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Today

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Hoover and Curtis.
Prosperity—More of It.
Coolidge Knew It.
Safe at Fifty.

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THE REPUBLICAN TICKET, now complete, reads Hoover and Curtis. Senator Curtis from Kansas, whose genial "howdy men" is known to thousands of friends, was nominated on the first ballot, with 1052 votes.

This puts an out and out farmers' candidate on the ticket. It does not mean dissatisfaction with General Dawes, for there is none.

The Curtis nomination is an effort to "do something for the farmer."

The Republican slogan for this campaign is to be "CONTINUED PROSPERITY—AND MORE OF IT."

That's enough of a slogan. People decline to think about more than one thing at a time. And when prosperity is the issue they don't want any other.

If Democrats are wise they will promise "continued prosperity—with a great deal more of it than the Republicans ever dreamed of."

In his fine telegram of congratulation to Herbert Hoover, President Coolidge expresses thought of citizens, "Your great ability and wide experience will enable you to serve our country with marked distinction."

President Coolidge has known for months that Herbert Hoover would be nominated. The President, who has been a candidate for office twenty times and never defeated, understands politics. That is more than you can say for some gentlemen from New York state and elsewhere.

The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company yesterday insured a man past 50 for 1,500,000. A few generations ago, when the second biggest city in France had no inhabitant over 50 years of age, such insuring would have been financially suicidal. Men live longer, intelligence counts. A wise man at 50 is a safer risk than a fool at 25. And the Metropolitan has promoted longer living by intelligent health advertising.

Our prosperity is real. In May, General Motors broke all records, delivering 224,094 cars, the third successive record breaking month, as announced by President Alfred P. Sloan Jr. The total sale of cars in May was more than 443,000.

Henry Ford is now turning out his new car at the rate of 3000 a day. But there will be a shortage, in good makes. This country needs 5,000,000 new cars every year at a minimum, even if the total number exceeds the present figures 24,000,000. Get your car.

In New York a young man brought into court by his father, admitted that he had an income of \$400 a week, and employed his father as hostler to take care of his saddle horses. His excuse was that his father had not led a moral life. The Japanese religion that includes twenty different kinds of hell, probably would find one especially prepared for him that wouldn't include any saddle horses.

Delegates, according to H. I. (Continued on Page Four)

FLOOD AND WIND RACK WIDE AREA

Tornado Devastates Blair, Okla., Kansas and Nebraska Storm—High Water Sweeps Missouri and Arkansas Section—Quake in Mexico.

MANGUM, Okla., June 16.—(AP) Four known dead, two others reported injured probably fatally and about 25 persons injured was the toll taken by a storm which demolished the town of Blair, 10 miles southeast of here, early tonight.

Dr. Fowler Border, mayor of Mangum, reported the following death:

Elmer Castle, grocer, Blair, Mrs. George Rogers, milliner, A boy named Smith, L. C. Cann.

Mrs. Uann was reported near death, and a sixth person whose name was not given, was reported to be dying, two ambulances had gone to Blair from Mangum, but had not returned late tonight.

J. R. Fogle, mechanic for a transfer company, was in a hospital here suffering from head and internal injuries.

Physicians at Snyder, Okla., reported to have been in the storm area, telephoned Dr. Border that there had been no casualties there.

MANGUM, Okla., June 16.—(AP) Three persons were reported dead, and fifteen injured and virtually every building destroyed when a tornado struck Blair, Oklahoma, ten miles south of here tonight.

Ernest Steele, driver of a motor bus, who passed through the town a few minutes after the storm struck, said he had seen three bodies taken from the wreckage and that citizens told him they feared many more were buried in the debris.

The injured were taken to Altus in ambulances and motor cars.

Every structure in the town had been wrecked except a brick bank building, Steele said.

A relief party was sent to Blair from Mangum and it was said some of the injured would be brought to the Border hospital here, as soon as they could be taken from wrecked buildings.

The storm which took a southeasterly direction struck Headrick, Okla., where it caused considerable damage to residences. Several persons were reported injured at Headrick but it was believed that no lives were lost. The storm next was reported to have struck several miles west of Snyder, Okla., where others were reported injured, none seriously, and to have hit a construction camp on the north fork of the Red river, where a new bridge is being built. No serious damage was reported from that district.

OMAHA, Neb., June 16.—(AP) A near-cloudburst struck eastern Neb. early this evening, preceded by an electrical storm. Nearly two inches of rain fell here in less than thirty minutes. Automobiles were stalled in high water all over the city.

WICHITA FALLS, Texas, June 16.—(AP) Reports here tonight were that the storm which struck Blair, Okla., also swept through Marlin, Okla., west of Blair, blowing down about sixty telegraph poles.

Telephone wires along Wichita Falls and Altus went out about nine o'clock tonight.

HUTCHINSON, Kas., June 16.—(AP) A tornado struck two miles south of Stafford in Stafford county early tonight, demolishing two farm homes and outbuildings and slightly injuring one man, a farm hand.

KENNETT, Mo., June 16.—(AP) Almost daily fighting to keep the steadily rising waters of the St. Francis river, more than 3,000 farmers, business and professional men, battled on tonight in a desperate effort to save the remainder of their crops and homes from floods.

The workers were leaving nothing unturned in their unceasing fight to strengthen the weakened spots along a twenty-mile front to the north of here, after the 15-foot break which occurred early today, inundating more than 25,000 acres of land, and driving hundreds of families from their homes. Ample warning was given those in the area flooded.

At several points near Campbell, to the north of here, the task of keeping the river back seemed hopeless, with the dikes weakened by seepage. It was believed by some that the crest of the third rise, which was expected to exceed the flood stage (Continued on Page Four)

SCHOOLGIRL SAILS TO WED PRINCE



This photo of Mlle. Setsu Matsudaira, daughter of the Japanese ambassador to the United States, Taunco Matsudaira, who is to become bride of the heir apparent of Japan, Prince Chichibu, in the autumn, was taken as she sailed from San Francisco for Japan with her father, mother, sister and brother. She recently was graduated from a Washington school.

CHINA REGIME MYSTERY ORDER AT HELM ASKS HEAR HEFLIN NEW TREATIES RANT IN FIELD

Dr. Wu Basing Request on Kellogg Statement Seeks Revision and Right to Manage Own Finances and Postoffices—Recognition Not Stressed.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—(AP) Having his report on a statement by Secretary Kellogg in February, 1927, that the United States would negotiate new treaties with any responsible government in China, Dr. C. G. Wu, representing the newly established Kankang nationalist government, has asked the state department for immediate revision of the Chinese treaties.

Secretary Kellogg, Dr. Wu said today, has taken the subject under advisement.

Dr. Wu said that as the delegate representative of the new Chinese government he would insist on China being given new treaties that would allow her to manage her own finances, her own postoffice system, and tending to abolish extra-territoriality, the most disliked and highly controversial portion of the present treaties.

In the meantime, Dr. Wu said, the new government would take immediate steps to move the capital of China from Peking to Nanking. This, he added, was in line with the policy of the nationalists announced many months ago.

The question of recognition by the foreign powers, while a subject of great interest to the new government of China, is a secondary consideration as compared to the revision of the treaties, Dr. Wu said.

"It has been a traditional policy of the United States as well as other foreign powers to recognize the government in power in Peking," he said. "The nationalists are now in charge of that city and recognition no doubt soon will follow."

"Recognition is not absolutely necessary. The new government of China doesn't really care whether it is recognized or not so long as the powers show an inclination to adjust the wrongs so blatantly obvious in the old, outdoor unilateral treaties now in force."

PORTLAND, Ore., June 16.—(AP) Still hoping that some way may be found to permit them to remain on their land in the Unquama national forest, from which the government has ordered them, E. H. Best and Emory Davis were in jail here today. They arrived here last night in custody of Deputy United States Marshal Cochran, who arrested them this week.

NOMINEE SPENDS A BUSY DAY

Secy Hoover Finds Time From Official Routine to Confer and Lunch—Question of Resignation, Vacation, and Campaign Manager Under Consideration.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—(AP) Secretary Hoover mixed in considerable attention to his official duties today in the course of dealing with matters that have to do with his newer status of the republican presidential candidate.

While his earliest caller was Senator McNary, republican, Oregon, leader of the fight of Agricultural interests for the equalization plan for the new commerce department building in Washington, he went over the site of the structure with his architectural assistant and lunched with Secretary Kellogg of the state department.

After his conference with Mr. Hoover, Senator McNary issued a statement in which he declared that the nominee had been "sympathetic and anxious to relieve the distress of our farm population."

The prolonged luncheon engagement with the secretary of state was said to have brought out discussions purely of departmental matters, many of the commerce department bureaus having a great deal of foreign service and functioning under joint supervision of the two secretaries.

Despite his attention to his regular official duties, Mr. Hoover, however, was able to find time to acknowledge many of the thousands of messages of congratulatory which are still coming in by cable, telegram and mail.

A number of questions which are before Secretary Hoover include the advisability of his resignation from his cabinet post and the time of his withdrawal; his summer plans as whether he should go immediately to his California home; the selection of a national committee chairman and the form of his campaign organization.

He already has received a dozen invitations from individuals and communities, chiefly from the middle western states of Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota and Michigan, offering him quarters and facilities for the establishment of a summer base. All these invitations, however, were held over, awaiting the determination of his plans.

SALEM, Ore., June 16.—(AP) Initiative petitions were filed in the state department here today by State Senator Joe E. Dunne, of Portland, providing for an increase in the state gasoline tax from three to five cents a gallon and a reduction of approximately fifty percent in motor vehicle license fees.

It is estimated by Senator Dunne that the additional gasoline tax of two cents a gallon would increase the state's revenue from that source \$2,500,000 annually. This he said, would more than offset any loss that would be sustained by the state because of the reduction in motor vehicle license fees.

Under the provisions of the measure calling for lower license fees, the cut would be approximately fifty per cent with the exception of heavy trucks and busses. For the operation of solid tired trucks the fee would be increased 25 per cent.

All additional fees for the operation of motor carriers would be abolished and a flat fee of \$15 substituted.

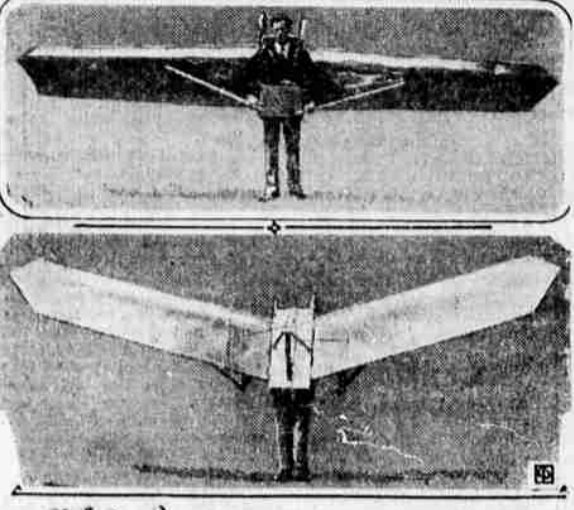
All fees would be based on weight and the tire width bands would be eliminated.

The two initiative measures would be before the voters at the November general election. Checking of signatures will begin within a week or ten days. It was said that the petitions contain several hundred names in excess of the number required by law.

LONDON, June 16.—(AP) In an editorial on the nomination of Herbert Hoover, the Star challenges Mr. Hoover's statement that only in America could a boy from a country village, without inheritance, influence or friends, look forward with unbounded hope.

The Star declares England provides similar opportunities pointing to Premier, McDonald and Lloyd George as examples of poor boys who reached the top. There are thousands of them in England occupying the highest positions who started in poverty and without help, the paper said.

INVENTS FUELLESS AIRPLANE



Peter N. Karabatos, of Oak Park, Ill., claims he has perfected a plane which a person can attach to his shoulders and fly, with wings flapping like those of a bird. He says his fuelless machine is capable of attaining a speed of 60 miles an hour, and he expects no difficulty in remaining stationary in the air. A specially designed motor, weighing about 50 pounds, is to be added to the body of the plane and strapped around the subject. Above, Karabatos demonstrates the possibilities of the one-man plane.

BILL TO BOOST WILLING PLAYS GAS TAX, SLASH PURSEY TO TIE AUTO FEE, FILED FOR N.W. TITLE

Senator Dunne's Bill Would Increase License On Oregon Highways; Names Sufficient For Place on Ballot.

PORTLAND, Ore., June 16.—(AP) Seventy-two holes of medal golf here yesterday and today failed to determine the Pacific Northwest open champion, so Dr. O. F. Willing, Portland, and Walter Pursey of Seattle, will go out tomorrow for another eighteen holes to decide whether an amateur or a professional will wear the open crown for the next twelve months.

Willing, upholding the honor of the amateur brigade, and Pursey, color bearer of the professionals, tied for the championship with 293 strokes apiece.

The tournament committee decided on the eighteen-hole playoff for tomorrow at 9:30 a. m.

Willing shot one over par card of 73 in the morning round today and then went around in even par figures in the afternoon to hold his place at the top. Pursey, one stroke behind Willing when they started the final 36 holes, was still one down at noon as he matched Dr. Willing's morning card with a 73. In the afternoon, however, Pursey, who is defending the title he won last year at Victoria, broke par, the first time that feat has been accomplished in the tournament.

The Seattle professional drew up an even series with Willing at the fourth hole in the afternoon. Pursey got a break on the fifteenth which meant just the difference between tying for the championship and being a runner-up. He was playing with Ben Stein, Seattle amateur. In approaching the fifteenth green after Stein had played up, Pursey's ball hit Stein's and then traveled on to hit the flag pole and bounce back a foot, leaving him one putt for his birdie three. But for hitting Stein's ball and then the staff, Pursey would have been a considerable distance past the hole.

Jack Husted of Medford shot a 77 and 78 today for a total score of 155.

Neil Christian, Waverly (Portland) professional, was second in the professional field with a total of 293, just one stroke ahead of Frank Dolp and Roy Moe, both of the local Alderwood club, who tied for second place in the amateur field.

With the exception of Pursey, Dolp was the only player who bettered par in the two days play. The Alderwood star gave the stiff par 72 a severe drubbing in the afternoon round by finishing in 69.

Third and fourth money in the professional field went to John Jones, Portland, and Johnny Jones, Seattle, respectively. Jones made four trips over his home course in 299 strokes, while Jones made it in 309.

Don Moe, Oregon state amateur champion, Lawson Little, northern California amateur champion, and Phil Taylor, Victoria, professional, were next in line with counts of 302.

John Rebstock and Asa Smith, Portland amateurs, and Norman Smith, Yakima, Ore., were deadlocked in seventh place with cards of 304.

AL IS ONLY ISSUE FOR BOURBONS

Smith Overshadows Even Prohibition In Houston Meet—Opposition Hopes To Halt Nomination and Leaders Fear Another Bitter Convention Rump-U.S.

Portland, Ore., June 16.—(AP) Having with but little apparent success attempted to stem and turn the democratic tide for Alfred E. Smith in Oregon, Oswald West, former governor, and now democratic national committeeman, said today he will not attend the national convention at Houston June 26; nor will R. A. Harris, a Walsh sympathizer, who was elected as a delegate, attend.

R. W. Hagood of Portland, will go Houston armed with a committee, and as the all-arounder for Oswald West, Hagood is recognized as a "southern democrat" who is not in sympathy with anti-Smith sentiment in the south.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—(AP) The political spotlight, centered on Kansas City and the republicans during the past week is now turned on Houston. There, Democrats, hoping to avert a repetition of the strife that split their ranks four years ago at Madison Square Gardens, are beginning to assemble to select presidential and vice presidential nominees and draft a party platform.

The republican lineup for the campaign has been determined. Hoover and Curtis are the party standard bearers. The platform on which they stand calls, among other things, for vigorous enforcement of the prohibition amendment and goes along with the administration on farm relief.

At Houston the big question to be settled is whether Governor Smith of New York is to be the presidential nominee. That issue overshadows all others, including the prohibition question, which is intertwined with his candidacy, and farm relief.

In 1924 Smith and McAdoo fought each other to a standstill in the New York convention, both losing out in the end. This year McAdoo is not a candidate. Smith, however, is, and he has gathered up such an impressive total of delegates that he stands out far ahead, but never the less the target of a determined, though somewhat scattered opposition which intends to fight him to the end.

Only the delegates from one state—the 24 from Virginia where a convention will be held next week—remain to be chosen. With 733, 1-3 of the 1100 convention votes needed to nominate, the Smith men claim that their candidate is within an ace of that total, and may have it before the balloting begins.

Of the 684 delegates placed in the Smith column by his supporters 516 are classified by them as definitely instructed or pledged for him. The remainder, as they see it, are uninstructed delegates who are certain to support the New York governor at the outset. In addition they have their eyes on 33 additional delegate votes which they predict will swing to Smith quickly.

This would give him within a dozen votes the number he would need to go over.

The computation of the Smith followers are challenged, however, by his political foes who concede that he probably has more than a majority in the bag, but who contend with vigor that he is far from the necessary two-thirds.

One of the objectives of the Smith opposition has been to build up a block of votes that not only would control more than one-third of those in the convention, thus giving it a veto power so far as the nomination is concerned, but also would hold together in the face of raids by the Smith forces.

They insist they have the strength and determination to hold out. The friends of the New York governor predict that the opposition lines will be shattered almost before the convention settles down to balloting.

For the most part the opponents of Smith are looking to the south and the states having "favorite son" candidates for their hold-out strength, and are hoping to make a showing that will convince the New York executive that he cannot win and lead to his withdrawal.

His boosters, on the other hand, are doing their utmost to bring about a situation where he will win quickly and without factional strife. To win in November, they contend, the nominee must be backed without an outbreak of bitterness.