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SEERS BALK AT NAMING FUTURE G. O. P. NOMINEE

Usual Bases For Sizing up Prospects Lacking as Big Caucus Nears

Key Policy Announcement Outstanding Feature of Week Just Past

The selection of the governor nominee by the republican convention July 25 or as many days later as the job can be accomplished, is one political mixup which betting men will avoid.

For the sound bases for predicting the outcome, customarily available before a nomination, are not at hand.

There are no straw votes. Noses cannot be counted along Main street. The delegates do not come from districts who send them bearing instructions.

Each of the 36 men, as far as can be seen, is free, white and able to vote for whomever he desires.

If grapevine reports can be believed, few delegates are pledged. They come with a presumably "open mind."

Empty judgments Being Hazed

Political writers the state over have been forced, therefore, to confine their predictions to swivel-chair judgments which mean little or nothing. All the estimates and predictions are subjective; objective judgments are virtually impossible.

It does appear that Thomas B. Kay, state treasurer, has an inner place in the race because he is known, because his health has improved, because this week he came out with a definite, straight-from-the-shoulder platform of his own. Kay is not assured of the nomination but he is a big contender.

The week also brought considerable more attention to the candidacy of Julius Meyer. High Hume of the Portland Spectator, opened the door for an audience with Meyer by showing that the

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War Rate Gasoline Signs Slowly Fade From View in City

Pre-Conflict Price Restored at Some Stations Early Saturday, Others Wait Until Night; Warned Public Tanks Up

The response to oil company's announcement of increase in the price of gasoline effective Saturday morning was slow—but sure.

Virtually every service station in Salem was selling the motor fuel for 23 cents, the "pre-war" price, by 6 o'clock Saturday evening. Shell and Standard Oil stations had increased their selling price at 8 o'clock that morning, but Texaco, General, Associated, and Union dealers stuck to the 12 cent figure throughout the day. Retailers selling at the low price reported good business and many ran out of the fuel during the afternoon and were forced to refill their tanks with high priced gas.

Western gasoline, which under-sold others before the "war," was reported to be retailing at 23 cents during the day, but whether this figure will be held long could not be ascertained.

Four Cent Margin Still Prevails

The major distributing companies have boosted their price to 19 cents and dealers will sell at only a four cent margin of profit, the same figure in effect during the brief price tussle.

Salem residents, warned that the price would advance during the day, flocked to stations with every conceivable sort of container to fill up on the cheap gas. Reports from Woodburn indicate that dealers there were selling the fuel as fast as all trucks could fill their supply tanks, and that at one station a line of automobiles nearly three blocks long was waiting for service.

SILVERTON, July 12.—The old wooden bucket was brought down from its place by the well, glass

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REBELS TO SET UP CAPITAL AT PEIPING, WORD

Claim Revolution Success Assured; Say Nanking Party Helpless

Nationalists Confer With Statement of Victory in Shantung Zone

SHANGHAI, July 12.—(AP)—Overlaid over the rebellion against the nationalist government would triumph, war lords of Northern China were reported tonight planning early establishment of an independent government at Peiping.

The republic which President Chiang Kai-Shek established at Nanking in September 1927, after the victorious march of his Cantonese armies, the rebels asserted could not maintain itself by the sword.

With their armies seemingly well entrenched in Shantung and Honan provinces after two months heavy fighting the northern leaders, Generals Yen Hai-Shan and Feng Yu-Hsiang were said to have a conference of their allies to meet in Peiping to set up a new government. They proclaimed the Nanking administration was inefficient, corrupt and helpless against widespread banditry, and must fall; Chiang Kai-Shek, its "dictator," must be banished.

The nationalists denounced such claims of rebel conquest. They declared the northerners had been crushed with heavy casualties in Shantung. Nationalist troops have covered the railway zone north of Nenechow with rebel lead, said one government report.

Meanwhile, a half million combatants on the northern Honan province front, exhausted by many days of battle, held positions south of the Yellow river.

In the great Yangtze valley thousands of bandits and communists, born of famines conditions and emboldened by absence of government troops in civil war, scoured towns along the river.

From Chungking to below Hankow, more than 800 miles, shipping was attacked and trade almost ceased.

CHICAGO, July 12.—(AP)—Heat causing more than 100 deaths in the middle west this week, the worst hot wave in a decade seemed to be breaking up tonight as reports of scattered showers and a d d thunderstorms brought some relief.

The official forecast said the heat wave would be entirely broken up on up with 36 hours and already was dissipating over the Mississippi valley where 100 degree temperatures of yesterday had fallen to the 80's and low nineties.

In this city the mercury rose to 87, the hottest July 12 on record. The previous high mark was 83 on July 12, 1914.

The heat sent thousands scurrying to the beaches to seek solace in the surf.

Scattered showers in Nebraska sent the mercury tumbling from 100 to 80, and therabouts down to around 95 but not until 15 deaths in the state had been attributed to the heat.

Missouri, adding 20 more victims since yesterday, suffered most from the hot wave and had a total of 53 deaths traceable to the heat.

Eight more deaths were reported in Iowa, for a total of 33 during the spell. In South Dakota, where temperatures up to 100 had been general all week, the mercury dropped to 79. Five died from the heat in South Dakota during the week.

More than a dozen deaths occurred in the wake of the heat wave in Minnesota, but cooler weather there today brought welcome respite.

W. A. Kotthoff received verdict for the entire sum for which he sued, \$5,248.50, in his case against the Portland Seed company tried in circuit court here. The case went to the jury yesterday morning after occupying two full days in court.

The suit was based upon rye seed which the Portland company sold to Kotthoff as rye seed and which Kotthoff alleged to be nothing but common Bohemian rye. The case was brought by Kotthoff, feed dealer, at Jefferson, after he had been sued by a farmer to whom he sold the seed for what the Portland company claimed it to be.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., July 12.—(AP)—Governor C. C. Young tonight telegraphed Herbert H. O'Connor, Maryland state attorney, advising him California cannot now compel the return of John McDonald, witness in the trials of Warren K. Billings and Thomas J. Mooney, but suggesting he hold the man until such steps can be taken.

"I suggest you communicate with the Mooney defense committee, 640 Turk St., San Francisco, which committee I am told is willing to return him."

"I am anxious to question McDonald and sincerely trust he will be held until a procedure is finally determined."

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 12.—(AP)—A mob of several hundred men gathered tonight near the negro quarter after placards had been displayed warning negroes to leave town. The move was regarded as a reprisal for the slaying of Mrs. Beulah Vaughn, farm wife living near here, who was beaten to death yesterday by a negro.

Sheriff W. K. McLemore of Collinsworth county and half a dozen men with drawn guns warned the mob to disperse and were paroling the streets guarding against any disorders.

More than 50 families of negroes were reported having left town since several warnings were posted near their homes last night.

Jesse Lee Washington, negro accused of the slaying of Mrs. Vaughn, who was beaten to death with an iron pipe, was not in the jail here.

He had been in an unnamed Oklahoma jail since Sheriff McKinney of Wheeler county outdistanced a mob which pursued him yesterday, trying to seize the negro.

HELENA, Mont., July 12.—(AP)—An earthquake was felt at Helena, Lewistown and Billings tonight at 6:02 p.m. M. S. T.

The center, reports to the Associated Press indicates, was between Three Forks and Trident, in the Rosebud mountains. It was this area which was most affected by a tremor in 1925.

No material damage was reported.

Fight for Freedom Nears Climax



GOVERNOR YOUNG, MRS. T. MOONEY, THOMAS MOONEY.

Arrest of John McDonald, chief witness against Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings in the bomb outrage trial of 1916, brings a real prospect for favorable action on their pleas for pardon. McDonald has declared his testimony false, and blames San Francisco police for inducing him to commit perjury in the case. Governor Young of California indicates that he will listen to McDonald's story. Above, Tom Mooney, his wife, Governor Young, and the prison where Mooney is confined.

San Francisco Police Guilty Of Scheme to Convict Mooney Confessed Perjurer Charges

McDonald Still in Jail in Baltimore Though no Charge Filed; Governor Young Puzzled But Wants to Hear Man's Story

BALTIMORE, July 12.—(AP)—Refused his liberty though no charges are pending against him, John M. McDonald, worn and broken, though but 58, today hurled charges that police of San Francisco were to blame for his testimony which 14 years ago sent Tom Mooney to prison in California for life.

Mooney and Billings, labor leaders, were convicted of the Preparedness day bombing in San Francisco in 1916 which claimed ten lives, on McDonald's testimony that he had seen the two plant a suitcase containing the infernal machine. This testimony, McDonald said after his arrest last night through identification by a newspaper photographer, was planned by officials and he was coached in it by the state prosecutor.

Along with the story of official interference in his 1917 testimony McDonald coupled a charge he had been offered bribes by the police and forced to identify Mooney, whom he declared he never had seen before he was taken to the San Francisco jail and told by police the labor leader was "his man."

Now, broken and aged by the knowledge of what he has done, the state's key witness appeared in circuit court where his attorney sought his freedom on a writ of habeas corpus. Judge Walter L. Dawkins refused to grant the action sought and ordered State Attorney Herbert R. O'Connor to hold him until advised of what California wanted done were received.

O'Connor wired Gov. C. C. Young of California the proceedings and embraced in his message the suggestion criminal action could be brought against police and other officials who McDonald claims are responsible for the wrong he seeks to right.

Whatever action is taken by Gov. Young and O'Connor, McDonald is going to return to California to lay his story before the executive. He says he wants at last officially to recant the story which the foreman of the Mooney jury said resulted in the conviction.

WALTON, N. Y., July 12.—(AP)—Andrew L. Beers, 47, was in the Delaware county jail at Delhi tonight in consequence of the killing of his 24-year-old daughter Frances, whom he could not bear to see suffer in illness.

He feared, too, the girl described here as mentally blighted might fall into less kindly hands when death came upon him, according to county authorities whom he voluntarily told of the slaying.

For 20-years Beers' affection for his almost helpless daughter, was a by-word in this little community.

His explanation of the deed as a "mercy killing" due to an "irresistible impulse" to save the girl from further suffering and to guard against harm coming to her after he was gone, has been accepted even by the prosecutors, who believing him, must nevertheless observe the letter of the law and hold him without bail on a first degree murder charge. It is believed he will be committed to an institution for the insane, there to spend the remainder of his days.

Invalid Tended From Early Youth

From birth, the girl had been confined to the Beers home. The father and mother shared the burden of caring for her until four years ago, when the mother died. The father cheerfully assumed the extra duty then, and even sought

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PACT BACKERS WORRIED OVER ABSENTEE LIST

Fear Necessary Two-Thirds Vote May Be Lacking For Showdown

1 More Than Bare Quorum Present; Reservations To Be Voted on

WASHINGTON, July 12.—(AP)—Concerned over the persistent fight being waged against the London naval treaty, its advocates today demanded a roundup of the absentee senators for a showdown on the first of several reservations to be taken up next week.

Leaders were taking serious note of the reservation offered by Senator Norris, republican, Nebraska, providing this government should not be bound by any secret understandings which may be embodied in the papers President Hoover has refused to give the senate.

Senator Moses, republican, New Hampshire, a leader of the treaty opponents, claimed there would be 33 votes against ratification of the pact if the Norris resolution were not approved. This is almost twice the number of votes which have hitherto been counted against the treaty and approaches the one-third necessary to defeat ratification.

Norris Resolution Vote Is in Doubt

Treaty proponents were still divided today on the Norris resolution. Some wanted to accept on the ground that it was a proposition that could do no harm to the treaty and that its approval would hasten disposition of the pact. Others, however, contended it was insulting to President Hoover who assured the senate there were no secret understandings.

Meanwhile, advocates of the reservation were also divided. Some felt enough votes to adopt it regardless of the attitude of the administration. Chairman Borah of the foreign relations committee was withholding an opinion pending study.

But the real worry to treaty proponents is the small attendance of senators. Only 49, one more than the necessary quorum, answered the opening roll call yesterday, the fifth day of debate on the treaty. All of the opponents to the pact have been present on almost every roll call and the treaty supporters realize they are at the mercy of the opposition any time the foes care to break a quorum and end the special session.

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WORLD RECORD SET BY MONMOUTH MAN

LONGVIEW, Wash., July 12.—(AP)—A world record for archery was claimed here today when Rev. L. L. Dally of Monmouth, Ore., shot an arrow 409 yards, two feet, 1 3/4 inches as competition opened in the two day Pacific Northwest tournament.

George A. Cathey of Portland, shot one 406 yards 2 feet 1 1/4 inches to take second place. Archers here declared the shots were the first ever made with arrows of more than 400 yards.

Mrs. Homer Prouty, Portland, won first place in the women's flight shoot. Jack Dally, son of the Monmouth pastor, was first in the junior event.

Mrs. Davis Chase, Portland, was first in the women's national round with a score of 312, although Adele Hodge, shooting an exhibition, turned in 323.

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