

GEN. SAWYER YIELDS TO LEGION DEMANDS

Convention Announcement Says He Has Agreed to Hospital Program.

STATEMENT BY SPRAGUE

Col. Forbes Denies Deegan Charge Harding Is Meddling in Veteran Body.

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD. NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 14.—Surprise marked the day for the thousands who arrived to attend the American Legion convention. The biggest was a statement by Col. A. A. Sprague, chairman of the Legion Hospitalization Committee which for weeks has been laying down a barrage against Brig.-Gen. Sawyer, personal physician of President Harding.

Col. Charles R. Forbes, director of the Veterans Bureau, answered William F. Deegan of New York, a candidate for national commander, who had charged that Col. Forbes was coming to the convention as the representative of the Washington Administration to influence the Legion election in favor of an anti-bonus man. Col. Forbes noted that he wanted an "overseas" man elected; Deegan did not get overseas.

Whether the warfare against Gen. Sawyer will be helped by Col. Sprague's announcement is doubtful. Virtually every arriving delegation is armed with a resolution condemning Gen. Sawyer.

"I will have no recommendations to make against Gen. Sawyer," said Col. Sprague. "I cannot hit a man when he is down or when he agrees with us. Gen. Sawyer sat down with us and agreed to a typewritten agreement we had. He submitted it to the President before giving his final answer and told us the President had approved it."

Deegan's supporters say this is camouflage. They say Gen. Sawyer was made the goat for Col. Forbes, who, they add, really was the stumbling block in the two appropriations by Congress setting aside \$35,000,000 for the purpose.

DOCTORS WOULD DROP LATIN IN PRESCRIPTIONS

Convention Votes Also to Regulate Major Operations.

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 14.—These two important resolutions were adopted here today at the twentieth annual joint convention of the International Alliance of Physicians and Surgeons, and the National Association of Progressive Medicine.

"All prescriptions shall be in the language spoken in the country in which the doctor is licensed to practice, and in which the patient is being treated."

JEALOUSY THEORY DROPPED IN NEWEST HALL INQUIRY

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who owns land adjoining the farm, told the authorities to-day that at about 9:20 on the night of September 14 he heard four shots in quick succession. The sound, he said, came apparently from the neighborhood of the abandoned farmhouse. His home is about 200 yards from where the bodies were found. He had heard shots in the neighborhood before, Leupp stated, but they came from the Italian farmhouses where quarrels were frequent. This was the first time, he asserted, that he had heard such sounds coming from the direction of the Phillips farm.

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Stricker Gets Statement.

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"We went to Judge Parker to make a formal application for aid in this case. The move was made on my initiative and not by request of Mr. Stricker. We have had this move under consideration for a week or more, and were simply waiting for the right moment to make it, the time when the exigencies of the case would demand such a move."

When asked whether the help would take the form of legal aid or an addition to the investigation force—the question being so phrased as to imply that the services of the Attorney-General or of Detective Ellis Parker of Burlington might have been asked for—Mr. Beekman said that the aid asked was of a legal nature, not of an investigating character.

He said the meeting was like a conference, though formal, and he explained that under the Jersey law a suggestion could call the prosecutor in and suggest help even when no request was made. In this instance, aid had been asked, he said, by himself. He did not know, he concluded, what assistance Judge Parker would give, adding that if he did know he would not tell. He said: "That is for the court to decide."

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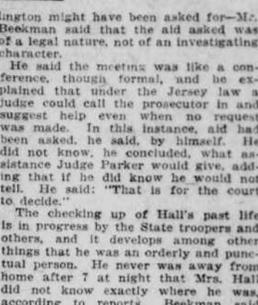
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Charlotte Mills Has Complaint.

Charlotte Mills said to-day that her life has been rather hard since the death of her mother. She asserted that her father would not permit her to stay out at night and that he had threatened to have her committed to a home for incorrigibles if she did not behave herself. A chance to go out and also an opportunity to get an education are her desires, she contends.

Charlotte says that some of her father's family have been at the house recently and have made slighting remarks regarding Mrs. Mills, declaring in effect "she got what she deserved."

The Mills girl, who has been a little out of the limelight since Pearl Bahmer became a figure in the case, asserted that the last words her mother said to her were: "Kid, you wait for me." Charlotte added: "We always called each other Kid."

Continuing Charlotte said: "Mom was afraid to come home along George street in the dark, and when she got home she always looked behind the doors to see if any one was there. I am sure she never was out at the Phillips farm, as she always told us all about it when she went to any new place."

Charlotte was asked whether another man than Mills and Hall had figured in her mother's life. She answered in the affirmative, but added that the man is now dead. Mills was also questioned, but was reluctant to talk, though he admitted he had not sent out an alarm for his wife when he found she was missing. He nevertheless contended that he loved his wife dearly. Later in the day Mills went to the Prosecutor's office to protest against reports that he is under suspicion for the murder of his sister if they continued.

When he left he was asked by reporters: "Did you get everything all fixed up?" He replied: "Yes, all fixed up." He replied: "Yes, all fixed up."

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