



FRIDAY AFTERNOON, MAR. 17, 1922

REPUBLICANS SORE OVER SEN. FRANCE.

The Maryland Republicans are feeling quite sore over the way Senator France is opposing Republican policies in the Senate.

"Republican members of the General Assembly were not surprised at Senator France reading himself out of the party, and they accepted his announcement with perfect equanimity. Delegate Jos. W. Wolfinger, Republican floor leader in the House, expressed the opinion of his colleagues when he said the senior Senator would now go over to the Socialist party, to which he belongs. Senators Johns of Somerset and Parran of Talbot regretted the Senator's course. But, like the others, they agreed he could no longer be considered a Republican and that his usefulness as a party man had ended. Not a word did any one say in his defense.

Having eliminated himself as a candidate for reelection to the position he now fills, it is assumed that the Senator will do one of two things: either retire from politics altogether or accept a nomination from the Socialist party.

The Baltimore American of the 4th ed., editorially said: "To day Dr. France will have been in the senate five years. He has spent all five of them in a virtually continuous effort to disabuse the minds of the voters of Maryland of the correctness of their previous belief as to the sort of man he was, and while that all of the other plans the Senator has advocated in the Senate have failed before they were well begun, in this plan at least he has achieved success. He has made it plain that in the election of 1916 he fooled the voters of Maryland completely. The joke is on the voters.

"The Hon. David J. Lewis, who was beaten because he was 'unstable' and 'socialistic,' must have rocked many a time during these five years in fits of laughter. He has the right to get joy out of the situation, but he has not the only one. The rest of us are not inclined to giggle.

"We can only trust that Senator France, by virtue of many deeds, regardless of words, having long since read himself out of the Republican party, will be consistent with his general attitude at least, and if he submits himself to the voters at all, do so not as a Republican, but as an Independent.

"It would be most unfair both to himself and to the Republican party to seek that party's nomination in view of his record. There are few men in the State who would care to watch their purses against the Senator's in a finish contest under the primary law. This must be conceded; and under our primary system the candidate who has the money is pretty certain to get the nomination. But Senator France at least be generous. He has gone very far afield. It would not be doing right by the party which he has virtually deserted to place so heavy a handicap upon it in a contest that may have enduring effects upon the future of Republicanism in Maryland as his candidacy on the Republican ticket would be sure to place."

WONDER WHAT IT IS! There must be some other jokers in the Washington treaties that the country has not yet discovered. When Arthur James Balfour got back to England with the "bacon" they gave him a royal welcome and Premier Lloyd George said: "We are here to express our warm appreciation for the way he behaved away from home, and we are here also to express our deep gratitude for the fine present he brought us from America."

Those words tend to make us more than ever suspicious and we think that the treaties should be combed and recombined for tricks. Henry Cabot Lodge tried to put one over on the country, but was fooled even though he had fooled Harding. It's no use to ask the President what the treaties mean because he knows no more than the man on the street. The treaties may be ratified ultimately but they must be looked over again to see whether there is anything the matter with them.

The last vestige of factional strife in the Democratic organization of Pennsylvania disappeared when the Committee of 72, representing every element of the party, completed a

State ticket that will be submitted to the voters for ratification at the May primary. Unanimous indorsement of Judge Samuel E. Shull, of Stroudsburg, for one of the United States Senatorial nominations, formed the direct move that restored harmony to the ranks and insured the party presenting a united front at the November election.

BALTIMORE LETTER.

State House, Annapolis, February 16th, 1922.

The situation here at the State House is really becoming exciting, as the various conflicting interests are manifesting their feelings in favor of certain important bills, on the one side, and against them on the other side, for their is now no doubt about it, certain large and influential elements of the Democratic party are lining up in hostility to several of the more important points in the Governor reorganization plan, while others are equally strong in their favor.

There is also no doubt as to this fact, there are many Democrats here who are opposed to what they call the radical and revolutionary changes advocated by the Governor, which opposition they are backed by practically all the present office holding forces in all parts of the State. They contend that the present system is the growth of a long period of years—in fact that much of it goes back to the Revolution, and that it is all based on experience, and that it has worked well. That under this system, the state has been well and economically governed that it has prospered, that it recovered rapidly from the blighting and evil effects of the Civil War more than half a century ago, and that no real reasons have been given for the proposed revolutionary changes. Those stand-patters among the Democrats, assert that the only real advocates for these changes, are the restless clique of uplifters and professional reformers, whose views find a welcome in the columns of the City Newspapers, which are on one side of the political fence today and on the other side tomorrow and which are always ready to find fault with Democratic administrations and Democratic officials, while they are extremely lenient with the glaring defects of Republican administrations. And before many days have passed it is highly probable that this slowly developing opposition, will burst out in the open and possibly make radical changes in, if not totally destroy, the whole reorganization plan.

Another developing prospect, is a contest for the further leadership of the State forces, in succession to Senator John Walter Smith, who appears to have given over the active management of party affairs, and is now working simply in an advisory capacity. There are three men here day after day, who are looked upon as open aspirants for the leadership. Major Brooke Lee, Mr. Samuel K. Dennis, and State Treasurer John M. Dennis, are a three cornered contest, and break out at any time. It was supposed, prematurely, now appears, that State Treasurer John M. Dennis had assumed, with authority, the State leadership in succession to Senator Smith, and that his title would be undisputed, but there is every indication now there that such will not turn out to be the case. Not a few people of the old guard crowd, openly express a preference for Samuel K. Dennis as State leader, while others, who are State leaders in number, are equally open in their advocacy of Major Lee as State leader, and all are waiting with interest and no little anxiety for a sign from Governor Ritchie as to which one of the three aspiring young men he will favor for the successor to the leadership of the party and in the end the Governor may find it necessary to take another radical and unprecedented step and assume the leadership himself and thus prevent a bitter inter-party fight. While others believe that in the end he will back Major Lee.

The last of next week will probably see the opening up of these underground schemes and maneuvers. At that time the leading State appointment will be made, and at that time it is usual to see the development of all the latest hostility to the Executive which has been smouldering for the first two years of his administration. This hostility is usually kept under cover until after the second session appointments are made, and then it bursts out, often with much violence. This has been the case with every administration since the present constitution was adopted in 1867—and the indications are that the precedents of more than half a century will be followed this year with as much virulence as ever.

PAUL WINCHESTER.

GAVE WIFE PERMIT TO MARRY AGAIN

WOMAN HAD RELEASE FROM HUSBAND TO WED SOUL MATE

Boston, Feb. 23.—A bombshell was exploded in Waltham when it was revealed Mrs. Parker C. Mosher, prominent in Hyde Park church circles and president of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Loyal Order of Scottish Clans, is not married to the man whose name she publicly bears and whose child she bore, but to Elmer R. Antcliffe.

Mrs. Mosher—or, rather, Mrs. Antcliffe, frankly admits the deception played on the inhabitants of Waltham. Mrs. Antcliffe said her husband had given her a release which permitted her to live with Parker Mosher. The release reads: "To whom it may concern: On and after this date, December 5, 1921, my wife, Mrs. Elmer R. Antcliffe, has my consent to marry whomever she may wish. Also my consent as to the custody of our child, Ruth Antcliffe, Elmer R. Antcliffe."

Although Antcliffe never went through the formality of securing a divorce and although Parker C. Mosher and the woman never took the marriage vows, yet Maude Mosher, as the

pretty young woman is called by her Hyde Park friends, declared earnestly, "Parker and I are man and wife and our child justified in the eyes of God."

This extraordinary alliance was first disclosed when her legal husband on Monday led to the altar Helen Marie Boates, an 18-year-old Waltham girl. The officiating clergyman had reached that portion of the ritual where the customary question is asked: "If any man knows reason why these twain should not be joined, let him speak now, or forever hold his peace."

Then it was discovered Antcliffe never had divorced Maude, with whom he had lived legally two years. A police inspector spoke at the opportune time at the altar.

Antcliffe was arrested and sentenced to serve three months in the house of correction for making false statements in applying for a marriage license.

"WE WANTED A CHANGE"

We were getting a dollar, six bits for our corn. We could sell every hide, from the hoots to the horns. We wanted a change and we got it. Now we're getting a quarter for corn—it's so cheap. That we'll burn it for fuel, our toes to keep warm; We can't sell the sides, so we bury them deep; But we wanted a change and we got it. The poor workman pulled down eight bucks a day. Now he's darned glad to work for half of that pay. But he wanted a change and he got it. There was work and a plenty for every man's son. And warm food and shelter when that work was done. Now millions are idle, where before there were none. But we wanted a change and we got it. Mr. Wilson spent quite a long time over there. For peace he was fighting, but what did we care? We wanted a change and we got it. Now all that we read of is golf and vacations. Gay week-ends at summer resorts and plantations. (Not what we expected from the head of the nation); But we wanted a change and we got it. We were prosperous and happy, well fed and gay. Now millions of children go hungry each day. We wanted a change, and we got it. Meanwhile we hear this: "It was certain to come"— "Reaction from war time"—and war three years done! If we wanted a lemon we sure did pick one. Well, we wanted a change. Now we've got it.—Omaha World Herald.

WOMEN WILL RULE WORLD BE. FORE 1978

Los Angeles, Feb. 27.—Professor Ralph L. Powers, of the University of Southern California, says that by 1977 at the latest, women will rule the world, and man will wash dishes, cool food, mend clothes, clean house and care for children; probably that will be the domestic relation of the sexes in much shorter time than 55 years.

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The reason for his belief, Professor Powers said in a lecture, is that the widespread advertisement of woman in recent years has stimulated her to ready begun to entrench her as the dominant sex. She is courted in business, politicians fear overthrow unless they place her in the news of the day. Her manifest destiny as ruler of the world is thus merely a matter of swift development.

OHIO FARMER SAW \$130 GROW IN TO \$105,000 IN THREE DAYS

New York, Feb. 21.—A plot to mule the "Booboisie," which might have been invented by an author of get-rich-quick fiction, was revealed by the Burns Detective Agency here today, with the arrest at Mobile, Ala., of seven alleged wire-tappers, believed to be members of a gang which formerly operated in New York.

As told by Sherman Burns, Barney Knapke, an Ohio farmer, was the chosen dupe of the gang. He was wintering at an Orlando, Fla., resort when a week ago, he struck up a park bench acquaintance with a fellow-resorter. The next day they were strolling along the beach together when they discovered a large wallet, half buried in the sand. Together they opened it. They found \$120 in cash, a \$10,000 fidelity bond and certain credentials. A man came hurrying toward them a few moments later. The wallet was his; he had lost it. When the finders refused to accept the \$120 as a token of gratitude, he offered to invest it for them in stocks on which he had a tip. The first day the \$120 doubled; the next it amounted to \$1500, and the third day Farmer Knapke and his new acquaintance were told to call at the stock "exchange" and collect their winnings, \$105,000. They called; saw the money; had it in their hands for a moment. But as they prepared to carry it away, the head of the "exchange" detained them.

"Gentlemen, the money is yours," he said, "but before I pay it to you I must require that you deposit \$25,000 with me as evidence of your responsibility." Farmer Knapke gladly put up \$10,000. His friend didn't have any money, so Knapke journeyed to his Ohio home for the remaining \$15,000. There his lawyer convinced him that he was being defrauded. He came to New York consulted the detective agency, and a trap was laid which resulted in the arrests at Mobile today. Knapke and operatives of the agency have gone South to identify the prisoners.

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