

Today—Fair and colder; tomorrow probably rain. Detailed weather report will be found on page two.

"Sketches From Life" appear every Sunday in The Washington Herald; a page of droll humor, a smile in every picture.

CASH BONUS FOR WORLD-WAR VETERANS AGREED UPON GEORGIA EFFORT TO "SMOKE OUT" THE PRESIDENT FAILS

ENTRY OF WILSON NAME IN GEORGIA THOUGHT A PLOT

Silence at White House Followed by Last-minute Withdrawal of Signatures and Removal of Name from Primary Ballot—Another Attempt to Make President Speak Expected.

What was regarded as an effort to "smoke out" President Wilson on his attitude toward a third term, by entering his name in the Georgia primaries, has ended in flat failure and the White House sphinx was as uncommunicative as ever yesterday.

Without a word from the executive mansion, Wilson's name was eliminated from the Georgia ballot when a number of those who signed the petition to put it there withdrew their signatures at the last minute.

Another Attempt Likely. Another attempt to make Wilson declare himself on the third term proposition is looked for soon.

But those in close touch with the White House believe that, while he will not be a candidate, he will not eliminate himself from the situation until the Democratic convention actually nominates somebody else.

In this way he will maintain his leadership and take a hand in picking the nominee.

Tried Forcing Him Into Open. The "inside story" of the Georgia affair, as seen here, is about as follows: Democratic opponents of the President, determined to make him forswear a third term and thus make the fight for the nomination a "free for all," planned a number of coups to force him into the open.

Their first move was a speech by Representative Humphreys, demanding that Wilson announce he is not a candidate. This had no effect at the White House.

Then the operations were transferred to Georgia, home of Senator Hoke Smith, one of the first Democrats to break away from Wilson's leadership. One hundred signatures are necessary there to put a name on the primary ballot.

Those interested in making the President declare himself circulated a petition and obtained more than 100 names. Wilson had until noon Thursday to send word that he wanted his name withdrawn, and it was believed he would surely do so, and that he would have to make some kind of a statement in connection with the request.

Think Wilson Foiled Plan. Then, according to reports received here from Georgia, just before the ballots were to be printed enough names were withdrawn from the Wilson petition to invalidate it and the bubble burst.

Those who give the President credit for great political shrewdness, and for having many lieutenants working in the field, believe that he had advanced information of the Georgia plan and that a number of the 100 names signed to his petition were put there by persons who could be counted on to withdraw them at the proper time and thus foil those who were trying to put Wilson on record.

The next move of the anti-Wilson Democrats is awaited here with eagerness.

Name Will Not Appear. Atlanta, Ga., April 2.—President Wilson's name will not appear on the Democratic Presidential primary in Georgia, Hiram Gardner, secretary of the Democratic State executive committee, announced last night.

Names of a number of the signers of the petition which would have placed Wilson in the position of appearing before the people of Georgia seeking the support of the Georgia delegation at the San Francisco convention, were withdrawn just in time to eliminate the President's name from the ballots, Gardner stated.

Elimination of Wilson's name leaves the race to Senator Hoke Smith, Attorney General Palmer and Thomas E. Watson, so far as known early today. To set at rest rumors that several eleventh-hour names had been entered, Gardner stated that he would make an official announcement during the day after conferring with Chairman J. J. Flynt.

Actor Held on Charge Of Brutality to Girl. New York, April 2.—John Gallander, an actor, was ordered held under \$2,500 bonds today when arraigned on the charge of brutally treating his 17-year-old daughter, Minnie.

MICHIGAN VOTE TO THIN RANKS OF CANDIDATES

Primaries Monday Will Show Real Leaders in Presidential Races.

Detroit, April 2.—The Michigan primary was "up in the air" today.

The last minute entry of Herbert Hoover for the Republican nomination has made predictions of Monday's vote impossible, politicians agreed.

New York, April 2.—Campaign observers are predicting that Michigan will become a political cemetery Monday.

Thirteen candidates for the Presidential nomination—seven Republicans, five Democrats and one Socialist—are entered in the preferential primaries there today. The one polling a plurality in each party will get all of that State's thirty delegates to his respective national convention.

While it is still comparatively early in the pre-convention campaign, Michigan is regarded as one of the "pivotal" States this year, so far as the nominations are concerned. Several candidates, particularly the Republicans, are confidently claiming the State's endorsement and are declaring that several flourishing booms will be permanently interred there.

Seven Republicans Compete. The thirteen candidates are: Republicans—Senator Miles Poinsett, Senator Hiram Johnson, Gen. John J. Pershing, Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood, Gov. Frank O. Lowden, of Illinois; Herbert Hoover and William G. Simpson, of Detroit.

Democrats—Gov. Edward I. Edwards, of New Jersey; William J. Bryan, William G. McAdoo, Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer and Herbert Hoover.

Socialist—Eugene V. Debs. Michigan is normally Republican. In 1916 it gave Charles E. Hughes 327,952 votes; President Wilson, 283,993; and Allen Benson, Socialist, 16,912. Wilson ran far ahead of the State ticket. In 1912, however, it gave Theodore Roosevelt, Progressive, 24,584; William Howard Taft, Republican, 152,244; Woodrow Wilson, 150,751; and Debs, Socialist, 23,211.

Hoover on Both Tickets. At least two of the Republican candidates are expecting to "cash in" on that Roosevelt sentiment—Wood and Johnson—both of whom were personal friends of T. R. and are generally regarded as "progressives." Hoover's backers believe he will inherit a large part of the liberal element that supported Roosevelt and Wilson.

The fact Hoover is on both tickets is expected to present an interesting situation. This is the first time he has been put to the test politically since his telegram to the San Francisco Hoover Club, in which he aligned himself with the Republicans. Naturally, this is looked to to increase his Republican and decrease his Democratic vote, but his followers assert they would not be surprised to see him lead both tickets.

Most of the candidates have made intensive campaigns in Michigan. Former Derby Bellhop Will Get Knighthood. London, April 2.—The King has decided to confer the honor of a knighthood on William Towse, a former hotel manager, who during the war was attached to the ministry of munitions.

Towse started his career as a bell boy in a Derby hotel.

CHILE REFUSES OFFER TO HAVE U. S. INTERVENE

Reply Made to Wilson Note On Peruvian-Bolivian Controversy.

SHEA GIVEN ANSWER American Ambassador Told Policy Proposed Never Will Be Accepted.

Santiago, Chile, April 2.—Chile will not accept intervention in the Chilean-Bolivian dispute or any other dispute she may have with her neighbors, either from the United States or any other power, the Chilean government declared today in a communication handed to Joseph S. Shea, the American Ambassador.

The communication was in reply to the United States note on the Peruvian-Bolivian dispute, and said in part: "Our ambassador in Washington, Senor Don Beltran Mathieu, advises this government that the Secretary of the State Department has informed him that in this emergency the United States has assumed the same position that President Wilson adopted in the Peruvian-Chilean incidents, limiting it to the character of conciliatory advice and not meaning to press intervention unless his mediation or good offices be asked by both parties.

Never Favored Intervention. "According to this information Chile considers the meaning of the United States government note as clearly expressed; that is, that the United States does not think of any form of intervention in Chilean-Peruvian-Bolivian affairs except with the reservation that all the interested parties should jointly ask the good offices or mediation of the United States government.

"Chile never has accepted foreign interventions and without boasting, states she will not accept them in the Taena-Arica problem or any other from any power or group of powers."

Shea Makes Reply. Shea replied that he agreed with the principles expressed by the Chilean government, adding that the principle of nonintervention was long ago incorporated in American policy toward Chile. This, he said, was proved by the American attitude in December 1918, when incidents resulted in withdrawal of Chilean and Peruvian insular agents.

After expressing satisfaction at receipt of communication, Shea ended by declaring he was especially happy to co-operate in the growing commercial relations between his country and Chile, which he hoped would lead to a closer understanding between the peoples of each nation.

Early Spring Bride In District Society



MISS FRANCES CARPENTER. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Carpenter, who will start the wedding ball rolling for society brides this spring. Her marriage to William C. Huntington is set for April 6. Huntington is set for April 6. Huntington is set for April 6.

SOLDIER RACES UNCLE IN VOTE

Canvass for Mayor of Staunton Heated Over Issue Of Americanism.

Staunton, Va., April 2.—Stonewall Brigade Band, of Staunton, played when Reese T. Grubert marched away in 1917 to service in the army. He has returned now and is a candidate for mayor.

His uncle, William A. Grubert, a member of the band, refused to play and was criticised by some of Staunton's residents on the issue of Americanism.

William A. Grubert also is a candidate for mayor. The political fight has reached a stage of frenzy here. A newspaper here last night published an editorial questioning the elder Grubert's patriotism and stirred him and his friends to white heat in their denials. Members of the American Legion are backing Reese Grubert in his race.

Meanwhile the city faces an election to decide whether the city manager form of government shall be adopted. In that case neither of the Gruberts will be mayor.

FRENCH LABOR LUKEWARM ON MAY 1 STRIKE

Workers' Enthusiasm Over 24-Hour Walkout Expected to Cool.

OUTLOOK STILL BAD Government Diplomacy Is Needed to Avert Catastrophe.

(Washington Herald-Public Ledger Service. Special Cable Dispatch.) By WYTHE WILLIAMS.

Paris, April 2.—The final decision of the General Federation of Labor to call a general strike of twenty-four hours on May 1, effective throughout France already has focused governmental attention upon "revolutionary tendencies" resulting from the serious, if not critical, internal situation.

A year ago there was so much skepticism as to whether there really would be a general walk-out that matters were allowed to drift until almost the last moment. Then troops were hurriedly concentrated in Paris and other large cities. The result was several serious clashes between the proletariat and the military, which were settled only when soldiers cleared the boulevards with drawn swords. For a city that soon was to entertain victorious armies in the solemn fete of a march beneath the arch of triumph May 1 was a somber and disquieting spectacle.

General Conditions Bad. Now while general conditions are little, if any, improved, and in some ways are worse than in the dark days of the war, the year that has just elapsed gives ample opportunity for reflection upon events in Russia and elsewhere. This is likely to bring a more conciliatory note into the conferences between the government and the labor federation between now and the date proposed for the demonstration.

So while it is altogether likely that the strike will take place, the result probably will be "one of those strikes of style," as Alfred Capus says, "without significance, without profound thought, into which the working classes will enter with hesitant hearts because they permitted it to be imposed on them by chiefs who themselves lack enthusiasm."

Strike Probably Harmless. If such be the case and if the government authorities give the order to the military not to look for trouble where no real trouble exists—which was not entirely the case last year—then the Federation of Labor may have its demonstration with no harm to anybody.

Although several members of the cabinet have expressed themselves strongly on the precautions to be taken—which naturally is their duty—they also declared they would be neither dupes nor accomplices of the revolutionaries and that there was no real feeling of general alarm resulting from the labor pronouncements.

There is only the expression of a hope that accord will be established between the government and the federation, together with the faith that the good sense of French workmen, in the face of the present national necessity for sticking together, has not been completely lost. Also the fact that the new taxes enforced today will give a full month's time in which one may get accustomed to them, will aid the situation.

(Copyright, 1920, Public Ledger Co.) OFFICIALS KILL THREE MEXICAN SMUGGLERS

Laredo, Tex., April 2.—In a fight between four American customs inspectors and a band of seven Mexican smugglers, forty miles southeast of Laredo last yesterday, three of the Mexican smugglers were killed and four others made their escape. None of the American officers were injured, it became known today.

Pullman Theft Suspect Taken at Cape Charles. Cape Charles, Va., April 2.—Frank Markey, 23 years old, of New York, was arrested here this morning charged with stealing a handbag from C. M. Shultz, of Norfolk, Va., who was a sleeping car passenger on the New York and Norfolk express train of the N. Y. & N. R. R. arriving here this morning. Markey was arrested when he tried to check a bag to New York.

SHIPPING BOARD VESSEL ON FIRE

New York, April 2.—The United States Shipping Board steamer Eastern King, 2,315, was afire off Sagua la Grande, Cuba, and needed help, according to a wireless forwarded the naval communication office here today from Key West, Fla.

The Shipping Board steamer Lake Medford was standing by, pumping water on the burning vessel, the message said. The Eastern King sailed from New York March 26 for Caibarien and Nuevititas.

MEXICANS SLAY ANOTHER U. S. CITIZEN

One Killed, One Stabbed And Train Bearing Diplomat Dynamited.

One more American has been murdered in Mexico, and a train bearing the American military attaché at Mexico City, his wife and two other American passengers, has been dynamited, according to information received here yesterday by the State Department.

H. A. Jafredon, employe of the International Petroleum Company, at Amatlan Camp, near Tampico, is the slain American. Alexander Oberg, nationality unknown, but presumed a citizen of the United States, was stabbed, probably fatally, in the same fracas.

Both were attacked by Mexicans also in the employ of the company on March 30.

Colby Takes Action. Secretary Colby telegraphed to both the American embassy at Mexico City and the consulate at Tampico to make prompt representations looking to the speedy apprehension and punishment of the murderers.

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THREE STATES HIT BY FLOODS

Atlanta, Ga., April 2.—Flood conditions in sections of Georgia, Tennessee and South Carolina assumed dangerous proportions today as a result of torrential rains within the past forty-eight hours. Property damage is expected to run high.

Train service was badly crippled. Thousands of acres of land were reported flooded in North Georgia, East Tennessee and Northwest South Carolina.

Several cities and towns, including Chattanooga, Knoxville, Rome, Ga., and Abbeville, S. C., reported heavy damage. Sevierville, Tenn., was reported to be cut off from the outside world as a result of washouts.

The Weather Bureau announced that the Tennessee River would reach a forty-one-foot stage, eight feet above the flood stage, by Sunday morning.

TAX ON LUXURIES OR SALES TARIFF TO RAISE FUNDS

House Ways and Means Committee Adopts Resolution by Longworth — Members Against Bond Issue—Purpose Is to Enact Beneficial Legislation Before Adjournment in June.

Definite agreement to report out a soldier aid bill was reached by the House Ways and Means Committee yesterday. The decision came on a resolution offered by Representative Longworth, Republican, of Ohio, which provided that legislation for the benefit of the ex-service men would be framed, but that no bonds or bond issues would be authorized to raise the necessary revenue.

The cash required under the measure, the resolution further provided, is to be raised through taxes on luxuries or a sales tax. The vote on the resolution was 15 to 6.

Quick Action Desired. The provisions of the bill remain to be worked out, but discussion in the committee indicated that it will follow the lines of a cash bonus and extension of vocational education to all former soldiers. The legislation must be restricted to these two methods, it was generally agreed, if it is to be passed before Congress adjourns in June.

The other two features of the American Legion's alternative plan—home building and farm development—would have to carry complicated machinery, which would result in serious legislative difficulties.

It was pointed out that while sentiment was almost unanimous in favor of the Federal Reserve act and the Federal farm loan act, the difficulties in framing them and passing them through the two houses caused delays of several months. The same thing would be experienced with a soldier aid bill carrying home and farm provisions, it was felt.

Working Out Details. The task of working out the details of the bill was left to five subcommittees, which were agreed on by the Republican and Democratic leaders on the committee. They will be confirmed at a meeting of the full committee Monday morning.

The subcommittees will make a careful study of the various proposals submitted to the committee, the number of persons eligible to the proposed benefits and the cost of each plan, and recommend the most practicable plan to be adopted.

A thorough study also will be made of the several proposed methods of raising the revenue necessary to provide for the bonuses.

The subcommittees will begin work immediately, said Chairman Fordney, and should submit their recommendations within a few weeks. He was confident the bill would be passed "long before" Congress adjourns.

One proposal offered at today's meeting was that the schedule of taxation in the original war revenue act, which raised \$6,000,000,000 for the year 1918, should be restored. This schedule was modified so as to reduce the amount of revenue to \$4,000,000,000 for 1919, now being collected. The additional \$2,000,000,000, it was pointed out, would be more than sufficient to meet the bonus requirements.

Members of the committee were not prepared to say what would be the amount of the cash bonus, but it was indicated that it will be less than the \$150 a day for each day served, as recommended by the American Legion. The cost, therefore, would be less than \$2,000,000,000, it was said.

Representative Henry T. Rainey, Democrat, of Illinois, served notice that he would insist upon consideration of his bill providing for a retroactive tax on war profits.

Cardinal Mercier's Own Story. Just Off the Presses. Telling New Chapters of The War. As Seen by "The Man Who Became God's Diplomat" in Belgium. Is Described TOMORROW. By JOHN HEARLEY in The Washington Herald.

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