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LAWS PASSED DURING WAR DENOUNCED

Senator Borah Would Repeal Arbitrary and Repressive Laws Forced on People During War

PATH BECOMES ROUGH REVERSE IN SIGHT

Business Must Have the Shackles Removed and Chance to Breathe

MERIDEN, Conn., Oct. 26.—Senator William F. Borah of Idaho, in a speech tonight, denounced "arbitrary and repressive laws passed during the war."

Asserting that repeal of these laws would be "one of the first tasks for the republican party when given power," the senator declared some of the measures were "far more drastic and arbitrary than necessary even in time of war, and are wholly intolerable in time of peace."

Laws Must Be Repealed

"Some were plainly in violation of the constitution but passed under the vicious theory that the constitution is suspended in time of war," he said.

"But necessary or unnecessary," he added, "constitutional or unconstitutional, they should no longer be permitted to menace those rights and privileges which a free and forward-looking people should at all times enjoy. Some of these laws are relics of 200 years ago and curtail rights as old as the government itself."

"Let us live again under the constitution and not be afraid of other men's opinions. All the evils of free speech, a free press and the right of peaceable assemblage are not to be compared to evils which have been visited upon the people since the war," he said.

Laws Burdensome

"But it is not alone that these laws are unjust and oppressive, they are expensive and burdensome to the taxpayer. Literally, millions of dollars are collected from the people to be paid out in the maintenance of bureaus and unnecessary employes to execute laws which ought not to be upon the statute books at all."

"For years we have been striving to put business in a straight jacket, to strangle individual initiative and compel all the genius of men to conform to the deadening rules of some bureau. Of late we have proposed to go a step farther and make men think and talk according to bureaucratic rules."

Business Must Breathe

"We should give business a chance to breathe without offense and brains a chance to think, outside of jails. Initiative and self-reliance have made us what we are and a free press and free speech are the people's only real protection against corruption and oppression in public office."

"Unrest and discontentment everywhere manifest in our country are due in no small measure to the fact that the people feel they are discriminated and, in turn, they naturally distrust their government. This mass of repressive and suspicion laden law concerning almost every phase of business and of humane activity, and this ever-increasing tide of taxation—the inevitable result of bureaucratic rule—breeds discontent and resentment which one feels and hears wherever he travels. If we will loosen the paralyzing grip of bureaucracy upon the energy and the brain of America, the people of this country will carry us by the economic and industrial crisis not far ahead."

Pathway Is Rough

"There may be a more burdensome and deadening, a more expensive and corrupt form of government than a bureaucracy, but if so, God in his infinite mercy has not yet permitted it to curse the human family. Let us turn back on this pathway over which we have been traveling so rapidly and so recklessly. Let us rehabilitate the constitution and live under it and up to it—along that road is orderly liberty and contentment and prestige and power. Let us restore the American republic to the American people to whom it belongs; it is safer in their hands than in the hands of the bureaus or even of statesmen and near-statesmen."

Commercial Club to Get Election News by Wire

At a meeting last night the directors of the Salem Commercial club decided to have telegraph wires installed in the club rooms on election night, November 2, for the purpose of receiving election returns. The public is invited to sit in and receive the news. A Western Union loop will be extended into the club rooms.

KING OF GREECE TO BE LAID TO REST FRIDAY

CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES TO CONVENE THURSDAY

Cabinet Assembled and Sent Message to People Expressing Grief

AHENS, Oct. 26.—The funeral of King Alexander will take place Friday afternoon. The chamber of deputies will be convened Thursday.

The cabinet assembled immediately after the death of the king last evening and drew up a message to the people expressing the grief felt at the monarch's death, and adding:

"In conformity with the constitution order of succession, the younger brother of King Alexander, Prince Paul, is called to succeed him. However, in view of his absence and the relations existing between the nation and the house of ex-King Constantine, the government has decided, in conformity with the constitution, to convene the chamber just adjourned to proceed to the election of a regent until the arrival of the new king."

SYNDICATE TO GET RESOURCES

Enormous Tract in Siberia Leased for Sixty Years

NEW YORK, Oct. 26.—A cable message received today at the Russian soviet government bureau here confirmed the report that Washington D. Vanderlip of California, representing a syndicate of Pacific coast capitalists, had concluded an arrangement with the Russian soviet government for the development of the natural resources of Northeastern Siberia. The message, signed by George Eitcherlin, commissioner for foreign affairs at Moscow, was addressed to Ludwig C. A. K. Martens, representative of the soviet government in America.

The message follows:

"On October 22 there was announced the consummation of the deal proposed by the Vanderlip syndicate, comprising Vanderlip, Barnet, Harry Chandler, Satori, Le Phillips, Fishburn, Edward L. Doehy, Gibson, Jayne, Whittier, Stewart and Braun, all Pacific coast capitalists. The syndicate acquires a sixty year lease of territory east of the 160th meridian, including Kamchatka, an area of 400,000 square miles, with exclusive rights to exploit coal, oil and fisheries. Vast oil strata and bituminous coal deposits have been discovered in this territory. The syndicate expects to take possession and commence operations in the spring of 1921. The same syndicate is also acquiring a lease with the right to purchase, of the Seattle waterfront property purchased by the czar's government. Negotiations are proceeding successfully whereby this syndicate will become fiscal agents in America, financing purchases up to \$500,000,000; all purchases to be made through your office."

Stranger Tries to Lure Small Girls Into Woods

One of the most atrocious criminal suspects heard of in Salem for sometime was reported to Chief Wicks yesterday. A man has been seen this week loitering on the Lincoln school grounds, and upon inquiry it was learned through the school children that he had approached several little girls 6 and 7 years old, and endeavored to entice them into the woods.

H. H. Cross, 1037 South Commercial street, who reported the case to the police, described the man as being short and of dark complexion. The police are keeping a sharp lookout for the man.

BARRACKS ATTACKED

ENNSKILLEN, N. Ireland, Oct. 26.—The police barracks at Tempoo was attacked by Sinn Feiners yesterday. The attack was repulsed. One sergeant is reported wounded and one Sinn Feiner killed and another wounded.

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HARDING TO PROTECT U.S. INDUSTRIES

Disaster Reigns Among Industries of America as Result of Failure to Protect Products

SENATOR STARTS ON FOUR DAY TOUR

Candidate Purposes to Free United States to World Service

MARION, Ohio, Oct. 26.—On the eve of his departure for his final speaking trip, a four-day circuit of Ohio cities, Senator Harding again directed the attention of the public today to two of the issues that have been in the forefront of his campaign, the protective tariff and the league of nations.

Protective Policy

"A prompt return" to a policy of protecting American products was promised by the Republican nominee in a telegram to Paul A. Ewert of Joplin, Mo., made public as a part of his attack on the Democratic tariff program. He declared that "disaster" had been brought to mining and industrial interests through failure to properly protect American products and that now American agriculture was sharing a similar fate.

His comment on the league was in the course of an informal discussion of a recent interview with Leon Bourgeois, president of the league council. The latter's views, he said, furnished further evidence that the only safe way for the United States was "to remain outside until we may unite upon a plan for an association of nations that shall mean the same to everybody."

Harding Tours Ohio

Leaving here after noon tomorrow, Senator Harding will speak at night at Cleveland and the three following nights address meetings in Akron, Cincinnati and Columbus.

Mr. Harding took it easy, seeing few callers and clearing away many odds and ends of office work. His voice, which had been affected by a slight cold, showed improvement.

During the afternoon a glee club from Troy, Ohio, marched to the front porch and serenaded the nominee and Mrs. Harding with political songs. The senator made a short speech, thanking them for the visit and for their support.

Article X Nonessential

The statement of M. Bourgeois was contained in an Associated Press dispatch from Brussels. In it he declared that article 10 was "not, in fact, anything more than the moral foundation of the covenant," and added:

"Article ten could be eliminated without in any way modifying the effectiveness of the league of nations and that it was not considered so important by Europeans as Americans."

"This is most illuminating," said Senator Harding. "We are told by the great American authority on the covenant, President Wilson, that article ten is its heart. Now comes M. Bourgeois, president of the league council, and says it is not important."

Other Articles Stand

"He informs us that 'all that is efficacious in the covenant is set forth in other articles.' This can only mean that, even if article ten is eliminated, its effect would still be preserved in other articles. Doubtless he means that if article ten were eliminated, article eleven would still have the same effect."

"It all illustrates the utter impossibility of getting agreement

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TOTAL REGISTRATION OF STATE ANNOUNCED

OREGON'S REGISTERED ELECTORATE NUMBERS 331,872

Republicans Lead All Counties—Old Parties Gain, Prohibitionists, Socialists Lose

Oregon's total registration for the general election of November 2 is 331,872, according to a compilation of registration statistics compiled by Sam E. Kozar, secretary of state. By party affiliation the registration shows 221,392 Republicans, 89,446 Democrats, 3962 Prohibitionists, 5008 Socialists and 12,064 miscellaneous registrations.

It has not been possible for the secretary's office to compile the figures as yet according to male and female registrations.

An interesting comparison may be made by reference to the registration prior to the special election of June 3, 1919. The comparison shows an increase in the miscellaneous registration, but a decrease in the registration of Prohibitionists and Socialists. The figures prior to the special election of June, 1919, were: Republicans, 187,873; Democrats, 80,521; Prohibitionists, 5890; Socialist, 5755; miscellaneous, 9,941; total, 289,890.

The present registration shows a strong Republican lead over the Democrats in every county in the state.

Marion county has 13,664 Republicans; 3370 Democrats, 421 Prohibitionists, 230 Socialists, 528 of miscellaneous registration and a total of 18,813.

Folk county has 4528 Republicans, 2242 Democrats, 129 Prohibitionists, 105 Socialists and 210 of miscellaneous registration, and a total of 7315.

EFFICIENCY OF R. R. DISCUSSED

State Commissions Are Preventing Rehabilitation of Railroads

NEW YORK, Oct. 26.—State railroad commissions which are holding up the rehabilitation of recent freight rate increases more than any other agency prevent rehabilitation of railroad properties, George H. Ingalls, vice president of the New York Central lines, told an audience of business men at the Traffic club of New York here tonight.

Speaking on the subject of increasing efficiency in rail transportation, Mr. Ingalls commended the Interstate Commerce commission, which, he said, "met the issue in a broad and constructive manner." He repeated that he was "pleased to hear that the carriers sufficient increase in their revenues to enable them to re-habilitate themselves."

He declared that, notwithstanding the fact that state commissions were represented on the body which proposed the rates, "only 18 of them have approved the new rates without any exceptions; 12 have accepted the new rates with a variety of exceptions and amendments, all tending to curtail the carriers' revenues, and 17 have definitely refused to grant the new schedules."

Rates in the country, Mr. Ingalls asserted, are much less than abroad, the increases in the United States having amounted to 67 per cent in 1914, while increases in foreign countries have ranged during the same period from 114 per cent in the United Kingdom to 330 per cent in Austria.

Three marks have been set up railroad traffic men as the efficiency goal to be attained, Mr. Ingalls said. They are:

"To increase the average freight car mileage to 30 miles per day;

"To increase the average load per freight car to not less than 30 tons;

"To reduce the passage of 'bad order' cars to not more than 4 per cent of the total."

"Each one of these," he said, "would constitute a great stride toward giving the country that adequate transportation service without which our commerce and industries cannot expand production and general prosperity made to prevail."

Mr. Ingalls said it was a good omen that almost in 1920, past transportation records have been broken. Interstate commerce commission figures, he said, show that last July the railroads of the country recovered 49,232 million ton miles, "far the largest month's operation since April, 1915, and probably the greatest in the history of railroads."

"The same statistics," he added, "show that despite the 'out-law' railroad strikes which restricted operation in April and May, more freight was handled in the first seven months of this year than in the same period of any preceding year and that 1920 as a whole will show a record of freight service by the railroads exceeding any earlier year in history."

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PEACE ISSUE WILL BRING LANDSLIDE

Governor Believes His Stand on League Will Bring a Sweeping Tide of Votes for Democrats

CANDIDATES SHOULD STAND FOUR SQUARE

Election of Cox is Positive Mandate for American League Entrance

CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 26.—Special pleas for election of senatorial candidates favoring the league of nations were made by Governor Cox today in a tri-state tour touching West Virginia and Kentucky and closing tonight with an address here where he began his career as a newspaper reporter 25 years ago.

Positive Mandate

The candidate, reiterating that he would construe his election in which he expressed utmost confidence—as a "positive mandate" for American entrance into the league, asked support for Democratic candidates in Ohio and Kentucky, whom, he said, "stood four square" upon the league issue.

"Don't let my hands by electing a hostile senator," he urged, reiterating statements, made in his formal announcement yesterday, that he believed he would "reach an agreement with the senate regarding the league."

"I have found that America is not so much concerned in the words we use in keeping our pledge," he said, "as it is that the meaning be clear and that the only possible step now available be taken to keep wars from being started in the future."

Attacks Harding

Governor Cox also continued his attack upon Senator Harding as a "conspirator" against the league by virtue of his signature to the "round robin."

"I think you will agree," he said, "that a conspiracy was formed in the senate to strangle the league of nations to death."

"Now we are asked to upset the conspiracy and the senatorial crowd purposes and the official upsetter, a member of the conspirator's hideout, who has been tried in court, the man under charge never sits in the judge's chair and he never sits in the jury box, and the American people in their desire to overturn this base conspiracy, are not going to designate one of the conspirators himself to carry out the job."

Landslide For Peace

Predicting a "landslide" for the "cause of peace" one week from today in the election, Governor Cox declared that the Republican senatorial candidates singing the "round robin" would be defeated.

Senator Harding, he predicted, "would spend the next four years at Marion, Ohio," and referring to Senator Jones of New Hampshire, he repeated that he was "one Moses who might well have been loosed in the bull rusher."

Seven addresses were made today by the governor. "Crowds at several places stood in a downpour of rain under a sea of umbrellas to hear him. At the largest meeting here tonight at Music Hall, former Governor Harmon presided.

Economic arguments for the league were stressed here by Governor Cox, who stated that it would reduce the European credit power to purchase America's surplus products.

Prosperity Goes With League

"Continued American prosperity," the governor declared, "is contingent upon our becoming a member of the league. If we stay out I predict the worst sort of financial depression within three generations."

Reverting to the Mexican question, he said:

"I am convinced that the people of Mexico will insist upon membership in the league also, because they realize that among other interests opposing the covenant in America are speculators who wanted to invade that country in order to remove the barrier which enabled them to purchase large holdings at low cost."

Every European capitalist is against the league, he asserted, adding:

"And it is a striking coincidence that the only thing approaching imperialism in America, the senatorial oligarchy, is the outstanding force against it."

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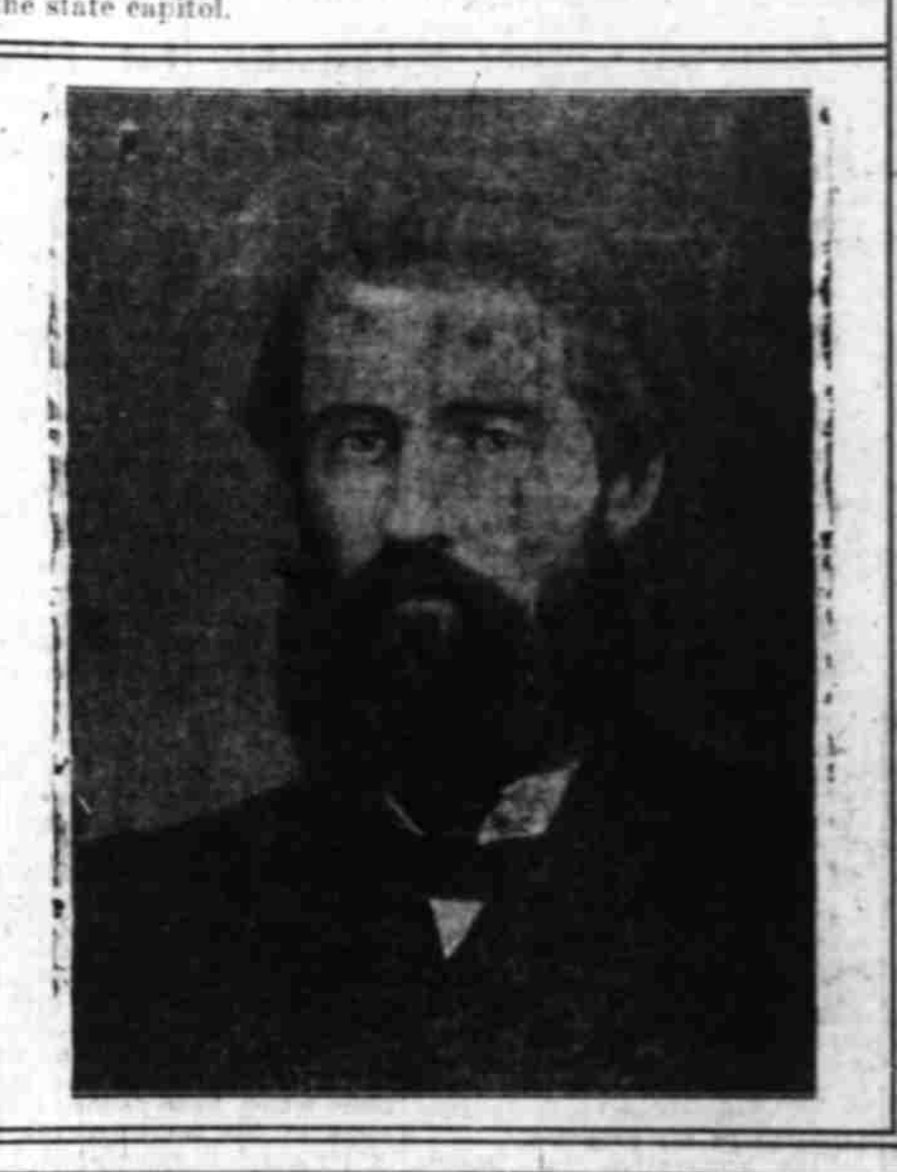
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HONORED BY STATE

Rev. Jason Lee, Methodist missionary, pioneer, patriot and colonizer, to whom is due much of the credit for saving the Oregon country to the United States, and who was honored by the state and the living generations yesterday when a life-size portrait of this historic personage was unveiled in the state capitol.



FARMERS HEAR STRIKE CALL

Wheat Growers Association Urge Producers to Hold for \$3 Grain

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 26.—Whether farmers of the southwest are obeying a "strike call," issued recently by the Wheat Growers' association, in the form of a proclamation calling upon its members in several states to withhold their wheat from the market until a basic price of \$3 a bushel was reached, could not be ascertained here tonight.

Reports from some grain market centers today attributed decreases in the wheat supply received and an increase in price to the proclamation. No widespread curtailment of wheat offerings was reflected today in the grain markets of the southwest, grain men said.

J. C. Mohler, secretary of the Kansas board of agriculture, tonight declared there was no farmers' "strike" in that state and said that probably only a minority of the grain growers in Kansas would back the movement.

On the other hand, W. H. McGreevy of Wichita, Kan., secretary of the Wheat Growers' association, declared the "strike" was in effect and that the farmers were in the fight to stay.

Wheat will go to \$3 a bushel within 90 days, due to the refusal of the association members to sell, the secretary predicted, prior to receipt of news that the market in Chicago had stiffened today, due to the reported falling off in deliveries. Mr. McGreevy stated that he expected no increase for 30 days, by which time the farmers will have made their strike felt. Sixty days more will see the goal of \$3 wheat attained, he said.

The association proclamation requesting that no more wheat be sold until the price went to three dollars went into effect last night. Confidence that practically the entire membership of the association would remain firm in the decision not to sell was expressed by the secretary.

The association has a membership of about 70,000, according to McGreevy. That some bankers are calling in loans to farmers is indicated in information received at the association headquarters, in Wichita. Mr. McGreevy said, adding that he regarded such a movement as a board of trade step to break the "strike."

He said the Garber, Okla., branch of the association had reported today that farm loans there were being called in by bankers. The only thing that might be construed as a strike," said Mr. Mohler, "is the underwriting of the United States wheat growers' association to get its members to hold wheat for \$2 a bushel."

"That program was decided upon at a meeting of wheat growers in September. I don't know how many farmers are backing that program but certainly a minority. I think that the membership of all the farmers' organizations probably would be a minority of all the farmers in the state."

BOLSHEVIK CAPTURED

SEBASTOPOL, Crimea, Oct. 24.—Fifteen thousand Russian Bolshevik soldiers have been taken prisoners and many cannons and large quantities of war material have been captured in raids carried out by General Baron Wrangel's forces recently.

Automobile Thefts Are More Numerous Recently

Automobile thefts have become more prevalent than usual during the past few days. Four cases were reported yesterday to the police.

J. E. Chase reported a Ford bug stolen from in front of his residence at 1122 Center street, Monday night.

A. Ohmart lost his Maxwell car which was taken from where it was parked on State street Monday. It was found near the Oregon Electric depot.

A. C. Fleener parked his automobile on South High street Monday night. When he returned to the machine he found the timer cover, fan, three tubes and a light bulb missing.

Lloyd Ransford lost two spot lights from his car, which was parked at Commercial and D street, Monday night.

PICTURE OF JASON LEE UNCOVERED

State Officials, Editors, Clergy, Laymen Pay Tribute to Missionary and Pioneer of Methodism