

Harding Learns 20,000 Hurt in War Need Help

Legion Commander in Conference With Next President Finds New Administration Will Aid Men

Charge of Neglect Heard

Col. Galbraith Reports Failure to Make Adequate Provision Pledged to Troops

From a Staff Correspondent
MARION, Ohio, Jan. 10.—President-elect Warren G. Harding occupied himself to-day with the distressing situation growing out of governmental neglect of 20,000 soldiers who are still in hospitals. Colonel F. W. Galbraith Jr., national commander of the American Legion, presented to Mr. Harding a copy of the memorial the Legion is presenting to the government and without difficulty enlisted him in the movement to improve the plight of disabled lighters.

Colonel Galbraith shocked the President-elect with tragic stories of some of the 4,600 disabled men who now are quartered in unfit institutions, and with the additional information that each month sees the total in hospitals increased by 2,500. These are victims of poison gas, who are developing tuberculosis at an alarming rate.

In Mr. Harding the Legion commander found a sympathetic listener and one who was in accord with him when he said that the governmental agencies for providing medical treatment, vocational training and financial assistance should be grouped under one head. It is also understood that Colonel Galbraith received assurance that the incoming Administration would fight any effort to bring about national economy at the expense of the disabled soldiers.

Pledge Unredeemed

"The present Administration," said Colonel Galbraith, "failed completely to meet the tremendous demands that are presented by the disabled soldiers of the World War. Why it has so completely failed is, perhaps, not important, but it is a fact. We expect the incoming Administration to perform the duty thus far neglected and to redeem the national pledge to these men."

"There are now about 21,000 of these men in hospitals. There are other thousands who ought to be, but are not, because of the break-down of the entire system. From the time we entered the war the government never realized at all the need of an adequate hospital service to care for the derelicts made so by the war. Men came back wounded, disabled, broken in health and were put in temporary hospitals. The army was demobilized and men discharged and sent home. There by thousands they broke down and became incapable of supporting themselves or their dependents. Now they must be sought out among the body of the public wherever they are. A most conservative estimate prepared after a survey has shown that at least 20,000 men who ought to be in hospitals, cared for by the government and receiving compensation are not having anything done for them. My own judgment is that if we knew all the facts that figure would be 40,000."

Relief Needed for 30,000

"The bureaus that serve the disabled men ask for appropriations of \$223,000,000 for their work. The sundry civil bill carrying these appropriations was cut by \$104,000,000 in the House. Last year appropriations were based on an average of 15,000 men in temporary hospitals. This year there will be at least 20,000 men in the hospitals, and yet the amount allotted to this service is less than last year."

"If Congress makes the horrible mistake of trying to economize in this direction it will bring a disgrace upon the nation that will make us all ashamed as long as we live. The unfortunate men, who ought to be in properly equipped hospitals getting the best attention and knowing that their dependents are being provided for, are to-day, by hundreds and thousands in poorhouses and jails and insane asylums."

"The Mexican problem will be in the forefront in Mr. Harding's thoughts for the next few days. He will hold conferences relating to the desire of the Oregon government for recognition. One of the conferees will be R. B. Creager, of Brownsville, Tex., who is understood to be an aspirant for the Mexico City ambassadorship."

Harding's Host on Trip

Mr. Creager, as a leading member of the Texas delegation at the Chicago convention, seconded the nomination of Senator Harding's host at Point Isabel and Brownsville, Tex., and, with his wife, accompanied the Harding to Panama. He has an intimate knowledge of the causes of border friction and Mexico's internal politics and an excellent command of Spanish.

William G. Sharp, of Elyria, Ohio, for five years Ambassador to France, including most of the period of the war, took luncheon with Mr. Harding to-day and discussed the European situation.

Mr. Sharp, after the conference, said that he had expressed hopes to Mr. Harding that some steps would be taken toward disarmament, and that Mr. Harding had indicated that would be one of the matters to be taken up by the proposed new concert of nations.

Fire Destroys Census Records Back to 1790

No Duplicates of Priceless Documents Exist; Figures for 1920 Are Saved

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Priceless census records, dating back to 1790, when the first enumeration of the United States was taken, were destroyed to-night in a fire of undetermined origin at the Department of Commerce. The records included figures from every census up to the present one, and officials would be days before even an estimate of the damage could be given.

The blaze originated in the basement.

Three firemen were overcome by smoke during the two and a half hours' battle, and taken to the hospital. Among them was Frank Newman, recipient of the 1920 Bravery medal.

According to T. J. Fitzgerald, chief clerk of the Census Bureau, records of the census of 1890 were kept stacked outside the vaults and these were destroyed. The 1920 records were kept on an upper floor and were not damaged.

Mr. Fitzgerald said the actual loss was very slight, but the records destroyed could not be replaced. "There are no duplicates," he said.

The records, Mr. Fitzgerald said, were used by the War Department for the data by the Internal Revenue Bureau, by the Treasury Department and by the State Department. "The records were destroyed," he said, "and the rights were to be established."

Harding Party Is Due In Florida on Jan. 21

Special Dispatch to The Tribune
ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Jan. 10.—President-elect Harding, with Mrs. Harding, will arrive at the Ponce de Leon on January 21, when they will meet Senator Joseph S. Frelinghuysen and Mrs. Frelinghuysen, of New Jersey, and join them on their houseboat Victoria for a cruise down the east coast of Florida.

Upon his return President-elect Harding will remain here the greater part of February in conference with party leaders.

Daugherty, Hert Picked For Cabinet

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the hope that if a recess from Saturday until Monday could be obtained they could round up enough delegates during the interval to put Wood over, and even after he became Editor Harding of The Marion Star he continued to help out in the composing room on occasion when the regular force of printers was depleted and there were no tramp printers in town.

Daugherty for Attorney General

If Harding has been criticized for one thing more than another during the campaign and since, it has been for picking Hert to vote with them for an adjournment. But Hert lined up with the Harding forces and settled the fight.

Incidentally although there has been little doubt about this point for some time, Mr. Harding told the Tennessee visitors that he had offered the post of Attorney General to Mr. Daugherty.

Kiss Wife Every Day, Is Sentence of Court

Prisoner Accused of Beating Woman Also Advised to Quit Drinking Whisky

Jacob Roth and his wife, Ida, were in court last night. Mrs. Roth exhibited a scratch on her forehead and said her husband did it. She added that it was part of his nightly routine to strike her.

Magistrate Schwab glared severely at the defendant. He heard further testimony and said he was convinced that whisky was responsible for Roth's behavior.

"Mr. Roth," he said, "I'm going to settle your domestic difficulties right now. I want you to swear that you'll kiss your wife once every day and that you'll never take another drink."

Roth swore.

Harding Joins Typographical Union in Office

Suggestion Is Made That New Affiliation May Influence His Selection of Secretary of Labor

Asks Efficiency in Craft

Better Service Only Insurance Against Reduced Wage Scale, He Declares

From a Staff Correspondent
MARION, Ohio, Jan. 10.—President-elect Harding, in his efforts to select a Secretary of Labor, may be guided in his choice by his own newly accepted union labor affiliation. The Senator took the obligation to-night of Marion Typographical Union No. 675, and hereafter will carry a union card.

Before he cast his first vote Senator Harding had learned to set type, and even after he became Editor Harding of The Marion Star he continued to help out in the composing room on occasion when the regular force of printers was depleted and there were no tramp printers in town.

It was Editor Harding and not the President-elect who attended the meeting of the printers' chapel at the Star office to-night. The secret Service agents who accompany him wherever he goes were loitering in the dimly lighted second floor hallway of The Star office while Marion's most distinguished citizen was taking the oath whereby he agreed to obey the mandates of the union and support his fellow members.

Inside the meeting room, however, there was no suggestion of pomp. The ceremony was held in one of the dusty, poorly lighted editorial rooms of The Star, a chamber that serves as an anteroom for the managing editor's office which formerly was the office of the President-elect. For a number of years the union printers of both the local newspapers have held their meetings there at the express invitation of Senator Harding.

Editor Lambert, of The Star's rival, The Marion Tribune, was present as a member in good standing. So was Martin Luther, an aged, whiskered printer, who is proud to be referred to as the oldest employee of The Star.

F. E. Dennis, president of the local, administered the oath, and then Senator Harding made a short talk in which he restated his feeling about the case of labor in the United States. He told them labor must weed out the "leeches in its ranks if the present scale of wages is to be maintained. He spoke to them as an employer familiar with the problems of the employer; he gave intimate details of the cost of running the newspaper and added: "I hope you will never have to go back to the old scale of wages, but there is only one way for you to avoid

Girl Asks for "Lift," Is Doped, Beaten, Robbed

Declares Men in Taxi Gave Her Drink and Then Slugged Her

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Constance Durbin, nineteen years old, of 215 East Eighteenth Street, appeared before Magistrate Tobias in the Tombs court yesterday and explained how she had been the victim of a taxi hold-up on Sunday night.

According to Miss Durbin three young men offered to "give her a lift" uptown in a taxicab early Sunday night. Shortly after accepting their offer she says that they were given something to drink which stupefied her. She charges that they then beat and robbed her of her watch and pitched her from the taxicab at Franklin Street and West Broadway with a split lip and a bruised face.

When Policeman Kahan of the Oak Street station found her moaning and unable to walk a few hours later he took her to the police station, where, what had taken her a coherent account of the incident. She was taken to a technical charge of intoxication. Magistrate Tobias after hearing her story discharged her.

Magistrate Tobias said he was satisfied with the way I had run things. "I'd like to have a whole of a jamboree to consent to this."

Mrs. Livermore Heads New Republican Club

Mrs. Arthur L. Livermore, of Yonkers, chairman of the Women's State Executive Committee, yesterday was chosen the first president of the newly organized Women's National Republican Club, with temporary headquarters at 38 West Thirty-ninth Street.

The other officers are Mrs. Charles H. Sabin, first vice-president; Miss Helen Marie Boswell, second vice-president; Mrs. Courtland Nicoll, third vice-president; Mrs. Arthur Lott, recording secretary; Miss Sarah Butler, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Horatio Shonard, treasurer.

Mrs. Livermore said the work of canvassing is going forward, and that an earnest effort would be made to make the club the leading women's political social organization in the world.

Ultimately the club will take over the present headquarters of the Republican State Committee at 43 West Thirty-ninth Street, when the state committee moves into the ninth floor of the National Republican Club.

Harding Asks Inaugural Be Expenseless

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port to the Congressional committee, and expressed the wish that no preparation or outlay of any kind be made. It will be most pleasing to me to be simply sworn in, speak briefly my pledge of faith to the country and turn at once to the work which will be calling.

Again expressing by gratitude to you and your associates and to the generous people of Washington."

Opposed from the Start

There can be no doubt that Senator Harding has been opposed to anything but the simplest form of inauguration from the start. He expressed himself on this point in a very positive fashion before the inaugural committee was formed and long before Senator Borah began his attacks on the proposed appropriation for the inauguration.

One day, while returning to the United States from his Panama vacation aboard the S. S. Pastores, the President-elect was asked for ideas on the subject. He said then that he had in mind a plan to abandon everything but the actual taking of the oath. He said he thought it would be an impressive example of thrift and economy to the nation if there was no ball, no parade, nor, in fact, anything of a ceremonial nature.

"My idea would be," he said, "to open up the books after taking the oath, and get down to business. Then, at the end of the day, if everybody was satisfied with the way I had run things, I'd like to have a whole of a jamboree to consent to this."

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Plans for extensive inaugural ceremonies in Washington on March 4 were practically abandoned to-night.

The strong probability is that there will be no inaugural parade, which not absolutely certain on this point. Edward B. McLean, chairman of the inaugural committee, inclined to this view late to-night.

It is not out of the question that the entire inaugural ceremony will be confined to the proceedings in the Senate chamber itself. Many Senators have felt from the first that it was a useless expense to pay out thousands of dollars for the erection of seats in front of the Capitol, which would be occupied only by members of Congress, their families and their families.

In 1909 when President Taft was inaugurated, and when a severe storm overwhelmed Washington, the oath was administered to him in the Senate chamber and he delivered his address there. It would be feasible, if Congress and the President-elect desired to, to do up this plan again.

Talks With Senator Harding

Mr. McLean received word over the long-distance telephone from Presi-

dent-elect Harding late to-night to abandon all plans for the celebration. "I have just talked with Senator Harding over long distance," said Mr. McLean to-night, when asked if he had received the Senator's telegram. "The wishes of Senator Harding will be absolutely final in the matter so far as I am concerned."

"I can say, furthermore, that Senator Harding personally never wanted to have the celebration. He opposed it on the ground of economy. He never liked the idea of lavish display and expenditure of money and he felt that under the conditions which exist it was not best to have the celebration. He was told by some of his friends that it was the custom and he ought to turn to it. And while he did so at the outset, the action he has taken now is absolutely in accord with his own wishes from the beginning."

Senator Knox, who is chairman of the joint committee of Congress in charge of the inaugural ceremonies at the Capitol, said to-night he had not received a message from Senator Harding asking that the inaugural ceremonies be abandoned. Senator Knox pointed out, however, that the Congressional end of the preparations was entirely distinct from the preparations for a civic celebration in charge of the inaugural committee, of which Mr. McLean is chairman.

Senator Knox said the inaugural committee, of which he was chairman, was responsible to Congress alone and was directed by Congress to make certain plans for the ceremonies in the Capitol. Whatever Congress directs as to these plans the committee will do. Already a resolution to appropriate \$50,000 has passed both houses. This sum will merely provide for extra police protection for the Capitol and the building of a stand and seats in front of the Capitol. Congress, if it

deems proper, can rescind or reconsider its action.

Plans for the celebration were bombarded at the Capitol to-day. The debate was especially vigorous in the Senate, where Senator Sherman, of Illinois, denounced the "plunderers" in Washington, especially the hotel keepers, and demanded an investigation of hotel rates. At the same time Senator Borah, of Idaho, presented a resolution to shut off further appropriations for the expenses of the inauguration and prohibit the use of any government building in Washington for the inaugural ball. To this Senator Norris, of Nebraska, offered an amendment intended to prevent either army or navy forces being brought here for the inaugural, including the cadets from West Point and the midshipmen from Annapolis.

Party Chiefs Call on Hays To Refuse Cabinet Post

Will H. Hays chairman of the Republican National Committee, is being bombarded with letters and telegrams from Republicans, and from some Democrats, advising him to stay out of the Harding Cabinet in case he is invited to go in.

The bulk of the advice from Republicans is for him to stay at the head of the national committee and not try to undertake another task, his correspondents arguing that he will not be able to fill the part of a Cabinet secretary and that of the chairman and do both jobs well.

When Mr. Hays was seen yesterday he declined, as usual, to discuss the possibility of going into the Harding Cabinet.

Mr. Hays will see Mr. Harding before the President-elect leaves on Saturday of this week for St. Augustine,

where he will be the guest of Senator Frelinghuysen, of New Jersey, for three or four weeks. Republican leaders say that correct information can be obtained on the make up of the Harding Cabinet by watching statesmen who are invited to see Senator Harding at St. Augustine.

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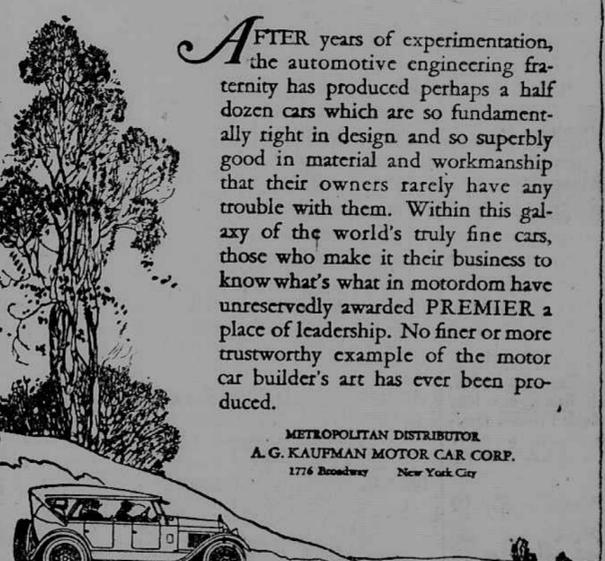
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