

WEATHER
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FIGHT FOR REPEAL PLANK LAUNCHED BY G. O. P. WETS; MILLS SUPPORTS CURTIS

Resubmission To Get Keystone State's Aid

HOOVER SILENT, AWAITING MOVES

Compromise Unlikely Before Platform Meeting Wednesday

BY G. GOLD LINCOLN.
CHICAGO, Ill., June 13.—Pennsylvania will stand in the Republican National Convention platform fight for "resubmission" not "repeal" of the eighteenth amendment.

This was the prediction of Gen. Edward Martin, chairman of the State Republican Committee and a delegate at large, who is running the Pennsylvania delegation in the absence of William S. Vare, after the delegation had held its first meeting in Chicago today.

In other words, the Keystone State leaders plan to back the administration. A check for the repealers. Rumbblings are heard, however, that the wetter element is to make a fight for a repeal plank. But the leaders believe they can hold them down. Pennsylvania, apparently, has so far refused to follow New York's delegation into the repeal camp. The second largest delegation in the convention must be considered aligned with the administration up to date.

Mrs. Gann in Chicago.
Next in interest to the apparent determination of the Pennsylvania outfit to play the administration game today was the arrival here of Mrs. "Dolly" Gann, sister of Vice President Curtis. She is here to look after the interests of her distinguished brother, at whose political crown members of the Republican National Committee have been taking no shots since they gathered at the convention city.

"He should be renominated for vice president, and everybody in the country knows it," said Mrs. Gann to Vice President Curtis. Mrs. Gann at first would not even agree there was a fight on over the vice presidential nomination, but insisted there was not the slightest doubt about the selection of Mr. Curtis.

Mrs. Gann, accompanied by Mr. Gann, arrived at the Palmer House early today, where she was met with due ceremony by the manager of the hotel and escorted to her apartment. A doorman picked up her baggage with her. In a brief time she had her appearance at the Republican headquarters in the Congress Hotel and campaigned for the Republican cause widely, not only in the 1928 campaign, but since then. She has a speaking engagement at noon in Newport, R. I., on June 24.

Mrs. Gann was asked how President Hoover felt about the renomination. "I don't know," she replied. "The President speaks for himself," was her reply, declining to attempt to quote Mr. Hoover.

The President's aids out here are speaking for Curtis, however, and Ogdin Mills, Secretary of the Treasury, and Postmaster General Walter Brown have declared for the renomination of the Vice President.

Martin Praises Hoover.
Senator Bingham, head of the Connecticut delegation, said today that the delegation from his State would be "strong for repeal" in the plank dealing with prohibition. He looked askance at the New York resolution, which was interpreted widely as a declaration for repeal. He seemed to think it contained a joker and might be construed in the future as merely a resubmission proposition, but others, including the New Yorkers themselves, seemed to think they had adopted a very wet resolution at the caucus last night.

If a repeal plank is presented on the floor of the national convention, either by the Platform Committee, or as a motion report, not all of New York's 97 delegates will vote for it. A considerable number of the delegates are unwilling to go that far, it was said today. Gen. Martin, opening the caucus of the Pennsylvania delegation, urged the delegates to keep their feet on the ground, which is giving the President concern.

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Besides these representatives there is Lawrence Richey, Mr. Hoover's personal secretary, in charge of a private office at the headquarters, from which the confidential information about the progress of the campaign is telephoned or telegraphed to the White House.

Other representatives of the President are held here Secretaries of the Treasurer Mills and Secretary of State Stimson, members of the New York delegation; Secretary of Interior Wilbur, contact man for the Pacific Coast contingent; Secretary of Labor Dock and Assistant Secretary of Navy Jahncke, on the Southern situation.

Not in Race

SECRETARY HURLEY.

HURLEY DECLARES AGAINST CANDIDACY

Secretary Declines to Run for Vice Presidency. Dawes Silent.

In a brief statement at the White House today Secretary of War Hurley attempted to put at rest rumors regarding possibilities of his becoming the running mate of President Hoover in the coming campaign.

"I am not a candidate for Vice President and will not be," Mr. Hurley said. The War Department head made the statement in response to questions from newspaper correspondents regarding reports from Chicago.

Charles G. Dawes today declined to discuss "in any way, shape or form" the possibility of his being a candidate for the nomination against Vice President Curtis.

"I don't know anything about it," Dawes said when informed that the Illinois delegation was going to consider placing his name before the convention.

"If and when they communicate with me," he added, "I will have something to say. Until then I want to be left alone about the whole matter."

Gen. Dawes resigned recently as president of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. He said at the time he wished to return to his banking business in Chicago.

Since then his name has figured prominently as a possible vice presidential candidate, and there has been talk of his taking the chairmanship of the Republican National Committee.

Mr. Hurley had been in conference with the assistance of Walter Newton, one of the President's secretaries, at an hour, and as he was leaving the executive office he said he would not know definitely before this afternoon whether he would be able to attend the convention.

Has Work to Do Here.
The possibility of Mr. Hurley's decision to remain away from the convention naturally gave rise to speculation for his nomination for the vice presidency.

"I have duties to perform in Washington that may prevent me from going to Chicago," Secretary Hurley said.

Among the matters pending in the War Department are the resignation of Postmaster General Brown, which is being dragged along without any promise.

Mr. Hurley is a delegate from Oklahoma and a member of the Resolutions Committee. Concerning his visit with the President this morning, he said the convention was discussed, but departmental matters were real reasons for the call.

President Hoover today maintained a close contact with the convention city. He was at his desk at 7 o'clock, which is considerably earlier than usual. It is understood he lost no time in getting into the telephone with his personal representatives in Chicago.

Wants to Stay Out.
Mr. Hoover is known to be hopeful that no situation will develop at the convention which will cause him to handle the matter in person. He has indicated in Chicago that the fight is on hand to replace Vice President Curtis as his running mate, as well as conflict over the ground, which is giving the President concern.

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Hints President Wants Him on Ticket

ILLINOIS LIKELY TO DRAFT DAWES

Will Caucus Tonight On Vice Presidential Nomination

CHICAGO, Ill., June 13.—In the first definite move to seek another name in the second position on the Republican ticket, the Illinois delegation tonight will consider whether to place Charles G. Dawes in nomination against Charles Curtis.

Whether the retiring president of the Reconstruction Corporation and former Ambassador to England would again be willing to run for the vice presidency is a point of uncertainty. Dawes is in Washington and his attitude toward the vice presidency is not known here.

Frank L. Smith of Dwight, Ill., who is expected to replace Roy O. West as national committeeman, expressed doubt today that Dawes would permit his name to go on the ticket.

Bingham Backs Curtis.
Senator Bingham of Connecticut today joined Secretary Mills in his support for Curtis. Bingham said he felt the Kansas veteran should be on the national ticket.

Representative Snell of New York will be permanent chairman of the convention. He said, "There seems to be much opposition to Curtis because of his age, but the opposition is unorganized."

It is difficult to tell what might happen," Snell said. "Some delegates claim that a younger man should be on the ticket with President Hoover, particularly during these times of stress. But, so far, Curtis appears to have the organized support."

Charles Fess of Ohio, chairman of the National Committee, said that he knew of no movement in the Ohio delegation to oppose Curtis for the nomination.

Mills Issues Statement.
A brief and direct statement by Secretary Mills last night indicated the President disapproves suggestions that the party follow precedent and shelve the veteran Kansas politician.

The Secretary of the Treasury, one of the administration's leading political strategists, said in his quiet matter-of-fact way:

"I am for Charles Curtis."

It is noted for the time being at least, that the President has no intention to replace Curtis. Those opposing him use several arguments. They contend his dryness would hurt the party; that his age is against him and that a change would stir the imagination of the voters.

Curtis' Foes Disheartened.
These contentions, naturally, are countered by his supporters with assertions that his prohibitionist views will attract no votes, and that the Vice President is vigorous and will continue to be so for many more than five years.

Disheartened for the moment, however, Curtis' foes are muted only, not silenced.

Those who have followed Republican conventions in the past recall that on two occasions, at least, carefully prepared plans of party leaders for the vice presidential nomination have been upset. One of these instances resulted in the nomination of Calvin Coolidge.

The name of the former President had been among those mentioned for second place on the ticket.

Few believe, however, that any concerted move will be made to name him and fewer still that he would accept if the place were offered.

Theodore Roosevelt, son of "Teddy," is another possibility. And still another is William J. Donovan, former assistant Attorney General.

His name, the latest of the growing list to be advanced, was suggested by two members of the South Dakota delegation. One of these instances resulted in a "satisfactory solution" of the war debts and reparations problem and a reasonable degree of freedom in the movement of goods and services.



PEACE TO GOVERN LAUSANNE PARLEY

France and England Agree on "Basis of Common Viewpoint."

PARIS, June 13.—France and England faced the coming Lausanne Conference on War Debts and Reparations today agreed on "the basis of a common viewpoint" looking toward a solution of the international problems.

This announcement was made following conferences yesterday between Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald of Great Britain and Premier Edouard Herriot of France.

Peace Basis.
As a first step toward re-establishment of world confidence, it was expected all nations represented at the conference, which opens Thursday, would be asked to promise to keep the peace.

The two premiers left here at 11:18 o'clock last night for Geneva.

Pertinax, political writer of L'Echo de Paris, said MacDonald abandoned the notion of asking Germany for a declaration of peaceful intentions regarding Poland, believing it would be refused, and that the general peaceful declaration of all the powers probably was what would be asked instead. In this, he said, the Kellogg-Briand pact to outlaw war would be recalled.

Favors Reduction.
Premier Herriot would be inclined to accept a 5 to 10 per cent reduction of national defense budgets, he added.

"The determination of both the French and ourselves," Prime Minister MacDonald said, "is to make the Lausanne conference a success."

BRITAIN STAYS OFF OF GOLD STANDARD

Chancellor Says Action Is Not Desirable Under Present World Conditions.

LONDON, June 13.—Neville Chamberlain, chancellor of the exchequer, told Parliament today it would not be desirable for Great Britain to return to the gold standard "as long as existing conditions continue."

The country went off the gold standard last September 20, when Philip Snowden was chancellor. The pound sterling dropped in value immediately and is now worth \$3.68.

Last week the League of Nations Gold Committee recommended return to the gold standard as quickly as possible by those governments which have abandoned it. To aid in restoration of the standard the report recommended a "satisfactory solution" of the war debts and reparations problem and a reasonable degree of freedom in the movement of goods and services.

MRS. HOOVER HONORED

Receives Master's Degree at Tufts Commencement Exercises.

MEDFORD, Mass., June 13 (AP)—Mrs. Herbert Hoover today received an honorary degree of master of arts from President John A. Cousins of Tufts College. A gathering of 5,000 attended the commencement exercises, held in a tent which had been erected as a protection from occasional showers which broke over the campus.

The wife of the President was one of the persons to receive honorary degrees.

Calisthenics Take Place of Toil in Prison Factories

Jury Expected to Get Kidnaping Embezzlement Case Today.

JOLIET, Ill., June 13.—It's "bend to the left" and "bend to the right" and no more work in the factory for inmates of the Illinois State Penitentiary from now on.

Warden Henry C. Hill has issued an order for immediate closing of all the prison shops, announcing lack of orders made their operation unprofitable.

And daily calisthenics, he said, will take the place of work in the steel foundry and shoe, furniture and fiber factories for the convicts.

MEANS CONVICTED AS ASKED BY ROVER

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The trial of Gaston B. Means moved into its final stage in District Supreme Court today when the Government asked for a conviction of the "picture book detective," on charges that he swindled Mrs. Evelyn Walsh McLean of \$104,000 in a fantastic scheme to ransom the Lindbergh baby.

In his closing argument, United States Attorney Leo A. Rover said Means, a former Department of Justice investigator, "dealt in broken hearts and mother's love."

The former investigator is alleged to have accepted \$100,000 from Mrs. McLean to ransom the kidnaped Lindbergh child last March 7. He was indicted for the larceny or embezzlement of that money when he failed to return it after negotiations with the supposed kidnappers had fallen through. He is also charged with the embezzlement of \$100,000 of the ransom money when he failed to pay it to the kidnappers in the negotiations.

SEVEN MEN TRAPPED IN MINE EXPLOSION

Details of Virginia Blast Lacking as Call for Help Arrives in Norton.

NORTON, Va., June 13.—Seven men were reported to have been caught in a cave behind an explosion in the Splash-day Coal Corporation mine about 35 miles from here.

A daring Japanese contractor, Kunishi, gambled with death yesterday as he was lowered into the fire pit of Kilauea Volcano, returning eight hours later with the bodies of Sylvester Nunes, 20, and Margaret Knox, 17.

ACTION IS DELAYED ON PAY CUT PLANS

Disputed Parts of Economy Bill Left to Last by Conferees.

Prospect of an early agreement between House and Senate conferees on one of the two Government pay-cut plans embodied in the economy bill disputed today at the opening conference.

At noon the conferees adjourned in an effort to bring to a close the controversial features of the bill, and it was indicated that definite agreements had not been reached on any of the points at issue. The conferees, however, are said to have tentatively agreed on several amendments over which the Senate and House were not widely at variance.

The compulsory 30-day pay-cut furrow plan of the Senate and the 11 per cent salary reduction approved by the House so far as could be learned have not yet been tackled by the conferees. Although these two plans are in the first section of that part of the economy bill which the Senate and House are not yet in agreement, they were purposely laid aside at the beginning of the conference because of their highly controversial nature.

The conferees are expected to remain in session through the afternoon in an effort to bring to an agreement on the pay cut plan as well as all other controversial features, but indications are that the fate of the furrow or 11 per cent salary slash will be the last question decided.

The amount of saving to the Government under the furrow plan is reported to be about \$200,000,000, whereas the 11 per cent reduction is expected to save about \$800,000,000. In view of the discrepancies in the estimates, some of the House conferees are said to have asked for more accurate figures on the prospective saving of the proposed plan.

MAN ENTERS FIRE PIT OF VOLCANO TO RECOVER BODIES OF COUPLE

Lowered by Cable, Contractor Returns With Corpses of Despairing Lover and His Sweetheart.

HILO, Hawaii, June 13.—A man descended into the fuming crater of Halemaumau—"house of everlasting fire"—and reclaimed from Pele, dreaded Hawaiian fire goddess, the bodies of a despairing lover and his sweetheart he was lowering into the volcano to slay before leaving.

A daring Japanese contractor, Kunishi, gambled with death yesterday as he was lowered into the fire pit of Kilauea Volcano, returning eight hours later with the bodies of Sylvester Nunes, 20, and Margaret Knox, 17.

Workmen spent days in arranging the cables and preparing the cage in which Kunishi descended.

BONUS LEGISLATION TO BE TAKEN UP IN HOUSE TOMORROW

Members, in Preliminary Vote, Take Bill From Rules Body.

MARCHERS CONTINUE TO FLOOD INTO CAMP

Senate Votes for Consideration of Resolution to Create Veterans' Committee.

The House today voted to call up the \$240,000,000 cash bonus payment legislation for formal consideration. This action represented a step toward victory for the thousand of war veterans who have poured into Washington to demand immediate payment of the bonus certificates.

While the vote was being taken, and long before, the House galleries were packed with former service men, who watched tensely all proceedings. Outside long lines of veterans stood, hoping to gain admittance.

Presidential Veto Promised.
If the House approves the bonus payment on the final vote, the legislation still must run the gantlet of the Senate and the White House. What action the Senate will take is problematical, but President Hoover has promised a veto.

Action today came on a motion to bring the resolution by Representative Patman, Democrat, Texas, up for consideration. The vote was obtained through a petition signed by 145 House members.

The vote for consideration was 226 to 173.

The vote was 165 Democrats, 60 Republicans and 13 Farmer-Labor for consideration and 133 Republicans and 42 Democrats against.

Majority Leader Rainey, presiding designated Representative Crisp, Democrat, Georgia, to control the two hours of debate against the bill.

Representative Patman, Democrat, of Texas, will support his measure and have an equal amount of time.

Patman obtained an agreement on the House to meet at 11 a. m. tomorrow, an hour earlier than usual.

To Come Up Tomorrow.
A few minutes later the House agreed to take up the bonus legislation tomorrow and consider it until a final vote is reached.

Meanwhile, Senate leaders claimed to have 55 votes—a majority of the 96 members of the Senate Finance Committee when it handled the new tax law, said in an interview that he saw "no need" for the measure.

Harrison Pleads for Defeat.
At the same moment that the House was voting to pass the bonus bill, Senator Harrison, ranking Democrat on the Senate Finance Committee, was pleading with the Senate to turn it down.

Harrison never failed in voting for a reasonable debt reduction program.

"But I don't care if a million soldiers come to the City of Washington and surround the White House and fill the corridors, they could not influence me, when my Government is in the fix it is and the American people are entitled to know the truth. If they do these things I think they should pay for it."

Byrns Supports Bill.
Chairman Byrns of the House Appropriations Committee gave his support to the bonus bill.

As soon as the House convened a motion to discharge the Rules Committee of the bonus payment resolution was presented by Representative Patman, Democrat, of Texas.

Meanwhile, the Senate voted, 63 to 9 to take up for consideration a resolution by Senator Brookhart, Republican, of Iowa, to create a Standing Committee on Veterans' Legislation.

Majority Leader Rainey, who presided in the absence of Speaker Garner, who is ill, warned the galleries that no expression of approval or disapproval would be permitted on the floor.

"Remember, gentlemen, this doesn't take a thing out of the Treasury," Rainey said.

"It would let the Government discharge a debt it owes to the veteran and it is the best way offered to distribute funds for relieving the suffering of our veterans."

REED SAYS HOOVER HAS NOT ASKED FOR ADDED ECONOMIES

Senator Makes Statement When Robinson Seeks Specific Recommendations.

CLAIMS OF \$150,000,000 DEFICIT ARE REPORTED

Rainey Declares Assertion of Further Need Reflects Treasury Incompetency.

By the Associated Press.
A Democratic demand for specific recommendations from President Hoover for balancing the budget drew an administration denial in the Senate today that the President has announced there must be further economies or revenue amounting to \$200,000,000.

Senator Robinson, the Democratic leader, submitted a resolution based on statements from Republicans who conferred with President Hoover at the White House Saturday night that \$150,000,000 to \$200,000,000 additional was needed, asking for specific suggestions from the President.

Senator Reed of Pennsylvania, an administration spokesman, objected to consideration of the resolution and denied that President Hoover had announced the additional savings were necessary.

Calling for definite answer, Robinson said it calls upon the President to say whether he is willing to agree to a 10 per cent Government pay cut, whether he will insist upon his furlough plan and what additional economies he believes are possible.

"I will say to the President," he said, "I will say to the Senate something definite and something specific."

"If the President will do that we may hope that there is at last in sight an accomplishment of a purpose which substantially every one here is agreed to."

"But that purpose cannot be accomplished by undermining and defeating the budgetary action of the bipartisan Senate Economy Committee cutting down its economies and then making the statement that additional economies are necessary."

In the House Representative Rainey of Illinois, House Democratic leader, told newspaper men the Treasury's gross miscalculation has been shown by the estimate that \$150,000,000 to \$200,000,000 more is needed to balance the budget.

He added that it was his opinion this new estimated deficit could be met only by additional taxes. But Representative Crisp of Georgia, acting chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee when it handled the new tax law, said in an interview that he saw "no need" for the measure.

Sales Tax Advanced.
Rainey held the "difficulties can best be met by taking out of the law some of the nuisance and excise taxes before they become effective and replacing them with a more reasonable sales tax."

"We've got to raise the money somehow," he said. "We can't do it by economizing, so a revision of the taxes is absolutely necessary."

Rainey asserted that Congress this session has "approved one dole after another, but has done nothing to stimulate employment. It has asked men to work and give them an income."

"The only thing we can hope so far is that these palliatives will keep the patient alive until somebody else gets in the White House," Rainey said.

"We aren't going to put men to work until the White House visions the necessity of the campaign and the fact that the President (Hoover) wants to be re-elected."

Would Drop Exemptions.
Crisp asked the Ways and Means Committee to amend the new tax law so as to repeal the provision that exempts groups, such as tubs, gasolines and similar automatic devices, from excise taxes provided contracts were made before May 1, 1932.

This would let the big fellow, who makes his contracts for a year or two or three, escape, while the little independent would be penalized," Crisp said.

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"It would be a simple matter just to pass a resolution saying that the expenditures of all Government departments should be cut 10 per cent," he said. "We could leave it to the heads of the departments as to where the cuts should be made, and save that money without any trouble whatsoever."

"The people have had enough taxes saddled on them by this Congress."

A special meeting of the House Ways and Means Committee was called today to consider an amendment to the newly enacted tax law.

By the Associated Press.

TWO HURT IN CRASH

Wife and Mother-in-Law of House Member Are Injured.

McGill to Run Again

TOPEKA, Kans., June 13 (AP)—Senator George McGill, Democrat, of Kansas, filed his candidacy for renomination today. Former Representative Chauncey B. Little of Olathe, an avowed "wet," also formally entered the senatorial race.

"The Murder At Hazelmoor"

By Agatha Christie

A Mystery Romance Begins on Page B-7 Of Today's Star

TAX CHANGE FAVORED

Cars and Parts Would Carry Levy if Delivered After June 21.

The House Ways and Means Committee today approved a resolution amending the new revenue law so that a tax can be collected on purchases of automobiles or automotive equipment not delivered before June 21.

The resolution was sponsored by Representative Crisp, Democrat, of Georgia, and approved by the committee, 10-0, before the House on Saturday, June 21 for delivery after that date and thus avoid the excise tax.

suspended perilously from a cable stretched across the pit, into which Kunishi would have plunged to a boiling death in the lava 1,200 feet below had the cable broken.

Shortly after he reached the ledge, 900 feet below the crater, which the bodies lay, he signaled with a white flag that his trip would be successful. He returned with the bodies strapped to his cage and claimed the \$1,000 for which he had contracted to do the job.

Nunes kidnaped and shot the girl June 2 because she refused to marry him.

DRY AGENTS SUSPENDED

Probe Ordered When Tour Reveals Guarded Beer Gone.

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