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BANDS PLAY, FLAGS WAVE IN CHICAGO

G. O. P. Convention Signs Lively—Flags Fly. Bands Play—Johnson to Run Own Campaign—Peace in Wood Ranks—Boonlets Show Up—Cheer Leaders Ready—Delegates Arrive by Trainloads.

CHICAGO, June 4.—Lines of action among the republican presidential candidates are beginning to come out of the nebulous atmosphere of the preliminary period and move toward definite form.

The arrival of Senator Johnson to take charge of his candidacy, and the agreement among Wood leaders to have Frank H. Hitchcock act as their field marshal are the outstanding developments which indicate that within 48 hours the situation among the republicans will move into the stage where the leaders will begin to do business.

Up until today none of the convention forces had reached the stage where one manager was prepared to determine upon a line of action with any degree of certainty of what might be expected from his opponents. But the soundings which have been taken during the last day or two, coupled with the approach of the convention itself have advanced to the point where, as the politicians say, things are about ready to move.

The Wood forces profess to be well satisfied with the arrangements within their own ranks and lay emphasis on the statement that the hopes of their opponents for a contest of leadership between William Cooper Procter and Mr. Hitchcock have gone aglimmering. Mr. Fracter they say, will continue in his present capacity with the Wood forces and the present agreement to have Mr. Hitchcock act as generalissimo of the forces on the convention floor was unanimous and agreeable all around.

After five days of sporadic activity and jockeying, things are beginning to take on a real convention atmosphere. By the time the crowds of delegates begin pouring and with the coming of political leaders from Washington, things are expected to be going full blast.

The first cheers and the first songs of the boosters are beginning to be heard in the hotel lobbies and on the streets. Pianos are tinkling in many of the campaign headquarters and the song leaders and cheer leaders are on the job beginning to drill the choruses of willing workers that always gather to participate in the noisy demonstrations which accompany a convention.

Publicity plans have had an impetus, too, and beginning today Wood Lowden and Johnson will give two daily interviews to newspapermen. Other candidates will join the plan as they arrive. Senator Poindexter of Washington arrives today from Washington and Saturday his special train of delegates will be arriving from all parts of the country to go thru the quadrennial preliminaries of caucusing, electing their delegation officers, members of the various convention committees and choosing the state representatives on the republican national committee.

There are also many little booms by candidates for president and vice president who have arrived with nominating speeches already prepared. They are canvassing the various delegations trying to induce someone to deliver them.

By all comparison of previous conventions all the scenery and props are on hand for this year's big show. There are miles of bunting flapping and fluttering in the breezes, there are buttons, badges and souvenirs by the thousands; there are bands by the score, all ready to begin blaring the campaign anthems; there are rosters and boosters preparing their voices for the uproar; there are enthusiasts ready to parade at a moment's notice and to cheer with the winners and mourn with the losers.

BUBONIC PLAGUE VERA CRUZ GROWS

VERA CRUZ, June 4.—Four new cases of bubonic plague were discovered here today. Three of the victims were soldiers and the fourth was an aged landlady. Buildings on the municipal dock and nearby structures were burned in an effort to eliminate possible centers of infection there.

WORLD'S RECORD FOR CONTINUOUS FLIGHT IS BROKEN BY FRENCHMAN

PARIS, June 4.—The airplane Goliath, piloted by Lieutenants Hognoutrot and Bernard, broke the world's record for continuous flight today, remaining in the air 24 hours, 18 minutes and seven seconds, covering 1915 1-5 kilometers. It also established what are claimed to be records for 1900 and 1500 kilometers making the former in 11:29:56 and the latter in 16:42:08. The former record for continuous flight was held by the German, W. Landman, who remained in the air 21 hours, 48 minutes and 40 seconds in June 1914.

GAS SHORTAGE ACUTE, STATE INDUSTRY HIT

Portland Rations Supply and Publicity Campaign Launched for Conservation—Highway Work Suspended Near Roseburg—Pleasure Cars Under Ban—Farms and Factory Crippled.

PORTLAND, June 4.—Use of gasoline in Portland is being restricted by all oil companies today with pleasure vehicles limited to a daily ration of not more than 20 per cent of tank capacity after filling and commercial vehicles to 75 per cent of tank capacity after filling.

Rationing of gasoline, agreed to by the oil companies, following a long conference yesterday by a committee of representative businessmen of Portland is said to be necessary to alleviate as far as possible the statewide shortage which is seriously crippling industrial and agricultural pursuits in virtually all parts of Oregon.

An appeal to automobile owners of Portland to refrain from any unnecessary use of automobiles during the next two weeks will be made thru a publicity campaign planned by the gasoline conservation committee, organized yesterday.

ROSEBURG, Ore., June 4.—Highway construction work in this county has been hard hit by the gasoline shortage and last night practically 100 motor trucks were compelled to cease operations. These machines are used by contractors engaged in paving and grading, doing a great deal of the heavy hauling connected with construction work at Rice hill, Dillard and other points.

WAR VETERAN IS SHOT IN BACK

SEATTLE, June 4.—The body of Steve Harko, a young Bohemian and former service man, was found on a trail near the offices of the Far West Clay company at Clay City, three miles from Kapowsin, late last evening, with two bullet wounds in the back. Seattle police have been asked by the Pierce county sheriff's office to assist in a search for Bert Mance, 25, who is reported missing, county peace officers reported. Harko's widow, who lives in Payallup, is his only known surviving relative. No motive for the crime has been discovered, authorities stated.

MARS HAS FIRST SNOW OF SEASON

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., June 4.—It is now autumn on Mars, and the first snow fall of the season on the planet was announced in a telegram received at Harvard college observatory from Professor William H. Pickering, who is stationed at Marsdenville, Jamaica. The telegram said the snowfall occurred at Isis, which is in the neighborhood of the part of the planet known to observers as Syrtis major.

LABOR WOES CHIEF PLANK SAYS ALLEN

Kansas Governor Favors Judicial Settlement of Strikes, and Curbing Union Leader's Power—European Problems Side Tracked—Hiram to Denounce League—Wants G. O. P. to Be "Human."

CHICAGO, June 4.—Governor Allen of Kansas, who is to nominate General Wood arrived today and announced he would offer a platform plank declaring for judicial settlement of industrial disputes as the paramount issue before the nation.

"We had thought that international questions would be the chief issue," said Governor Allen, "but now industrial problems are our principal concern. I will appear before the resolutions committee to ask a plank establishing a federal tribunal to decide industrial controversies after conciliations and all other efforts have failed. I have great hopes that such a plank will be adopted—a clear declaration for protection of the public against economic pressure of industrial strife. I believe economic pressure is the term, but it means taking the public by the throat and shaking it down by a strike."

Governor Allen's determination presages a debate before the resolutions committee, the American Federation of Labor having planned to send representatives here to present organized labor's views. Governor Allen said he would not propose anti-strike legislation like the Cummins railroad law nor demand adoption of the plan he put through in Kansas nor any other specific plan, but would demand a "declaration of principles," providing for a plan which would not take away the individual's right to strike but would deal with conspiracies between men to suspend industry and also curb union leaders' powers to call strikes.

Governor Allen had an engagement with General Wood to discuss plans for presenting the general's name and other affairs of the Wood movement.

CHICAGO, June 4.—Outlining his campaign plans, Senator Johnson of California today declared the Johnson forces would present a League of Nations plank denouncing the present covenant and urge a plank on the high cost of living and another on labor against "de-humanizing" the republican party. Prohibition, he predicted, would not be mentioned.

WOMEN HANDS ON FARMS \$16 PER

SAN FRANCISCO, June 4.—A minimum wage of \$16 a week, effective June 24 has been established for all women employed in agricultural occupation, including the picking of fruit, vegetables and berries, the state industrial welfare commission announced here today. Employers who require women to work more than eight hours a day in the harvesting of perishable fruits and vegetables to pay not less than "rate and one quarter of the minimum during the first eight hours and not less than double the rate thereafter." All women are entitled to one day a week rest.

KING GEORGE SEES CHARLEBELLE WIN

LONDON, June 4.—Charlebelle, owned by A. P. Cunliffe, won the Oaks stake of 5000 sovereigns, run at Epsom today. Sir R. W. B. Jardine's Cinna was second and Sir E. Hulton's Rosalee was third. Seventeen horses ran. King George and Queen Mary were present during the running of this classic, second only to the derby in interest. The race was for three year old fillies over a course of about one mile and a half. The betting was: Charlebelle 7 to 2 against; Cinna 2 to 1; Rosalee 25 to 1.

BOY OF 9 TO LEAD BAND OF 1000 AT G. O. P. CONVENTION

CHICAGO, June 4.—John Hand III, aged 9, grandson of the noted Chicago band director will direct the band of nearly 1000 musicians at the opening of the republican convention, when a march "The Republican" composed by his father and dedicated to the convention, will be played. He will use a baton presented to his father by the late Theodore Roosevelt, made expedition into Brazil along the river of Doubt.

HUNGARY PEACE TREATY SIGNED WITHOUT FUSS

Simple Ceremony Marks Event—Delegates Ahead of Time and King of Greece Beholds Function Standing Up—First of Pacts of Peace Conference Without Delay.

VERSAILLES, June 4.—(By Associated Press.) The treaty of peace with Hungary was signed in the Grand Trianon palace here at 4:25 o'clock this afternoon. It was five minutes before the hour appointed. Premier Millerand of France, one of the earliest arrivals, was followed shortly by Hugh C. Wallace, the American ambassador. Mr. Wallace sat at Mr. Millerand's right, while the earl of Derby, British ambassador to France, sat on his left. King Alexander of Greece, one of the most interested spectators, remained standing. The Hungarian delegates arrived at 4:23 o'clock. As soon as they were seated Premier Millerand rose and said simply that the treaty presented was a copy guaranteed to be the same as the copy given to the Hungarian delegation. He then invited the Hungarian delegates to step forward and sign.

The Hungarian treaty was the first of the treaties framed by the peace conference to be signed ahead of time. Premier Millerand of France was one of the earliest arrivals at the palace, being followed shortly afterward by Hugh C. Wallace, the American ambassador.

LOWDEN FORCES SCORE VICTORY, GAIN CAROLINA

CHICAGO, June 4.—The South Carolina contests, where the faction led by National Committeeman Tolbert of Greenwood was opposed by a delegation led by J. Duncan Adams of Spartanburg, the committee voted to seat the delegates at large of the Tolbert delegation, which is counted in the Lowden column.

The Tolbert-Adams contest furnished the committee meeting with a half hour of vaudeville in which Tolbert drew cheers and applause. Former Governor Hooper of Tennessee, presenting the case for the Adams faction, counted for Wood, denounced the Tolbert organization as "an oligarchy" of long standing, so repudiated by the republican voters of South Carolina that only 1500 ballots were cast for Hughes in the entire state in the presidential election of 1916. The Adams delegation was supported by Frank H. Hitchcock's organization, and aside from disputing questions of party regularity on which the Tolbert delegation rested its case, made an appeal for a reorganization in the state which they contended would bring out the republican vote and upbuild the party.

Attacking the evidence presented by the Tolbert faction, former Governor Hooper told the committee "there is something rotten closer to this committee room than Denmark." The committee showed its support of the Tolbert faction by frequent outbursts of applause and closed the case before Governor Hooper had finished his argument. It was the first defeat of importance that the Wood forces had met in the committee deliberations.

AGED COUPLE DUPED HUGE LAND BUNCO

Hillman and Aides Alleged to Have Secured \$900,000—Rich Pasadena Released on Low Bail by Mistake—Even Used False Wife to Close Deal—Case Center San Luis Obispo, Cal., and Victims Kept From Kin.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 4.—Suits to recover approximately \$900,000 allegedly to have been secured from them by an illegal conspiracy of three Seattle and San Francisco promoters in fictitious land and stock deals was filed in the superior court here today by Edward Wineman and his wife Catherine of San Luis Obispo.

The suit followed a statement made to the grand jury here by Kay McKay, a promoter, that himself and Clarence D. Hillman, wealthy Pasadena resident and D. J. Walsh, another promoter had swindled the Winemans out of the bulk of their estate. Hillman was arrested and released on \$50,000 bonds thru an inadvertence after his bonds had been placed at \$50,000. McKay was arrested and released under \$10,000 bonds but is being kept under close surveillance. Walsh disappeared, but it was reported today by Wineman's attorney that he was seen in Seattle four days ago.

According to the complaint a woman posing as Mrs. McKay participated in the conspiracy while the real Mrs. McKay was out of the state. Grand larceny charges are pending against the alleged conspirators as well as the civil action filed today. According to an announcement from the district attorney's office indictments have been voted against Hillman, McKay and Walsh and will be returned in court tomorrow.

The alleged conspiracy had centers in San Luis Obispo, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle. The Winemans, an aged couple, were taken from place to place to meet the ends of the conspiracy and were kept from all other relatives for a time in order that there would be no expose. McKay is said by the authorities to have told the grand jury.

Hillman and McKay were arraigned before a police judge today and their case continued until Monday.

COOK AND FRIEND HELD KIDNAPPERS

NORRISTOWN, Pa., June 4.—A second arrest in connection with the kidnaping Wednesday morning of thirteen months old Blakeley Coughlin was made early today in Philadelphia. The prisoner, James Malone, 27 years old, was taken at his home and held for a hearing. No specific charge was lodged against him. Malone, according to the authorities is a friend of Catherine Dandon, a former cook in the Coughlin family. She was arrested last night on charges of suspicion of having been implicated in the kidnaping.

UNMASKED PAIR ROB LOGGERS IN BUNKS

ASTORIA, Ore., June 4.—Two unmasked men, armed with revolvers, entered a bunkhouse at the Albers logging camp near Skamokawa, Wash., Tuesday evening shortly after sundown and held up the loggers of the camp, according to reports received here today and secured \$1029 in checks, over \$400 in silver and currency and a \$100 Liberty bond. The robbers made their escape.

Census Returns

WASHINGTON, June 4.—Beatrice, Neb., 9664, increase 308, or 3.3 per cent. Alpena, Mich., 11,101, decrease 1605, or 12.6 per cent. New Albany, Ind., 22,992, increase 2363 or 11.5 per cent. Somerville, Mass., 63,033, increase 15,797 or 20.5 per cent. Arlington, Mass., 18,646, increase 7,479 or 66.7 per cent. West Springfield, Mass., 13,443, increase 4219 or 45.7 per cent.

PRIMARY TAX MEASURES ESTIMATED \$5,878,587.83 ALL PAYABLE NEXT YEAR

SALEM, June 4.—Taxes estimated at \$5,878,587.83, based on the prospective property valuations of the state for the year 1920, will be due and payable in the year 1921, as the result of the passage of the higher educational measure, elementary school bill, blind instruction act and soldiers' sailors' and nurses' educational aid law, at the special election in Oregon, according to figures compiled here today. The tax of 1.26 mills, authorized by the voters for the support and maintenance of the higher educational institutions, based on the 1919 property valuations, which total \$99,435,479, will raise approximately \$1,247,948.69.

PUBLICITY, RAT HOLE FOR WOOD CAMPAIGN FUND

Stebbins, Exonerated From Dodging Senate Subpoena Was in Canadian Woods—Total National Fund Over Million—Eastern Finance Expense Heavy—Witness Says Servers Persecuted Family.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—Horace C. Stebbins of New York, eastern treasurer for the Wood national campaign committee, explained to the senate campaign investigating committee today why officers of the senate had been unable to locate him to serve a subpoena for his appearance at the inquiry.

"Nothing could be more false than the implication that I have been evading an appearance here," he said. "I have been on a trip in the Canadian woods, which was planned long ago, which took me more than sixty miles from a telephone or telegraph line. The idea that I have been trying to hide is ridiculous.

"My family and my business associates have been absolutely persecuted by United States marshals and subpoena servers. They could not tell where I was, I didn't know always myself."

Senator Pomorene, democrat, Ohio, remarked there "were two aides to it."

Asked to explain the eastern financing of the Wood campaign, Mr. Stebbins said he had "received money which was sent thru William Loeb and his associates. I paid it out by authority of Colonel Procter and Mr. Loeb."

"Mr. Loeb sent \$225,000 from New York to Chicago," Chairman Kenyon interposed, "does that appear in your accounts?"

"I don't want to get any duplication," the witness replied. "That \$225,000 was included in both my accounts and those at Chicago."

"I received between February 20 and May 17, \$30,000 from Mr. Loeb," he continued, "then I received \$77,190 from Chicago," he said. "And about \$49,000 from the ways and means committee in New York city."

There was a general discussion between the committee and the witness in an effort to determine the total Wood national fund. Mr. Stebbins said that he could not absolutely settle the point until the books were audited. The total as given by Mr. Sprague was \$1,180,000. He promised the committee a transcript of the full contributors list out side of this fund. None of the gifts, he said, were larger than \$1000.

POLK, STATE OFFICIAL TO QUIT POST

Resignation Effective June 15—Going to Practice Law, But Gives Ill Health As Reason—Third State Department to Depart This Year—President Regrets Move, and Praises Work—Regarded Highly.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—Frank L. Polk today resigned as under-secretary of state and his resignation was accepted by President Wilson.

Mr. Polk's resignation will take effect June 15 when he will leave Washington to take a rest before returning to the practice of law in New York city. His successor has not yet been selected.

The under-secretary's letter of resignation was not made public, but the president's reply was given out at the White House. It said: "My dear Polk: "The argument of necessity on account of your health in the matter of

your retirement is one which I am estopped from answering or combating. I feel that I have in conscience and warm friendship no choice but to accept your resignation, tho I do so with the utmost reluctance and wish again to express the admiration I have felt for the devoted and intelligent way in which you have performed your duties in the department. We shall all miss you very sadly and the public service will be poorer on account of your loss. With the warmest good wishes,

"Cordially and faithfully yours, "Woodrow Wilson."

Mr. Polk is the third high official of the state department to resign this year.

Mr. Polk entered government service September 16, 1915 as counselor for the state department. Later he was made an assistant secretary of state and last year was elevated to the post of under-secretary when that office was created by special act of congress.

PALMER DENIES CLAIM ALIENS TREATED ROUGH

Describing as utterly false charges contained in a report of a committee of lawyers to the National Popular Government league relative to the treatment of arrested aliens by the department of justice, Attorney General Palmer today called on Felix Frankfurter of Cambridge, Mass., one of the signers of the report, to retract them.

"These charges," said a telegram from Mr. Palmer to Mr. Frankfurter, "had as their only foundation statements made by aliens after their arrests, which were palpably false upon their face and the allegations of which, as you know, were denied by the responsible sworn officers of the government whose conduct these aliens sought to impeach."

"I produced before the committee on rules of the house of representatives conclusive proof of the falsity of these charges. Confronted by the proof you owe it to yourself, as well as to the department of justice to publicly retract them."

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