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HARDING ADVISED DEFLATION SAYS ASSESSOR STRAIN

Remarks in Acceptance Speech Quoted to Show Position of Unfriendliness Toward Farmers of the West.

'COURAGEOUS DEFLATION' WAS CANDIDATE'S SLOGAN

Local Man Suggests That Producers Consult Self Interest First and Ignore Partisan Feuds Involved.

Senator Harding in his acceptance speech talked strongly for deflation and if through the deflation process now being carried on by the banks farmers are suffering they are getting what Senator Harding advised, point out C. P. Strain, county assessor and chairman of the democratic county central committee.

Mr. Strain today explains the situation in the following letter to the East Oregonian:

Pendleton, Oregon, Oct. 14, Editor East Oregonian:

In a Portland morning daily of the 13th inst. I noticed on the front page the startling headline: FARM CRASH FEARED; ASKS WILSON'S AID. In your own evening E. O., same date, front page, appeared these headlines: FARMERS SEEK RELIEF IN CRISIS OF PRICE SLIDE.

The gist of the dispatches is that the farmers and the cotton growers face ruin, according to statements of a conference of organized farmers now being held in Washington city, and that they attribute their financial difficulties to deflation of credit brought about by the action of the Federal Reserve Board.

Their claim is that the cotton growers of the South have lost five hundred million dollars and that wheat growers of the west are facing similar losses due to the fall in prices of products that were and are to be produced with high priced labor.

Harding's position shown Relative to this matter, candor requires that it be said that it is most fortunate for these farmers and cotton growers that they do not have to appeal to a president holding the views of Senator Harding. Noting that Senator Harding's speech of acceptance as published in pamphlet form by the Republican National Committee, may read on page 12 thereof what Senator Harding has to say on the subject of deflation.

"We will attempt intelligent and courageous deflation and strike at government borrowing with every energy and facility which attend Republican capacity."

In this sentence Senator Harding says that we (meaning himself), will try to deflate and that he will be courageous about it. To be courageous means that he will stick to his purpose in the face of strong opposition.

He says that his deflation will be intelligent. But when he is to be judged of what is intelligent we can only guess what he means to him in this connection. His record indicates that he would not consider it intelligent to use the credit of the United States for the benefit of the farmers. On April 26, 1916, I am advised that he opposed the farm loan act in the senate.

What McAdoo Did. A few years ago during this administration there was a threatened shortage of money for moving the crops. Secretary McAdoo took one hundred million dollars out of the federal treasury and sent it forth to relieve the situation with the promise that there was more to follow, if needed.

To the farmers who are now begging the president for relief and to those yet to be affected by further deflation, the words of Senator Harding herein quoted may come to have a sinister significance after the fourth of next March.

Self Interest First Men and women facing bankruptcy due to falling prices can not afford to place party above party and self interest. They dare not ignore the record and the bias of the respective candidates. For the government of the United States and of all countries is an instrument susceptible of a wide range of action and it is pretty sure to serve the particular class or classes in control of it.

The producers of the West and South can not tell when other millions of Federal funds may be needed to move their crops and they cannot afford to let the federal reserve system fall into unfriendly hands or to take chances on losing the farm loan act and other friendly government interventions to protect them from designing Shylocks.

The election of November second looms as something immensely bigger than a question of whether republicans or democrats are to enjoy the salaries and the emoluments of office, or as to which side is to exult in the pride of partisan victory.

Respectfully, C. P. STRAIN.

OREGON TO VISIT U. S.



PRES. OREGON

'LEAGUE IS DEAD' JOHNSON SAYS HARDING 'SCRAPPED IT'

Senator Harding has scrapped the League. This was really done by the 'publican platform and in the republican candidate's speech of acceptance, out certain gentlemen and certain newspapers for their own purposes intended to misconstrue the words of the platform and of the candidate wholly at variance with their plain tenor.

There can now be no pretense even of misunderstanding. Recently, Mr. Harding reiterated in language incapable of two interpretations his position and hostility to the League of Nations. He declared as we have all declared in favor of arbitration treaties and the Hague tribunal.

Governor Cox says, as the democratic candidate he favors going into the League. Senator Harding now emphatically answers, as the republican candidate, he favors staying out.

The long fight is won. We will go through the form of voting upon the question in November; but the election of Senator Harding is certain.

The League is dead.

(From a front page article by Hiram W. Johnson, published under his signature in the California Republican, issued by the California State republican committee September 16, 1920.)

DECEMBER WHEAT REACHES \$2.11 1-2 TODAY BUT MARKET SETTLES TO \$2.03 AT CLOSE

December wheat opened at \$2.09 1/2 today, reached \$2.11 1/2 and closed at \$2.09. March wheat opened at \$2.04 1/2 and closed at \$2.03 3/4 after reaching a high mark of \$2.06.

Following are the quotations from Overbeck & Cooke Co. local brokers:

Table with columns for Wheat, Corn, Oats, Rye, Barley, Pork, Lard, and Ribbs, listing prices for various grades and quantities.

Foreign Exchange. (From Overbeck & Cooke Co.) London, 350; Paris, 639; Belgium, 599; Germany, 146; Austria, 39; Copenhagen, 1309; Swiss, 1609; Spain, 1448; Greece, 365; Rumania, 180; Bulgaria, 150.

ELECTION WILL DECIDE LEAGUE ISSUE, SAYS COX

Senators Who Would Scrap League Regardless of People's Mandate Grilled as Taking Unthinkable Course.

WEAKNESS IN TAFT POSITION IS SHOWN

Argument That Senate Would Not Ratify Even if Cox is Chosen Held as Direct Defiance of Democracy.

VAN WERT, Ohio, Oct. 14.—(By Herbert W. Walker, U. P. Staff Correspondent)—Asserting the presidential election will be a referendum on the league of nations, Governor Cox declared here today that his election would be a "mandate from the people to the senate to ratify the treaty" and that for it to do otherwise would be "unthinkable."

FOURTEEN CLAIMS ARE LAID TO REWARD COIN

Fourteen claims today were filed for the \$750 offered by the city and county for the capture of John E. Rathis, one of the five jail breakers named in connection with the murder of Sheriff T. J. Taylor in July.

One contest for the \$4250 reward placed for the capture of Hart and Owens is in store. These two were captured by a La Grande posse on information furnished by telephone from a Pendleton posse which was pursuing the pair.

FATHER OF BANCROFT COMES SEEKING FACTS

W. Z. Bancroft, father of Emmett Bancroft, self confessed slayer of Sheriff T. J. Taylor, arrived in Pendleton this morning to confer with local officers of the law in regard to his son's case.

MARQUARD'S SHARE OF SERIES MELON HELD UP

CINCINNATI, Oct. 14.—(U. P.)—Rube Marquard's share of the world series melon was attached in municipal court here today. Judgments against Marquard, obtained in New York by Louis Henry and Max Robinson for \$24,91 and by Joseph Rosenzweig for \$216.91 were the basis for action.

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MRS. WOODROW WILSON GIVES \$100 TO SPREAD WHAT LEAGUE MEANS

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—(A. P.)—Mrs. Woodrow Wilson today contributed \$100 "to help spread what the league means."

COUNCILMEN CONSIDER STREET PAVING FROM RESOLUTIONS TO BIDS

Paving, from resolutions to bids, claimed the lion's share of councilmanic attention at the weekly meeting of Pendleton's city fathers last night.

PETITIONS ASK FOR IMPROVEMENT OF FIVE MORE BLOCKS TO BE ADDED TO ALREADY FORMIDABLE TOTAL CONTEMPLATED

Mayor Vaughan appointed Councilmen's friends and William Dunn to serve with him as the city's representatives today in the meeting called to determine who shall get the rewards offered by the city and county for the capture of the five jail breakers now under sentence for the murder of Sheriff Taylor.

CRUSHING POLICE FORCE PROMISED FOR IRELAND

DUBLIN, Oct. 14.—(U. P.)—A constabulary large enough to crush any disturbing force in Ireland was promised today by Sir Greenwood, chief secretary for Ireland. He said the system of a special constabulary, similar to that in England, will be established, under control of the Royal Irish constabulary. The force will be increased by as many thousands as is deemed necessary to end terrorism, he said.

WORD FROM CREW IS EVIDENCE OF WRECK

VANCOUVER, Oct. 14.—(U. P.)—Word was received today that the crew of the steamer Redondo is being brought here on the steamer Chelonia. Seventeen white men and 22 Orientals are in the lot, and they are classed as destitute American seamen.

SIFTING OF STORIES OF CRUELTY TO PRISONERS IS FOLLOWED BY REVIEW OF COURT RECORDS

Evidence that was taken by the circuit court jury in the two trials recently held for the murderers of Sheriff T. J. Taylor today was heard in detail by the grand jury, in its investigation of alleged cruelties and "wild guesses" methods. Several persons were called before the grand jury yesterday to tell what they knew of the treatment of the prisoners but no more were called in today.

RATHIS CAPTURES PLENTIFUL

For the \$750 reward offered for the capture of Rathis, the following have put in claims: Ledford Conger, Matthew Duffy, Dean Stull, Eugene Fitzsimons, W. D. Bonifer, Hugh Robie, S. F. Hyatt, J. A. Holaday, D. J. Thompson, G. W. Mulkey, J. F. Thompson, J. T. Hager, P. P. Bruce and E. A. Dudgey.

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FARMERS CAN NOT HOLD BACK PRODUCTS FOR HIGHER PRICES ON GOVERNMENT LOANED COIN

President of 30 Organizations Says Announcements of Price Cutting Have Tightened Credits Critically.

CHICAGO GRAIN MEN WARN OF H. C. L. JUMP

Declare Favorable Action on Demands Would Boost Mark of Necessities and Fan Radical Move to Flame.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—(By Ralph Cough, U. P. Staff Correspondent.)

Secretary Houston today rejected demands of farmers for the revival of the war finance corporation to finance the export of American farm products. Houston also reiterated to the farmers that the treasury has no money to lend to persons who may wish to hold their products for higher prices.

STATEMENTS WERE REPRESENTATIVE

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Weather forecast section with 'Weather' title and 'THE WEATHER FORECAST' sub-header, including temperature and precipitation data.