on the large land holdings owned by the Seid Beck estate. He says when the many new yards will have come into full bearing independence will again become the active center of a great hop industry.

NEW RANGER STATION

ROSEBURG, Or., May 10.—The forest service will have a new rangers' supply station this year at Glide, 20 miles east of this city. Forest Supervisor W. F. Ramsdell has just been advised that land for the site had been obtained and a telephone exchange, with warehouse, blacksmith shops and bunk houses, will be erected at once so that the station will be ready to supply the rangers by the time the season opens.

TIMBER TO BRITAIN

PORTLAND, Or., May 6.—Trains in the United Kingdom are to travel over wood from Oregon forests, for 40 per cent of this year's vast shipment to be made by the Douglas Fir Exploitation & Export company is to be loaded in the Columbia river. The concern has just closed a deal for 21,000,000 feet to be shipped from north Pacific ports.

RELATIVE OF CHIEF EXECUTED

Wholesale Slaughter of Administration Officials and Generals Reported in Mexico Capital City, Including Carranza's Son-in-Law

U. S. EMBASSY REPORTS CARRANZA'S FLIGHT

American Naval Vessels and Marines Sent to Mexican Ports; Refuge Offered by American Government

EL PASO, Tex., May 10.—By The Associated Press—All of Mexico except the states of Yucatan, Campechi and Chiapas and the northern part of the territory of Lower California, is in the hands of the revolutionists, according to a bulletin given out tonight by the local consulate of the liberal constitutional party.

The bulletin confirmed the report of the capture of President Carranza near Apizaco, Hidalgo, and gave details.

"It is also confirmed," the bulletin said, "that Generals Muirga, Urquiza and Barragan, the latter the famous chief of staff of Carranza, were executed."

It is confirmed, too, that General Candido Aguilar, son-in-law of Carranza and Manuel M. Dieguez, lost their lives in a fight in the state of Vera Cruz in which General Alberto Salinas, nephew of Carranza, commander of the aviation school, was wounded and captured.

WASHINGTON, May 10.—Mexico's latest revolution, after getting under way with a remarkable absence of fighting, apparently has not been without the usual tropical season of blood letting.

From behind the veil which obscures events of the last few days, are beginning to trickle stories of wholesale political executions, counter executions and other accomplishments which have marked struggle for supremacy in the Latin-American countries.

Carranza, variously reported captured, in flight or in hiding; Candido Aguilar, his son-in-law and minister of foreign affairs, executed; with General Francisco Murguia, commander of the garrison in Mexico City, after a wholesale slaughter of political prisoners, including 15 generals; forces of the revolution in control of the capital and most of the metropolitan cities while American warships and marines continued to move into strategic positions, were the foremost features of today's news.

Communication between the United States and Mexico City continued intermittently and uncertainly. Reports continued of the cutting of telegraph lines, which carry cable dispatches from Vera Cruz to Mexico City, and these are supported by border reports that the line of Carranza's escape is held by the revolutionists. From all reports, Tampico, Vera Cruz, Monterey and Puebla, as well as Mexico City are held by rebels. Search of Vera Cruz city failed to find Carranza. One report had him under arrest in Esperanza.

The last message received from the American embassy in Mexico City said quiet prevailed Saturday morning after departure of Carranza with "no unusual disorder."

"The only untoward incident reported," the statement continued, "was the capture of one of President Carranza's trains May 7 at Guadalupe Hidalgo, about 375 miles north of Mexico City, an incident in which there were several casualties."

No mention of the fate of Carranza was made by the embassy. General Obregon, Carranza's former right-hand military man and now his opponent, has ordered that the president, if captured, be treated with consideration and taken to Mexico City.

Reports published in Mexico City newspapers flatly announced Carranza's capture, together with Ambassador Bonillas, Carranza's representative in Washington until recently and later a presidential candidate.

Meanwhile the American government, while continuing a policy of watchful waiting, took measures to

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