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SURPRISES IN STORE AT THE FARM PICNIC

COMMITTEE ARRANGES FOR A NUMBER OF CONTESTS BUT WILL NOT TELL NATURE

DINNER SPREAD AT NOON

Every Farm Family in the County Urged to Bring Dinner Basket to Riverside Park

Surprises galore await the girls and boys from the farms of the county at the Farm Bureau picnic next Saturday afternoon at Riverside park. Although nothing has been intimated as to the nature of these surprises, the committee in charge of the celebration says that they will be good. The Grants Pass Bank, the First National and the Josephine County bank have backed these mysterious contests to the amount of \$600. The contests and the prizes will be announced at the picnic dinner.

The program will begin at 10 o'clock in the morning with a community sing. Races of different kinds will occupy all the spare time until noon, when the picnic dinner will be spread. The Farm Bureau will furnish coffee and the Grants Pass Chamber of Commerce will serve lemonade to the thirsty. Every farmer in the county has been sent

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NURSE SHORTAGE IN HOSPITALS SERIOUS

Buffalo, June 29.—Unless some remedy is found for the acute shortage of nurses, many hospitals of the country will be compelled to curtail their operations, asserts Mrs. Annie L. Hansen, superintendent of the Buffalo District Nursing association, in her annual report. A recent campaign to induce more young women to take up the profession of nursing was a failure, Mrs. Hansen said, and as a result one Buffalo institution was compelled to close one of its departments.

"Hospital training schools of the United States have reached a high state of efficiency and new hospitals and new systems for nursing the sick in their homes are arising everywhere," Mrs. Hansen said, "but the necessary pupils fail to appear. The country needs another Florence Nightingale."

MAX THELEN



Max Thelen is expected to succeed Walker T. Hines, director general of railroads, when Mr. Hines returns to private life. Mr. Thelen's job will be to complete the government's liquidation, a job he is already familiar with as a railroad official.

N. Y. DELEGATION FIGHTS UNIT RULE

Committee Adopts Motion Rejecting Plan Now Goes to Convention—Many Affected

San Francisco, June 29.—The committee on rules adopted the motion rejecting the unit rule in states where there are laws requiring the election of delegates by districts. The effect will be to split the New York delegation if the report is adopted by the convention.

The committee on rules at the democratic general convention tackled again today the knotty question of whether the state delegations could be bound by the unit rule.

The New York delegation came to the convention with its 90 votes bound by such a rule as was passed at the state convention over the protest of several of its members who are renewing their fight here against the rule question. They came up on the motion to adopt the rules under which the 1912 convention was operated, placing all the states under the unit rule except those in which there is a mandatory statute providing for the nomination and election of delegates in congressional districts. There is such a law in New York, and delegates from several districts are contending for the right to act independently of the delegation as a body.

HEALTH CONFERENCE WAS WELL ATTENDED

The mothers of yesterday are realizing that a mother does not always notice the defects of her children. This was most forcibly called to our attention when so many sons failed to pass the physical examination for military duty and the examining physicians said a large percentage of the physical defects might have been corrected during childhood.

The result has been an ardent interest on the part of mothers of today to discover and correct any physical defects of their children. Grants Pass has taken this up in a community way and held the first children's health conference last Saturday at the Methodist church. Seventy-four babies were weighed, measured and examined for physical soundness. The score cards were then sent to the Oregon Congress of Mothers, Portland, for scoring. In some of the cases slight physical defects were noted. These defects if corrected immediately will prevent an aggravated condition later, which oftentimes proves serious.

This conference was arranged for by the child welfare committee of the Ladies Auxiliary, of which Mrs. R. W. Stearns is chairman, and Ruth L. Corbett, home demonstration agent. The splendid cooperation which was given by doctors, nurses, and women of the town in making this conference a success is an index of its value. The doctors assisting were: S. Loughridge, J. C. Smith, W. H. Flanagan, E. J. Billick, L. O. Clement, E. C. Macy and M. R. Britten. Doctors R. W. Stearns and W. W. Walker were scheduled to assist, but were absent from the city. The nurses in charge of the weighing and measuring were: Mrs. Geo. Seebach, Mrs. Bassett, Mrs. Geo. Fox and Mrs. Fern Larson. Other valuable assistance in registering and other phases of the work was rendered by the following women of the Ladies Auxiliary: Mrs. C. L. Clevenger, Mrs. Frank Nombals, Mrs. F. H. Ingram, Mrs. E. S. Van Dyke, Mrs. L. F. Roat, Mrs. L. O. Clement, Mrs. C. A. Swope, Mrs. O. Arnsperger, Mrs. Carl Williams, Mrs. C. H. Woodward, Mrs. J. T. Chinnoek, Mrs. Guy Knapp, Miss Ethel Boccock, Miss Helen Bobzien, Miss Jeanette Moss and Miss Marguerite Sage.

STEAMSHIP COMPANIES ASK FOR INCREASED RATES

Washington, June 29.—The coastwise steamship companies of the Pacific petitioned the interstate commerce commission today for advances in freight rates equivalent to those asked by the railroads of the west and south. The western roads are asking for a 24 per cent increase.

PLATFORM COMMITTEE HEARING SUGGESTIONS

Gompers Presents Demands of Organized Labor: Declares Republicans Reactionary: Bryan Omitted From Sub-Committee: Planks Not Presented

San Francisco, June 29.—In a public session of the platform committee today, the delegation headed by Frank P. Walsh was granted a hearing on the Irish recognition proposal and representatives of the anti-saloon leagues were among those to appear on the prohibition issue. Samuel Gompers was granted a hearing on the requests of organized labor.

A commission to investigate the industrial disputes is the basis of William Jennings Bryan's plank on industrial relations. A detailed statement of the plan was issued today by Bryan.

Presenting the petitions of the American Federation of Labor, Gompers said his program was designed to aid all wage earners, organized or unorganized. He told the committee that unless the democrats took a progressive attitude they could not hope "to compete with a party that has written reaction across its banners." "The republican party," said Gompers, "has formulated a declaration so lacking in principles of progress and safety that there might be some avenue in which the intelligent unrest among our people can find its expression and enforcement. All ready the enemies of labor and enemies of the democratic party are spreading an insidious propaganda, seeming to assume that we are coming here to hold guns at your heads, but we do not come in a spirit of compulsion, but as your fellow citizens, asking for a declaration of progressive human rights."

On the first division in the platform committee on an angle of the

prohibition fight the Bryan dry forces were forced over their protests by a vote of 27 to 25 to present their case first in a committee hearing.

The actual preparation of the democratic platform, delegated last night to sub-committee nine under administration leadership, waited today while the platform committee of 53 kept open house to hear final suggestions from many sources. Labor, liquor and the Irish question were up for debate at the committee's public hearings. It became apparent that the real contest over the platform would come after the sub-committee report had been laid before the full committee. Bryan, omitted by administration leaders from the sub-committee, said he probably would not present his planks on prohibition and the league of nations for sub-committee consideration at all.

The wets appearing before the committee offered every known argument, some declaring that a wet or dry plank had no right in the platform as it is not a political issue.

Former Representative Theodore A. Bell, of California, opened the case for the wets and assailed Bryan's position, reading from various platforms on which the Nebraskan had been a candidate.

Bryan and Bell clashed when the former asked in what capacity Bell appeared. Bell answered as a representative of the grape growers of California. Bryan replying to Bell as to whom he represented, said, "I am speaking for the women and children that you would destroy."

PALMER DELEGATES WIN SEAT CONTEST

San Francisco, June 29.—It was 1:50 o'clock when Chairman Cummings called the national democratic convention to order. Vigorous whacking of the gavel locked the delegates to their seats and gradually cleared the aisles.

Mr. Cummings was determined to get order quickly and succeeded. "I present greetings to the untiered democracy of America," said Mr. Cummings as soon as he could be heard. The report of the credentials committee affirming the seating of the Palmer delegates from Georgia and the unseating of Senator Reed then was presented. When the unseating of Reed was announced with out mentioning his name there was loud applause and cheers from delegate sections. It turned into a demonstration with prolonged shouts.

The administration supporters strengthened their hold on the democratic national convention through a series of victories in the credentials committee which decided three hotly fought contests. One of these was a denial to the seating of Senator James A. Reed, of Missouri. The Clark Howell delegates, of Georgia, favorable to Palmer, were also seated.

The credentials committee however, overruled the national committee in the Oregon case, where they seated R. R. Turner and John L. Schuylerman, giving each half a vote.

The 1 o'clock assembling hour came and passed and as usual the convention was not ready for business. The delegates were arriving rapidly, however, and the galleries were better filled than yesterday. Most of the leaders and managers were busy in the upper rooms of the building, working with the committees.

SOVIET RUSSIA TRIES TO FOOL THE ENGLISH

London, June 29.—An attempt to make Moscow look a busy and prosperous city during the visit to that city of the English labor delegates is told by the Lettish information bureau, whose Press bureau at Riga has a special correspondent attached to the peace delegation in Moscow.

"The various institutions in Soviet Russia had for a long time been busy in making preparations for the reception of the English labor delegates in order to show to them Russia in attractive colors," says the correspondent. In Petrograd, where as a rule almost no people are to be seen in the streets, all the officials were ordered to take part in the reception. Theatrical representations and grandiose banquets were organized with the participation of actresses from the Mariinski and Alexandrovski theatres. The delegates were taken to Moscow in a special train, accompanied by Tcherkess soldiers in bright uniforms.

In Moscow, the day before the arrival of the English delegates, all the papers published strict orders issued by the military and civil commissaries, setting out what everybody had to do and how to behave. On May 7 the tramway service in the city was suspended, all the cars being taken to the neighborhood of the Nikolavski station where gaily decorated, they moved to and fro, trying to convey to the visitors the idea of busy traffic.

In the station all the motor cars from Moscow were mobilized even the highest commissaries having to walk. On May 18 a parade was organized but no private persons were allowed to be present. This is the way the bolsheviks organized the tragic-comedy of the communistic paradise in order to deceive the English visitors as to the real state of Soviet Russian.

McADOO WILL BE FORMALLY NAMED

Name Will Be Presented for Nomination Despite His Declaration That He Will Refuse

San Francisco, June 29.—The name of William Gibbs McAdoo will be placed formally in nomination at the convention "at the earliest possible opportunity" by his supporters. It was decided at the conference today. The presentation of McAdoo's name will be made by Burriss A. Jenkins, a Kansas City minister.

The McAdoo people came on the convention floor today for the first time with a working organization, including a floor leader and a representative on practically every state delegation. Their problem was to find enough supporters to round-up two thirds of the vote.

Such headquarters as McAdoo will have at the convention were opened here today. They consist of three rooms rented by personal friends and are to be used solely for conferences.

ARMY DESERTERS IN CHINA ARE ROBBERS

Chengtu, China, June 29.—Depredations of robber bands along trade routes in Szechuen province have become so flagrant and widespread that urgent appeals for the use of troops to combat the menace have been sent to the Chinese provincial authorities by foreign firms operating in Szechuen. The bands of robbers are said to be made up to a large extent of groups of deserters from troops that have been stationed in Szechuen. The outlaws have become so bold that mail consignments, hitherto immune from them, have been seized.

One recent report that was brought to Chengtu was of the robbery of a pack train on the "big road," which is the main highway between Chungking and Chengtu. In this 40 bags of mail were opened and rifled by the outlaws and "the whole hillside was covered with stolen mail."

In another case a caravan had been held up and robbed by a band of bandits when a second stronger band of brigands appeared and compelled the return of the stolen goods. The leader of the smaller band was then shot. The chieftain who did this declared that he had guaranteed the safe passage of this particular caravan, having received a substantial consideration.

The activities of the bandits are felt as much by the individual as by the large commercial interests in the opinion of one Chengtu mission worker who said:

"It is a grievous hardship to send to America for a suit of clothes, pay for it at the present ruinous prices, wait patiently six months for its arrival and finally hear that it has been appropriated by robbers within a few days of its destination."

FALL FROM TRUCK IS CAUSE OF MAN'S DEATH

W. C. Young passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. G. White at noon today, never regaining consciousness after the accident Saturday afternoon, when he fell from a moving truck and which resulted in a dislocated and broken hip and concussion of the brain. His wife passed away March 24, 1920.

Mr. Young was born in Easton, N. J., and at the time of death was 84 years, 29 days. A sad coincidence is the close following of the death of Mr. Carson. Mr. and Mrs. Young being the attendants at the golden wedding anniversary of the Carsons held at Murphy four years ago.

Funeral services will be held at Hall's chapel tomorrow afternoon at 4:30. Interment in Granite Hill cemetery.

G. O. P. PLAYED BY DEMOCRAT IN CONVENTION

SENATOR ROBINSON, PERMANENT CHAIRMAN, HITS REPUBLICAN PLATFORM

STAND ON LEAGUE SCORED

Opposition to League of Nations and Large Expenditures Comes Under Denunciation

San Francisco, June 29.—Senator Joseph T. Robinson, of Arkansas, permanent chairman of the democratic national convention, in his speech today assailed the republican party for its Chicago platform, for the disclosures of large sums of money in the pre-convention contests, and particularly attacked the republican senators who fought the ratification of the peace treaty with the league of nations covenant.

"Tested by every standard which voters usually apply," he said, "the democratic and republican records, contrasts of political policies and party leadership justifies the belief that the republican party will be driven from power in both branches of congress and that complete control of the government will be restored to the democratic party in the November election, because that party has earned the public confidence."

PRODUCTION OF OIL IN RUMANIA IS SLOW

Buchares June 29.—Despite the heavy speculation in oil land and oil property now going on in Rumania, expert oil men say that it will take at least five years for this country to properly develop such prospects. The speculators are merely selling prospects to each other rather than developing the property.

The oil production in 1919 was 917,999 tons which was less than 50 per cent of the pre-war production of the oil fields. The amount of oil shipped out of Rumania in March, 1920, for example was 5,278 tons, which indicates the difficulty of getting the oil transported.

There is one small pipe line which runs from the oil fields to Constanza. There are about 2,000 tank cars which might be operated. It takes two years to drill a well, it costs ten times as much now as before the war, the oil transportation is bad, and the government puts many restrictions on the export of oil.

JOSEPH STEHLIN



"Smiling Joe" Stehlin, the famous New York twenty-three-year-old aviator, who has been with the United States, French, Polish, and now the Lettish aviation corps. He is a lieutenant colonel in the Lettish corps at present, and came home to get other aviators to go back with him to fight the bolsheviks.