

SEVENTY-FOURTH YEAR

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SEN. WHEELER AGREES TO BE MATE FOR BOB

Senator Who Bolted Democratic Party Joins La Follette as Vice Presidential Nominee

OLD PARTIES DECLARED TO BE REACTIONARY

Progressives Advised By Candidate to Look Elsewhere for Leadership

WASHINGTON, July 19.—With a declaration that the "uncontrolled liberal and progressive forces must look elsewhere for leadership," than to the republican or democratic parties, Senator Wheeler, democrat, Montana, cast his lot today with Robert M. La Follette, independent candidate for president.

Yielding to the appeal of Senator La Follette and a group of his supporters, who had offered to endorse him, Mr. Wheeler announced that he would accept the vice presidential nomination on the La Follette ticket. He did so after having declared several days ago that while he probably would support La Follette he was unwilling to become his running mate.

La Follette Is Gratified Senator Wheeler's decision was announced in a letter to William H. Johnston, chairman of the conference for progressive political action, which endorsed Mr. La Follette's candidacy at its recent Cleveland convention and head of the group meeting here to map out campaign plans.

It brought from Senator La Follette the statement that Mr. Wheeler's acceptance was gratifying to him "as it will be to millions of progressive voters throughout the country."

Wheeler Fearless Leader "Burton K. Wheeler is a man of courage, integrity, ability and patriotism," said La Follette. He have never faltered or turned back. In the struggle against privilege he has ever been in the front rank of the people's army. In him progressives find a leadership in which they repose complete confidence.

"The recent national convention of the democratic party outraged the sentiments and disappointed the hopes of the rank and file of that party. It left millions of democrats without leadership in their own party. Senator Wheeler has supplied this leadership not only for progressive democrats, but for the independent citizens unidentified with any political organization."

Senator Wheeler, in his letter to Mr. Johnston, reiterated by inference his announced intention of supporting the democratic state ticket in Montana and Senator Thomas J. Walsh, his democratic colleague, who is a candidate for reelection.

Stands by Democracy "In accepting the call," said he, "I do not abandon my faith in the democracy of Thomas Jefferson. I am a democrat, but not a Wall street democrat. I shall give my support, and whatever influence I may possess to those candidates for office who have proved their fidelity to the interests of the people wherever they may be found, but I shall oppose every man on whatever ticket he may appear who bears the brand of the dollar sign."

Declaring that "between Davis and Coolidge there is only a choice for conservatives to make," Senator Wheeler asserted that he found himself unable to support "either the republican candidates who frankly admit their reactionary standpoint policies or the democratic candidate who my claim in well chosen phrases that he is a progressive but whose training and constant association belie any such pretension."

ALLEGED BOGUS BOND SALES TO BE PROBED BY GOVERNOR PIERCE

Declaring that it has come to his attention that millions of dollars in practically worthless stocks and bonds have been sold in Oregon, that men in high positions have lent their influence to the sale of such securities, and that there are reports of officials having received commissions on such sales, Governor Pierce yesterday appointed a special committee to investigate.

He declares that any persons found guilty will be prosecuted. The members of the committee are Oswald West, chairman, L. J. Liljeqvist, and George Black, all of Portland. Small investors, says the governor's statement, are declared to have been victimized.

AGREEMENT IS HAD BY ALLIES VENUE CHANGE NOT REQUESTED

Unanimous Approval Given Plan for a Possible German Default

LONDON, July 19.—(By the AP.)—The committee on sanctions on the inter-allied conference agreed unanimously today on two important principles to govern the action of the allies in the event of possible default by Germany under the Dawes reparation plan, namely to insure investors in the loan to Germany of priority on all German resources in event of such default and to preserve the rights of the countries signatory to the Versailles treaty.

With this agreement, in the opinion of the American, British and French delegates, a long step has been taken toward the success of the conference upon which high hopes have been raised for the economic restoration of Europe.

CAMBRIA MINE IS WITHOUT TROUBLE

Scene of Bloodless Conflict Between Union and Non-Union Men Quiet

McALESTER, Okla., July 19.—Carbria, the scene of a bloodless conflict between union and non-union coal miners yesterday, rested quietly today without any signs of work about the Kall-Inla mine where 175 non-union employees were driven away by an invading force of armed miners.

Some of the men who left their jobs say they were threatened with death should they re-enter the mine under existing conditions. The mine remained closed today. The invading body, numbering over 100 men, last night sent word to Wilburton, another mining town, that they would raid the Luttie mine of the Halley-Ola Coal Mining company today in the same manner, but the threat was not carried out. The mine was under heavy guard all day.

GERMAN DISPLEASED ALLIED AGREEMENT

Foreign Secretary Thinks New Arrangement Fundamentally Wrong

BERLIN, July 19.—(By the Associated Press).—Calling for rejection of any interpretation of the Dawes report by the London conference which provided for arbitrary territorial sanctions under article 23 of the treaty of Versailles, Die Zeit, Foreign Secretary Stresemann's organ, expresses frank displeasure with drafts of memoranda now under consideration by the conference.

"Both the French and English drafts as now constituted," the paper says, "fundamentally recognize the right of territorial sanction, in flagrant contradiction of the English viewpoint set forth in the note of August 11, 1923."

GREEK CABINET FALLEN ATHENS, July 19.—(By The A. P.)—The Greek cabinet, headed by Premier Papanastasiou, has fallen.

BANK LOOTER IS ARRESTED IN PORTLAND

Rohlf, Wisconsin Bank President, Believed to Have Embezzled \$300,000, Surrenders

DENIES TAKING MONEY; BLAMES HIS BROTHER

Dead Man Said to Have Taken More Than \$250,000 of Bank's Funds

PORTLAND, Ore., July 19.—Henry E. Rohlf, president of the defunct First National bank of Hayward, Wis., today surrendered himself to United States Marshal Hotchkiss here today to face a charge of looting the bank of \$300,000 and is expected to start back to Hayward Monday. He waived objection to removal, said that he was ready for trial and made no effort to get the \$25,000 bond required.

Denies Embezzlement Complete denial that he had robbed the bank was made by Mr. Rohlf. He told Marshal Hotchkiss that his brother, Ernest E. Rohlf, cashier, who since had been killed in an automobile accident, embezzled the bank's funds to the extent of \$250,000 and speculated with the money. This embezzlement together with frozen credits due to the fact that farmers were unable to meet their notes because of market conditions for their crops, led to the failure of the bank, he said.

Charges against the banker date from 1921.

Swindled Depositors HAYWARD, Wis., July 19.—The arrest of Henry Rohlf, former president of the First National bank of Hayward, at Portland, Ore., today to answer a charge of embezzling \$300,000 of the bank's funds follows an investigation which began when the bank was closed by bank examiners on March 18, after Rohlf is said to have called a meeting of depositors and asked them to sign over their accounts to him to meet a shortage then reported at \$250,000.

Rohlf is reported to have signed dead men's names to notes and put them up as collateral at exchange banks.

DETECTIVES HUNT SLAYERS OF BOY

Army of Police Set on Trail of Man Who Strangled Youth to Death

NEW YORK, July 19.—More than 300 detectives and uniformed policemen, in addition to a number of special investigators, the greatest number ever assigned to run down a criminal on Staten Island, continued their hunt tonight for the murderer of 8-year-old Francis McDonnell. Despite their efforts, the identity of the man who strangled the boy in a thicket near Port Richmond last Monday still remains a mystery.

Murder Mysteries are Cleared By Confession

MEMPHIS, Tenn., July 19.—Two murder mysteries which have baffled authorities for more than a year were cleared up tonight, according to police, through the alleged confessions of Charles Barr, negro, who was said to have admitted slaying one woman and two men and seriously injuring another woman in midnight hold-ups on a lonely highway east of the city early last year.

Disappearance Solved By Finding of Woman's Body

DEER PARK, Wash., July 19.—The skeleton of Mrs. Annie Russell, who disappeared from her home at Lost Springs in June, 1923, was found today by a rancher three miles northeast of the place where she had lived. Identification was made by means of the clothing.

Mrs. Russell wandered away from home during an illness, and search was made without result for several days at the time of her disappearance.

LINCOLN PLAY IS PRESENTED BY GOOD CAST

Martin's Interpretation of Life of Great Commoner Wins Approval of Chautauqua Audience

EFFECTIVE APPEAL BY INDIAN CHIEFTAIN

No Programs in Big Tent Today, Entertainment Resumes Tomorrow

MONDAY'S PROGRAM

Afternoon—Concert—Recital, Ault Concert Artists. "Biology's Bedtime Stories," J. H. Gervin. Evening—Concert—Recital, Ault Concert Artists. A brilliant Musical Organization—Five Soloists of individual merit.

There will be no programs today, either this afternoon or evening.

Recognizing that no cast in the country could adequately present the tremendous plot of Abraham Lincoln's life nevertheless the biggest Chautauqua crowd of the week gathered last night to witness Kettering's admittedly outstanding drama, "The Great Commoner," played by a sympathetic cast throughout from the kindly martyr-president with his awkward, flinging gestures to poor Cyrus who would "have to learn all over again with his left hand."

Romance and Reminiscence The play opens and closes in the 20th century at the time of America's participation in the World War. The body of the play is all of the Civil War. Romance and reminiscence link the two parts.

The first scene is whimsical and feminine. Anne Marshall has found her grandmother's wedding gown, has donned it, and is startlingly like the wife of the genial grandfather who wooed the first Anne Marshall. Their story is poignant throughout the climax situations of the play.

Abraham Lincoln, Jack Martin, taking this strong lead, appears first in the "interview" scene, when Edwin M. Stanton, the future secretary of war, has the first of his energetic fits of disapproval. John Hay appears in the play, with General Grant and other personages of the historic war. Nancy Lincoln is placidly quaint in her hoops. The Old Mammy took all of her parts with feeling—feeling quite beyond analysis when Cyrus, with one arm gone, came home after she has thought him dead.

Rich Humor Expressed A subtle philosophy and a rich humor expressed itself in the text though once in a while there are

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SYNOD OPPOSED TO MOBOLIZATION DAY

Oregon Presbyterians Protest Demonstration as Move Against Peace

EUGENE, Or., July 19.—The Oregon Presbyterian synod today went on record as opposing the holding of a national mobilization day September 12, as planned by the war department. The reason set forth for this action is the fear that such a demonstration would tend to disturb world peace and international understanding. The resolution as adopted recommends that the president cancel the ceremonies planned for that day.

Some of the ministers present opposed the resolution. Notable among them was Dr. W. S. Gilbert of Portland, who was chaplain in the World War; also during the time the United States troops were on the Mexican border, and during the Spanish-American War. Dr. Gilbert said he did not think the ministers should keep the pacifist's attitude toward mobilization day which he declared to be merely a part of the government's military policy.

HUGHES SUPPORTS DAWES' PLAN UPON HIS ARRIVAL IN ENGLAND



Secretary of State Charles E. Hughes, who in his capacity as president of the American Bar association is attending a conference in England, declared upon his arrival in London yesterday that American sentiment is very much in favor of the Dawes report as it now stands and believes in prompt execution of its provisions for the reparations settlement. The photograph above shows Secretary Hughes, his wife and daughter on board the ship which carried them across the Atlantic.

SLAYER TAKEN FROM TACOMA

Sheriff Spirits Conners, Wife Murderer, Away Fearing Mob Violence

TACOMA, Wash., July 19.—Richard Conner, accused of the murder of his wife, Pearl Conner, and spirited away from Tacoma by the sheriff's office after his arrest three days ago, is being held in the Clarke county jail at Vancouver, Wash., A. O. Burmeister, attorney for friends of Conner, charged tonight in a night session of superior court held before Judge M. L. Clifford.

Burmeister was given an order by the judge allowing him to confer with Conner wherever he may be held. Prosecuting Attorney J. W. Selden, who caused the arrest of Conner, Sheriff Tom Desmond and deputies in the case could not be found today to show cause why Burmeister should not be allowed to confer with Conner. Nor were they on hand tonight at the court session.

Tonight Judge Clifford ordered that they be directed to appear in court Sunday morning to give definite information as to Conner's whereabouts.

MOSLEM WORLD IS FOR PROHIBITION

Anti-Alcoholism Long Been Part of Their Creed Says Johnson

WINONA LAKE, Ind., July 19.—(By the Associated Press).—William E. (Pussyfoot) Johnson, whose one glass eye bears mute evidence of his sacrifice in England to the cause of world prohibition, in an address prepared for delivery today at the session of the world league against alcoholism, announced he will leave in a week to establish headquarters at Cairo, Egypt.

Mr. Johnson, in the address, discussed the prospects for prohibition in non-Christian lands. "There are in the world," he said, "approximately 600,000,000 people who have been taught total abstinence as a religious principle for 1200 years. When America went dry these oriental people were stirred to their depths. They said that America, the greatest Christian power in the world, has not only accepted the oriental teaching as to drink, but has actually incorporated them into her fundamental law."

Suspected Man Is Not Roy D'Autremont, Bandit

DAVENPORT, Iowa, July 19.—A man arrested here yesterday on suspicion that he was Roy d'Autremont, wanted by federal officials as one of the bandits who held up a Southern Pacific train at Siskiyou tunnel last October, has been released, police having failed to identify him as the train robber.

PERSIA SEEKS MOB SLAYERS OF US CONSUL

Government Expresses Deep Regret for Killing of Diplomat and Will Punish Offenders

IMBRIE PHOTOGRAPHING SACRED NATIVE SHRINE

Outburst Is Occasioned By High Feeling of Anti-Foreign Nature

WASHINGTON, July 19.—Instructions were received by the Persian legation from its government tonight to express to the Washington government its deep regret over the killing of Vice Consul Robert Imbrie by a native mob at Teheran, and to state that the Persian government will do "all in its power to fulfill its duties in this case."

The Persian government, it was added, is seeking "the guilty persons in the case and will take all possible steps to secure their punishment." At the same time the cable dispatch to the legation was said to indicate that the attack on Imbrie and his companion, Melin Seymour, was provoked by "their own carelessness in going to a sacred place and persisting in taking pictures."

One Soldier Killed The police and soldiers which went to their assistance, it was added, were attacked by the mob; three policemen being mortally wounded and a soldier dying a few hours later of injuries received.

The instructions were received at the legation while American government officials were awaiting further advices from Joseph S. Cornfield, its minister at Teheran, concerning the case. A thorough investigation was being made, it was stated, but as yet there was no disposition on the part of the Washington government to attempt to fix responsibility for the murder either on the Persian government or Teheran authorities.

Consul Is Buried TEHERAN, Persia, July 19.—(By the Associated Press).—Vice Consul Robert Imbrie of the United States, who died yesterday after he had been beaten by a fanatical mob as he and an American named Melin Seymour were photographing a sacred fountain, was buried today. The entire diplomatic corps attended the funeral.

The tragedy yesterday was the culmination of recent anti-foreign and particularly anti-British activity which had been evidenced in the native press and elsewhere and which the government appears unable to check owing to the lack of laws controlling such activities of the press.

The fountain where Imbrie was beaten and where Seymour, described as a triller, suffered serious injuries at the hands of the crowd, is supposed by the natives of the city to have been the scene a few days ago of a miracle and ever since huge crowds have been making pilgrimages to it.

Pictures Thought Stealing CHICAGO, July 19.—One of the strongest beliefs of the lower classes in Persia is that the taking of pictures of women or religious idols is the same as stealing the objects of the pictures. This was the explanation given tonight by Dr. Zia M. Bagdad, who was born and educated in Persia, of the probable cause of the beating to death of Major Robert Imbrie, vice consul at Teheran, Persia.

President Coolidge Takes Vacation on Mayflower

WASHINGTON, July 19.—Laying aside official duties and abandoning entirely all political conferences, President Coolidge boarded the Mayflower this afternoon for a cruise down the Potomac river. The president was accompanied by Mrs. Coolidge, his father and his son, and Dr. and Mrs. John S. Hitchcock, former neighbors of the Coolidges at Northampton, Mass. The Mayflower will return Monday.

Structure Midway Between Jefferson and Marion Removes Hazards

County Court To Build Overhead

The public service commission issued an order Saturday granting an application of the Marion county court for authority to construct an overhead crossing over the tracks of the Southern Pacific company midway between Marion and Jefferson, which will serve to eliminate six grade crossings. The total cost will be an estimated \$34,795.70, of which the Southern Pacific company will pay \$12,500 and Marion county the remainder.

The crossings referred to in the petition are located as follows: No. 1 is located on "A" street, in the town of Marion, but public necessity and convenience requires that this crossing should be left open. No. 2. This is a private crossing and is located about two-thirds of a mile south of Marion. No. 3 is the first crossing of the county road south of Marion

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THE WEATHER

OREGON: Cloudy and unsettled Sunday; moderate temperatures; moderate northwest winds.

LOCAL WEATHER (Saturday)

Maximum temperature, 74. Minimum temperature, 54. River, -1.7; stationary. Rainfall, none. Atmosphere, clear. Wind, west.

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK

WASHINGTON, July 19.—The weather outlook for the week beginning Monday: Pacific coast, generally fair and warm.