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PRESIDENT WILSON IS NOT MOVED

Says, Despite Pleas of Women, He Cannot Declare in Favor of Suffrage.

PARTY'S PLATFORM MUST BE FOLLOWED

No Matter What May Be His Personal Wishes He Must Hew to Line.

Washington, Feb. 2.—President Wilson was called upon today definitely to declare his position in regard to woman suffrage. He did so. His hand was forced by a delegation of suffragists, 400 strong, who wanted to know just where he stood on the suffrage question, and they found out.

The women begged and implored but the president, although deeply touched by their pleas, stuck to his position. The reception of the suffragists was picturesque. The women had marched in a body to the White House, where a committee of 25, headed by Mrs. Glendover Evans, president of the Massachusetts Trades Women's League, entered the executive offices. They were cordially received by the president. Six of the delegation made speeches.

"I need not tell you," the president said, "how a delegation of working women appeals to me. Your earnest appeals have touched me deeply.

Must Wait for Party. "There is much I would like to say but as I have explained to other delegations of women, I cannot speak, as the leader of my party, on any legislation until my party itself takes a position on that legislation. The national democratic convention at Baltimore took a position on national questions. The suffrage question was not among its planks. As its candidate the voters approved the party's position in electing me. I feel bound to fulfill all party promises. All I can say to you is that your representations have profoundly impressed me."

But, Mrs. Evans interrupted, "when I saw you at Seagriff—" "Excuse me, please," broke in the president, "but at Seagriff there were many things I discussed but I made no positive statement. I want no further than I have gone today."

Urges Him to Act. "You must remember," said Mrs. Evans, "that when I saw you at Seagriff you were gunning for votes."

"I beg your pardon, Mrs. Evans, cut in the president, 'I was not 'gunning' for votes—I was seeking them.' "However, Mr. President," replied Mrs. Evans, "I want to tell you that I have believed in you. I believe, too, that you favor our cause. I and many other working women like myself worked our finger nails off in your behalf. Cannot we hope? Won't you speak to your party's national committee men? You have power that few men have. We don't ask something that is impossible. All we ask, my dear sir, is justice!"

President Deeply Affected. President Wilson appeared deeply affected and embarrassed. He hung his head in thought for a few seconds and then replied:

"Don't you see the position I am placed in? I have explained just where I stand. I cannot consult my personal inclinations. I have to follow my party's platform. And this I intend to do."

President Wilson then ordered that the remainder of the delegation be admitted. As the women filed past he shook hands with each.

Rose Winslow, a Pennsylvania textile worker, impressed the president by a little speech she made just before the

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Race Around the World Impossible

Aviation Expert Points Out Conditions Imposed too Drastic and Obstacles too Great.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] St. Louis, Feb. 2.—Albert Lambert, a well known aviation expert, was not enthusiastic today over the proposed aeroplane race around the world to start in May, 1915, from the Panama-Pacific exposition grounds in San Francisco. He thought such a flight impracticable.

"No aeroplane could stand such a strain," he said today. "In the first place the life of an aeroplane is brief, and intended to cover only from 600 to 2,000 miles. The contestants could hardly average more than four or five hours of flying daily, and it would require 60 days to make the trip if the aeroplanes averaged 100 miles an hour while aloft.

"I think the conditions imposed are impossible and the obstacles too great to be overcome. "It would be better if the exposition management arranged a race across the continent to the fair. A race from New York to San Francisco would draw at least 50 entrants."

MILLER AND HARWOOD BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN SHOT

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] San Diego, Cal., Feb. 2.—The Mexican consul here and the local immigration officials declared today that they had heard nothing from Robert W. Harwood and Mortimer Miller, Americans, held in Lower California. As the men have not arrived at Ensenada, it is believed they have been shot.

Will Seek His Son.

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 2.—Benjamin Harwood, wealthy rancher of Marysville and father of Robert W. Harwood, the newspaper man who dropped mysteriously from sight following his arrest as a spy at Tiajuana last Wednesday by Mexican federal soldiers who marched him into the mountains in the direction of Ensenada, left today with a party of friends for San Diego. He proposes to hire a high powered machine, and with guards, traverse the trail taken by his son, in the hope of finding him. American Consul Guyant of Ensenada telegraphed the elder Harwood that his son had not arrived at Ensenada. Secretary of State Bryan informed the father that he was doing all he could through official channels to save young Harwood.

Mrs. Harwood, mother of the prisoner, is reported dangerously ill. The father said he could stand the suspense no longer, and will outfit a party to explore the Lower California country. Commercial organizations in Oakland have received assurances from Secretary Bryan that he is working hard to save Harwood's life, and has demanded of the Huerta government that the prisoner be produced safe and sound.

GUARDS REVOLT

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] London, Feb. 2.—That the Portuguese royalists were attempting a revolution at Lisbon tonight was reported in dispatches received here from Madrid. It was said the Republican guard had mutinied and was parading the streets shouting "long live the King."

It is doubted here if the revolution would succeed.

CATCHER EDWARDS ILL.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Portland, Or., Feb. 2.—Cl. Edwards, a local catcher, signed with the Seattle Northwestern league team for next season, is very ill here today with pneumonia.

DIGGS IS UNABLE TO FURNISH \$10,000 AS BAIL FOR APPEARANCE

Architect Locked Up in Jail to Await Hearing on Serious Charge.

DEFENDANT AIDS STATE

Diggs' Smile Fades When He Learns Florian Fischer Is to Appear for Prosecution in Trial.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 2.—Maury L. Diggs, charged with a serious statutory offense against 17-year-old Ida Pearring, failed to make good his promise to be ready with bail when his case came up before Police Judge Crist at 10 a. m. today.

His case was continued until Thursday at the same hour and he was returned to the city prison, declaring he would have sureties ready to sign his bond later in the day. Walter Gilligan, jointly accused with him, was also locked up in default of \$10,000 bail, the same figure as that specified for Diggs. Florian Fischer, for whom a warrant was issued at the same time as those for Diggs and Gilligan were sworn out, was released on promising to appear as a witness Thursday.

Ida Pearring did not appear in court, her mother producing a doctor's certificate stating that she was suffering from nervous prostration and unable to leave her bed.

Fischer to Aid State.

Diggs, well groomed and smiling cheerfully, walked briskly into the court room with Gilligan and Fischer. Diggs and Gilligan, however, did not seem on good terms with their companion. They whispered to him angrily

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Pindell Declines Ambassadorship

Says Squabble Over Appointment Embarrasses Him and Crane May Go to St. Petersburg.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, Feb. 2.—Henry M. Pindell, of Peoria, Ill., today declined the St. Petersburg ambassadorship. In his letter to the president, Pindell said the squabbling over his appointment had so embarrassed him that he doubted if he would be able to serve efficiently. The president accepted his decision in a communication highly complimentary to Pindell. It was understood that Pindell will be given an important diplomatic post elsewhere, and that Charles R. Crane, the Chicago multi-millionaire, is scheduled for the St. Petersburg embassy.

LOOPS LOOP FOR KING.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] London, Feb. 2.—Aviator Gustave Hamel was the guest of King George and Queen Mary at Windsor Castle today. By royal command he flew from Brooklands and over the castle. He looped the loop 14 times and rode head downward repeatedly.

NO IMPORTANT DECISIONS.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, Feb. 2.—The United States supreme court adjourned this afternoon until February 24, without deciding any pending important cases.

The Weather

The Dickey Bird says: Oregon, tonight and Tuesday; colder north and east portions, winds mostly northerly.

INJUNCTION CASE OF FRANCIS AND OTHERS AGAINST HARRIS IS UP

Crawford Argues State Printer's Alleged Contract Injures No One.

HARRIS' MOVE ATTACKED

Attorney for Plaintiff Asserts State Printer Is Without Authority to Favor Union Men.

Arguments on the demurrer in the injunction case of Francis, et al., against the state printing board, State Printer Harris and the Allied Printers' Trades Council are being heard by Judge Galloway today.

In his opening statement to the court this morning, Assistant Attorney-General James Crawford asked that the complaint be dismissed on the grounds that the plaintiffs have failed to show wherein they or the state or taxpayers have been injured by reason of the contract said to be in force between the state printer and the Allied Printing Trades Council. Crawford contended that the present controversy arose out of the fact that certain non-union printers in Portland are attempting to place the Salem typographical union in a hole by attacking the state printing plant, and said that the court will be infringing upon the official rights of the state printer in the event it sustains the plaintiffs' contentions that the contract or agreement drawn up between Mr. Harris and the Allied Printers' Trades Council should be abrogated.

Attorney Spencer, representing the plaintiffs, took up the argument this afternoon and dwelt at length upon the actions of Mr. Harris in signing the contract in question. He said that, al-

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Records Found in Good Shape

Drager Completes Investigation of County Books and Makes Report to Clerk Gehlar.

Dave Drager, the expert, who has been going over the records at the court house, has completed his labors, and filed his report with the county clerk today.

In his report Mr. Drager sets forth that the county clerk's office has shown a remarkable increase in work during the past year and that Mr. Gehlar and his clerk deserve great credit for the efficient manner in which the work was handled.

But \$5.00 was dropped or lost in the collection of the 1913 taxes by Sheriff Esch, according to the expert. This shortage is considered remarkable, when compared with collections of other years, where the reports show the shortage to be over \$200 and \$300. It has been almost a physical and mental impossibility to balance the rolls to the cent, and Sheriff Esch has come nearer to the correct figures than any sheriff serving as collector so far.

The records in the county treasurer's office are shown to be in fine shape, and, in fact, the county officers are not found delinquent in one instance by the expert.

GENERAL OPINION FORD AND SUHR WILL BE GIVEN 20 YEARS

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Marysville, Cal., Feb. 2.—Though it was only a guess, the general opinion here today seemed to be that 20 years' imprisonment each would be the sentence imposed February 5 on Richard Ford and Herman Suhr, the hop pickers convicted Saturday of second degree murder in connection with the Wheatland riot last August. In the meantime attorneys Austin Lewis and R. M. Royce, the two men's lawyers, were preparing an appeal on the ground that the verdict was in disregard of the evidence.

William Beck and Harry Bagan, who were acquitted, had intended to remain in Marysville over Saturday night to rejoice over their liberation with friends in the "Defense Camp," but left instead, on receiving a quiet intimation, according to their own account, that the town was "not a good place for them."

CANAL AT OREGON CITY LOST MONEY FOR POWER COMPANY

The Portland Light & Power company through its treasurer, has filed a statement of the expenses and of operating the canal at Oregon City for the year 1913 and the receipts therefrom. It shows the total receipts were \$4,476.00 and the total cost of operating 5,634.88. Added to this is \$6,256.50 for taxes making a total deficit of \$7,414.78. The total number of trips by all boats was 638, and the total number of passengers 6,120. The number of horses and cattle passing through the locks on the various boats was 561, hogs and sheep 5, and the tons of freight 6,336, or about 20 tons a day.

TWO ARE KILLED.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Bourges, France, Feb. 2.—Captain Niquet and Lieutenant Belvert were instantly killed here today when their aeroplane dropped 100 feet.

MANY ARE HOMELESS.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Rio Janeiro, Feb. 2.—Ten to fifteen thousand persons were homeless in Bahia state today as a result of the floods. Many were reported on the verge of starvation. One town was completely and several partly destroyed. There were also numerous drownings, though no exact figures were obtainable.

The services at the Salem mission were largely attended Sunday. Special meetings will be held tonight and every night this week except Saturday.

WILSON NOT TAKING ANY STAND YET

Investigating Immigration Problem and Thinks "Assisted" Phase Wrong.

ANTI-TRUST PLAN BRINGS NO KICKS

President Surprised by Lack of Interest Displayed in Hearings.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, Feb. 2.—President Wilson believes "assisted immigration" ought to be forbidden. That was as far as he was ready to go today in discussing the problem.

The president told callers that he had not considered the illiteracy test in pending immigration legislation, and would form no opinion on the matter until he had had an opportunity to consult with party leaders in congress. The White House was deluged with callers who brought petitions opposing the test. The president had decided, however, to take no stand until he has fully investigated every phase of the problem.

Says He Is Surprised.

President Wilson admitted today that he was surprised at the apparent lack of public interest in the anti-trust hearings. He thought it indicated that business is satisfied with the trust program he outlined in his recent address to congress. The president scented suggestions that the country's leading business were afraid to come to Washington to testify, because they would be charged with lobbying.

The president also let it be known that the United States is negotiating with 11 nations interested in Secretary Bryan's arbitration proposal. Both the president and Bryan had hoped treaties will result from these negotiations.

Immigration Bill Up.

Washington, Feb. 2.—Other business was sidetracked in the house today during the consideration of the Burnett-Billingham immigration bill. Representative Burnett predicted that the bill would pass, with the literacy test included, by a 2 to 1 vote.

California's representatives again threatened to inject the "yellow peril" into today's debate. It was expected that Representatives Hayes and Curry would submit amendments excluding Asiatic laborers.

To Keep Out Slavers.

Recommendations making the bill more drastic in regard to white slavers were sent to the house by Secretary of Labor Wilson. He proposed the exclusion of procurers and immoral women. Secretary Wilson said he was not opposed to the illiteracy test. He urged the exclusion of skilled as well as unskilled contract laborers, and requested that the labor department be authorized to deport persons who have committed crimes involving moral turpitude, even if not convicted. He also asked permission to exclude all aliens committing crimes here.

Immigration last year, Wilson said, had increased the population of this country 1,017,000, against 646,742 the previous year.

ANXIETY OVER SUBMARINE.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Washington, Feb. 2.—Some anxiety was felt here today for the safety of submarine E-2, due at Galveston, Texas, last Friday from the naval station at Guantanamo, Cuba. Officials of the navy department, however, denied that there was any cause for alarm. Late today word came that the submarine had arrived at Galveston.

WAGE DEMANDS SCHEDULED

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.] Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 2.—Starting today on the third week of its session, the United Mine Workers of America convention here was scheduled to adjourn by Wednesday. Wage demands were to be considered after completion of the committee on constitution's report.