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WHY REPUBLICAN MAJORITY IN CONGRESS IS PARALYZED.

The Republican majority in Congress, differing with the President, is trying to decide what legislation shall be adopted first. The President wishes the Bonus bill to come after the Tariff bill. The Ship Subsidy bill must be disposed of. It is complicated with alcoholic agitation and presents more difficulties than it had in the beginning.

The election nears. Nothing has been done in fields where something is needed. The majority exists to hold office and draw its pay. It is moved by no policy, has no goal toward which it directs its face.

The condition is not an accident. It is a natural and a necessary result of an era in which new knowledge is transforming old programs and policies.

The Bonus bill, the Tariff, the Subsidy are measures regarding which the Republican party does not agree, because the people who vote the party ticket do not agree.

The Bonus, backed by millions of soldiers and their friends, is opposed by powerful and conservative business interests, and their friends.

The Tariff is more difficult. Between the farmers and the manufacturers there are contrasting purposes, a gulf which is wide to bridge.

The farmers want some protection for agricultural products, but very much less for manufactured articles.

The Ship Subsidy, like the tariff, is complicated by those who do and who do not desire America to become more heavily an export country. Also there is the opposition of the influential Americans who have always been opposed to a ship subsidy, those who say that every tub must stand on its own bottom. The injection of the prohibition problem, because the dries object to the sale of liquor beyond the three mile limit, makes agreement harder.

Threading all these difficulties is this condition, which will not be overlooked by those who wish to think with accuracy about motives.

The Republican party is two parties, derived from two contrasted systems. There is the Republican party, the members of which are chosen by political conventions, ruled by political bosses. There is the Republican party, whose members are chosen by direct primary elections, whose leaders seek constantly to ascertain what their constituents demand.

The same chasm threads the Democratic party, but has not been separate to the same extent. The Democratic party is out of power. It is much easier for a minority to be united than it is for a majority.

It cannot escape observation that the direct nomination plan has a tendency to unite those who proceed from it, making them work together in certain cases, regardless of party lines.

The reason will be plain, upon consideration of a particular case.

Suppose that twenty congressmen, half of them Democrats and half of them Republicans are elected, from a district in which wheat is the dominant interest. Legislation favorable to wheat growers will tend to unite all of these men. Under the convention system there would be a certain tendency to the same thing, but the force in favor of a bloc united in a particular economic interest would not be as strong.

Keeping these general principles in mind, it will be easier to understand why the Republican majority is paralyzed in some of its most important activities.

Deadlocks might be broken if the purpose of members of Congress could be changed. The first purpose is to—

Be re-elected.

The first purpose should be to vote upon honest judgment for—

The best measures.

Something like a millenium must occur, however, before members of a political body will vote in forgetfulness of the claims of their own chances for re-election.

A keener sense of statesmanship might warn that wholesale public dissatisfaction with selfishness and ineptitude may more surely bring defeat than any other error.

GOVERNMENT IN STRATFORD.

The town manager plan, which Stratford has adopted, is seen, in the light of the opinion written by Chief Justice Wheeler, as a distinct success. It has been a weakness in municipal government, that a public servant, once in power, is entirely beyond the reach of the people, unless he is guilty of misconduct warranting impeachment. Impeachment is not a remedy likely to be sought. It comes through a Common Council, or Board of Aldermen, which in most cases will have a political complexion that prevents a fair trial of the cause.

Stratford citizens, or some of them, dissatisfied with conduct of the town council, attempted the recall of some of its members, under the provisions of the Stratford charter.

That is to say, the Stratford people said, "Our servants are not giving us the service we wish and have the right to, and we desire to replace them with others."

The right to exercise this power of discharge has been sustained in Justice Wheeler's opinion, who finds no obscurity or uncertainty in the charter, upon this point.

Bridgeport citizens have twice voted, by a considerable majority of those voting, for a charter which would grant to Bridgeport the same.

The application to present conditions is apparent. The Board of Education is proposing a series of changes in broad policy to which there is considerable objection.

Notable is the proposal to have the school teachers work 1,400 hours a year instead of 900 hours, a 200 day year instead of a 180 day year.

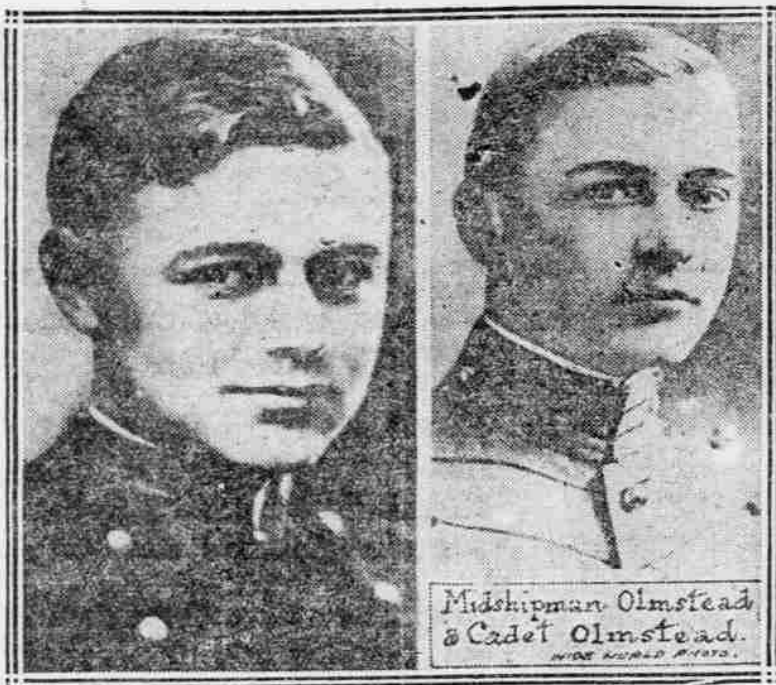
Under commission plan charter, the teachers, if they believe that public opinion is against this demand upon their services, could have a decision at the ballot box, in either of two ways.

The people might vote directly to the measure, by having it submitted to a referendum.

Or, they might get out recall petitions, and, if they had votes enough, retire to private life, those members of the board who believe that teachers should do more teaching.

Stratford is to be congratulated upon possessing a form of government superior to that enjoyed by its neighbors.

Brothers Are Honor Cadets



For the first time in history two brothers were honor men the same year at Annapolis and West Point. Midshipman J. L. Olmstead, of Des Moines, Iowa, won highest honors at Annapolis, while his brother, Cadet George A. Olmstead, captured second honors at West Point. Midshipman Olmstead, by the way, is the man charged with responsibility for the alleged slur on Midshipman Kaplan in the Middles' Year Book, Kaplan being a Jew.

Will Run Budget After Dawes



Brigadier-General Herbert M. Lord, Regular Army, will succeed Brigadier-General Charles G. Dawes, U. S. Reserve, as Director of the U. S. Budget when Dawes retires to private business at the end of June.

James G. Ludlum To Head Junior Republic

The annual meeting of the Connecticut Junior Republic was held yesterday at the office of Hincks Bros. and was well attended. The treasurer's report was read and accepted and the following officers were elected to serve for one year: president, W. J. Baird and Robert S. Hincks; treasurer, Gerald S. Pratt; secretary, Mrs. W. Seymour Lacey; directors for one year, Miss Mary E. Fitch, Mrs. L. DeVer Warner, Mrs. E. N. Sperry, Mrs. Frank Miller and Mrs. Andrew M. Cooper. Mrs. David S. Day, Eberhart Marsh, Dwight C. Wheeler, H. H. DeLoss and Horace E. Merwin, will act as directors for two years.

Mrs. Carolyn Soule Showered By Friends

Miss Sallye Hansen of 1114 Park avenue was the hostess at a delightful miscellaneous shower given last night in honor of Mrs. Carolyn Soule of this city, who will become the bride of Albert R. Adams of Waterbury, in Waterbury, on Monday.

The home was attractively decorated with roses, gardenias and other beautiful summer flowers. Mrs. Soule was the recipient of many handsome gifts. Late in the evening a delicious luncheon was served by Miss Hansen. Those present were: Mrs. E. S. Brennan, Miss Anna Zina, Miss Mary Neilon, Mrs. Leish Hatrel, Mrs. E. L. Hallock, Mrs. Albert Christie, Miss Ada Hallock, Miss Eva Gerber, Miss Marjorie McGee, Miss Esther Schlim, Mrs. F. F. Bishop, Miss Mollie Connor, Mrs. M. M. Middlebrooks, Miss Marion Lyon, Miss Florence Hunt and Miss Lydia Oyster.

After their honeymoon which will comprise a motor trip along the Long Island shore, the couple will reside in Waterbury. Mrs. Soule was formerly admitting clerk at the Bridgeport hospital, and Mr. Adams was the pharmacist at the same institution.

MORVICH AT THE POST.

New York, June 17.—Morvich, leading three year old will go to the post today for the first time since he won the Kentucky Derby early in May. He is to start in the Carlton Stakes at one mile and serious opposition, it is expected, will be furnished by Snob 2nd and Wiskaway.

YALE EXAMS. ON MONDAY.

New Haven, June 17.—Announcement was made at Yale today that the examinations for admission to the undergraduate schools of Yale University will begin Monday morning, June 19 at 9 o'clock, daylight saving time. The examinations will continue through Saturday, June 24, and will be given in North Sheffield hall. The daylight saving time schedule will be effective throughout.

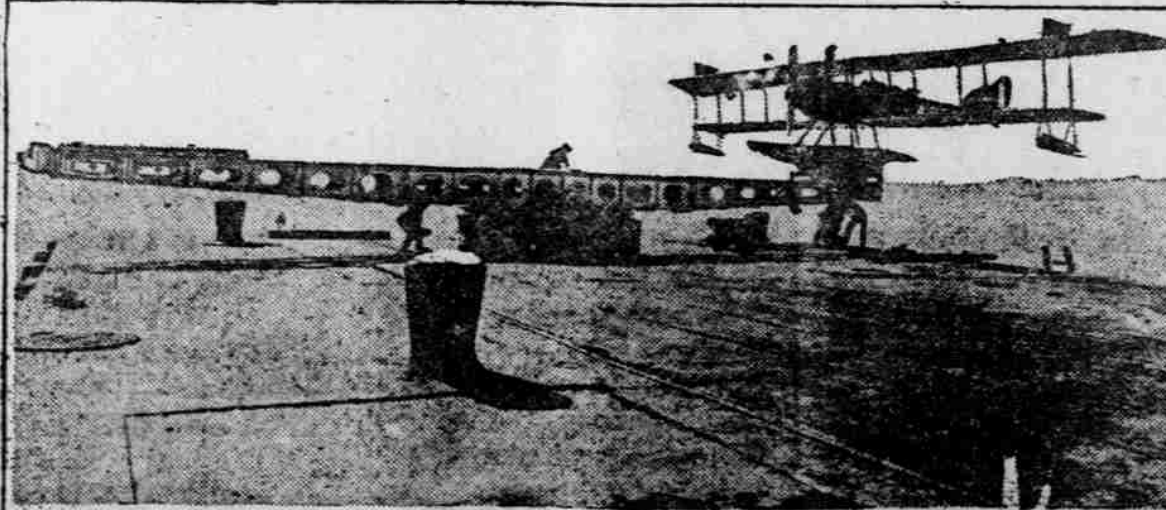
WARRANTY DEED FAVOR.

A warranty deed in favor of Anna Apstein was filed with the town clerk today by Joseph Sulowitz of this city. Property at East Main street with buildings is involved in the sale. The sale price is \$17,000 with a mortgage of \$16,000 being given Sulowitz.

NO RECORD OF DRIVER.

Fred Belchco, of 703 East Main street who was seriously injured in an automobile accident yesterday afternoon, is resting comfortably at the Bridgeport hospital. The police have no record of the automobile driver who struck the boy.

BATTLESHIPS HAVE NEW AIRPLANE EQUIPMENT



Recently perfected airplane turntable on battleship arranged. Has the battleship outlived its usefulness? American naval officers say "No," emphatically. The navy designers have just perfected a device for battleships which will enable them to carry a fleet of fighting planes and launch them at sea should they be attacked from the air. The device is a turntable on the plane deck. Recent navy depart-ments have been very successful.

Savings Bank's Plan To Open Branches Argued

Judge Wolfe Reserves Decision — Friendly Suit Cause of Proceedings.

Counsel for the State Banking Commission, Hugh Alcorn of Hartford, acting for the attorney general's office, made a forceful plea before Judge Isaac Wolfe of the Superior Court, yesterday, when asking that an injunction be placed on the opening of the proposed West End and East End branches of the Bridgeport Savings Bank.

Yesterday's case was brought about by the intended action of the Bridgeport Savings Bank, State and Main streets, to open branches in other ends of the city. The State Banking Commission has endeavored to restrain this action on the part of the Bridgeport Savings Bank. To hasten the matter an injunction has been asked for by the American Bank and Trust company of East Bridgeport and the West Side bank.

Attorney William Comley appeared as counsel for the Bridgeport Savings Bank, and attorneys Theodore Steiber and John Stafford for the West Side and the American Bank and Trust company.

Attorney Comley pointed out in his argument yesterday that the motive for the request for the injunction was selfish one on the part of the institution banks, that they might retain the monopoly on the banking business in the outlying districts. Nothing would be better, declared Comley, than the establishment of savings banks in the outlying districts, since the very presence of such institutions would foster a saving attitude in the peoples of the vicinity.

Attorney Alcorn, according to Comley, have no motives of great profit in their institution. The profit of the savings bank is so low that the competition is practically eliminated. They are the medium of receiving, saving and distributing the savings of the working people. Because of the extended growth of the city and the distance that must now be traveled by anyone wishing to bank with the savings bank, he said that the establishment of branches in either end of the city would make it easier for the people to do their banking.

State's attorney Alcorn in summing up his argument for placing the injunction stated that such an action should be taken by the court until such a time as the matter would be settled by an act of the Legislature. Three reasons were given by Mr. Alcorn for the placement of the injunction. (1) that the law prohibiting the establishment of branches and (2) that the law against public policy. He claimed that the legislature passed an act in 1887 prohibiting the establishment of branches in all banks and that when the Bridgeport Savings bank obtained its charter in 1888 it was subject to those changes that had been made on any provision of that charter. When the statutes were being revised at a subsequent date, the word, "State" was inscribed, before banks. There was no intention on the part of the revisors to exclude savings banks from the rulings made for state banks.

Judge Wolfe reserved his decision yesterday but is expected to make an early finding on the case.

Wilder Cautions Last Rites Of Church Given To Late Pastor

Following the announcement of action by the Grand Lodge of Masons of Massachusetts in opposition to the Ku Klux Klan it was announced here today that on May 25 Grand Master Frank L. Wilder of this city of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, issued the following letter to district deputies in the various jurisdictions: "Information has reached the grand master that attempts are being made by organizations and other persons connected with the Ku Klux Klan to link up the Masonic Fraternity of Connecticut with that movement."

"I am therefore writing you this letter that you may explain to the lodge and members in your district that the official attitude of the Grand Lodge may be found on page 26 of the annual proceedings of 1922 wherein Grand Master Cramer speaks of the duties and obligations of a Mason."

"While it is the privilege of any Mason to join any organization as long as it does not violate the laws of the land or his duty as a Mason, you will say to the lodge that the Grand Master deeply deprecates any attempt to connect the oldest and greatest fraternity in the world with this so-called 'klan' and that all Masons are cautioned against any relations or connections as such with the Ku Klux Klan."

The address of former Grand Master G. W. Cramer referred to, said in part: "My attention has been called to various articles in Masonic journals in regard to a secret society which in earlier days and in the present day to some extent has been active in the South. My only concern in this respect is that I have full confidence that all Masons in the state of Connecticut are fully aware of the fact that they are in duty bound to support and assist in the enforcement of our laws without taking mat-

To Use Radio In Psychic Experiments



Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, author and psychic investigator, is shown learning the intricacies of the radio telephone from Mr. F. D. Waller at Atlantic City. Sir Arthur's bearings so enthusiastic he ordered an elaborate set for installation in his English home and believes it may aid him in his psychic experiments.

Rumbles Of Yale Revolution In Sports, Follows Report

"Athletics Befuddled and Mishandled," Probers Say—Discrimination Also Charged — High Salaries to Be Handled with Gloves at Tonight's Meeting—Sweeping House-cleaning and Changes Anticipated.

Is there a shake-up coming in Yale athletics? The report of the "Voluntary committee on Yale Athletics" which stated that the Yale athletics were "befuddled and mishandled" and "nothing short of complete remodeling of the system of control, financial and coaching, will remedy the situation" was generally expected.

There is also great interest attached to a meeting tonight in which the high salaries paid Tad Jones and other coaches will also face a "Gatling fire." George S. Trevoir, '15, chairman of the sports probing committee, declares the report of the body represents the views of "a large number of Yale men, former captains, members of present teams, coaches and graduates of the Yale athletic sport."

Some Over Defeats. In the exhaustive report of the committee it is seen that the Yale men are crestfallen as a result of defeats at the hands of other colleges. The series of Harvard victories in various branches of sport is cited. "The only alibi 'We are out of luck,' brought the tart report of the committee that we are merely out of athletic brains."

It is also brought out that athletes are discriminated against and forced to seek assistance from their friends. "Why force them to seek it?" asks the report.

The report also charges that commercialism is eating its way into Yale sports.

Local Boys Pass Bar Exams

According to an announcement from the office of the State Bar association at New Haven, this noon, the following Bridgeporters passed the Bar examinations: R. F. Dugan, Thomas A. Finna, Horace Hitchcock, Edward Kelly, Edward J. Lang, on becoming twenty-one, and Harry Shwartz.

Wu Ting-fank Is Now Peking's Premier



Wu Ting-fang, former Chinese Ambassador to America, has been appointed Premier of the Peking government by President Li Yuan-hung, in an effort to reconcile the warring North and South China factions.

The "Divine Sarah" to Act in U. S.



Sarah Bernhardt from her latest photograph, showing her in her most recent stage offering, "Dans la Gloire." Despite her advanced age and the loss of a leg, she is preparing for a tour of the United States and declares she will act up to the last day of her life.

TODAY'S WANTS

AGENTS WANTED to advertise our goods and distribute Free Samples to consumers; \$6 per hour. Write for full particulars, American Products Co., 6217 American Bldg., Cincinnati, O. AGENTS—Get our 77 introductory offer on new style hose, men's and ladies' silk and mercerized yarn heater hose for summer. Biggest novelty offer. Neither capital nor experience needed. We deliver and collect. Pay you daily. Write quick. Be first and grab the cream. Mac-O-Cheese Mills Co., Dept. 6107, Cincinnati, Ohio. WANTED—Housekeeper for family of three; state wages expected; references. Answer J. C., care of Times, Bridgeport, Conn. COOK WANTED July 2. No laundry, no heavy cleaning. 22 S. 10th Ave., Mount Vernon, N. Y. D147P

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