

# PROGRESSIVES PLAN CAPTURE G.O.P. MACHINE

Conference Called to Meet at Chicago in March to Advance Hiram Johnson's Cause—Want to Rule or Get Kicked Out of Party, Don't Care Which.

By GILSON GARDNER. NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—In an effort to "progressiveize" the republican party and to make possible the nomination of Hiram Johnson in 1920, a general conference of progressive republicans is to be called to meet in Chicago early in March. A meeting to arrange preliminaries will be held in January. Such, at least, are the plans of Republican Committee-man Chester Rowell, of California, now in New York.

Colonel Roosevelt has been consulted, but is understood to have rather thrown cold water on the plans. The colonel is said to feel that any moves looking so far ahead as 1920 are a bit premature.

**To Capture Party.** Among those who are co-operating with the movement are Gifford Pinchot of Pennsylvania, Harold Ickes, Raymond Robbins and Medill McCormick of Illinois, and James R. Garfield of Ohio.

The purpose, frankly expressed, of this group is to capture the republican party or to get kicked out of the republican party, openly and ignominiously.

"We don't much care which," said Chester Rowell, "but we want a show down. The other crowd have had their innings; now it is our turn to go to bat. If the other fellows don't want to let us have our sweat at the ball the sooner we know it the better we can organize a nine of our own."

Which means that the progressive party will be reorganized if the "stand-pat crowd do not give up. If the progressive party is reorganized it will, as before, hold a veto power over any success by the old guard, even though it may be unable to win for itself.

**Demand Representation.** In order to force the issue, the progressives will demand that the six progressives who were added to the executive committee of ten to make a campaign committee be retained as a permanent "executive" committee. In addition, it is proposed to make use of primaries in the western states, or in other states which have workable primaries, to nominate progressive candidates for congress and state offices, and to displace any but progressives in the organization of the party.

Mr. Willcox is expected to resign and Messrs. Murray Crane, Frank Hitchcock, George Perkins, Toke Hart, Jo Keating, Jim Watson and the rest will be asked to take rear seats or leave the hall.

All of which is recognition of the fact that there is a great independent element among the voters, even the eminently republican voters, which will not be delivered under party labels to stand-pat candidates on reactionary platforms.

HERE ARE TWO ADVANCE TIPS ON SPRING STYLES. FUR IS STILL TO REMAIN GREAT FAVORITE



Easter style prophesies have arrived. Here are two advance models for spring as worn by Bonnie Barriscale, the Triangle movie star. Miss Barriscale's street suit is of pale gray chiffon velvet bordered with monkey fur. Oh, yes, fur will remain the favorite trimming for still another summer.

**NOW IS TIME TO REGISTER FOR CITY ELECTION**

Several hundred qualified voters of the city of Medford are as yet not registered under the city's permanent registration system, according to Elmer Foss, city recorder.

Registration may be made at the recorder's office from now until December 29, ten days before the city election, when the books close.

**RECENTLY ADDED AT PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Books recently added to the shelves of the public library include the following: "American Literature," Abernethy's "False Saint," (drama) Francois de Curel; "How to Run a Store at a Profit," System Magazine; "Autobiography," (drama) Quintana; "Pleasant Prize Speaking Contests," Crane and Gunnison; "Plain Facts About Money," Hauser; "Union Portraits," Bradford; "Vesler Talks to Girls," Knott; "Washington Square Story," Drama League Series; "With Americans of Past and Present Days," Tinslerand; "Writing the Short Story," Esenwein.

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BERLIN, Dec. 14.—Berlin workers in the various trades will not be drawn into the government service or called under the new home army law until February, according to an announcement by General Groener, head of the war bureau, to the Berlin chamber of trades today.

**MACHINERY HERE FOR LUMBER MILL**

The first car of machinery for the mill of the Applegate Lumber Co. arrived in Medford Thursday and is being unloaded and placed in storage pending the completion of the mill building.

**TWENTY MINERS DIE AND SEVEN INJURED**

PITTSBURG, Kan., Dec. 14.—Twenty miners were killed and seven injured in an explosion late today in the Reedy and Ryan coal mine at Stone City, fifteen miles southwest of here.

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The pear yield from both orchards was exceptionally heavy and the fruit was the largest in size and of the best quality ever raised on these orchards.

These yields, Mr. Bingham stated Wednesday, were due to the use of irrigation. Without water he considers the crop could have been no heavier than in the two previous years, as the natural supply of water has proven entirely inadequate for the proper maturing of fruit.

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plainly. Parcels may be indorsed "Do not open until Christmas" without changing the classification.

**WEDDING BELLS**

Ed Heenselman and Mrs. May Bennett were married at Jacksonville Tuesday afternoon at five o'clock and left on a short honeymoon trip. The wedding came as a complete surprise to the many friends of the young couple.

**Card of Thanks.** We wish to thank all friends and neighbors, who so graciously extended us aid and sympathy during our recent bereavement. MRS. R. M. KINCAID, and family.

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