

WEEKS EXPECTED TO DRAW IN ROOSEVELT'S FAVOR

Retirement of Massachusetts Senator Seen in Conference of His Managers.

STANDS ON TRINIDAD TALK

By PERRY ARNOLD.

OSTER BAY, N. Y., April 8.—Senator John W. Weeks, Massachusetts Republican aspirant for Presidential honors, may be ready to step aside in favor of Roosevelt.

That is the construction placed by Roosevelt adherents on the fact that Charles G. Washburn, generally known as Weeks' campaign manager, with George von L. Meyer, former Secretary of the Navy and known heretofore as Weeks' booster, had a lengthy conference with Colonel Roosevelt yesterday.

"It is my belief," Meyer said, "with world conditions as they exist today that Mr. Roosevelt will be the psychological candidate, and that public sentiment is rolling up in that direction.

"As to Massachusetts—I am not in sympathy with the Gardner-Cushing movement. As has been shown by Mr. Roosevelt's statement, it was started without his knowledge and consent, and their activities have created a factional content that might jeopardize the Republican candidate's re-election as governor, and even complicate or embarrass Senator Lodge's re-election, which is of vital importance to the State and even to the nation.

"The Senator Weeks preparing to withdraw in favor of Colonel Roosevelt?" Washburn was asked.

"I have not been in Washington lately and most of the news comes from there," the former Massachusetts representative countered.

"I have nothing to add to the Trinidad statement," the colonel said.

"In that statement I said that I disapproved of any factional fight being made in my interest either in Massachusetts or elsewhere and that any such factional fight was begun without my knowledge and would be continued without my acquiescence.

"I have stood and now stand on that statement, in Massachusetts and in every other State. While in Boston I do not intend to see any man interested in either side in the primary contest.

The famous Root-Bacon dinner was held March 31. It gave foundation for the belief among newspaper reporters that Root—who presided at Chicago four years ago and was among those charged by Roosevelt with the "betrayal" of the Republican nomination—had renewed fealty to his former chief.

Like "Get Together" Session. With Weeks' aspirations for a Massachusetts delegation at Chicago next June seriously menaced by a recent statement from the four candidates for delegates at large and their supporters, the meeting of the Weeks forces with the colonel took on the aspect of another "healing" movement between the Bull Moose and the Republicans.

The colonel's conferences with the delegates at large and his conferees last evening long enough to make answer to questions raised by several editors at large and in position he would have to give a position now President.

"It is impossible for me to answer hypothetical questions of this kind," he said. "If I did it in one case I should have to do it in hundreds of cases. A correct judgment can be formed by taking what I actually did during the seven and a half years I was President, and if any man has forgotten how I handled international matters during that time, let him turn to Mr. Hard's article on the subject in the current number of the Metropolitan Magazine; and if any man has forgotten what my attitude as President was on the subject of the parade, let him turn to Charles G. Washburn's recently published biography of me, pages 95 to 109, and particularly to the quotations from my message to Congress, given on pages 106 to 108."

The passages cited by the colonel showed these cardinal beliefs:

"A wanton or useless war or a war of mere aggression is to be condemned as a peculiarly atrocious crime against humanity."

"One of the prime dangers of civilization is its tendency to cause the loss of virile fighting virtues—the fighting edge."

The Roosevelt message to Congress of April 14, 1906, which demanded a four-battle program and which contained the sentence "Declaration against militarism has no more place than declamation against Bala or Atreuth."

Washburn's own summary of Roosevelt's preparedness beliefs that the United States "should behave toward other nations as strong and self-respecting man should behave toward other men with whom he is brought in contact—in other words, 'speak softly and carry a big stick.'"

Besides Washburn and Meyer, the colonel's other visitors today were Dr. Lyman Abbott and his sons, Lawrence and Ernest, and Rezia H. Post, formerly governor of Porto Rico.

Democrats of Keystone State Name Their Slate

PITTSBURGH, April 8.—The slate of the Democratic Executive Committee of Pennsylvania has been announced in part by National Committeeman A. Mitchell Palmer.

Judge Ella L. Orvis, of Center county, will be the choice for the nomination for United States Senator. Samuel Philson, of York, is named for State treasurer, and James B. Murrin, mayor of Carbondale, for auditor general, were the others named.

United States Senator Hardwick of Georgia was the principal speaker at a "dollar dinner" of 1,000 Pennsylvanians Democrats last night.

G. O. P. TO STAY ON TARIFF ISSUE

Standby of Decades Will Be Chief Plank, "Keynote" Harding Indicates.

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Live Stock Prices. Closing prices on principal live stock markets. Chicago Market. CHICAGO, April 8.—Hogs—Receipts, 11,000; steady. Bulk, \$9.50; heavy, \$9.50; mixed, \$9.50; light, \$9.50; rough, \$9.50; pigs, \$7.50; calves, \$10.00; steady. Native beef steers, \$10.00; stockers and feeders, \$8.19; rough, \$7.50; calves, \$10.00; steady. Sheep—Receipts, 1,000; steady. Wethers, \$12.50; lambs, \$7.00.

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St. Louis Market. ST. LOUIS, April 8.—Hogs, Receipts, 2,800; steady. Pigs and lights, \$7.50; mixed and butchers, \$9.00; good heavy, \$9.50.

East Buffalo Market. EAST BUFFALO, April 8.—Cattle—Receipts, 125; steady. Veals—Receipts, 150; active and steady, \$4.00 to \$4.50. Hogs—Receipts, 2,000; active and steady. Heavy, \$10.10; mixed, \$10.10; Yorkers, \$10.10; pigs, \$7.50; roughs, \$7.50; calves, \$10.00; steady. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 2,000; steady. Lambs, \$10.00; yearlings, \$10.00; mixed, \$10.00.

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., April 8.—Mrs. Lella W. Post, widow of the late Charles W. Post, originator of Battle Creek's cereal industry, and L. J. Montgomery, manager of the Post Tavern, owned by Mrs. Post, were married in the bride's apartments in the Tavern.

Today Is Collection Day for Sufferers Hebrew War Refugees Will Receive Funds Contributed in This City. Today is "special collection day" for the Hebrew war sufferers. Scores of men, women and children are scattered about the District today, determined to leave no stone unturned in adding to the fund for those of their race rendered destitute and homeless through the European cataclysm.

The volunteer collectors started out from the headquarters of the Jewish Congress committee, 1222 Sixth street northwest, shortly after 9 o'clock. The collection is known among the Hebrews as the "Moas Chittim" after an ancient Hebrew custom to help supply those in need for the approaching Passover, especially in this instance of those Hebrews in need as the result of the ravages of the great war.

UNDERTAKERS' RING TO BE INVESTIGATED Dr. Waite's Confession Stirs New York Officials to Probe. NEW YORK, April 8.—Evidence brought to light since Dr. Arthur Warren Waite confessed bribing an undertaker with \$5,000 to conceal the fact that Waite poisoned his father-in-law, John E. Peck, of Grand Rapids, has caused Police Commissioner Woods to plan the investigation of an alleged ring of unscrupulous undertakers and embalmers in New York.

An investigation recently by Commissioner of Accounts Wallstein disclosed that a certain group of New York undertakers show a willingness to cover up facts relating to deaths from violence or manslaughter for a consideration. Waite probably will be arraigned tomorrow or Tuesday to plead to the indictment charging him with the murder of his father-in-law.

Behrends' Greatest Easter Suit Sale Starts Monday. Behrends' Kid Gloves \$1.25 & \$1.50 87c. Behrends' Wash Suits \$1 & \$1.50 Boys' 79c. Behrends' Suits \$15.00, \$19.50, \$25.00. Behrends' Jackets \$12.50, \$8.49. Behrends' Silk Dresses \$9.50, \$5.97. Behrends' Silk Waists \$3.00. Behrends' Dress Skirts \$3.00, \$5.50. Behrends' Ribbed Underwear 39c. Behrends' Children's Body Union Suits 19c.

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Main Floor Specials. GIRLS' EASTER APPAREL. Women's Hosiery & Underwear. Main Floor Specials. 39c Ribbed Underwear, 24c. 89c Silk Hosiery, 50c. 35c Silk Hosiery, 19c. 12 1/2c Extra Size Vests, 9c. 39c Children's Body Union Suits, 19c.

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Infants' Specials. Muslin Underwear Reduced. BOYS' EASTER CLOTHING. 29c Infant's Slips, 18c. \$3.00 Babies' and Children's Coats, \$1.95. White Dresses to \$2.00, Value 98c. \$1.00 Bonnets, 55c. 50c Umbrella Pants, 39c. \$1.00 Envelope Chemises, 67c. 50c Embroidery Trimmed Petticoats, 24c. 39c Corset Covers, 24c.

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