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Republicans Organize for Victory

While the entire Country stands behind President Wilson in his greater policies towards foreign nations, and in his main constructive or internal reforms, it is evident that the majority of American voters are still Republican in feeling and convictions. The Republican party has had too easy victories and has been too uncertain in its program for improvements for the benefit of the Nation. At the last presidential election its forces were divided.

If the Republicans can find a certain patriotic program to advocate and a worthy champion to head their ticket, their success in the next presidential election will be a sure thing.

As one step towards better things in the Republican party, it has been decided that the nomination of a presidential candidate shall be determined by a convention more fairly constituted. The custom has been for each state to be represented in proportion to its representation in Congress. This gave the controlling power in the Republican national convention to delegates from southern states which never cast any electoral vote for the Republican president. Evidently the fair thing would be to let those who are able to elect Republican electors select the candidates. In the next national convention the representation of the southern states will be cut down.

There are other important matters in which the Republican party needs to introduce reforms. If they will make themselves fit to rule they will rule after the close of President Wilson's administration.

Reforms in Kentucky

The Hon. M. M. Logan, who is to be our next attorney-general, says: "The most important business before the incoming administration is the payment of the public debt. This must be done without increasing the State tax levy and can be done by the application of ordinary business principals to many departments which have been run without regard to business efficiency, in other words, we must have more business and less politics."

We hardly need add another word of explanation to this statement. Public servants must serve and fulfill their offices and expend the moneys entrusted to them for the public good and not for the advancement of their own fortunes and those of their friends. We cannot too often repeat Logan's slogan - "more business and less politics".

Corner Stone of Kentucky Hall is Laid

Joyful Assemblage at Berea December 8, 1915

The day, though threatening in the morning, turned out to be a bright one, and the program was carried out most successfully.

Several visitors came in automobiles and after inspecting Knapp Hall, parked their cars on the Dodge corner and repaired to Boone Tavern where they were greeted by Dr. and Mrs. Roberts and other college workers and introduced later to President and Mrs. Frost, and the Hon. R. C. Ballard Thurston, of Louisville, orator of the day.

The main body of guests came by the train on which Doctor Ferguson of the College, Dean Clark, and the Bursar, Howard E. Taylor, accompanied them. They were conveyed from the station to Knapp Hall in automobiles. Here they had a fine view of the mountains and inspected the work of the practice schools in Knapp Hall, which is the most perfect building now extant for the training of teachers.

The Luncheon

Here also they were introduced to different members of the faculty who accompanied them through the day and proceeded through the grand quadrangle to the Ladies' Hall where luncheon was served. The blessing was asked by President Clark of Wesleyan, and the meal was much enjoyed. The waiters were students. Mayor Rice and Judge Lilly of Richmond, Commissioner Garrett of Winchester, Mrs. Skain of Lexington and a great throng of prominent people surrounded the tables.

Startling Needs

It was impressive to see how startling the needs of the institution really are. We hear occasionally (Continued on page two.)

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VACATION BEGINS WEDNESDAY MORNING

For this year a change has been made to lengthen the Christmas vacation by one day.

The last Saturday of the term will be given up as a free day to give opportunity for bringing up the manual labor in Boarding Hall, Laundry, and other departments, and preparing for examinations.

Regular school work Monday and Tuesday, with examinations in the Foundation School, Vocational School, and Normal Department. Oratorical Contest Monday; Oratorio of the Messiah Tuesday night.

BE A SUBSCRIBER

A man who was too economical to subscribe for a paper sent his little boy to borrow the copy taken by his neighbor. In haste the boy ran over a \$4 stand of bees and in ten minutes looked like a swarthy summer squash.

His father ran to his assistance and failing to notice a barbed wire fence ran through it, cut a handful of flesh from his anatomy and ruined a four dollar pair of pants. The old cow took advantage of the gap in the fence and got in to the cornfield and killed herself eating green corn. Hearing a racket the wife ran out, upset a four-gallon churn of ice cream into a basket of little chickens, drowning the entire bunch. In her haste she dropped a \$25 dollar set of teeth.

The baby, having been left alone, crawled through the spilled milk and into a parlor ruining a \$25 carpet.

IN OUR OWN STATE

Winchester's Hospital Fund Completed

Winchester's dream for a hospital has in part been realized. The fund of \$25,000 for this purpose has been completed. Another subscription will be started at once to purchase a lot on which to erect the institution, but this is not expected to take much time and the work will soon go forward on the new hospital.

The first effort to raise money for this enterprise was started several years ago by the King's Daughters. After several thousand dollars had been pledged the interest waned and it was not till last spring that the interest was renewed and another campaign was started in earnest. At the meeting of the Clark County Medical Society, held two weeks ago only \$2,500 remained to be collected and this was gotten up in a hurry as all the members set to work.

Maysville "Wets" Lose

A decision handed down by the Supreme Court at Washington, Monday held that they had no jurisdiction in the local option contest case that was taken up from Maysville on a writ of error from the Kentucky Appellate Court. The decision ended the long fight that the whiskey forces of Mason County have been waging. The county and city of Maysville will become "dry" at once. This decision will put out of business fifteen saloons and three wholesale liquor houses.

Governor Stanley Pledges Total Abstinence

From the pulpit of Warren Memorial Church, Louisville, Dr. Aquilla Webb, pastor, made an authorized announcement as follows: "Governor-elect Stanley has asked me to make public for him that while he is Governor of Kentucky not a drop of liquor shall be admitted to the executive mansion nor served at any dinner given by him, and that he himself will be a total abstainer during his term of office as Governor."

Old Wage Scale Restored

Last spring when the business in the coal fields was dull there was a ten per cent cut made on the miners' wages with the understanding that on the first of July the old rate would be restored; but this was not done and a strike was the result. They finally went back to work and recently the Continental Coal Corporation, whose mines are located on Straight Creek, Bell County, restored the old wage. This means normal conditions in the Straight Creek field, and comes as a most welcome Christmas gift to the men who do the digging.

Big Deal in Oil Holdings

Recently a Mr. W. S. Raydure of Bowling Green, O., bought from the Maple Oil Company in Estill County 180 acres of oil land for the consideration of \$10,000. This tract joins the McKinney farm on which the 200 barrel well was drilled last week known as Pasley Ridge. The sale was confirmed by the president of the oil company, C. R. Dulin at Greencastle, Ind., where a meeting of the stockholders was held. Eight new wells have been located and drilling will begin at once. The above named company have seven wells completed.

Mrs. Stanley Gets a Fortune

The friends and relatives of Mrs. A. O. Stanley are elated to learn that just after the inauguration ceremonies of her husband she became the recipient of a \$35,000 check, a priceless set of old silverware, a big touring car and an oriental rug that cost \$2,000.

All these things were given her by W. J. Abram, executor of the estate of Mrs. Lillie Turner Abram, deceased, an aunt of Mrs. Stanley, who died a year ago at her home in Louisville.

Mrs. Stanley was not surprised as she had been expecting it after the estate was closed. She was surprised at the gift of the touring car which was a gift to the new governor and the first lady in the state.

During the excitement the oldest daughter ran away with the hired man, the dog broke up eleven sitting hens and chewed the tail off of four fine shirts on the clothes line.

A Representative of the home paper happened along, practised his skill in First Aid on the old man's anatomy, gave the boy a pill for his bee stings and in return had the pleasure of making the old man a steady subscriber for lifetime.

And to avoid all accident subscribe for your home paper today.—Exchange.

INDICT THREE IN SHIP PLOT

Von Brincken and Others Held on Conspiracy.

FEDERAL GRAND JURY ACTS

Charged With Destroying Commerce and Using Mails to Incite Arson, Assassination and Murder—Other Cases May Be Pressed by U. S.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 14.—Baron George Wilhelm von Brincken, an attaché of the German consulate here; C. C. Crowley, a detective employed by the consulate, and Margaret Cornell, who was in Crowley's employ, were indicted by the grand jury on two counts each.

The first count charges conspiracy to interfere with and destroy commerce between the several states of the Union and the United States and foreign countries; the second charges use of the mails to incite arson, assassination and murder.

The charge of conspiracy to interfere with and destroy commerce between the several states and the United States and foreign countries was more specifically described as an attempt to block traffic and destroy vessels carrying food, clothing and ammunition to the allied countries in the European war.

Von Brincken gave himself up to the federal authorities at San Francisco on Dec. 4, asserting that he was immune from arrest inasmuch as he was an attaché of the German consulate there. He was released when he gave bail bond in the sum of \$10,000.

The charges against von Brincken also brought to light the possibility of the government's intention to press other cases regarding the neutrality of the country, for at the same time von Brincken was taken a subpoena was issued for Robert Capelle, agent of the North German Lloyd Steamship company, who is said to have secreted himself on board the German bark Ottawa, interned across the bay from San Francisco.

The search for Capelle began following the testimony in the Hamburg-American line case at New York that \$750,000 was sent here for disbursement upon orders from Captain Boy-Ed.

ROW OPENS ON PEACE SHIP

Fight Opens Over Resolution Condemning Preparedness.

Aboard Peace Ship Oscar II. (via wireless), SS Noordam and Cape Race, N. F., Dec. 14.—The Rev. C. F. Aked threw a wrench into the Ford peace machinery when he presented a resolution condemning President Wilson's message on preparedness. Nine dissenters objected and these, headed by Publisher McClure, New York, may leave the party at Christiania. The others who refused were Herman Bernstein, Senator Helen R. Robinson, Denver, Judge and Mrs. Ben Lindsay, Lars Nelson, Governor Hanna of North Dakota, John D. Barry and Wheeler, making nine dissenters among thirty-one delegates.

Mr. Ford who tried hard to keep all parts of the machinery assembled, and who was the first to sign the resolution, said: "This declaration, since it is signed by a majority, represents the sentiments of the whole party. The minority must stand with the majority."

AGED WOMAN MURDERED

Body Found in Home, Hands and Feet Tied and Gag in Mouth.

Pittsburg, Dec. 14.—Mystery surrounds the death of Mrs. Caroline Flacous Viehmer, age seventy-one, wealthy widow and member of a prominent Pittsburg family, who was murdered in her home ten miles north of here.

The woman's body, bound hand and foot and with a gag in the mouth, was found by a farm laborer. The house had been ransacked and telephone connection severed. The authorities believe that robbery was the motive for the crime.

His First Vacation in Four Years.

New York, Dec. 14.—William W. Canada, who has been United States consul at Vera Cruz for eighteen years, has returned on the Esperanza on the first leave of absence he has had for four years. After visiting Washington, Canada will go to his home in Indiana.

Storm Sweeps Atlantic Coast.

New York, Dec. 14.—Almost the entire Atlantic coast from the Carolinas to Maine is experiencing one of the worst snow and sleet storms on record for so early in the winter.

GIVEN WEEK TO ANSWER NOTE

Austria Expected to Comply to U. S. Demands.

GERMANY'S HAND IS SEEN

Credence Given to Report of Teuton Influence in Directing Vienna's Compliance to Demands of America on Submarine Issue.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Austria will not have more than a week longer in which to comply with the demands of the United States in the Ancona case.

Secretary Lansing is understood to have so informed Baron Zwiadeink, charge d'affaires of the Austrian embassy, in the course of a conference which was had with him. The conference was sought by Baron Zwiadeink, with the result that a wild rumor was started in irresponsible quarters that the charge had received instructions from his government to demand his passports. The report brought forth a categorical denial from Secretary Lansing.

It is understood that Baron Zwiadeink desired to know the secretary's interpretation of the demand in the American note that a reply from Austria should come promptly. The question was asked on the responsibility of the charge who had no dispatches from his government. It likely was prompted by Count von Bernstorff, who conferred with Baron Zwiadeink prior to the latter's conference with Mr. Lansing.

Following the interview the prediction was freely made in diplomatic circles that Austria will comply with the American demands.

The fact that the prediction that Austria will yield to the United States comes freely from German circles has given credence to reports that Germany will use every influence toward a settlement. Having disavowed the attack on the Arabic and given the United States assurance for the future, it is thought that Germany is in a peculiarly strong position to advise the statesmen in Vienna.

Count von Bernstorff himself is known to be anxious that a break be avoided and the fact that he has been in frequent conference with Zwiadeink adds to the belief that Austria will not act contrary to the wishes of the Berlin government.

Both Germany and Austria are said to fear that if there is a break with this country it might hurt the efforts of the central powers to maintain the neutrality of Roumania and Greece in the Balkans.

Indications, based on authoritative information are that Germany, if she succeeds in persuading Austria to yield to the United States, will herself give orders to Ambassador Bernstorff to renew negotiations in the Lusitania controversy. It is predicted that within a month an effort will be made by Germany to settle this issue on the basis of an offer of reparation without any reference to arbitration.

SPECIAL WAR MUNITIONS TAX

Kenyon's Bill Would Tax Manufacturers of Explosives.

Washington, Dec. 14.—A bill to prohibit carrying passengers on ships with war munitions, and a resolution to put the senate on record for raising revenues for national defense by taxing manufacturers of munitions, were introduced by Senator Kenyon. No action was taken on either.

The senator declared national defense plans were made necessary by the irritation of foreign nations because of the American sales of munitions to the allies. Senator Chamberlain introduced a bill for military training of citizens.

Trains in Collision.

Utica, N. Y., Dec. 14.—In a fierce snowstorm that swept across the city a heavy mail train crashed into the rear section of an eastbound passenger train in the New York Central yards. Several of the clerks on the mail train were injured.

General Cookrell Dead.

Washington, Dec. 14.—General Francis Marion Cookrell, former United States senator from Missouri, died here. Infirmities of old age, resulting in serious illness during the last two weeks caused death.

Dives into Scalding Tub.

Pottsville, Pa., Nov. 30.—Falling down a stairway at Minersville, three-year-old Walter Pleman plunged head first into a tub of boiling water. When discovered he was so badly scalded that death resulted in a few hours.

ALLIES SWEEP OUT OF SERBIA

Bulgars and Teutons Deal An Effective Blow.

PURSUIT OVER GREEK LINE

New Battle Ground in the Balkans Expected to Be on Greek Territory—Two British Army Divisions Annihilated by Germans.

London, Dec. 14.—Serbian-Macedonian is now clear of all Franco-British troops, leaving all Serbia in the hands of the Bulgars and Teutons. In the last phase of an eight-day battle in Serbia's southeast corner, the victorious Bulgarians, sweeping steadily southward, concentrated all their might and fury upon the British. The disastrous result for the latter is indicated by a German war office statement, which asserts that two English divisions were "annihilated in the fierce fighting."

The German official assertion, if borne out, means that about forty thousand men were killed, wounded or put to wild rout by the Bulgars. The British statement telling of the last attacks on the British line said the Tenth division stood the brunt of the onslaughts and that a successful retreat to the Dorian position was made possible only by the bravery of the Munster and Dublin fusiliers and the Connaught Rangers. Dorain and Chevgell were taken by the pursuing Bulgars, so that the British catastrophe reported by Berlin came in the last lap of the Bulgar sweep to the Greek frontier.

Greek Macedonia, the zone stretching south from the Debro-Greek frontier, now looms up as the inevitable battle ground in the Balkans. There is no doubt left here that the Bulgars will continue the pursuit over the border, and all indications are they will do so with Greece's official sanction.

Rome telegraphs: "The withdrawal of Greek troops from Greek Macedonia is suspected to be due, not necessarily to Greece's submission to the allies, but to be intended mainly so as not to aid the Anglo-French forces if the latter are pursued by the Bulgarians and Germans. Thus Greece would enable herself to remain neutral and at the same time completely disinterested in the fate of the Anglo-French army."

Meanwhile, the allied fleets are keeping close watch on the Greek coast and restrictions on Greek trade remain in force.

With reference to the Austrian campaign on Montenegro and the Bulgarian pursuit of the last remnants of the Serbian army toward and into Albania, both Vienna and Berlin reported quiet.

OPPOSE CHINESE MONARCHY

General Hwang Hsing May Head New Revolutionary Movement.

Philadelphia, Dec. 14.—"Yuan Shih-kai will never ascend the throne as monarch of China."

General Hwang Hsing, co-leader with Sun Yat Sen in the Chinese revolution of 1913, now living at Ardmore, near here, gave emphatic voice to this prediction in an interview at his villa.

As evidence of his resolve to oppose the kingly ambitions of Yuan Shih-kai, the general showed a copy of a cablegram which he said he had dispatched to Paul S. Henssch, United States minister at Peking. The message follows:

"Yuan Shih-kai, using farcical elections, created himself monarch, which our Chinese people will oppose to the bitter end and we crave that your excellency may give your moral support for our republic for the peace of the orient. Please transmit my cable to all other embassies in Peking."

Turks Suffer From Cold.

London, Dec. 14.—Forces at the Dardanelles are suffering from the wintry weather and the first storm of early December is said to have found the Turks entirely unprepared, causing them to evacuate several positions because trenches became flooded.

Teuton Submarines Sink 508 Ships.

London, Dec. 14.—German and Austro-Hungarian submarines to date have sunk 508 ships, according to a news dispatch from Berlin. The total tonnage of the vessels sunk is given as \$17,819.

Lake Shore Agent Held Up.

South Bend, Ind., Dec. 14.—A lone robber held up W. T. Post, night ticket agent at the Chicago, Lake Shore & South Bend railway station, obtaining \$158.84 in cash and a gold watch.