

MOTT'S FRIENDS FOR GILLET'S JOB Oakland Mayor Willing to Be Lincoln-Roosevelt Candidate for Governor

Davis Refuses to Consider Nomination, Despite Wishes of League Leaders

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Mayor Frank K. Mott of Oakland will be the Lincoln-Roosevelt candidate for the republican nomination for governor, if the plans of the rotund mayor's friends do not go wholly awry within the next month.

There is within the councils of the Lincoln-Roosevelt league's state organization a well defined movement for Mayor Mott. It will be observed by those who follow Mott's well chosen remarks for publication that Mott is doing next to nothing to interfere with the success of that movement.

Former Mayor W. R. Davis' insistent refusals to even consider himself in the light of a candidate become more intelligible when it is known that Davis is for his friend Mott. It may be remarked in passing that Davis is one of the vice presidents of the Lincoln-Roosevelt league. The fact that he is to be chairman of the finance committee is not to be disregarded.

MAJOR AGAINST MACHINE

Mott is a member of the league's state executive committee. He has always stood well with the leaders of the anti-machine organization. He assisted in the original organization work in 1907. He declined any official connection with the league then, but he was one of the principal figures in the league's fight in Alameda county in 1908.

Mott did not attend the reorganization meeting held in Oakland two months ago. It was given out by those unfriendly to the league that the Oakland mayor would have nothing more to do with the anti-machine movement, because it was rather more than probable that the machine would support him for governor.

The leaguers ejaculated "Fish," likewise "Tush." They declared that Mayor Mott had not deserted them and that when their state executive committee was announced Mott's presence thereon would serve as a complete refutation of the slanderous reports inspired by the machinists.

LEADERS FAVORED DAVIS

Mott's name was present according to promise when President Chester H. Rowell announced his appointments to the executive committee. The leaguers who promised that Mott would be an executive committee member also declared that they did not believe that Mott would be a candidate for governor. They did not qualify the assertion that if he should become a candidate it would not be in opposition to a league candidate.

As long ago as the spring of 1908 W. R. Davis was discussed by the league leaders as a logical candidate for governor. As a matter of fact Davis was at that time the choice of the league. Mott could be both an ally of nearly two years did not change the opinions of the leaguers, who were strong for Davis in 1908.

The conference held in San Francisco a week ago disclosed the fact that the big leaders still cling to the idea that Davis was the man to both the league's Moses.

DAVIS FAVORS MOTT

By the most skillful manipulation of the discussion, and not infrequently violent direction of the proceedings, Davis managed to prevent the presentation of his name to the conference. Outside the conference the question was put up to him squarely. He was told that he could have the league support. He was also told that the league would have no marked difficulty in finding an acceptable and winning candidate.

He has since developed that in the opinion of Davis and several other prominent leaguers, Mott could be both an acceptable and a winning candidate.

SPEECHES SHOW ATTITUDE

Within the month Mott has found it convenient to make two trips to southern California. He has made a few public speeches and hundreds of little private talks. The purpose of his publication here is only a tentative candidate for governor. He admits that he has heard his name mentioned in connection with the race for the nomination. His health is good. In fact, he never felt better. He has said that his heart says that he does not want the governor job, nor that he objects to a long campaign. He says he has not made up his mind. There are leaguers who expect that Mott will be sufficiently disposed to enable him to remove his friends from their suspense within two or three weeks.

WHERE BELSHAW STANDS

Former Senator Charles M. Belshaw has not given up hope of winning the league over to his cause, but he is more than optimistic if he still believes that he has better than an outside chance. As a matter of fact, while Belshaw's agents are still working for him in the field, the Contra Corridor has virtually put his candidacy in the hands of the leaguers.

A few months ago Belshaw did not want the league's avowed support. He did not wish to "queen" himself with the big "push" following which his friends contended he could command. It is different now. Belshaw's friends still present his alleged "push" strength as one of the chief reasons for the desired espousal of his candidacy by the league.

STAFFORD OUT OF RACE

The Lincoln-Roosevelt league figures are all in on the big political developments of the week. Let it be known to all men generally and to the 40 or 50 candidates for secretary of state particularly that their loved friend and feared opponent "Jack" Stafford has withdrawn from the race for Charlie Curry's job. If that were all of it Frank Jordan, Charlie Bell, Morrow, Mouser, "Kid" Hilborn, Lou Martin, Walter Price and all the rest of them might sleep easier. But that is not all of it.

CLAIRVOYANT RELEASED FROM PRISON IN MEXICO

Claude Conlin Flees After Gaining His Freedom

The cases of Claude A. A. Conlin, alias Astro, clairvoyant; Stella Martell, alias Tynan, and Horace Harcourt, charged with grand larceny, were tried and device, on complaint of James O'Kelly of Coos Bay, were called in Police Judge Shortall's court yesterday for preliminary hearing, but they were continued till this morning. Conlin had been under arrest in Mexico City, but managed to gain his release and fled.

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"Professor Napoleon" Cast Rehearses Extravaganza in Valencia Theater



High school juniors and seniors in society extravaganza: Top row, left to right—Miss Lois de Vilbiss, Miss Evelyn Peery, Miss Violet Cook. Bottom row—Miss Madelene Cummings, Miss Florence Simkins, Miss Romona Hamberger.

Wagner of San Bernardino is the lucky man. And that Wagner may not look more than half appreciate his luck.

PLACED WANTED FOR BURNETT

Senator Lester G. Burnett is the latest recruit to the army of those mentioned for nomination to the railroad commission. Burnett got in the calcium at the last session of the legislature by the forthright manner in which he went at the investigation of express and freight charges, which was started to keep some of the insurgents from insuring too generally.

Burnett got so deep into the subject that it required the combined skill of some of the ablest programmers in the upper house to prevent him from getting a hold over committee and appropriation with which to make more trouble.

He has also been prominently identified with the railroad rate cases. He led the entrance of a saloon at 100 Church street in the senate and if he does not leave the legislature to make the fight for railroad commissioner it is generally admitted that he will be one of the leaders of the next senate.

MANY BURGLARIES ARE REPORTED TO POLICE

Long List of Petty Crimes Engages Department's Attention

Kenneth McIntosh, son of C. K. McIntosh, vice president of the First national bank, was held up, beaten and robbed of 50 cents near his father's residence at Octavia street and Broadway on Tuesday evening.

Policeman Bates early yesterday morning saw a man run out of the side entrance of a saloon at 100 Church street. He called upon him to stop and fired four shots at the fugitive as he disappeared into Belcher street and escaped.

Burglars entered the residence of G. B. McLean, 1150 Jackson street, and stole clothing and jewelry valued at \$247.50. Mrs. Lena Patrick's residence at 740 Vermont street was entered and clothing valued at \$54 stolen. A thief stole 90 yards of satin valued at \$80 from Aaron Posner's tailor shop at 1838 Sutter street.

H. Lesser, 1162 Market street, was relieved of a purse and a diamond stud, wedding ring, \$15 and some foreign coins on a McAllister street car yesterday morning, and Nathan P. Fogie, 710 Capp street, of a purse and \$11.85 on a Polk street car.

WILL MAKE EXAMPLE OF BRUTAL DRIVER

Kept On After Running Over Pedestrian

Michael Lassa, driver of a sand wagon, was convicted before Police Judge Conlan yesterday on a charge of battery and was ordered into custody to appear for sentence this morning.

WILSON RESIGNS FROM AMERICAN NATIONAL

To Manage International Banking Corporation

E. W. Wilson, vice president of the American national bank for the last few years, tendered his resignation to the directors of that institution yesterday, and this morning will become associate manager of the San Francisco branch of the International banking corporation.

Wilson returned a few days ago from New York, where he conferred with the officers of the International banking corporation. His resignation from the American national bank came as a surprise to the officers of that institution. Wilson, with William H. High, will manage the affairs of the local branch.

Wilson, before his entry into the San Francisco banking field, was cashier of the Commercial national bank of Salt Lake City, and was also a member of the Utah state bank commission.

At the annual meeting of the Donohoe-Kelly banking company, held Wednesday, Arthur J. Claire was elected a director to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Edward Donohoe. Joseph A. Donohoe was re-elected president; John Bermingham, vice president; J. E. Fitzpatrick, cashier, and John T. Dispass, assistant cashier. The following directors were re-elected: Eugene Kelly, George Whittell, Foster P. Cole, Joseph A. Donohoe, Joseph D. Grant, Christian de Guigne, Edward L. Byrne, John Bermingham and R. H. Pease.

CONVENTION WILL CONSIDER DIVISION

Episcopal Clergy and Laity to Settle Question of Partitioning Diocese

Committee Urges Creation of Missionary District Including Fourteen Counties

The matter of dividing the Episcopal diocese of California, to form the diocese of San Francisco and the missionary district of the San Joaquin, will be considered by the annual convention of the Episcopal clergy and laity, which will be held next week in this city. Arrangements for the convention have been sent to the delegates.

The diocese of California at the present time consists of 24 counties and extends from Marin and Alpine on the north and Kern and Inyo on the south and from the sea to the state line in width. The missionary district if formed will contain the 14 counties of San Joaquin, Calaveras, Alpine, Stanislaus, Tuolumne, Merced, Mariposa, Fresno, Madera, Kings, Tulare, Kern, Mono and Inyo. The change is proposed because of the need for more extensive church promotion in the sparsely settled district. The missionary district will be made self-supporting, but will receive the salary of its bishop from the general church. As Sacramento, which is now a missionary district, has secured an endowment sufficient to assume diocesan status it will be represented to the house of bishops that the sum devoted to the salary of the bishop of Sacramento may be transferred to a new district without inconvenience.

The committee, which consists of Bishop Nichols, Rev. Clifton Macon, Rev. Harvey S. Hanson, Rev. N. B. W. Galloway, William H. Crocker, L. L. Cory, E. D. Cosper, Warren R. Porter and J. P. Pryor, representing all parts of the diocese of California, has prepared an exhaustive report, setting forth the reasons for the creation of the question and advocating the division. The question will be one of the important matters for discussion at the convention, which is the sixtieth of this diocese and which will be held here at St. John's church at Fifteenth street and Julian avenue.

The program is as follows: Monday, January 24-2:30 p. m., laying of cornerstone of Grace cathedral, California and Jones streets.

Addresses are expected from the bishop of Los Angeles, the bishop of Sacramento and the governor.

6:30 p. m.—Seminar dinner at Hotel Marx, Powell street near O'Farrell.

Tuesday, January 25-10:30 a. m., opening of convention. The celebration of the holy communion. Celebrate the bishop.

Pursuant to the resolution of convention of 1909 the bishop will read his annual address at this service.

The clergy will all please bring their vestments (white stoles) to their residence at St. John's church at 10 a. m.

Following this service the convention and House of Clergymen will organize for business.

8 p. m.—Missionary mass meeting in St. John's church, when addresses may be expected from visiting bishops.

Wednesday, January 26—Business of convention and House of Clergymen. Profranchise resolutions will be presented and the day by convention for another hour will be the missionary work, the business of the diocese and profranchise.

8:30 to 10:30 p. m.—The bishop and Mrs. Nichols will give reception to their respective distinguished visitors. Owing to the fact that this reception will be in residence of the bishop and the home of the bishop's auxiliary, any members of their families, those residents of San Francisco and those of the diocese, are invited to either house and the heads of church institutions in San Francisco.

Thursday, January 27—Business of convention and House of Clergymen.

2:30 p. m.—Conference of officers of Women's auxiliary. Officers of parish branches are asked to meet diocesan officers for the semiannual conference.

United meeting of Brotherhood of St. Andrew and Daughters of the King. Interesting addresses may be expected.

10:30 a. m.—Holy communion. Celebrate, the bishop of California. Preacher, the bishop of Nevada.

Offerings of the day will be given to the bishop of Nevada and Rev. John W. Nichols. Luncheon will be served to all visitors at St. John's parish house.

Friday, January 28—Semiannual meeting, the bishop presiding. Addresses may be expected by Rev. John Williams Nichols, our own missionary; Rev. John Williams Nichols, secretary of the eighth missionary department; Miss Caroline L. Fielder, of "The Mission Study Classes"; Deaconess Hodgkin, of "The New Deaconess Training School in Berkeley"; Deaconess Dorsey, on "Work Among Indians"; and others.

Minister Accepts Call

Grace Episcopal cathedral will have as dean Rev. J. Wilmer Gresham, at present rector of Trinity church, San Jose. The dean will assume charge of the new work April 15, succeeding the Rev. David Evans, who will go to his new parish at Palo Alto early in February. The matter of a pastor for the parish in the interval between the departure of the present rector and the incoming of the dean has not yet been determined. Services will be held in the present Grace Church building until the partial completion of the cathedral.

PRISON GUARD DEAD BY RAY

The body of an artilleryman of the Fourth regiment was found floating in the bay at the foot of Clay street yesterday afternoon. He was evidently a prison guard at Alcatraz island. The body was badly decomposed, having been in the water about a month. There were no identifying papers on the body.

CITY BIG LOSER IF LAW IS ENFORCED

Hamburg-American Agents May Divert Crowded Steamer Cleveland to Victoria

Would Mean Loss of \$1,000,000 to Merchants in Supplies and Tourist Trade

Agents of the Hamburg-American steamship company called on Collector of the Port F. S. Stratton yesterday and represented that unless special permission is granted the world-touring steamer Cleveland will be sent to Victoria, B. C., to discharge, diverting nearly 1,400 tourists and the purchase of supplies, amounting in all to a matter of \$1,000,000 at least, from this port. On this representation Stratton wired an urgent appeal to Washington, to which he is expecting an immediate reply.

The Cleveland is under a foreign register and under a strict interpretation of the shipping laws can not carry passengers between ports of the United States even by way of foreign ports. The view taken by the ship's agents is that the Cleveland is not a merchant ship, at which the law is aimed, but a pleasure yacht. Nearly all her passengers are Americans. The aggregate penalty would be \$132,000 were the law enforced to the letter.

The Cleveland left New York three months ago with 660 tourists on board, who are about to complete their world trip by rail east. The vessel was due to arrive from the orient January 31. On February 2 the Cleveland was to take on board 700 passengers here from eastern points to make their world tour.

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SLATTERY CLEARS HIS TWO PRISONERS

Policeman Says That He Was Struck From Behind While Walking to Station

Captives Are Accused of Offering Money to Secure Release After Leaving Car

Policeman Thomas J. Slattery, who was unmercifully beaten last Monday night while taking James Davino and Louis Alfano to the Paterno police station, was unable to tell the police yesterday who struck him down. He cleared the men under arrest of the brutal assault, declaring that he was attacked from behind by a stranger just as he turned his head to see who was following him.

Policeman Lofgren was with Slattery just before he made the arrests and said yesterday that Slattery was perfectly sober and that he had not tasted liquor for three months on account of stomach trouble.

Alfano and Davino were charged with disturbing the peace.

Slattery said that he left the car three blocks before reaching the police station because the prisoners said that they wanted to speak with him privately. He was curious to learn why they had to say and consented to get off the car. He found that the men wanted to bribe him, offering him several dollars if he would let them go.

Slattery refused the bribe and had walked two blocks up the hill in Connecticut street when he heard some one behind him. As he turned to see who it was he received a blow across the side of the head.

SEATS IN DEMAND FOR SOCIETY PLAY

Tickets for "Professor Napoleon," to Be Given as Aid for Charity, Sell Rapidly

The Valencia theater was alive with merriment and laughter yesterday afternoon and evening when the 500 members of the cast of "Professor Napoleon" met for rehearsal. There were many ludicrous little mistakes and mishaps, which but added to the fun and made the meeting one of the most enjoyable since rehearsals began. After the stage exits and entrances were fully learned, however, and the other points in which the actual stage differs from a ballroom floor everything went smoothly and formed one of the most charming musical shows ever given in this city. The costumes are beautiful, the scenic settings, brought from New York, are excellent and the play itself is a pleasing series of comical incidents and situations, which, quite apart from the attractive choruses and dances, would make it worth the seeing.

The seats have been in great demand, especially for the opening night, selling for the most part for the initial performance at \$5 a seat, in order to aid the Telegraph hill charity fund. Yesterday, however, the remaining seats were placed on sale at Sherman, Clay & Co.'s and the success of the production was shown in the long line of waiting persons anxious to secure good places.

The highest price for the Saturday matinee will be \$1.50 a seat, and many of these have already been spoken for, although some good ones are still left. For the convenience of our town residents who wish to see the drama special trains will be run to all of the nearby suburbs.

Nearly 50 makeup artists have already been engaged to give the necessary stage complexion to the 600 in the cast, in spite of considerable opposition on the part of many of the fair actresses. However, the edict has been issued that powder and rouge will be a necessary part of the big charity affair, and so in the dress rehearsal tonight at 7 o'clock the costuming will include the face coloring necessary. Tomorrow the first act in full dress will be rehearsed, and Monday night will be another general rehearsal in a final preparation for the six public appearances.

Following is the committee in charge of the banquet: John Holst, chairman; W. C. Wood, secretary; David Becker, J. C. F. Mitchell, J. H. Daley, C. F. Williams, Theodore Lunstedt. The banquet will begin at 8 o'clock.

GRACE EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL WILL HAVE AS DEAN REV. J. WILMER GRESHAM, AT PRESENT RECTOR OF TRINITY CHURCH, SAN JOSE. THE DEAN WILL ASSUME CHARGE OF THE NEW WORK APRIL 15, SUCCEEDING THE REV. DAVID EVANS, WHO WILL GO TO HIS NEW PARISH AT PALO ALTO EARLY IN FEBRUARY. THE MATTER OF A PASTOR FOR THE PARISH IN THE INTERVAL BETWEEN THE DEPARTURE OF THE PRESENT RECTOR AND THE INCOMING OF THE DEAN HAS NOT YET BEEN DETERMINED. SERVICES WILL BE HELD IN THE PRESENT GRACE CHURCH BUILDING UNTIL THE PARTIAL COMPLETION OF THE CATHEDRAL.

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