

HOOVER IS REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE

Former Food Administrator Yields to Demands of Friends and Agrees to Enter Race for Presidential Nomination on Republican Ticket—Will Make no Active Campaign—Declares He Opposes Both Radicals and Reactionaries.

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 31.—Herbert Hoover has placed himself before republicans of the country, an avowed candidate for their presidential nomination, the a receptive one only. In a telegram to the Hoover republican club of California, he announced last night that recent developments in the peace treaty situation, "stagnation" in adjustment of the country's economic problems, and urgent representations concerning the situation in California, had impelled him to confirm the action "my republican friends have already taken without consulting me."

Not Selfseeker
The former food administrator reiterated his declaration that he would not seek the nomination, declaring he would accept it only "if it is felt the issues necessitate it and it is demanded of me." Classifying himself as "naturally affiliated with the independent element of the republican party," he declared that as conditions precedent to his support of that party in the coming campaign it must adopt a "forward-looking, liberal, constructive platform on the treaty and on our economic issues," propose measures for sound business administration of the country "be neither reactionary nor radical in its approach to our great domestic questions," and be "backed by men who assure consummation of these policies."

MISSISSIPPI HOUSE TURNS DOWN WOMEN

JACKSON, Miss., Mar. 31.—The Mississippi legislature late today finally refused to ratify the federal woman suffrage amendment. The action came in the form of a motion to disagree with the senate resolution of yesterday which favored ratification. The motion to disagree was carried 94 to 23.

MOTHER AND CHILDREN BRUTALLY MURDERED

ELK CITY, Okla., Mar. 31.—With their heads badly crushed and their throats cut, five small children of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cowart, were found dead early today in a tent in which they had been making a temporary home three miles south of here. The wife and mother lay beside the children with throat badly slashed. An axe, razor and butcher knife, all bloodstained, were found in the tent.

MEXICAN CANDIDATE PRESIDENT, WOUNDED IN RIOT, MEXICO CITY

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Mar. 31.—Advises received here from Laredo state that Ygnacio Bonillas, a candidate for the Mexican presidency, was wounded yesterday in rioting in Mexico City, according to wireless report picked up last night by the Fort McIntosh station. The report, which came directly from the capital, did not state the extent of Bonillas' injury. The rioting followed a counter demonstration by followers of Generals Obregon and Gonzales.

PERSHING DEPLORES WASTE OF CHAMPAGNE AT SHIP CHRISTENING

PHILADELPHIA, Mar. 31.—General Pershing was a member of the party that witnessed the launching of the army transport Chaumont here today. Miss Julia C. Stinson of Washington selected by General Pershing, was the sponsor. She served in France as an army nurse. The general's uniform was plentifully splattered with champagne when Miss Stinson broke the christening bottle on the prow. Before the launching he had laughingly suggested that the bottle ought to be opened and a portion of its contents consumed. "Half a bottle is plenty for the christening," he added. The Chaumont was named by the army heads in honor of General Pershing, who made his headquarters at the French town of that name during the greater part of the time he was in France.

SAYS PORTLAND CAN'T PURCHASE STREET CAR LINE

PORTLAND, Mar. 31.—The city's purchase of the tracks of the Portland Railway, Light and Power company would not be constitutional, according to an opinion given to the city council today by City Attorney W. P. Latoche. That such an act would be an unreasonable expenditure of power because it would be lending public aid and credit to a private concern formed on the basis of the city attorney's decision. Purchase of the tracks of the company was recommended last week by the state public service commission in an effort to avert bankruptcy which officials of the traction company say confronts it. The only alternative is an increase in fares, according to the company officials.

D'ANNUNZIO FACES FIUME REBELLION

LONDON, Mar. 31.—Gabriele d'Annunzio has issued a manifesto at Fiume, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from that city, bitterly denouncing the distribution of leaflets urging the proclamation of a republic. A popular rising is expected as the people of Fiume, it is asserted, are tired of the arbitrary rule of d'Annunzio who has imprisoned more than a thousand of his opponents.

ST LOUIS NEGRO IS A CONGRESS CANDIDATE

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Mar. 31.—Dr. William A. Venerable, a negro, today filed a declaration of his candidacy for the republican nomination for congress in the twelfth (St. Louis) district. The district has a large negro population, and at present is represented by L. C. Dyer.

and Gonzales several days ago proposed that all three candidates withdraw in the interest of peace and throw their support to a fourth man to be agreed upon. Principal opposition to this plan came from leaders of the Bonillas camp. Latest issues of Mexico City newspapers reaching the border indicate that a tense situation has developed in the capital with daily minor clashes between supporters of the three candidates. The Mexico City garrison has been ordered to a siege basis.

DANIELS WAS UNFITTED TO DIRECT NAVY

Rear Admiral Fiske, Retired, Tells Senate Committee Secretary of the Navy Temperamentally Unfit for the Position He Held—Navy Not Only Unprepared, But Had No Plan of Action When War Declared—Feud With Secretary Recalled.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 31.—The navy was unprepared for war in 1917 because of the "mental and temperamental characteristics of the man at its head and of the policy he pursued as the result of those characteristics," Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske, retired, declared today before the senate committee investigating the navy's conduct of the war. "To prevent unpreparedness in the future," Admiral Fiske said, "the most important step is for the public to insist that the man at the head of the navy shall be imbued with the spirit of the navy, highly educated, open minded and acquainted with the principles on which naval preparedness is based and by following which preparedness can be secured."

Admiral Fiske was aide for operations and senior adviser to the secretary of the navy for several years before the war, but resigned as aide after differences with the secretary regarding the abolition of wine on warships and over preparations. No Plans Prepared
The admiral told the committee the navy was not only unprepared for war from 1915 to 1917 from a standpoint of material and personnel, but lacked any well prepared war plan. It was not until August 1, 1917, that the navy department established an organization for the exclusive duty of making plans for war, he said, although he and other officers had urged such an organization for several years.

Naval war plans in 1910 and 1911 when he was a member of the general board did not contain one per cent of what they should have embodied, Admiral Fiske testified, and in 1914 the navy was "wholly unprepared for war."

"The navy today could not carry out maneuvers such as the German fleet executed in 1913," he said, "principally because of lack of battle cruisers and aerial forces."

Daniels Fuss Reviewed
Much of Admiral Fiske's statement was devoted to a review of his differences with Secretary Daniels. "Mental characteristics and previous training," of Mr. Daniels were such as to prevent a "broad and profound view" of the needs of the navy as a whole, he said. Mr. Daniels, he declared, refused to approve plans for the extension of the navy's aerial forces, the obtaining of sufficient personnel and proper formulation of war plans prior to 1917.

Rear Admiral Mayo was cross-examined briefly on his direct statement of yesterday. Chairman Hale requested him to prepare a further statement on his remarks with regard to the need of a well defined foreign policy for proper preparedness of the navy for war. He was also asked to prepare suggestions whereby mistakes of the recent war might be avoided in the future.

SNOW SITUATION OREGON IMPROVES

PORTLAND, Mar. 31.—The snow situation in the mountains of Oregon is more favorable today than it was at the close of February, according to the local office of the federal weather bureau. Considerable new snow accumulated in the higher mountains since February 29, the weather bureau reports, and irrigation prospects are much brighter than they were at that time.

The bureau reports the depth of snow at various parts of the state as encouraging, altho the fall in the eastern part of the state is lighter than it was a year ago. WILSON'S NAME FILED IN PRIMARIES OF GEORGIA
ATLANTA, Ga., Mar. 31.—The name of President Wilson has been filed with the state committee as a candidate for the democratic nomination for president in the primary to be held April 29.

MARY PICKFORD AND DOUG. FAIRBANKS ARE NOW MAN AND WIFE



LOS ANGELES, Mar. 31.—Mary Pickford, who early this month obtained a divorce at Minden, Nev., from Owen Moore, is now the wife of Douglas Fairbanks, it became known late yesterday. Fairbanks' first wife obtained a divorce nearly two years ago in New York. The marriage license was obtained secretly last Friday and the ceremony was performed Sunday night by the Rev. James Whitcomb Brounger, pastor of the Temple Baptist church at the latter's residence.

RENO, Nev., Mar. 31.—The entire record of the Mary Pickford divorce case is under a close investigation by Robert Richards, deputy attorney general of Nevada, for the purpose of ascertaining whether it holds any irregularities or evidence of fraud or collusion that will justify an action being taken to set the decree aside. The deputy attorney general said this morning that when his investigations are concluded action undoubtedly will be taken by the state in case the facts justify it.

"Just at this time," said the deputy attorney general, "I am unable to say what will develop in the Pickford case because the investigation I am making has not been completed. I am going over the entire record of the case and if there are irregularities or any evidence that a fraud was worked on the court or that there was collusion, some action undoubtedly will be taken to set the decree aside."

LATEST NEWS OF THE STATE

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 31.—Portland residents awoke today to find the streets covered with a snowfall of nearly an inch in depth, but it had disappeared in the downtown section by nine o'clock. The entire section surrounding Portland was treated to a diversity of weather late yesterday, flashes of sun-shine being quickly followed by falls of snow. Snow flurries were noticeable in some parts of the city this morning.

SALEM, Ore., Mar. 31.—On all new mans of the state highway system in the western part of the state the road which heretofore has been known as highway No. 29 will be designated hereafter under the name of the Tualatin valley highway. The road that heretofore has been known as the Yamhill-Nestucca highway will be known as the McMinnville-Tillamook highway.

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 31.—The steamer Multnomah, San Francisco to Portland, lost a propeller while nearing the mouth of the Columbia river and was forced to summon assistance, the marine department of the Chamber of Commerce was advised today.

PORTLAND, Mar. 31.—Dr. Richard B. Dillehunt, was elected dean of the medical school of the University of Oregon at a meeting of the faculty last night. He succeeds Dr. K. A. J. MacKenzie, who died last week.

SALEM, Mar. 31.—E. A. Hearitt, alias C. H. Harris, wanted here for obtaining money under false pretenses, has been arrested at Sidney, Mont., according to information received today by the sheriff's office. Hearitt was arrested by Sidney authorities on information from the sheriff's office here, but it was later learned that he is also wanted at Aberdeen, S. D., for alleged connection with a murder committed there several months ago.

DENMARK IN AN UPROAR 'GAINST KING

Refusal of Monarch to Agree to Compromise Results in Trade Unions Calling General Strike—Walk Out Effective Throughout Country Next Tuesday—All Classes Start to Hoard Food in Readiness for Trouble.

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 31.—A general strike will go into effect throughout Denmark Tuesday next, following the rejection by King Christian and the new ministry of an offer by the trade unions to furnish a compromise in the political crisis, if the rigsdag was convened immediately. The strike was declared by the trades union congress.

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 31.—Offers by responsible trade unionists of a compromise by which a general strike might be averted if the rigsdag is called together immediately have not been accepted by King Christian and the new Danish ministry, and a general strike throughout Denmark seems inevitable this morning. All classes of the population are hoarding food, petroleum, candles and water. No serious trouble has developed as yet as the police have dispersed hostile street crowds.

Independent socialists are joining the majority socialists in demanding a general strike. The Liebie ministry has issued an appeal to the population saying it will resign as soon as elections are over and the utw rigsdag has met.

JAPAN READY TO GIVE UP RIGHTS PARTS OF CHINA

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 31.—Japan has notified the governments of the United States, England and France, that she is ready to give up certain concessions in the provinces of Mongolia and Manchuria in response to pressure by these powers, according to a cablegram received by the New World, a Japanese daily newspaper here today from its Tokyo correspondent. The claims that Japan will relinquish were not specified in the cablegram.

Negotiations will be opened in the near future with China to determine the extent of the privileges that will be given up by Japan, it was said. The whole subject was covered in a treaty between China and Japan, portions of which the United States, England and France asked Japan to abrogate in order that absolute dominion of the provinces mentioned might be returned to China, the New World's correspondent announced. The negotiations with China are the result of these demands.

Gordon Corbaley Resigns
SEATTLE, Mar. 31.—Gordon C. Corbaley has resigned as executive secretary of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce and Commercial club to enter private business, it was announced today. Rev. O. Hadley, formerly of Bellingham, will succeed him.

Hoover Clubs in Iowa.
DES MOINES, Ia., Mar. 31.—Organization of clubs in all parts of Iowa to support Herbert Hoover for president will be started here tonight at a meeting of persons interested in his candidacy.

Census Returns

WASHINGTON, Mar. 31.—Population statistics announced today by the census bureau, include:

- Oshkosh, Wis., 33,162, increase 100, or 0.3 per cent.
- Peru, Ind., 12,561, increase 1,651 or 13.1 per cent.
- Grand Rapids, Wis., 7,243, increase 722, or 11.1 per cent.
- Haywood, Ill., 12,927, increase 4,039, or 30.3 per cent.
- Harrisburg, Pa., 75,917, an increase of 11,731 or 15.3 per cent over 1910.

JOINT RESOLUTION TO DECLARE WAR ENDED IS INTRODUCED CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Mar. 31.—A joint resolution declaring the state of war between the United States and Germany at an end was introduced today in the house immediately after its approval at a conference between republican leaders and members of the foreign affairs committee. The measure was referred to the foreign affairs committee. Republican leaders plan to bring it on Friday under a special rule with the hope of final action before adjournment that day. Attention was called that this would be Good Friday and that war was declared on Good Friday three years ago.

The resolution provides for certain reciprocal trading with Germany and for repeal of the president's war powers. It allows Germany forty-five days after its adoption in which to agree to or assert any claims against the United States which she could not have asserted under the treaty of Versailles. A penalty of \$10,000 is provided in cases of violation of the terms of the resolution as to trading.

GOVERNMENT WILL MEDIATE STRIKE MEAT PRICES UP

CHICAGO, Mar. 31.—Federal mediators were called in today in an attempt to settle the strike of 900 union employes of the Union Stockyards and Transit company as production of meat in the great Chicago packing plants neared a standstill. Two mediators from the United States department of labor, it was announced, would arrive today to take a hand in composing differences of the strikers and the stockyards officials.

One union official said if the strike was not settled soon livestock handlers in yards throughout the country would be called out. The men receive from \$90 to \$130 a month, union officials said. CHICAGO, Mar. 31.—Between 5,000 and 6,000 packing house employes in Chicago are idle today as a result of the strike of 900 stock handlers of the Union Stockyards and Transit company. Many more will be thrown out tomorrow as the stock on hand in the packing houses is used up.

Meat prices are rising. No pork was offered in today's market. May lard rose from \$20.72 at yesterday's close to \$20.90.

TURKISH REVOLT AGAINST ALLIES

PARIS, Mar. 31.—The breaking out of a revolution all over Turkey, except in Constantinople directed toward the allies, is reported by the Press-loyd of Budapest, according to a dispatch from Basle to the Four-nier agency here.

PANAMA CANAL IS BLASTED OUT TO ALLOW PASSAGE FOR PRINCE OF WALES

PANAMA, Mar. 30.—Blasting operations in the Culebra cut section of the canal were necessary today before the British battleship Renown, with the Prince of Wales on board, could proceed thru the waterway. As the Renown reached the point where landslides have recently occurred, boats went ahead and discovered a rock fifty feet square directly in the vessel's course. After a wait of two hours the rock was removed and the Renown was towed thru the dangerous channel. When the Renown arrived at the Atlantic end of the waterway it was boarded by Governor Harding, President Lofevre, American and French representatives and commanders of the United States military, naval and isthmian forces. When Gatun dam was reached, Governor Harding explained the operation of the canal, the prince expressing astonishment at the magnitude of the engineering feat accomplished there. A luncheon was given on board, the only luncheon being to President Wilson and King George. The British minister gave a dinner, reception and dance at the Hotel Tivoli tonight. Crowds greeted the prince as his ship proceeded thru the canal, while airplanes whirred overhead and served as escorts. The prince appears to be in better health than when he visited Canada and the United States. The Renown will sail Thursday for San Diego after taking aboard 3000 barrels of oil at Balboa. From San Diego the Renown will proceed to Honolulu, where she will arrive April 16, and thence to the Fiji islands, New Zealand and Australia.

FRANCE WILL SETTLE HUN MESS ALONE

Great Significance Attached to Direct Negotiations With Germany on Use of Troops Without Participation of Other Allies—Requests to Use German Troops in Ruhr District Turned Down—Workers Renew Attacks Upon the Government.

PARIS, Mar. 31.—The direct negotiations between the French and German governments, without the participation of the other allies, developed in the exchange of communications today concerning the question of the occupation of the Ruhr valley, are regarded here as of extraordinary significance. Dr. Von Mayer, the German charge, made his request for permission to send troops in the Ruhr region to the French government alone and to M. Millerand as premier of France and not as a member of the allied supreme council. Premier Millerand's refusal of the request, delivered today, is in the name of the government of the French republic without allusion to the entente powers.

THE HAGUE, Mar. 31.—The army of rebellious German workmen besieging the fortress of Wesel, in Rhinish Prussia, has received reinforcements and made new attacks, according to dispatches to the Nieuwe Courant of Rotterdam. The town of Hamm, and other places in Westphalia are reported to have been plundered. At Essen, the advanced state, a general strike has been proclaimed and carried out in full force.

Red Control Again
DUSSELDORF, Mar. 30.—(By Associated Press.) The executive committee of the Dusseldorf workers, representing the moderate faction which had accepted the government's demands for the cessation of armed activity in the Ruhr region, was selected today by a company of the red army returning from the front. An agreement was obtained that a new committee be appointed, and for the withdrawal of the acceptance to the government's ultimatum.

The new committee contends that compliance with the terms of the ultimatum, particularly the surrender of arms, is a physical impossibility. A general strike is threatened for Dusseldorf altho late tonight no order had been issued. All activities are proceeding normally at Dusseldorf just now, the units at the front having been recalled by the deposed committee. Truckloads of other troops, however, left tonight for the north.

Ultimatum Sent
BERLIN, Mar. 31.—(Havas) Leaders of the three socialist parties here have sent an ultimatum to the government requesting that it respect the Bielefeld convention and immediately suspend all military measures in the Ruhr valley. The government is given until three o'clock Thursday afternoon to accept or reject this request. Should it be rejected an immediate proclamation of a general strike will follow, Chancellor Mueller was informed by a socialist delegation. The executive council of workers in the Ruhr district at the last minute.

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