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DICT AM. WOOLEN D. IN NEW YORK

poration Charged in 14 ounts With Profiteering in loth in Violation of the ever Act

w York, May 26.—The American len company of New York, the Amer- Woolen company of Massachusetts William M. Wood, president of both panies, were charged with profiteer- in woolen cloth in an indictment re- ed here to-day by the federal grand

e indictment contains 14 counts, ging 14 individual violations of the er act in the sale of cloth at unjust unreasonable prices.

e first count in the indictment charges company with the sale on January 20, of 79 yards of cloth, which cost a yard, for $3.67½ a yard. Another t alleges that a piece of cloth which $1.62 a yard was sold on January 12, for $3.25 a yard. Other counts ge similar transactions.

e indictment followed an investiga- by the department of justice made he request of President Wood of the pany, according to a statement to- t by Herbert C. Smyth, special assist- to the United States district attor-

Mr. Smyth said the investigation wed the American Woolen company trols 21 per cent of the output of len cloth in the country and that its es are followed virtually by the entire le.

Although Mr. Wood is in receipt of rmous salaries both from the manu- uring company, the selling company he same name and the constituent mill panies," Mr. Smyth added, "he re- ed commissions from the manufactur- and selling companies which, in 1919, ounted to $515,482. This is calculated part of the manufacturing and sell- expense."

also developed, he explained, that company was receiving 35 per cent it above cost, although Mr. Wood med the profit proposed by the com- y for its 1920 business was 12½ per t. The amount of profits which the pany was realizing, he said, exceeded an average from 200 to 400 per cent those of 1913."

r. Smyth said the company, after the estigation started, changed its atti- e, "and for the last few weeks we e been met with nothing but refusal allow us to inquire further into the ords of the company."

resident Wood, in a statement made Boston April 28, declared "there is olutely no just ground for the sugges- that this company has charged exces- e prices for its cloth or has gained an easonable or excessive profit."

is statement was issued in explana- of the company's annual financial tement for 1919, which showed a net fit of $15,515,415, less reserves for taxes d contingencies.

REDICTS ANOTHER JUMP IN PRICE OF SUGAR

New York, May 26.—A prediction that price of sugar would soar to 27 or cents a pound within 48 hours was de to-day by Raymond M. Wilson, gar broker, testifying before the Lusk nmittee investigating alleged profiteer- g in sugar and other commodities.

This statement followed the disclosure George Henry Finlay, another witness, at more than a quarter of a billion llars have been loaned by American nks to concerns in Cuba to enable them hold sugar.

Mr. Finlay, who was the first witness lled when the hearing was resumed to- y, testified that about 650,000 tons of gar was being held in Cuban ports.

ARRE GAS CO. ASKS TO INCREASE ITS RATES

Montpelier, May 26.—The Barre Gas mpany has made application to the arre city council asking permission the company to increase its rates om $2 a 1,000 feet to $2.50 a thou- nd feet. The company manufactures ater gas which is supposed to be ss expensive to make that coal gas. ncreased cost of production and de- and to meet other obligations are ven as the reason for the request to ncrease the rates.

OHNSON'S CALIFORNIA MAJORITY 161,207

Sacramento, Calif., May 25.—Senator iram W. Johnson defeated Herbert C. oover in the presidential preference pri- ary in California, May 4 by a majority 161,207, according to official returns bulated to-day. The highest of the ohnson group of delegates received 370,- 9 and the highest of the Hoover dele- ates polled 209,612 votes.

OHNSON'S OREGON MARGIN OVER GEN. WOOD IS 872

Portland, Ore., May 25.—Returns from e Oregon primary election held Fri- ay, compiled by newspaper men to-night ave Senator Hiram W. Johnson a margin 872 votes for the Republican presidential reference.

Webster's Expenses

Montpelier, May 26.—William Grant Webster has filed his expense account f his campaign in Vermont which hows that he spent $21.96 for car- fare, $8 for rooms, $4.38 for meals, 25 ents for sharpening a razor, and 26 ents in postage, making a total of 34.95. The other candidates have not iled their account.

NEW CENSUS FIGURES

Washington, May 25.—Census returns nnounced to-day included: Duluth, Minn., 98,917, increase 20,451, or 26.1 per ent. Columbia, Pa., 10,836, decrease 618, r 5.4 percent., Mt. Carmel, Pa., 17,469, decrease 63 or 0.4 percent., Cambridge, Mass., 109,456, increase 4,617 or 4.4 per ent., Ansonia, Conn., 17,643, increase 2,491 r 16.4 percent., Titusville, Penna, 8,432, ncrease 101 or 1.2 percent., Atlanta, Ga., 00,616, increase 45,777 or 29.6 percent., Au- burn, Maine, 16,985, increase 1,921, or 12.8 percent., Naugatuck, Conn., 15,051, in- rease 2,329 or 18.3 percent., Derby, Conn., 11,238, increase 2,247 or 25.0 percent.

HANK GOWDY MARRIED

Columbus, Ohio, May 26.—Hank Gowdy, catcher for the Boston Braves, was married here to-day to Miss Pauline Welsh of this city.

STATE G. O. P. ELECTS EIGHT UNINSTRUCTED CHICAGO DELEGATES AND ACCLAIMS WOOD

Livliest Republican Convention in Many Years—Slate of Delegates Goes Through with Only Contest which Is Won by Fuller C. Smith—Gen. Wood, Himself, Present and Makes Speech—Suffragists Get "Special Session" Plank in Platform

Montpelier, May 26.—The Republican State convention, called to elect delegates to the national convention at Chicago June 8, was the largest and most enthusiastic gathering of its kind held in many years. It was marked by the presence of Major-Gen. Leonard Wood, ranking high among the party's pre-convention favorites for the presidency and the preferred candidate of Vermont Republicans as indicated in the recent primary. Eight delegates were elected, who will go to Chicago without instruction. A platform, adopted without dissent, placed the convention on record as deploring the autocratic conduct of the President in negotiating the peace treaty without reference to American sentiment; as condemning the League of Nations as incorporated in the treaty; as favoring the adoption of a treaty securing American rights and liberties; as criticizing the incompetency and wasteful extravagance of the Democratic party; as endorsing unabridged suffrage for women and finally as favoring a special and early session of the Legislature of Vermont to ratify the federal suffrage amendment.

The delegates elected were:

H. Nelson Jackson of Burlington.
Alexander Dunnett of St. Johnsbury.
Dr. J. M. Thomas of Middlebury.
James F. Dewey of Quechee.
Redfield Proctor of Proctor.
H. J. M. Jones of Montpelier.
Fuller C. Smith of St. Albans.
George O. Gridley of Windsor.

The alternates elected were:

A. J. Cooper of Bennington.
G. M. Campbell of Lyndon.
Capt. J. Watson Webb of Burlington.
Clarence Wells of Middlebury.
L. D. Taylor of Brattleboro.
E. L. Olney of Rutland.
C. F. O'Rourke of Derby.
W. E. Tracy of Johnson.

The convention was called to order by John E. Piddock of Bellows Falls. Among those on the platform with him were: Senator W. P. Dillingham, members of the Supreme Court, Superior Judges and party managers, Governor Clement, Mason S. Stone, Speaker C. S. Dana and others.

It was 10:27 o'clock when the Rev. Henry Ballou of Chester, a delegate from Windsor county, offered a short prayer and then J. A. Willcox of Montpelier read the call as issued by the national committee, after which Collins Graves of Bennington read the State committee's call and the temporary organization was named: Chairman, Congressman Porter H. Dale; secretaries, Harrie V. Hall of Burlington, Mr. Willcox and Charles S. Dana of New Haven; sergeant-at-arms, Ellen D. Ball of Ludlow; chaplain, Mr. Ballou. This was made the permanent organization.

DALE SOUNDS KEYNOTE

Congressman Dale then sounded the keynote of the campaign in Vermont for the election of a new president. The like of his arraignment of the Democratic party has not been heard in Vermont in many years. He declared the Vermont delegation had always voted against wasteful methods and also has sought to place in power the party which stood for stability in government. He said the Republican party is needed to bring good government out of the conditions existing to-day and bring an almost distracted world together.

It must be a party of power. He spoke of the perils of unrest that have been developed by the present administration and added to clear up this situation, a Republican president and Congress must be elected. He said that weakened Americanism has sapped the red blood out of our citizens, a fact due to the autocratic conditions that have been advanced by the party in power. Vague theories have been involved which have resulted only in propaganda for the Reds and similar organizations. He said under the present administration we have had no protection on the seas. We entered the war with inefficient men at the head of departments which greatly handicapped the army and navy. The war was won only by the whole heart and soul of the American people being in the conflict. He said we should generously provide for our disabled soldiers and should try to abundantly provide for the boys who did our fighting. He said the experiment which the administration made of railroad control cost us one million dollars a day. He declared in favor of a treaty that looks after American interests, but not the one adopted at Versailles. Therefore, a party of strong character, subservient to the people of the nation and no to the autocrats must go into power.

H. Nelson Jackson offered a resolution which provided for a committee to introduce General Leonard Wood to the convention which was adopted and the following delegates escorted the general to the hall: Senator W. P. Dillingham, James M. Boutwell, Montpelier, R. W. McCuen, Vergennes and F. C. Archibald, attorney general.

General Wood was given a tremendous ovation by the convention as he arose to speak and his speech was listened to with marked attention and frequent applause.

GENERAL WOOD'S SPEECH

Gen. Wood spoke to the convention in part as follows:

The situation to-day in America is a little like the situation illustrated by a conversation between two colored men shortly after the armistice was signed, one an enlisted man and the other an officer. The officer was trying to make the private do a little more work. The private objected, saying, "I 'listed foh de duration ob de wah. De wah am ovah an' I ain't goin' to work no moah." The officer looked at him in a puzzled manner for a moment, and said, "You are right. The war is over but the duration has just begun."

Our war is over but the duration has just begun. We are confronted with serious problems and we must meet them as we have always met any problems confronting us, by a constructive, forward looking policy.

To-day there is a general condition of world instability; a curious spirit of unrest. We find it even in this country, although there is no special reason for it here. It seems to have come across the sea.

If we look over Europe to-day we see this big red wave of so-called Bolshevism rolling westward; we see it becoming more orderly as it goes along. It has satiated itself with lust, with murder, with the destruction of property, the destruction of government; everything that is bestial and indescribable. It is a destructive force; in no way constructive. Tired now, it is turning again towards order, as have all such movements throughout the world's history. They are peculiar movements; they are destructive. They serve no good purpose.

With the return of conditions of stability has come an organization military in character, and strong. The Red armies are now well equipped, well organized, and they are under able leadership. They are headed west and no one knows just where they are going. This movement is causing great unrest.

So we must look ahead. Now is our time to stand steady; our feet on the ground, our eyes on God, our ideals high. Holding onto the constitution. The constitution is the bulwark of our liberty. Holding onto the principles and policies which have made us what we are. This is no time for a leap in the dark. We must plant our foot firmly. We are going to progress, but we must know where the road leads on which we are traveling.

Do not listen to any of these dangerous agitators and superficial thinkers who think the time has come for something new. Now is the time above all others to stand steady. We believe the world is in the end coming out of the war better than it went into it, but there are no great new and unknown principles suddenly springing into life. Those who discover most that is now are those who know the least of what has gone before.

DANGEROUS LEADERSHIP

I think to-day the most dangerous men we have in public life are those men who are trying to advance themselves by creating religious, racial, or class prejudice. Unhappily there are some of that type, who are willing to advance their interests and augment their following at the expense of that harmony and operation which we need in order to meet the serious problems confronting us.

We ought to forget and we must forget that there ever was such a thing as a hyphen. The war is over; we have done our part in it; our men did more than well. They did splendidly. Every man, woman and child who did his or her best to help win the war is entitled to be considered and known as an American. Let's get rid of the hyphen; forget that men have been known as German-Americans, Italian-Americans, or any other kind of Americans, and remember only that they are Americans.

Our government rests upon certain very simple basic principles. We maintain that all men are equally endowed by the Creator with certain inalienable rights—life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Our government is instituted to secure these rights. So we must see to it that we have in this country:

OUR GOVERNMENT

First—A government under the constitution.

Second—Governmental responsibility for justice in the broadest sense in maintaining the inalienable rights of the minority and each individual composing it.

Third—A real opportunity for every citizen to better his conditions in life and the conditions of those dependent upon him, by thrift, economy, industry, initiative, skill and ability. There must be security for the fruits of enterprise. We must not establish a condition under which the rewards of industry and idleness, ambition and indifference, intelligence and stupidity, are the same.

Fourth—There must be no discrimination based on religion, race, occupation, wealth or poverty, which results in adding to or taking away from anyone's opportunity to participate in the government of his or her country, by vote.

We want in offices of high administrative and executive authority, men who do not think they know it all. We want men possessed of the instinctive tendencies of Lincoln and Roosevelt. Lincoln gathered about him men like Seward and Stanton, not because they were friends of his, but because he was seeking men to help him save the Union. Roosevelt had with him men like John Hays and Elihu Root, men of conspicuous ability. Conscious of the integrity of his purposes and the honesty of his designs, he brought to his aid the very best men of his time. He was not afraid of competition. There was no thought of bringing about him men above whose heads he would loom large. He was looking for men who would really help him in building up the nation and conducting government on sound lines.

BUDGET SYSTEM

As an aid in establishing a sound system of estimates with resulting national economy we must adopt an executive budget system. There is nothing new about a budget system. It is an old system in European countries. I used it with good results in Cuba 20 years ago, and it is

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ADVANCED $500,000 TO WOOD CAMPAIGN

Col. Procter Testifies Before Committee Probing Pre-Convention Finances—Palmer's Bill $59,610

Washington, May 28. (By the Associated Press).—Colonel William Cooper Proctor, Cincinnati manufacturer, who has been described as "the angel" of Major-General Leonard Wood's Ohio campaign, testified to-day at the Senate investigation of pre-convention political financing that he had advanced $500,000 to Wood's national organization. He estimated that "contributions from all other sources would not make as much."

The committee of inquiry also went into the expenditures of three other candidates during the day. Former Representative C. C. Carlin of Virginia, manager of Attorney-General Palmer's national organization testified that its cash expenditures had been $57,610. James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Germany, has spent $14,049—all his own money—as a presidential candidate, according to his manager, S. T. Jones, of Des Moines, Iowa, while Representative Louis Crampton of Michigan, said about $13,000 had been spent in his State for Senator Johnson., Republican, California, this total not being included in the Johnson national campaign account previously fixed at $68,138.

Mr. Carlin was questioned more extensively about alleged under payments of income tax by the Crucible Steel company and Mr. Du Puy, former chairman of the board of directors of that company, than he was concerning campaign expenditures. He told the committee that the largest contributor to Mr. Palmer's champaign was Mr. J. Guffey, who gave $10,000 and who was identified as a prominent oil man.

This name became confused with that of Colonel James McClurg Guffey, a former democratic national committeeman from Pennsylvania, and Mr. Carlin said afterwards that Colonel Guffey was the man he had in mind. It developed subsequently, however, that the contributor was Joseph F. Guffey of Pittsburg, also an oil man and a former democratic national committeeman from Pennsylvania.

Colonel Proctor testified that besides advancing $500,000 to General Wood's campaign fund he had made a contribution of $10,000. He objected to naming other contributors saying that the men charged with handling the campaign finances would give names and exact amounts. Urged by members of the committee, however, he said, that Ambrose Monel had given $50,000, and that William Wrigley, "a fellow like me" and Mr. Byllesby, a New York banker, "had been large contributors."

QUARRYMAN TERRIBLY INJURED

Ernest Nichols' Arm Stripped of Flesh—Descends Unaided from Travel-Crane—Made No Outcry

Barre, May 26.—The sharp report of a fuse blowing out on the large 20-ton derrick in the main shed of the Jones Brothers' company granite plant attracted the attention of several apprentice stone cutters working in the shed about 9:30 this morning, but not until Ernest Nichols, the derrickman, had descended from the traveling crane, unassisted, did they have cause to believe a serious accident had happened.

Mr. Nichols' left arm was bleeding profusely and the man was taken immediately to the first aid room of the plant, a doctor being summoned in the meantime.

When the clothing was removed the arm was found to be terribly mangled and Mr. Nichols, who had been placed on an improvised stretcher, was ordered removed to the city hospital at once. Physicians ther feared amputation would be necessary as the flesh had been practically all removed from the arm as far as the elbow.

How the accident happened will not be learned until an explanation from the victim can be given, though it is believed his hand slipped off the gear handle and into the cogs of the derrick wheels. Mr. Nichols made no outcry and not until he had descended from his station on the high crane without the least assistance was his injury made known. Two months ago he dislocated his left shoulder and in the past few days had been troubled by this injury.

CUSTOMS INCREASE

Imports and Exports of April Exceed Last Years

St. Albans, May 26.—A large increase, both in imports and exports, is shown in the customs district Vermont for the month of April, over the corresponding month last year, in the statement issued by Collector J. C. Comings. The total importations for the month were $5,995,565 as compared with $3,803,305 in April, 1919, and the exportations amounted to $7,656,222 as compared with $4,069,762 during the corresponding month last year.

The free merchandise imported amounted to $5,121,718 as compared with $2,795,193 in the corresponding month last year and the dutiable merchandise imported amounted to $873,817 while in April last year the total was $288,112. The duties collected were $86,443.87 as compared with $32,648.31 in the corresponding month last year. The womestic merchandise exported totalled $7,026,750 as compared with $4,007,088 in April, 1919, and the total of the foreign exportations was $629,472 while in April last year the total was $62,614.

ADVANCE GUARD IN CHICAGO LAST OF WEEK

Chicago, May 26.—Advance guards of the Republican national convention will begin to arrive the latter part of next week, it was indicated to-day by reservations made for them at hotels. The ways and means committee in charge of William Boyce Thompson is due next Wednesday. Gus Karger, in charge of the press and press tickets, is expected to come Sunday.

Hotel men announce they are prepared for the final rush which they say will begin next week when belated delegations will be assigned to their regular quarters, the far distant delegations not having sent as yet the number of persons to be expected.

HAPPENINGS IN VERMONT. THE NEWS BY COUNTIES

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Addison County

MIDDLEBURY

Mrs. Rose Leddy Dorey, wife of Dr. P. L. Dorey, of this village, died at her home on Court street Wednesday evening of last week. She was 41 years old and is survived by her husband, one son and six daughters; her mother, Mrs. Michael Leddy and one sister, Miss Mary Leddy, both of Burlington; and one brother, John Leddy of Underhill. The funeral services were held at St. Mary's Catholic Church at nine o'clock on Saturday morning. The Rev. T. J. Leonard officiated. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery. Mr. Dorey was born in Underhill June 24, 1878, and was the daughter of Michael and Mary (Gill) Leddy.

Mrs. Hannah Hodges, wife of Peter Tierney, died Thursday afternoon of pneumonia. She is survived by her husband, nine children, seven sisters and three brothers.

Arthur G. Trudeau who for a year has been employed as a bookkeeper in the Middlebury National Bank, has been appointed by Senator William P. Dillingham as a cadet in the United States Military Academy, West Point, N. Y. This young man is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry C. Trudeau of South street and is a graduate of Middlebury College in last year's class and came forth from that institution with so high a standing that he was released from the ordinary obligation to undergo the mental examinations.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace A. Wicker have returned to Morrisville after visiting in town several weeks.—President John M. Thomas will deliver the Memorial day Sunday address in Weybridge Sunday, May 30, and on the following day will deliver the regular Memorial day address in Ludlow.—Miss Frances E. Warner, a teacher in the High School, who has been absent from duty for some time on account of illness, has so far recovered as to be able to resume her duties. Supt. Arthur W. Eddy took charge of her classes during her illness.—Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Walton and daughter, Nora, of Schenectady, N. Y., are in town for a visit of a couple of weeks.—Mrs. Eugene L. Pierce has gone to Whiting to stay some time with her daughter, Mrs. Arthur J. Freeguard.—The village authorities have a gang of men at work under Street Commissioner McGlinchey rebuilding the old stone road near the passenger station on Seymour street. This road has been subjected to the heaviest traffic of any road in town.—Mrs. Mary Towner and sister, Mrs. Annette Frisbie, have returned to Poughkeepsie, N. Y., after six weeks in Middlebury.—The store building which Thomas Bullock has for some time been putting up on Seymour street especially for the occupancy of Thomas Ellis has been completed and Mr. Ellis has moved from the old building nearby into his new and more commodious quarters.—Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Page and daughter have returned from Florida, where they spent the winter.—Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Stone have sold their home place on Washington street to W. H. Caswell, who will soon take possession.—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Thomas, who have spent the winter at Lake Helen, Fla., have returned home.—N. J. Sanford has traded and procured the Dan Stewart barn at Lake Dunmore which he will remodel into a cottage.—Fordyce Moore is in town to visit his family at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Moore.—Erwin Piper is ill.

The annual meeting of the Addison County Association of Churches was held with the church in Weybridge Tuesday. The forenoon session began at 10 o'clock with devotional services conducted by Fred M. Hagadorn. Reports of committees were submitted as follows: On benevolence, Deacon R. H. Holmes; Bible and Sunday School, Miss Cora Beach; denominational interest, the Rev. Henry C. Newell; young people's work, Mrs. C. H. Landon; civic and moral interests, Charles I. Button; director of the State conference, the Rev. William F. Frazier. An hour and a half was taken at this point for dinner and at 1:30 o'clock the afternoon session began with a devotional service conducted by the Rev. Bernard Chase, after which two important and interesting papers were given, first on "How We Can Get People to Attend Church Again," by the Rev. F. M. Hagadorn, and second on "Congregational Responsibility in This Country" by the Rev. E. B. Simmons. This was followed by a discussion on "This Country of Ours" led by the Rev. C. C. Merrill of Burlington. This was followed by a business session, and a quarter of an hour's recess to four o'clock, when a strong sermon was preached by the Rev. E. V. Young. A communion service was held by the Rev. H. C. Sewell and the Rev. Harvey Gulick. There was a large attendance at the evening session, with devotional services by the Rev. Mr. Hagadorn. The Rev. C. C. Merrill, secretary of the Vermont State conference, followed with an address on "This County's Opportunity in the State's Fellowship" after which another address on "This County's Relation to the World's Wide Field" was given by the Rev. Frank C. Laubach, missionary to the Philippine Islands under the American Board of Foreign Missions. Each church in the county was entitled to be represented by its pastor and four delegates and the delegations were quite full from every section of the county.

Gilbert Hodgdon, who had been ill but a few days with pneumonia, died Tuesday forenoon at the age of 75 years, having been born in St. Valentine, Canada, February 17, 1845, coming to the States when about 20 years of age. He had since lived in this vicinity. He is survived by a wife and four daughters, Mrs. James Perkins, Mrs. Avery Call, Mrs. Steven Dejadon and Mrs. Edward Blair, all of Middlebury, and four sons, Peter Dejadon of Shoreham, Simon Dejadon, Napoleon Dejadon of Middlebury and Charles Dejadon of Cornwall. The funeral will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church this morning at nine o'clock and interment will be in the family lot in the local Catholic cemetery.—On Friday afternoon of this week pre-memorial exercises will be held in some of the departments of the local graded school.—The Rev. George Ilsley of Limerick, Me., is here for a ten days' visit to his daughter, Miss Gertrude Ilsley, at the Addison House.—Mrs. Basil Kodjbanoff and daughter, who have been visiting for ten days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Chapman, have returned to New York city.—Mr. and Mrs. John Conway are guests at the home of Mrs. Conway's brother, Dr. P. L. Dorey.—Mrs. Howard Hayes has returned from Leicester Junction, where they have been on a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Cole.—Mr. and Mrs. John Rogers have returned from Poultney, where they have been on a visit for a few days.—Mrs. Grant Chase and son of Weymouth, Mass., and Mrs. Laura Chase of Brandon, who have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Ufford for a few days, have returned to their homes.—The members of the local Post of the American Legion will meet in the town hall Sunday afternoon at three o'clock to listen to the Rev. C. C. St. Clair, who has been engaged as orator of the day. The Rev. Mr. St. Clair was with the United States Marines in the drive of Chauteau Thierry, St. Mihiel, Verdun and the Argonne Forest. The members of William P. Russell Post also will be present. Those who will receive French war memorial certificates are Frank L. Barrows of Middlebury, Mrs. Moses Forcier of Shoreham, Mrs. W. L. Wheeler of Bridport, Charles Conant, Sr., of Salisbury, Glenn G. Phelps of Orwell, Edward S. Ross of Orwell, Lenan Wilkeson of Bridport, Frank G. Aunchman of Shoreham, Mrs. Josephine Fitzgerald of Orwell, Mrs. Orphia S. Boynton of Ripton, Mrs. Edythe Severance of Middlebury, William H. Austin of Middlebury, Mrs. E. T. Fradette of Middlebury and Dr. Isaac Sterns of Middlebury.

John H. Burns and family, including Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Burns, are transporting their household goods to the Dr. Charles E. Prentice house, a mile east of the village, where they will make their home for the present, after leaving the Hotel Logan on or prior to June 1 to make way for the French school of the college, for which it has been leased for a term of three years and for whose accommodation notable repairs and rearrangements have begun to be made on the interior of the house.—Stewart Ross has returned from West Rutland, where he has been visiting his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Carl B. Ross.—Mr. and Mrs. Kent Rogers have returned to Ipswich, Mass., after four weeks in Middlebury and vicinity.—Mrs. Christie Morgan of East Middlebury has returned to her home there after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Morgan in Vergennes.—Extensive repairs are being made on the interior and foundations of the Coon ice cream plant north of the passenger station in this village and they are under the charge of Leonard Zeeman.—Charles P. Shepard of Bellows Falls is in town on a business trip of a couple of weeks.—Mrs. Perry H. Merrill, who has been in town for a few days on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Novak, on Mill street, has returned to her home in Bristol.—Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Goss have returned from Brandon, where they have been on a visit to friends.—Monday, market day, eggs brought 40 to 42 cents, dairy butter 55 and creamery 65 to 68.—Mr. and Mrs. William H. Stokes have returned from Schenectady, N. Y., where they have spent 10 days visiting his brother, Morris Stokes.—Miss Ruth Walker, who has been in town to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Walker, a few days, has returned to her school duties in Proctor.—Miss Mildred Smith has returned to her home in Stowe after a visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. Fay A. Evans.

A very pretty home wedding took place here at 11 o'clock yesterday forenoon at the residence of George W. Mead on Washington street, when Mr. Mead's sister, Miss Marie K. Mead of Fall River, Mass., was united in the bonds of wedlock to Arthur D. Lyman of Hartford, Vt. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Elbert B. Holmes, rector of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, and Mr. and Mrs. Mead attended the couple. The bride wore a blue traveling dress. Immediately after the ceremony a lunch was served. After a brief wedding trip they will make their home in Hartford.—The examination for the graduating class of the Middlebury High School will be held during the week of June 13-18 and the graduating exercises of the class will be held in the town hall on Friday evening, June 18. The class numbers 30 students.—Mr. and Mrs. William Damon of Sudbury are in East Middlebury on a visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben E. Damon.—Mrs. John M. Hoyt has gone to West Rutland for a few weeks' visit to her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Carroll B. Ross.—Dr. and Mrs. Alexander Morrill have returned to Auburn, N. Y., after a six weeks' visit with relatives in Middlebury and adjacent towns.—Miss Belle MacArthur has gone to Cavendish for a lengthy visit with friends.—Miss Nellie Tottingham has gone home to Shoreham after a 10-day visit here with her sister, Mrs. Horton W. Jones.—Prof. Vernon C. Harrington of the college went to Salisbury Wednesday and in the afternoon conducted the funeral services of Allan Thomas, a 93-year-old resident of that town, who died on Monday.—Paul and Curtis Bartlett of Northfield are in town for a two weeks' stay.

VERGENNES

A. J. Seguin died Thursday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ralph Adams, from the result of a shock, aged 72 years. He was born in North Ferrisburg May 18, 1846. His wife, who was Miss Eunice Norman, died April 4, 1917. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. John Harrington of Charlotte and Mrs. Ralph Adams of Vergennes, one son, Jessie A. Seguin of Charlotte; four grandchildren, and one brother, George Seguin of Charlotte. A prayer service was conducted by the Rev. W. S. Mulholland which was held at the house Saturday at one o'clock and funeral services at two o'clock at the Methodist Episcopal Church at North Ferrisburg.—The Rev. Mr. Bennett of Hinesburg officiated and the bearers were Erwin Tucker, W. H. Dean, Richard Seguin and Frank Roscoe. Burial was made in the North Ferrisburg cemetery.—A reception will be tendered the Rev. and Mrs. Frederick E. Butterby at the rectory of St. Paul's Church Thursday evening, May 27.—All townspeople are cordially invited.—The Homer F. Hamel place has been sold to H. F. Beach through the Exchange Realty company.—George Cassidy, who for eight years has been physical instructor at the Manila University in the Philippine Islands, visited John M. Aiden Friday. Mr. Cassidy is a graduate of the University of Vermont and a former physical instructor at St. Anselm's College. It is reported that Mr. Cassidy is visiting the colleges in this country to secure dates with the object in view of bringing over a team from Manila University to compete in athletic events the coming year.—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Daigneault and three sons, Romeo, Irving and Benedict, who were called here by the death of his mother, Mrs. Adeline Daigneault, have returned to Bennington.—The dance given Friday evening by the Vergennes High School Athletic Association netted $55 for the High School baseball team fund.—Mr. and Mrs. William Ladue of Charleston, S. C., are visiting Mr. Ladue's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Ladue.—Mrs. Adeline Pecue, who has been passing the winter with her daughter, Mrs. George I. Austin, has returned to Ferrisburg.

An alarm of fire was sounded Tuesday morning at about three o'clock for a fire in the cold storage plant in the rear of the Sherman block, owned by Carlton D. Bristol. The fire department

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DEMOCRATS OPPOSE WILSON'S REQUEST

Senator Hitchcock Joins Republicans Against the Measure and Others of the Party Will Stand With Him

Washington, May 26.—Democratic opposition developed to-day to President Wilson's request to Congress for authority to accept a mandate over Armenia.

Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, administration leader in the peace treaty fight, joined republicans opposing the measure, and there were indications that other Democrats would stand with him. Announcement of Senator Hitchcock's purpose not to support the administration in this instance was made while Republican leaders of the House were trying to agree upon the speediest method of disposing of the whole question.

The meeting of the foreign affairs committee, called to obtain the views of Secretary Colby, was postponed because of the secretary's inability to attend, but there were many informal conferences by both parties, at which members expressed strong objection to any proposal which would send American troops to Europe or Asia.

Chairman Porter indicated that the President's message would be considered briefly and then laid on the table, which would end it.

Inasmuch as the Senate has failed to ratify the treaty, with its League of Nations covenant, Republican members of the House committee declared there were legal objections to the President's message. They contended that to accept a mandate would be like doing indirectly what Congress had not permitted to be done directly.

The House committee is not expected to meet until Friday, but the Senate foreign relations committee probably will take up the mandate question to-morrow. In the Senate, as in the House, the general desire seemed to be to table it, although there was the suggestion that the President might call Congress in special session during the summer for its consideration.

The President was asked in a resolution introduced to-day by Representative Mason, Republican, of Illinois, for full information as to the cost and number of troops required in connection with his mandate proposal. Mr. Mason insisted that Congress should know before adding to the burden of the overtaxed people."

GOVERNMENT MAY BUY MAMMOTH CAVE, KY.

Louisville, Ky., May 25.—Mammoth Cave, Kentucky's contribution to the wonders of the world, may soon be purchased and transformed into an extensive National Park. Reports from Washington are to the effect that the Rules Committee of the House of Representatives contemplates calling up for passage shortly a measure with this in view introduced by Representative Robert Y. Thomas of the Third Kentucky District, which would appropriate $1,000,000 for the government to purchase the great cavern and 32,000 acres of virgin forest land lying around it.

The movement to make a national park of the famous cave has been carried on by the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks aided by other organizations. "Preservation of the gigantic cavern as a national park would be one of the greatest accomplishments for the public good ever attained," says Kendrick B. Lewis, chairman of a committee of the Louisville Lodge of Elks. "It is one of the most picturesque sections of the country and is surrounded by a primitive forest of hardwood timber comprising approximately 32,000 acres. This property is to be sold at public auction in the near future, I understand, and many timber men are endeavoring to purchase it. The nation in general and Kentucky in particular wishes the government to buy the cave and land in order to save the natural wonder for future generations to see."

Mammoth cave is to-day the greatest subterranean area known to exist. It has five different levels and the temperature is at all times 54 degrees. Eternal darkness and stillness reign supreme. Stalactites and stalagmites take on the form of fluted columns of festoons and of draperies. There are great auditoriums with lofty ceilings—one where the formations resemble a starlit sky—domes hundreds of feet high, the sides formed of the greatest tier of fluted columns and a river, the Echo, navigable for half a mile, which derives its name from the fact that the slightest noise is intensified a thousand times.

KREMER TO OPEN DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

Washington, May 25.—J. Bruce Kremer of Montana, vice-chairman of the Democratic national committee, will call the Democratic national convention to order when it meets in San Francisco, June 28.

Mr. Kremer was selected, the national committee announced to-night, because Chairman Cummings has been designated to act as temporary chairman of the convention and because it was fitting that a western man should open the first convention of the party held West of the Rocky Mountains.

GUARANTY TRUST CO. ASKS TO DO BUSINESS

Montpelier, May 26.—The Guaranty Trust company of New York has applied to the Secretary of State for permission to do business in the State as an executor or trustee of an estate, being the first foreign corporation ever to apply for such permission which may be granted under section 5013 of the Public Statutes. The law was first passed in 1915 and was amended two years later but the Guaranty Trust company is the first company to take advantage of the law.

MRS. OLZENDAM RECEIVES CONGRATULATIONS

Montpelier, May 26.—Mrs. Lillian M. Olzendam received this evening the following telegram from Mary Garrett Hay, chairman of the National Republican Women's committee, with headquarters in New York:

"Congratulations on your thrilling work. It was splendid. I am proud of the Vermont Republicans.

"(Signed)

"MARY GARRETT HAY."