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COMISKEY WRECKS CROOKED SOX TEAM

AMERICA FACING FINANCIAL CRASH

On Brink of Disaster to Our Money System, Harding Avers

BLAMES DEMOCRATS

Mismanagement and Extravagance by Opposing Party Held to be Responsible

SCORES BUDGET BILL VETO

Nominee Delivers Six Speeches In West Virginia; Talks from Rear Platform

WHEELING, W. Va., Sept. 28.—Declaring that democratic extravagance and mismanagement had brought the nation to the brink of financial disaster, Senator Harding told an audience of several thousand here tonight that the republican party proposed to inaugurate a policy of economy and efficiency that would put the whole federal government on a sound business basis.

The republican nominee quoted treasury department figures to support his charge of unwarranted expenditures and asserted that the administration's proposal for a new issue of treasury certificates would be to further handicap the money market and to increase the cost of living.

Scores Wilson Budget Bill Veto

He scored President Wilson for his veto of the budget bill passed by the last republican congress and promised that a budget system would be one of the first policies inaugurated by a new republican administration.

"Unless we check the existing system of waste and extravagance," he continued, " we shall run head-on into disaster."

The republican nominee's speech here was the sixth he had delivered today in West Virginia. He made short rear platform talks to crowds at Grafton, Fairmont, Mannington, Cameron and Moundsville, assailing the labor provisions of the peace treaty and declaring that the democratic administration might greatly ease the coal situation if it chose by invoking the car allotment provis-

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SHERIFF FOILS A MOB

Wagoner Prisoner Spirited Away to Muskogee Under Crowd's Nose Nabbed at Vinita.

By Associated Press, state wire.

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Sept. 28.—While a threatening mob gathered around the jail at Wagoner, where Jack Burris, a taxicab driver, was murdered early this morning, Sheriff Murphy slipped away with Perry Madewell, accused of the murder, and brought him to the county jail here.

Madewell was arrested at Vinita, where it was said he was about to take a train for Oklahoma City. Searched here, $500 was found in his underclothing, the police said. Burris was reported to have been carrying $1,100 when killed.

The accused man, who is 23 years old, said his father lives at McKee Okla. It was not known at Wagoner where Madewell had been taken but extra precautions were taken at the jail here tonight.

'EVERYBODY' ON COX COMMITTEE

Breckenridge Says Visit Is Municipal Affair; Drops First Plan

"The names of the members of the Cox general reception committee will not be published as intended because we have decided to enlarge the committee so as to make it include every citizen of Tulsa," County Chairman M. A. Breckenridge announced Tuesday night.

A Municipal Affair.

"When a presidential candidate visits Tulsa the event loses much of

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Poison Embalmed Victim's Stomach Chemist Declares

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 28.—Primary indications of poison, probably arsenic, were found today by Prof. Arthur Maas, making a chemical analysis to ascertain if a death dealing drug was used in the murder of Jacob C. Denton, murdered millionaire found buried under his home a few days ago.

Maas discovered that parts of the body given for his analysis were in a far better state of preservation than the entire body, which was badly decomposed.

These parts were the stomach, one kidney and part of the liver.

The fact that these digestive organs were preserved indicated that they had received a powerful poison which acted as an embalming agency, Professor Maas stated.

Arsenic would have the effect of preventing decomposition, he said.

Professor Maas' discovery was not in his final report, which is expected to be ready for the coroner's inquest in the case next Wednesday afternoon.

AGENTS ATTACK BIG PIPE FIRM

Alleged Practice of Shipping to "Bootleggers" Rapped In Meeting

SEEK AID FROM TULSA

Purchasing Agents Association of Oklahoma Asks Help of Clearing House

Condemnation of the alleged practice of the Wheeling Steel & Iron Co. of Wheeling, W. Va., in diverting pipe-line products from the regular legitimate channels—supply houses—to "bootleggers" in pipeline goods, was unanimously made by the Purchasing Agents' Association of Oklahoma meeting in the Municipal auditorium yesterday evening. Purported absolute evidence of the company's practice was presented.

Seeks Clearing House Aid.

A committee was appointed to confer with the Tulsa clearing house association and request that the clearing house handle no more bills of lading for "bootleggers." During the meeting a communication from the board of directors of the Exchange National bank stating that the bank would handle no more of the "bootlegging accounts, was read. The association members have pledged themselves to purchase no more pipe at the premium "bootlegging" prices. The association plans to present evidence as to unfair trade practices before the United States trade commission.

A delegation of 27 will represent the association at the convention of the national association of purchasing agents in Chicago beginning October 11. The party will leave here by special Pullman Saturday evening, October 9, going by way of St. Louis, where it will be entertained at breakfast on Sunday morning, October 10, by the bureau of sales managers of St. Louis, and where it will join the special train of the St. Louis association of purchasing agents. The candidacy of R. D. Gwynne of this city for the first vice presidency of the national organization is being boosted vigorously by the Purchasing Agents' Association of Oklahoma.

QUICK JUSTICE FOR THEM

Five Hours After Attempted Hold-Up Kansas Robbers Go to Pen.

EMPORIA, Kan., Sept. 28.—Five hours after they had attempted to hold up Thomas Kelley, cashier of the Neosho Rapids, Kansas, state bank today, two men, who gave their names as "Jones" and "Smith" were on the way to the state penitentiary to serve in determinate sentences of 10 to 20 years each.

The attempted robbery took place at 7 a. m., when Kelly arrived at the bank. The robbers, unable to open the vault, picked up $23 in pennies, locked Kelly in the building and fled. They were arrested at 9 o'clock taken into court and sentenced at 11 and at noon started for the penitentiary.

Each Club to Give Man to Sox?

BOSTON, Sept. 28.—H. H. Frazee, president of the Boston American league club, said tonight he believed it to be the duty of each club in the league to give one of its players to the Chicago club in order to assist in its rehabilitation in case the Chicago players indicted by the grand jury are found guilty. He announced he would make such an offer on behalf of his own club immediately.

Rail Union Leader Dies.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 28.—Michael W. Caddle, assistant grand chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, died at his home here tonight.

ASK ROBERTSON TO SUBMIT PROOF

I. C. C. Declares It Is Ignorant of Car Shortage In This State

GOVERNOR TO COMPLY

To Furnish Names of Complaining Operators to Commission, He Declares

MUST SECURE IMPROVEMENT

Unless Service Is Better Before Winter Extreme Measures to Be Necessary

By Associated Press, state wire.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Sept. 28.—Governor Robertson late today received a telegram from the interstate commerce commission, answering his telegram of yesterday threatening to seize coal cars and locomotives if the railroads in Oklahoma did not improve their service in the distribution of coal.

The commission expressed willingness to help get adequate coal car service for Oklahoma, declaring it was ignorant of the shortage described in the governor's telegram and asked for proof of his statements.

"I shall furnish the commission at once the names of coal operators who complained to me of poor service from the railroads," Governor Robertson said. "I cannot gather the proof myself, but if the commission wants to go into the matter, I can tell where to get its facts. Improvement in service must be had before winter, however, or the most extreme measures will be necessary."

Coal operators and railroad representatives will confer with the state corporation commission at 10 o'clock Thursday morning, to discuss means of distributing cars for coal shipments.

The Interstate commerce commissions message folows:

"Subject matter of your telegram being investigated. We have received pratically no complaints on coal situation in Oklahoma. We have admonished railroads not to use cars to beat down price of their own fuel, and we will be glad to have written evidence of reports you refer to of improper action on the part of railroad officials in this respect.

"Reports show Katy and Frisco have been furnishing 91 per cent of coal car shipments, Rock Island 100 per cent, Missouri Pacific 85 per cent and Kansas, Oklahoma & Gulf 91 per cent. In these circumstances, it is not clear why state institutions or others experience difficulty in getting coal."

WHAT EACH CROOK GOT

Chick Gandil Got Most, $20,000; "Hap" Felch Sold Out for $1,000

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—According to reports of the testimony of Eddie Cicotte before the grand jury, the White Sox players received the following amounts for their part in "throwing" the series:

Eddie Cicotte, pitcher, $10,000.
Claude Williams, pitcher, $10,000.
Joe Jackson, outfielder, $5,000.
"Buck" Weaver, third baseman, $5,000.
"Happy" Felsch, outfielder, $1,000.
Charles Risberg, shortstop, $2,000.
"Chick" Gandil, first baseman, $20,000.
Fred McMullen, utility, $15,000.

DIPTHERIA MENACE IS SEEN

Every Section of State in Danger; Antotoxin Urged by Lewis.

By Associated Press, state wire.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Sept. 28.—Warning of danger from diphtheria, which was reported to be prevalent in almost every part of Oklahoma, was issued today by Dr. A. R. Lewis, state health commissioner.

Prompt treatment with antitoxin, which is available in every town in the state, was urged by Dr. Lewis as the only sure way to prevent the epidemic.

REST OF SOX CELEBRATE

Glad It's All Over Declares Eddie Collins at Players' Banquet.

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—The White Sox players who were not implicated in the baseball scandal held a celebration at a dinner tonight.

"We've known something was wrong for a long time, but we felt we had to keep silent because we were fighting for the pennant," said Eddie Collins. "Now its all over and we're the happiest bunch in the world."

Sugar Sellin gat 16 Cents.

DUNCAN, Sept. 28.—Several of the Duncan merchants have inaugurated sales in which the price of all merchandise has been cut from 15 to 30 per cent. One grocery firm is selling sugar for 16 cents per pound.

This the Hardest Minute for Joe, Fallen Kid Idol

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—When Joe Jackson left the criminal courts building in custody of a sheriff after telling his story to the grand jury, he found several hundred youngster, ranging in age from 6 to 16, waiting for their former idol.

One urchin stepped up to the outfielder, and grabbing his coat sleeve, said:

"It aint true, is it Joe?"

"Yes, kid, I'm afraid it is," Jackson replied.

The boys opened a patch for the ball player and stood in silence until he passed out of sight.

"Well, I'd never have thought it," sighed the lad who had stopped Jackson.

COX PEEVED BY HECKLING AFFAIR

Says Harding Should Welcome Inquiries Regarding League Stand

GOVERNOR IN 'DEBATE'

Discusses 'America First' and 'Deutchland Uber Alles' With Spectator

YANKTON, S. D., Sept. 28.—Governor Cox issued a statement here today rebuking Senator Harding for the republican nominee's objection to questioning the senator's speech in Baltimore last night. The governor declared the senator was asking the American people to follow him on the league issue when the senator, himself, does not know his own policy. The statement was, in part:

"Should Welcome Inquiries."

"The candidate should welcome inquiries. I can understand how a member of a senatorial oligarchy which has defied public wishes and the public interest would develop as a habit the thought that the senatorial mind shouldn't be questioned.

"Senator Harding would have the American people follow him and ignore the intensive labors of eminent men. His message to America is: 'I know not where I am going but I ask you to follow me.' Never before in the history of presidential campaigns has there developed a situation more deplorable and pitiable."

Debates With Spectator.

Touring South Dakota today Governor Cox discussed the league of nations and farming problems.

"America first," and the German slogan "Deutschland uber Alles" were debated by the governor at Tripp with a man in the audience who declared his opposition to the league of nations, saying that "America should take care of herself."

"What was that song they sang in Germany before the war—Deutschland uber Alles" the governor replied. "What was the meaning of that—Germany first above all things, wasn't it?"

"As a result she developed the hatred of the rest of the world and what happened to her?"

"The probability is that Germany will be a member of the league of nations before this year is over. The salvation of Germany, the salvation of France, the salvation of humanity itself, is to be conserved by the league of nations."

Whole New York Team Offered to Comiskey

NEW YORK, Sept. 28.—A telegram offering to place the entire New York American baseball team at the disposal of Charles A. Comiskey, who today suspended seven of his players indicated in connection with alleged fixing of games was sent tonight to the White Sox club owner by Jacob and T. L. Huston, owners of the Yankee club.

THE WEATHER

TULSA, Sept. 28.—Maximum, 88, minimum, 56, north winds, clear.

OKLAHOMA: Wednesday fair, cooler; Thursday fair.

ARKANSAS: Wednesday and Thursday generally fair.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Sept. 28.—Road condition: (General direction from Oklahoma City and not routes to be followed.) North: Oklahoma City, Guthrie, Kingfisher, Perry, Ponca City, Newkirk and Newton, Kan., good; Wichita, Kan., muddy; Blackwell good, but dusty. Northeast: Sapulpa, Tulsa and Miami muddy. Claremore good. East: Chandler good but dusty; Fort Smith, Ark., fair. Southeast: Shawnee and Holdenville, muddy; McAlester, fair; Winter, Hugo and Idabel good. South: Union City, Waurika and Ryan, good, Purcell and Hastings, good but dusty; Duncan fair but dusty. Southwest: Chickasha, fair; Altus, rough; Lawton, fair, slightly rough; Frederick, good. West: El Reno and Elk City, good; Hydro, good but dusty; Clinton, good, rough in low places. Northwest: Taloga, Enid and Dodge City, Kan., good; Alva fair, rough in places; Cherokee, fair.

Today's Local Events.

Indication Harwell gymnasium, Kendall college, 2:30 p. m.

MRS. BERGDOLL IS HELD GUILTY

With Four Others, Mother of Draft Evaders, Is Under Conviction

HELPED BOYS EVADE

Wealthy Pro-Germans Were at Large Until After War Was at An End

DEFENDANTS OUT ON BAIL

$10,000 Required in Each Case by U. S. Judge Who Presided at the Trial

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 28.—Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll and her four codefendants were found guilty tonight of conspiracy to aid two of her sons, Grover and Edwin, to evade the draft. The verdict was returned before Judge Dickinson in the United States district court.

The case was given to the jurymen before noon today, but it was after 8 o'clock tonight before they reached a verdict. Mrs. Bergdoll, her son, Charles A. Braun and former Magistrater James E. Romig were found guilty on every count under which they had been indicted.

Most Noted Draft Evasion Case.

The Bergdoll case is the most noted of the draft evasion cases growing out of the selective draft during the war. Grover and Erwin Bergdoll, wealthy Philadelphians and former well known athletes, accused of being pro-Germans, successfully evaded draft authorities until after the war. Grover is now at liberty, having escaped after being captured and found guilty. Erwin Bergdoll is in custody.

Albert S. Mitchell and Henry Schuch were acquited on the indictments in which theye were defendnants, but found guilty with a recommendation for mercy on the joint bills.

On application of their counsel, the defendants were released on $10,000 bail, each, pending a motion for a new trial.

Trial On Since Monday.

The trial started last Monday and testimony was completed Friday. There were seven indictments including 56 counts.

In two of the indictments all five defendants were charged with conspiring with Grover and Erwin Bergdoll to assist them in evading the draft. The other five indictments charged each defendant separately with conspiring with the Bergdoll brothers to evade the draft.

Auto Goes Into River; 1 Drowned; 3 Injured

By Associated Press, state wire.

Muskogee, Okla., Sept. 28.—Margaret Rose, 20, of Muskogee, was drowned and three others injured when an automobile in which they were riding plunged 75 feet into the Arkansas river, five miles northwest of here tonight. The driver failed to see a sharp turn in the bridge and drove through the boarding.

Two Killed in Belfast Clash.

BELFAST, Sept. 28.—Two civilians were shot dead and a number of persons were wounded during a clash between soldiers and a crowd on the Falls road late today.

WILSON GETS IN TO HELP LEAGUE

To Issue More Statements Later to Further Candidacy of Cox

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—President Wilson today took his first active part in the presidential campaign. He had Secretary Tumulty write the first of a series of documents regarding the league of nations and other public questions, which it is proposed to issue to further the candidacy of Governor Cox.

The document was in the form of a letter to E. M. Swart of Los Angeles, discussing the league of nations' covenant in relation to the Irish question. Mr. Swartz had written that some republicans contended that if the league covenant was ratified with Article 10 in it this country "would be bound to support England in holding Ireland under subjection."

In his letter of reply Mr. Tumulty called attention to certain questions and answers with reference to Article 10 and the question of self-determination which were made public by the president while he was on his western tour in the interest of the league a year ago.

Scandal Details Given; 8 Indicted, 2 Confess

Eddie Cicotte and Joe Jackson Tell Grand Jury How They Deliberately Threw World Series to Reds.

By The Associated Press.

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—Indictments were voted against eight baseball stars to day and confessions obtained from two of them, when "the old Roman," Charles A. Comiskey, owner of the oft-time champion White Sox smashed his pennant chasing machine to clean up baseball. The confessions told how the Sox threw last year's world's championship to Cincinnati for money paid by gamblers.

Seven Sox regulars and one former player had true bills voted against them by the Cook county grand jury, and the seven were immediately suspended by Mr. Comiskey. With his team only half a game behind the league leading Cleveland Indians the White Sox owner served notice on his seven stars that if they were found guilty, he would drive them out of organized baseball for the remainder of their lives.

Officials of Chief Justice Charles McDonald's court lifted the curtain on the grand jury proceedings sufficiently to show a great hitter, Joe Jackson, declaring that he deliberately just "tapped the ball," a picture of one of the world's most famous pitchers, Cicotte, in tears, and glimpses of alleged bribes of $5,000 or $10,000 discovered under pillows or on beds by famous athletes about to retire.

Around the court room were some of baseball's greatest leaders, among them John J. McGraw, manager of the New York Giants, awaiting a call to testify tomorrow, and John Heydler, president of the National league, who went before the grand jury this afternoon.

Eight Crooked Players Indicted.

The exact nature of the information Mr. Comiskey put before the grand jury was not disclosed. The men whom the jury involved as a result of testimony uncovered by their owner were:

Eddie Cicotte, star pitcher, who waived immunity and confessed, according to court attaches, that he took a $10,000 bribe.

Arnold "Chick" Gandil, former first baseman.

"Shoeless Joe" Jackson, heavy hitting left fielder.

Oscar "Hap" Felsch, center fielder.

Charles "Swede" Risberg, shortstop.

Claude Williams, pitcher.

George "Buck" Weaver, third baseman.

Fred McMullin, utility player.

Comiskey Deeply Touched.

While the grand jury voted their true bills "the old Roman" seated in the midst of his crumbling empire at White Sox park, issued the telegram suspending those involved, paid off Weaver, Cicotte and Jackson on the spot and announced that checks for the pay due the others would be sent them at once. With his voice trembling, Mr. Comiskey, who has owned the White Sox since the inception of the American league, said this was the first time scandal had ever touched his "family" and that it distressed him too much to talk about it.

The rush of players to bare their part in the affair started today when Cicotte appeared at criminal court building and asked permission to testify. Cicotte wept, court attaches said, and exclaimed in anguish his sorrow for his two small children as he told how he did his utmost to lose rather than win the 1919 world series, after he had "found" $10,000 beneath his bedroom pillow, where it had been placed by professional gamblers.

Just Lobbed 'Em Over.

He said he lobbed the ball to the plate so slowly "you could read the trademark on it," in the first game at Cincinnati, while he was taken out of the box after three and two-thirds innings.

Cicotte confessed that he engineered the deal by which the White Sox lost last year's world series.

The details of Cicotte's confession follow closely the story told in Philadelphia last night by Billy Maharg, former prize fighter.

Cicotte told the grand jury, it was announced, that he received $10,000 for his part in losing the series. He never saw the man who paid him the money, he said. He was told he would find the $10,000 under his pillow in his hotel room on the night before the first game at Cincinnati and when he returned to his room the money was there.

Breaks Down On Stand.

A court official who was present when Cicotte went on the stand, described the scene when the star pitcher broke down, and cried as he told the jury of his part in the series "fixing."

"My God, think of my children," he cried. Cicotte has two small children. "I've lived a thousand years in the last year" the court official quoted him as saying.

"I never did anything I regretted so much in my life," the witness added according to the state official. "I would give anything in the world if I could undo my acts in the last world's series. I've played a crooked game and I have lost and I am here to tell the whole truth."

The story Cicotte told the jury follows in essential particulars that told the Associated Press by Maharg last night.

"In the first game in Cincinnati I was knocked out of the box," Cicotte told the jury. "I wasn't putting a thing on the ball. You could have read the trademark on it when I lobbed the ball up to the plate."

"In the fourth game, played at Chicago, which I also lost, I deliberately intercepted a throw from the outfield to the plate which might have cut off a run. I muffed the ball on purpose. At another time in the same game I purposely made a wild throw. All the runs scored against me, were due to my own deliberate errors. I did not try to win."

Cicotte broke down and cried in the grand jury room, one of the jurors said, following the voting of th indictments. The juror quoted official quoted him as saying:

"I wish I was not mixed up in it."

Jackson Tells His Story.

Joe Jackson, one of those indicted, and "Kid" Gleason, manager of the White Sox, called at the office of Mr. Austrian the club's attorney, this afternoon and remained closeted with the lawyer for some time.

Following the conference in Austrian's office, Mr. Austrian appeared before Judge McDonald with Joe Jackson and requested a private conference, saying Jackson had an important statement to make.

After a short conference with Judge McDonald, Jackson was taken before the grand jury. As he went in the door he turned to newspaper men and said:

"I am going to reform."

Joe Jackson received $5,000. Like Cicotte, he found the money in his bed when he returned to his room on the night before the first game.

Chicago Kid Jackson said that throughout the series he either struck out or else hit easy balls when hits would have meant runs.

When Jackson finished his testimony before the grand jury he was taken into custody by a deputy sheriff. A court official said that Jackson testified that Risberg and McMullin were the principal pay-off men. Jackson stated that he received his money from Claude Williams.

Mrs. Henrieta Kelly, a widow at whose home several of the White Sox players roomed, was called before the grand jury after Jackson. She is reported to have overheard a conversation in which Cicotte told his brother John, after the first game was lost, that "I don't care. I got mine."

How Game Was Thrown.

Last year's world series records show that in the first inning of the first game Cicotte started by hitting Rath, the first Cincinnati batter in the back. Daubert followed with a single over second base that sent Rath to third and he scored when Groh flied to Jackson, Rath beating Jackson's throw to the plate.

Chicago tied the run in the next inning, Kopf putting Jackson on second with a wild throw. Felsch sacrificed him to third and Gandil stopped a fly safely in center, scoring Jackson.

The end of Cicotte's pitching and the runs that ultimately won the game were scored by Cincinnati in the fourth inning. All the damage was done with two out, with Kopf on first. Neale and Wingo singled and Reuther, the hard-hitting Cincinnati pitcher, drove a three-base hit to the center field bleachers. Rath doubled and Daubert singled, the combination resulting in five runs. Wilkinson took Cicotte's place

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Makeshift Line-up to Represent White Sox for Rest of Season

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—"We will play out the schedule if we have to get Chinamen to replace the suspended players," Harry Grabner, secretary of the White Sox announced tonight.

Followers of the White Sox figured at once on the possible lineup of the team in the three remaining games of the season stating in St. Louis Friday. Information filtering from the club management indicated the following possible lineup:

Faber, Kerr, Wilkinson, and Hodge, pitchers.
Schalk and Lynn, catchers.
Jourdan, first base.
Ed Collins, second base.
McClellan, shortstop.
John Collins, third base.
Leibold, right field.
Strunk, center field.
Falk, left field.

On the bench as reserves will be Eddie Murphy, premier pinch hitter of the major league; Jonnard and George Lewis, catchers; George Hahn, pitcher, and several recruit pitchers and minor league players who are trial with the team.

ROW ON LEGION LABOR ATTITUDE

D'Oiler's Stand of "Strict Neutrality" Finally Is Given Approval

DISCUSSON IS HEARD

Minority Report, Urging "Law and Order" for Workmen Precipitates Talk

POLITICS UP WEDNESDAY

Committee to Bring In Report On This Matter Today; Many Other Matters Up

CLEVELAND, Sept. 28.—The second annual convention of the American legion here today underwent a barrage of resolutions and committee reports.

The stand of the legion in regard to organized labor was not mentioned in the report of the committee on resolutions. A minority report was submitted which recommended that "the American legion reiterate its well known position, that it has no participation in controversy between capital and labor. The American legion is not opposed to organized labor when it conducts itself as we believe it normally does, in conformity with law and order."

D'Oller Attitude Approved.

Heated discussion followed and a substitute for the minority report was presented by California and adopted by the convention, stating "that this convention indorses the statement recently issued by the national commander, Franklin D'Olier, and accepts that statement as the legion's interpretation of its position on the relation to organized labor."

The attitude of the national commander has been that of "strict neutrality" in matters having to do with organized labor.

The chairman of the committee on constitutional amendments reported they had not reached a decision on the legion stand with regard to politics, but would bring it in tomorrow. Article 15 of the legion constitution then was read, which provides that the report of the committee on constitutional amendments must be read 24 hours before action is taken.

Would Re-District Nation.

The chairman proceeded with business finished by his committee, which included recommendations regarding re-districting of the United States, with a vice commander as an intermediate administrative unit in each district; that no national commander be eligible for re-election and that past national commanders be made life members, without voting power.

The first resolution submitted was a message to President Wilson expressing "sincere sympathy for him in his present suffering affliction," and reiterated to him " our unalterable determination to support and uphold unswervingly the principles and constitution of our country." It was unanimously passed by a rising vote.

Poppy Is Legion Flower.

Just as the poppy had been recommended and adopted as the memorial flower of the American Legion, General Marie Fayolle and his party entered the convention hall. Five minutes of cheering interrupted the meeting and the national commander declared the regular order of business temporarily suspended. The general addressed the convention briefly.

ASKS HARDING TO STATE POSITION

People Have Right to Know Stand on League Says Roosevelt

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Sept. 28.—A demand that Senator Harding state "plainly and unequivocally just what his attitude is on the league of nations" was made by Franklin D. Roosevelt, democratic vice presidential nominee, in a series of speeches in West Virginia today.

"Senator Harding in his speech at Baltimore last night," said Mr. Roosevelt, "declared he is opposed to going into that league, referring to the league of nations as it was fashioned at Versailles. The people have a right to know whether he means specifically that league without reservations or whether he means that league regardless of what reservations are offered, or whether as Hiram Johnson pretends to believe, he proposes to scrap the present league altogether.

"The really important thing as it strikes me, is the fact that the republican candidate naively admits that he is, without a single program constructive of character about an association of nations."