

COE REBUKES G. O. P. LEADERS

Henry Waldo Coe, a prominent republican, has written the following open letter to the republican state central committee, regarding their effort to modify the presidential primary law:

"Your committee appointed a delegation to attempt to nullify in courts the principal feature of one of the people's laws passed by a large majority under the initiative and referendum relative to the selection of delegates to the national convention. This in order to restore in effect the method by which the bosses may send a list of delegates to the local leaders throughout the state, and tell the people whom they must select for the national convention.

"It has also been stated in the public press that both regulars and progressives of all shades are with your committee in this fight.

"You will pardon me, therefore, for respectfully stating that the Roosevelt element in the party is overwhelmingly opposed to any attempt to overthrow or modify in court this or any other law passed by a direct vote of the people. If place to take the matter is before the people again in another direct submission of the question. Let them decide. Any other course would be another blunder of the party.

"The supreme court of the United States has finally declined to declare illegal the initiative and referendum and the Oregon system is now constitutional. It is time that the republican party should officially get into line.

"Some of the elder of us with earlier prejudices have been slow to take this position. We must candidly admit that some of us have been whipped into line.

"Today we stand squarely upon the platform of Theodore Roosevelt, and with him are opposed, and will oppose in court if necessary, any attempt to take from the masses any power they have wrenched from the bosses."

JOHNSON NOT CANDIDATE AT PRESENT TIME

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son of California, speaking before the Ohio constitutional convention. Johnson especially advocated the re-

PEKIN MENAGED BY MUTINOUS TROOPS

PEKIN, Feb. 29.—Serious fighting is expected today as a result of the revolt last night of hundreds of soldiers who, dissatisfied because they were not paid and because of Yuan Shi Kai's surrender to the republicans, paraded through the streets, firing rifles, threatening officials and wrecking the native buildings. Loyal troops are under orders to suppress the revolt.

call of the judiciary, explaining that experience showed that the measure tended to make judges more careful in rendering decisions. Before addressing the convention at 11 o'clock Governor Johnson said that his activities in the east and his trip to Ohio had tired him, and he rested for several hours at his hotel before going to the convention hall.

Speaks Upon Recall.

Johnson dwelt at length on the theory of judiciary recall. The gist of his remarks was:

"There are two kinds of governments: one that rules in secret and in which the people are unaware of the secret influences that are brought to bear on those who make and execute the laws, and the other, an open government that takes into its confidence the people of the state. In California we are trying to provide the latter kind.

Bulwark of Interests.

"There now seems to be no objection to the initiative and the referendum. That is the logical result of its trial. There can be no objection to these principles unless it is founded on public distrust and suspicion. Our opponents have given up an impossible fight against the referendum and initiative and have gone back to the last stand of private interests, the bulwark of special privilege, and say to us that though the recall may be applicable to others, though it may apply to governors and legislators, it must not apply to judges.

"Judges are but men. They have the same blood, are actuated by the same impulses and by the same and bad spirits of action as the rest of us. The recall will make no weak judge weaker and it will make no strong judge less strong. It menaces just one kind of a judge—the corrupt judge and he ought to be menaced."

KILLS DAUGHTER WIFE AND SELF

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 29.—Driven insane by overwork, Samuel Fisher, wealthy proprietor of the Elk Tamale factory, sometime early today shot and killed his wife, Henrietta, and his two daughters, Aileen, aged 18, and Ruth, 17. He then ended his own life.

The tragedy was not discovered until nearly noon, when flames were seen issuing from the Fisher residence in First avenue. Neighbors broke into the house, first coming upon the body of Mrs. Fisher lying in the hallway. The bodies of the two girls were found in a bedroom, while Fisher was found dead in another part of the house. The origin of the fire, which started in the girls' bedroom, is not known. Their bodies were badly burned.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 29.—Bitter denial of the report that Governor Johnson of California deliberately deserted Robert La Follette in the latter's fight for the republican presidential nomination because of the promise that he (Johnson) would be named Colonel Roosevelt's running mate was made here today by Congressman Kent of California.



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