

# Democrats Look With Disfavor on Coalition With Anti-Machine Republicans

## BOURBONS NOT READY TO JOIN MACHINE FIGHT

Democrats in Caucus Refuse to Enter Republican Senatorial Row

McNab Faction Expected to Abandon Flannery and Vote for Phelan

Bell Party Works All Day Framing Plan to Put a Quietus on Coalition

By George Van Smith

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

CALL HEADQUARTERS, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING, SACRAMENTO, Jan. 6.—The hopes of Harry Flannery to put it on James D. Phelan in the matter of the democratic complimentary vote for United States senator and the shadow of the impossible coalition between the democrats and the recalcitrant republicans for an anti-machine republican went glimmering tonight in a democratic joint caucus, which was the scene of characteristic democratic harmony maintained for something like three hours.

When the smoke of democratic battle is dispelled next Monday night it's a three to one bet James D. Phelan will be the recipient of the democratic complimentary vote, and that the McNab democrats from California will come through for Phelan with the votes they have pledged to Flannery or he shunted out of the democratic caucus. MAJORITY VOTE TO BIND

They have permitted themselves to be parties to an agreement to be bound by the majority decision of the adjourned meeting of the joint caucus, but they may find it impossible to swallow Phelan and the anti-machine democrats are devoutly hoping that they will balk at the San Francisco ex-mayor when the showdown comes, so that they may be excluded from further caucus and a last swipe taken at the McNab organization.

The caucus tonight was war from the drop of the gavel. Not all of the anti-machine democrats have been keen about a coalition with the machine republicans, who might be induced to bolt their own caucus. Coalition was a good thing to talk about, but with no hope of winning it was also a perfectly safe thing to talk about until the time for a showdown arrived.

BELL PARTY FRAMES PLANS

Conservative Bell democrats had been at work quietly all day framing up a caucus plan which would put the quietus on coalition talk and at the same time put one over on McNab. The rumpus started tonight when Senator Campbell, who took the measure of Henry Lynch in the San Luis Obispo district, offered as the first orator from the public schools, setting forth the impossibility of electing a democrat to the United States senate and pledging the democratic minority to cooperate with those republicans who might desire to elect "honest, capable and efficient" public servants regardless of their partisan affiliations.

"Honest" John Curtin, bereft of a constitutional objection, denounced the resolution as a vile Lincoln-Roosevelt league plot to smirch the fair fame of democracy.

CURTIN FOR DEMOCRAT

"Honest" John Curtin was for a democrat and the preservation of an unswerving democratic honor. So was Wheelan, who caucused with himself and O'Neill and Collum early in the week and decided to give the complimentary vote to Flannery. Wheelan, who was elected by the republican machine in San Francisco, said he would vote for a republican for poundmaster, but that was the limit, only a democrat of standing could get his suffrage for the United States senate.

Other democrats, notably Stuckenbruck, were noncommittal as to the pound master, but strong on a democrat for the United States senate, of which he failed to dismay Campbell, who had another resolution up his sleeve, and produced it at the psychological moment. That resolution bound all the members of the minority to the majority vote of the caucus.

DRAGGED BY COAT TAILS

Lawrence Wilson of Winters started for the door and as he was dragged back by the coat tails, both he and Preston of Ukiah emphatically denied that they would be bound by any old majority and the resolution went through 25 to 2. The untimely will meet again Monday night. Each member of the caucus will submit the name of his choice for United States senator. This will insure that all the aspirants will get a complimentary vote of one or more in the caucus. The majority, unless the cut is switched meanwhile, will vote for Phelan, and the gentlemen who decline to stand by the ex-mayor, always excepting Wilson and Preston, if they remain obdurate, will get the stony stare from the Bell democrats for the rest of the session.

FOR PHELAN AFTER LANGDON

Senator Tom Kennedy will give his first vote to District Attorney Langdon and thereafter will be quite ready to stand for Phelan. Lighter of the thirty-fifth district is pledged to Bell, but Bell does not want his name presented. Black and Hopkins are unpledged, but are expected to bury their union labor objections to Phelan under the stress of the majority binding rule. With six recognized brethren of the faith and Senator Charles W. Bell of Seaside, who has not been invited, the republicans of the senate will meet tomorrow night in joint caucus to go through the form of nominating George C. Perkins to succeed himself in the United States senate.

REPUBLICANS REFUSE TO SIGN

Six republican members of the assembly refused today to sign the call for the republican joint senatorial caucus, and were conspicuously absent when George Hans, of Alameda county circulated the formal document which is a necessary preliminary to the caucus which will probably give Perkins about 23 votes out of a total of 115 to be cast in the joint session that will give

Sketches of legislators who are taking an active part in proceedings at the state capital.



SENATOR GEO. W. CARTWRIGHT OF FRESNO

SENATOR EDNA F. GOODWIN OF SUISUN

SENATOR J. H. GOODWIN OF RIVERSIDE

Perkins a new six year lease on his toga.

E. J. Callan of the thirty-ninth district, San Francisco, who has spent several months compiling the record of the senior senator, C. C. Young of Berkeley, and George L. Sackett of Ventura, who were instructed by their convention to vote against Perkins, were expected to refuse to sign the call, but the refusal or failure of A. M. Drew of Fresno, G. W. Wyllie of Dinuba and W. R. Flint of San Benito to append their names to the call came in the nature of a surprise.

They are anti-machine men, but it was not believed that they would decline to go into the caucus and after opposing Perkins there take their medicine under the majority binding rule.

For Reformatory Prison

CALL HEADQUARTERS, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING, SACRAMENTO, Jan. 6.—A member of the San Francisco delegation will introduce a measure asking for the establishment of a reformatory prison to supplement the penal institutions in the state. The bill contemplates a revolution of the present system of punishing criminals so as to teach them to be better citizens rather than more accomplished criminals before their terms of imprisonment have been completed.

The measure is a free copy of the New York statute, and if enacted will introduce the indeterminate sentence feature.

The supporters of the bill contend that by confining a convicted felon for an indeterminate period and by instructing him in useful pursuits he will not only prove himself worthy of liberty within a short period, but will also be prepared to mend his ways and live as a law abiding citizen.

BILLS WILL RESTRICT RESIDENCE OF ORIENTALS

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CALL HEADQUARTERS, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING, SACRAMENTO, Jan. 6.—The Citizens' alliance intends to have a bill introduced in the legislature reproducing the Alabama law against conspiracy, their elimination as directors of any corporation organized under the laws of California and the restriction of residence sections of municipalities in the state are the principal features of bills which will be introduced in the lower house Friday by Grove L. Johnson of San Francisco. Another measure denying to Japanese the right to purchase property in the state was contemplated

tonight is the selection of suitable legislators to present the bill. The measure will be vigorously opposed by the labor bodies.

Additional news of the legislature will be found on page 7.

NAT GOODWIN AND WIFE SPEND THE DAY IN TOWN

He Refuses to Discuss McMillan Episode or Things Personal

Nat Goodwin and his newly wed wife, the beautiful Edna Goodrich, spent the day in the city yesterday on their way from Reno to Los Angeles. Goodwin was in a merry mood and introduced the former Floradora girl to many of his acquaintances as Mrs. Goodwin.

Of the Harry McMillan episode and of the report that he was about to bring charges for breaking down Rawhide Coalition against the unfortunate suitor for the hand of Edna Goodrich, Goodwin had nothing to say. "I don't know McMillan," the actor tersely remarked yesterday at the St. Francis. "I don't care what he does or what happens to him. I am out here for a rest and do not intend to be disturbed by silly reports linking my name and my wife's with his."

Goodwin said that the first act of Cameo Kirby, the play with which he opened in Broadway this season, but which, after an unsuccessful engagement, he withdrew, is now being rewritten and that when the necessary corrections are made he will try it again.

He left for Los Angeles last night. He said that his mining interests were prospering and that acting or not acting, their development would still go on.

McMillan Not in Jail

The following dispatch, dated at Reno, Nev., was received last night by The Call from J. Harry McMillan in reference to his arrest on the charge of having paid a gambling debt with bogus checks.

"Your special wire from here appearing in this morning's paper was manifestly unfair to me. I was not taken to the county jail or locked in any jail upon my arrival. I was taken before the justice of the peace, who fixed my bail at \$2,000, and Sheriff Ferrill released me on my own recognizance until 9:30, at which time L. I. Patrick, president of the First national bank of Goldfield, and Charles Sadler, president of the saloonmen and gambling association of Reno, furnished the bond. The preliminary hearing will be had tomorrow."

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## MISS MacKENZIE QUILTS HOSPITAL

Said to Have Resigned From the Scene of Scandal to Avoid Dismissal

Miss Jessie F. MacKenzie, the superintendent of nurses at the California women's hospital in Sacramento street, who a year ago was so valiantly championed by Dr. F. W. Vowinkel, chief surgeon and "king" of the institution, has resigned from the hospital. Miss MacKenzie says that her resignation was voluntary. Others, including her friends, say that the former superintendent put in her resignation to avoid dismissal.

It was reported that Dr. Vowinkel and his friends in the board of lady managers were ready to shift to Miss MacKenzie all the odium that recently was heaped on Dr. Vowinkel for his autocratic control and alleged mismanagement of the place. Miss MacKenzie's name was frequently mentioned in connection with the scandals that developed when the reform element on the board of lady managers discovered that the hospital had been purchasing supplies from Herbert Dugan, the druggist who enjoyed a practical monopoly of the trade of the institution.

DID NOT ADMIT GRAFT

In her own defense Miss MacKenzie said that everything she did in connection with her position as superintendent of nurses was under direct orders of Dr. Vowinkel and the board of trustees of the hospital. She does not admit that any graft was practiced.

Until yesterday Miss MacKenzie had considerable apprehension regarding the diploma as a superintendent of nurses, which the lady managers promised her in recognition of her nine years of service at the hospital. But it was reported last evening that the important document was in the hands of the engravers, and would have been signed and issued yesterday had the artist completed his work.

WILL RE-ELECT VOWINKEL

Two significant features stand out prominently in the case of the resignation of Miss MacKenzie. It comes almost on the eve of the annual meeting of the board of trustees of the hospital. That meeting is to be held January 25. It is conceded that Dr. Vowinkel will be re-elected chief surgeon of the hospital in spite of the ugly rumors that invaded his name.

The other point is that shortly before Miss MacKenzie's retirement there were reports at the hospital in effect that many young women training to be nurses under the superintendent said that if Miss MacKenzie was kept in charge they would quit the training school and hospital. Miss MacKenzie naturally heard this report and she went to each nurse and had each sign a personal declaration that she had made no such statement.

INCENSES MRS. CAROLAN

Miss MacKenzie's tenure at the hospital was threatened a year ago owing to the removal of Mrs. Wainwright, a matron at the place appointed on the recommendation of Mrs. Francis Carolan, then chairman of the board of lady managers. When Mrs. Carolan was out of the state the managers removed Mrs. Wainwright. When Mrs. Carolan returned she suspected that Miss MacKenzie had something to do with the dismissal of the matron and ordered that Miss MacKenzie be removed.

Several complaints were made against Miss MacKenzie at that time, it is said. Dr. Vowinkel, instead of removing the superintendent of nurses, changed the constitution of the hospital so that the superintendent would be under his direction entirely. This act incensed Mrs. Carolan and she left the board.

"The only reason I had for leaving the hospital," said Miss MacKenzie last evening, "was that I was offered a better place and was tired of the 24 hours a day work that I had to perform there."

## BIG POWERS TO OPPOSE CHINESE REACTIONARIES

Nations Not to Permit Measures Which Will Endanger Peace

PEKING, Jan. 6.—The American British and Japanese ministers are acting upon the principle that the situation brought about by the dismissal of the grand councillor, Yuan Shi Kai, requires a united action on the part of the powers and a warning to the prince regent against any administrative act that might endanger the peace.

The Russian and the French ministers appear to be without instructions from their governments and are awaiting developments.

Officials of the Chinese government have intimated that inquiries concerning the treatment of Yuan Shi Kai on the part of the legations would be unwelcome and that, moreover, the Chinese government is not prepared to receive representations from foreign governments on the subject.

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