

SAN CARLOS ASSOCIATION ADVANCES A VOUCHER SYSTEM IN BUILDING OF EMPIRE

Thousands Assemble to Further Great Project in San Carlos Day Celebration at Florence—Barbecue and Sports on Program—Reports of Progress During the Year Show Great Headway—Political Candidates Are Introduced and Give Pledges of Support—Meeting Greatest Yet

Before a crowd which took up every foot of space in the big outdoor auditorium of the Florence high school and verflowed to the lawn surrounding, the achievements of the San Carlos association for the past year were outlined yesterday and plans for the future initiated in what was called afterwards the largest and most enthusiastic gathering ever brought together to discuss the problems of the Florence-Casa Grande valley.

Thousands Attend Early in the morning automobiles from the country contiguous to Florence began to enter the city, and by noon, when the out-door lunch was ready, thousands of people had gathered to listen to the program of the day and to assist, each in his own way, in bringing the proposal to dam the waters of the Gila river to a successful fulfillment. The grounds around the high school were filled with automobiles; the incoming train had discharged its passengers; two score candidates had been named for the grand stand where they might be seen to advantage and from which their literature might be distributed easily and quickly, and all the soft drink stands were experiencing the first rush of the day, when announcement was made that the outdoor lunch was prepared and all those who had not associated baskets of edibles with them lined up for heaping plates of beef barbecued to a turn, beans cooked like mother cooks them, chili sauce, and honest coffee.

Reports on Progress The meeting was opened by J. O. Baughn, judge of the superior court and chairman of the executive committee of the San Carlos association. A committee to undertake the task of signing up the membership of the association, the appointment of San Carlos commissioners at Florence, Tucson and Phoenix and Tucson to assist in the work of making the San Carlos project a reality, the making of motion pictures of the project to be shown at places of interest, and the sending of representatives to reclamation meetings at Salt Lake City and at Washington and to conventions of the League of Nations at Geneva, London, and the mailing of thousands of pieces of literature concerning the project and its importance.

War Department May Grant Poles Ammunition Sales [Republican A. P. Leased Wire] WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—Moved by the reiterated pleas for aid from Poland, the war department has under serious consideration today the request of the Polish minister and Secretary Coblenz for permission to purchase war materials from the United States. After conferences yesterday and today between the Polish minister and Secretary Coblenz, the war department also took up the problem of finding means of re-invigorating the ebbing strength of the Polish army, and of fulfilling the assurance of support contained in the American note to the Italian ambassador. Polish officials explained that, in addition to the desire for war materials, they were anxious to obtain authorization to permit recruiting for the Polish army in America. It was said that the Polish government had received by the legation from Polish citizens resident in the United States, but that many offers had come from former American veterans. May Recruit Volunteers The Polish government, it was said officially at the legation tonight, had not made a formal request for authorization to it of so unusual privilege. At the same time it was conceded, the privilege was one of which Poland would avail itself if tendered by the United States. While a statute forbids enlistment of armed expeditions in the United States for employment abroad, a statutory power, some officials explained, the president could suspend the operation of the law under his war-time powers. Raising of recruits by Poland, under Paderewski before the United States entered the war, it was recalled, was agreed to by the American government and many Poles enlisted to fight under the allies, were removed from the United States and trained in Canada and abroad. So that the United States may keep in more intimate touch with developments in Poland, Hugh Gibson, American minister to Poland, home on leave, will depart tomorrow for Warsaw. He will be accompanied by W. B. Robbins, acting chief of the division of Near Eastern Affairs, who has been temporarily assigned as chancellor of the legation. France Will Recognize Wrangel The official communique announcing the intention of France to recognize as a de facto government, that represented by General Wrangel in southern Russia, was received today. It says that a French diplomatic agent will be sent to Sebastopol, with the title of business commissioner. Administration officials consider the French step as logical, in view of the succession of General Wrangel to the authority of Admiral Kolchak and the Omsk government which was recognized by both France and Great Britain. Without foreshadowing a similar step by the United States, officials declared that the action of France was in no way inconsistent with the policy towards Russia advocated in the American note to Italy. The American government, it was recalled, while not having recognized Kolchak, at one time endeavored to place Kolchak in a position which would be recognized. Reports that France's recognition of Wrangel's government had led to de-

Strike Leaders Will Not Leave Official Posts

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] DENVER, Colo., Aug. 12.—Officers of the Denver union of street car men, facing sentence for contempt of court will not resign, they declared tonight in response to the announcement of Judge Greely W. Whitford in district court today that their resignations might affect the sentences imposed. When the seven officers of the union came before Judge Whitford this afternoon for sentence, their attorney, W. A. Williams, asked for a continuance to Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. In granting the request, Judge Whitford declared that he was not entirely satisfied with the action of the officers in attempting to end the strike. Strikers who have not made application for their jobs by midnight tonight, will automatically lose their seniority rights and pension privileges, according to an announcement by the company. Tramway officials declare they have received applications for jobs as motormen and conductors from 1,000 men, including 700 of whom who struck a week ago last Sunday.

A rock was thrown through the window of a car late today, but no one was hurt. This was the only disturbance reported. That the candidate also is thinking of the tariff issue as a feature of his campaign was revealed by him in making public a message to California regarding the fruit industry. It said the Republican party would stand for protection of the fruit industry against American interests by after-war competition and Senator Harding added that he felt the tariff question was bound to come more and more to the front. "The wool situation is even more distressing than the fruit situation in California," he said.

BULGER WILL HEAD COLORADO S. F. OF L.

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] PUEBLO, Colo., Aug. 12.—J. C. Bulger of Denver was re-elected president of the Colorado State Federation of Labor at the meeting of that federation in Pueblo tonight. Bulger received 176 votes to William H. Young, his opponent's 112. Ed Anderson, also of Denver, was re-elected secretary-treasurer by a vote of 181. His opponent, Frank Monroe, received 108 votes. The next state convention will be held in Colorado. R. T. Robinson was elected delegate to the convention of the American Federation of Labor, which will be held in Denver next summer. The vice-president elects were: Adney of Denver, Fred Howard of Pueblo, James Dunham of Oak Creek, J. W. Sturdevant of Grand Junction, W. C. Thornton of Denver, W. H. Shiley of Trinidad, W. F. Targart of Colorado Springs, T. O. Spacey of Denver and John Gross of Pueblo.

ILLINOIS DERBY WINNERS LA HARPE, Ill., Aug. 12.—Two out of the three events on today's Great Western card went to winners in straight heats. Axtion, driven by Harris, winning the 2 1/2 mile and Chalmers Wood, the 3:24 trot. Five heats were required to decide the 2:12 pace, Minnie Edgewood winning after her rival Hal Bear had captured two firsts.

HOME INDUSTRIES Two Die Result of Sheep Feuds Near Williams

(Special to The Republican) WILLIAMS, Ariz., Aug. 12.—William A. Johnson and George Robinson, well known men here, are being held on charges of murdering two men in the shooting of two Mexican sheep herders on Johnson's ranch, seven miles north of here, at sunrise this morning. Herders men came into Williams about 9 o'clock this morning and surrendered to Constable George MacDougal, saying there had been a shooting nearby which had better be looked into. They turned over two high powered rifles. Arriving at Johnson's ranch the authorities found the body of a Mexican about 12 years old. After considerable search Deputy Sheriff G. A. Cunningham found a second Mexican lying in the brush about a quarter of a mile from the scene of the shooting. Two rifles belonging to the herders were picked up also. Sheriff Harrington arrested the two ranchers on murder charges. A coroner's inquest was arranged for Friday afternoon. The men under arrest refused to make a statement for publication and the authorities professed to know little about the incident, but it was understood the shooting was the culmination of a dispute over the trespassing of the sheep when grazing. The sheep were owned by Bob Dagnans, in whose employ the two herders were.

Claim Herders Shot First FLAGSTAFF, Ariz., Aug. 12.—Following the arrest today of W. A. Johnson and George Robinson charged with murder in connection with the killing of two Mexican sheepherders, it became known that two weeks ago Johnson swore out a warrant charging the herders with trespassing and asking their arrest. The Mexicans were ordered off the premises. It was understood here that when Johnson and Robinson today were taken to Williams the latter opened fire and Johnson and Robinson then began shooting. It was reported here the Mexicans had established camp either on or close to Johnson's homestead.

Cor Senate Greetings While the senator was working on the speech he will deliver tomorrow to the Ohio Republican Editorial association, the Democratic presidential nominee, Governor Cox, passed through Marion on his way to Camp Perry, O., and sent a message of greeting to his Republican opponent.

Will Speak on Labor Day September 6, Labor day, was the date suggested by party leaders for Senator Harding's address in Minneapolis. The corresponding speaker in agricultural speech, they also are understood to have given consideration to the state fair of Iowa and those of other American states.

His telegram on tariff, sent former Senator F. P. Flint of California, Senator Harding said. "Your telegram describing the deplorable condition of the California lemon industry suggests several things. I feel an especial concern for the California fruit industries because they have given the country a splendid illustration of the beneficent results of highly organized, well managed co-operation."

Operation. American industries first. It is especially necessary that the great industry should not be permitted to suffer because of a maladjustment of tariff rates. American markets can be given the health and vigor of foreign producers, however kindly we feel toward our allies; and the conditions your industry faces are those that many other industries will later confront unless proper protection is given in view of the extraordinary conditions in the commercial world.

The Republican policy of giving first attention to American interests rather than to those of other continents, will insure against disaster to industries situated as is this one. To such a policy I gladly subscribe. The nominee indicated today that he might have some comment to make soon regarding the European situation.

MEXICAN DIPLOMATS PASS THROUGH ARIZONA [Republican A. P. Leased Wire] TUCSON, Ariz., Aug. 12.—M. N. Bernal, special representative of President de la Huerta of Mexico, passed through Tucson today on his way to Calceonio on a mission regarding the trouble between Governor Cantu and the provisional government. Senor Bernal said he was on such a mission but would not divulge the nature of it. He said, however, he hoped for an amicable settlement of the difficulties between Cantu and his government. Another prominent de la Huerta agent passing through Tucson today was R. V. Pesqueira, financial agent on his way to Phoenix to discuss with Governor Campbell questions relating to friendly commercial relations between border states.

Warsaw in Critical State PARIS, Aug. 12.—The situation at Warsaw continues critical. The Russian plan of campaign of relieving successive blows at different points tends to disorganize the Polish defense, compelling the Polish staff to rush reserves to widely separated points. The red northern forces have been heavily reinforced and pushed to within 30 miles of the capital. The Poles are making a desperate stand on defenses thrown up around Pultusk, and although badly equipped, half trained and not too well supplied with ammunition, they are holding their own, according to the latest news. But the issue still is in the balance. There is little change on the remainder of the front, except in the south where the Chinese bolshevik General Budenny is creating a new danger. The operations of General Wrangel, anti-bolshevik commander in South Russia, can do nothing to relieve the pressure on the Poles, according to French military opinion. Wrangel is marching out to China to find the combat a means for feeding the refugees who followed his retreat last year. A wireless message reported by the Russian press in Warsaw's suburbs said it would seem, he accepted a reserve in view of the latest news. It is believed that the Poles will meet the launching of a Polish offensive more than 20 miles north of the capital.

NO SUFFRAGE BALLOT IN TENNESSEE TODAY [Republican A. P. Leased Wire] NASHVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 12.—The committee on constitutional conventions and amendments of the Tennessee senate, after a hearing on the federal woman suffrage amendment, today announced a resolution, announced late tonight that it would return a favorable report on the resolution tomorrow. A similar committee of the house, which conducted a joint hearing, made the announcement that it would not report until Monday. This action means legislative help gives us at the time of our own war for independence by the Polish patriots and lovers of world-wide liberty, Kosciusko and Pulaski.

MAYOR OF CORK ARRESTED CORK, Aug. 12.—The lord mayor of Cork and 30 associates were arrested by soldiers today while attending a session of the Sinn Fein court in the city hall. They were taken to the military barracks.

PONZI'S FRENZIED FINANCE IMPOSSIBLE, STATE POSTAL OFFICIALS INVESTIGATING HIS REPLY COUPON SCHEME

Ponzi Gives Up To Officers Admitting He Cannot Meet Obligations; Massachusetts State Funds In Defunct Hanover Trust Company (Republican Associated Press Leased Wire) BOSTON, August 16.—Some 40,000 investors entrusted a total variously estimated at from \$15,000,000 to \$20,000,000 to Charles Ponzi in a money-making scheme which postal officials today declared impossible of fulfillment. Ponzi surrendered to federal authorities this afternoon, explaining he could not meet his obligations because of the closing yesterday of the Hanover Trust company, where most of his funds were deposited. He was arrested, charged with having used the mails to defraud, arraigned and held in bond of \$25,000 for hearing August 19. Morris Rudneck, real estate dealer, furnished the sureties. Meanwhile a warrant charging the Italian with larceny had been obtained by the state police in the municipal court and on leaving the federal building Ponzi was re-arrested and held by the city court in \$10,000 bail for appearance August 23. Rudnick again went on Ponzi's bonds.

State Loans \$125,000 Developments came fast today. As Ponzi was being arraigned before United States Commissioner Hayes, Edwin L. Pride, auditing the books of the Securities Exchange company for the federal authorities announced that it already had been shown Ponzi owed \$7,000,000. Attorney General J. Weston Allen, who is conducting a separate investigation, said he believed Ponzi's liabilities would total millions. State Bank Examiner Joseph Allen in a statement declared that the capital of the Hanover Trust company of which Ponzi until yesterday was a director, was seriously impaired and probably worthless. State Treasurer F. J. Burrell attacked the bank commissioner for not having given him an opportunity to withdraw state funds before the Hanover was closed. In response to Governor Coolidge's demand that he make known how much state money had been tied up, Burrell announced the sum of \$125,000. Ponzi's field appears to have included New England and New Jersey. The line that formed daily at Ponzi's office appears to have been far from responsive to Governor Coolidge's demand that he make known how much state money had been tied up, Burrell announced the sum of \$125,000.

Sucker List Enormous Anxious inquiries at the newspaper offices and financial conversations indicated that the proprietors of small businesses, professional men and women, clerks and stenographers by the thousands accepted the bait of "50 per cent profit in 45 days."

Agents working in offices and factories interested many, particularly among Italians. The mystery of Ponzi's methods added to the attractiveness of his promises. It is said that in many cases the possibilities of profitably exchanging American dollars for French francs and francs for Italian lire and the latter for something else, seemed plausible enough without a clear comprehension of just how the zig-zag method worked. The attractive disclosures was that the bulk of Ponzi's millions was gathered in after the postoffice department had begun its investigation last February.

In discussing the case tonight, Chief Postoffice Inspector H. B. Moseby said that so far as their investigation had shown, Ponzi had never done any business in international reply coupons. He said he had warned hundreds against Ponzi when inquiries began to come in, that no man could manipulate or speculate in international reply coupons in the manner they alleged Ponzi had explained to them. In a statement Mr. Moseby said: "It has been my great desire that

Ponzi should be brought to account and his scheme laid bare, and never for a moment did I believe that he was solvent but that in the end he would be shown to be insolvent, probably by a million. With the past few days, having felt sure we have had or shortly would have sufficient evidence on which to arrest Ponzi and to make sure he could be kept where wanted, I have taken the precaution to keep him under surveillance, although the latter gave no indication he would attempt to leave this jurisdiction. However, having his previous record in view, I felt it my duty to make every possible effort to prevent his escape."

In reply to inquiries Inspector Moseby said: "Our attention was first called to Ponzi's operations last February when inquiries began coming into the office from investors and prospective investors. Since that time we have been working in Europe and elsewhere. "We have obtained conclusive evidence that there has been no abnormal issue or redemption of international reply coupons, while in some countries the use of coupons had been greatly curtailed to prevent this very scheme. There is no means by which a man can manipulate international reply coupons. Ponzi's claim that he has made millions in this way is simply a stupendous lie."

Ponzi's Statement Fades "The entire issue and redemption of international reply coupons throughout the postal union for six years would not aggregate more than a few millions. Ponzi can only attribute it to his personality—they invested in the man. We warned hundreds of people against him. "We found it difficult to talk with those who were so impressed, they believed so strongly he was doing business in foreign countries is the fact that he has never produced foreign customers or foreign coupons. "The most amazing thing is why people in this country except for legitimate postage purposes and postmasters were instructed not to redeem them. The best evidence that he did not deal in thousands of foreign countries is the fact that he has never produced foreign customers or foreign coupons. "He appealed to the gambling spirit of the people. When he started out he promised 50 per cent in 30 days, but

ROOSEVELT SAYS ROOSEVELT OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS WILL STOP REDS [Republican A. P. Leased Wire] MILWAUKEE, Wis., Aug. 12.—Endorsement of the league of nations by the United States would have saved Poland, Franklin D. Roosevelt declared here tonight. The moral effect of the membership in the league would have halted the Russian armies without a single American soldier crossing the seas, he said. History will lay a great share of responsibility for the plight of Poland on the shoulders of our hands are the United States senate, those little narrow men who today control the machinery of the Republican party," he declared. "But their desire to satisfy personal spite, the bolsheviks would not be knocking at the gates of Warsaw. "The heart of America goes out to the Polish nation. Our hands are tied because of the obstructionist methods of Senator Harding's group of senators. The United States is still neutral in the league of nations. All it can do is offer advice and sympathy."

Mr. Roosevelt's speech came as an answer to criticism that he avoided the issue in his Chicago speech last night. "I am not afraid of the league of nations," he declared, and described the covenant as an application of moral law to international relations. "As a result of the great war, the chief gain, I like to think, has been a complete change in the theory of international law. "The league of nations is but an expression of the new law of nations. "Under the league of nations, the presumption of neutrality is reversed and the nation which plans to attack another can assume with far more probability than in former times, that it will be against it. The other nations will now demand that the attacking nation shall show cause why it did not observe the law of nations. "The plea for the league of nations, the plea which so far only Russia, Mexico, Turkey and the United States have taken to heart, is that we discuss the old policy of dangerous neutrality and adopt the sane principle which has long been the cornerstone of common sense and of man's relation with man."

In speaking of Poland, he said: "If America had been a member of the league of nations the Polish nation would not be today fighting bolshevism with its back to the wall. If America had been able to throw into the scale the splendid moral force of its hundred millions of people the bolshevik armies would not be where they are. Events which led up to the present deplorable situation would never have occurred. Do not let us forget the moral force of the United States in such an undertaking. It would not have been necessary for a single American soldier to cross the sea. It would not have been necessary for America to become entangled in European politics. Ours would have been the quieting and steady hand in a world without which America is incomplete."

In conclusion, he said: "We pray it is not too late. We press that the United States may do its part in helping to build up again in the future that independent nation of Poland which has always been our friend and whose help gives us at the time of our own war for independence by the Polish patriots and lovers of world-wide liberty, Kosciusko and Pulaski."

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