

LABOR BARRED BY STATE LAW

New Party Cannot Get on Ballot in Oklahoma Is Ruling.

WOOD FINDS STATUTE

Assistant Attorney General Quotes Old Law on Requirements Here.

OKLAHOMA CITY, April 3.—An opinion that the new national labor party cannot have its candidates on the ballot in Oklahoma was rendered today by Assistant Attorney General H. E. Wood in a letter to W. C. McAlester, secretary of the state election board, in response to repeated requests to the election board as to how the party could enter the field in Oklahoma.

As the election law providing that no party may be placed on the ticket unless that party pulled out at least 5 per cent of the total number of votes cast in the state at the previous general election or president at previous general elections in either state, was quoted by the assistant attorney general in his letter to McAlester.

My opinion is based on the law as I find it on the statute books," Mr. Wood said in his letter, "no other consideration enters."

The latest request for information about the possibility of the labor candidates getting on Oklahoma ballots came from J. W. McMahan of Latimer county, a member of the national committee of the new party.

FAVORS MANDATE OVER ARMENIANS

George F. Short, an assistant attorney general, in discussing the opinion, declared that if every state in the union had the same law it would automatically prohibit the formation of any other party, and that the republicans, democrats and radicals would have the political situation "cornered."

Arguments Against.—The principal arguments against an American mandate were that the United States had prior and heavier obligations; that there was every likelihood that ambitious nations would continue to maneuver to control that region; that a mandate would weaken the American position relative to the Monroe doctrine; that the United States would be brought into the politics of the world contrary to its traditional policy; that it would be put to great expense involving probably an increase of the army and navy; that intervention would rob it of its strategic advantage in the Atlantic ocean; that the line of communication to Constantinople would be at the mercy of the other naval powers, especially Great Britain, and that peace and justice would be assured under any other of the great powers.

General Harbord's report was dated October 9, 1919, and consists

State Briefs

NORMAN, Okla., April 3.—Father Harrison of the Ada News will speak for the university students April 9, and has been asked to also speak at a dinner of the school of journalism chapter.

PAWBUKA, April 3.—McKinley William Ryan, 22, died yesterday from injuries sustained in a fall from a scaffold on the high school building. Paralysis resulted from injuries to his spine.

PAWBUKA, April 3.—Plans for a big settling basin or filtration plant having been approved by the state board, contract will soon be let for its construction. The plant will adjoin the power house and have a capacity of 2,000,000 gallons.

NOWATA, April 3.—Advance sales of \$1,500 for one hour's effort is reported for the Elks' benefit which is to defray expense of their waxophone band to the national gathering in Chicago in June. The play is a musical comedy, "Let's Go, Peary," put on at the Rex theater under the direction of J. A. Barnaby, Monday and Tuesday nights next.

NORMAN, April 3.—Between 25 and 35 university students will attend officers' training summer camps according to the estimate of Capt. Carl Bush, interest being about equally divided between field artillery and the infantry. The camps open June 17 for a six week course, the artillery at Camp Knox, near Louisville, Ky., and the infantry at Camp Benning, near Columbus, Ga.

NORMAN, April 3.—Albert Bushnell Hart, professor of history at Harvard university, will be the guest April 8 of the University of Oklahoma, coming by invitation of Prof. John Ailey of the local faculty, who is sojourning at Harvard. He will address the Harvard club of Oklahoma City.

of a dozen typewritten volumes, with separate findings by a large staff of expert assistants, some of whom aided the American peace commission at Paris.

Hear Appeals.—OKLAHOMA CITY, April 3.—Hearing of the appeal of Monroe Batterton, sentenced to be executed for the murder of his wife by the district court at Vinita last fall, is listed for Monday morning on the docket of the criminal court of appeals for the April term. Batterton is now held at the penitentiary at McAlester. The entire docket contains 83 cases to be heard during the coming week.

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CANDIDATES GET READY IN STATE

Many Requests Received for Filing Blanks Now Ready.

OKLAHOMA CITY, April 3.—Filing blanks now are being prepared upon which candidates for state offices may give notice to the state election board of their design to have their names placed upon the ballots to be voted on at the primary election in August. W. C. McAlester, secretary of the election board, said today.

Notices of candidacy will not be received by the election board until April 25, or 150 days before the election, McAlester said. After that time names may be filed until June 15, when the time expires.

Requests for blanks upon which to file notice of candidacy are being received daily at the office of the election board. Each request is filed, the secretary said, and when the blanks are received they will be sent to each applicant.

Between 1,000 and 1,500 names of candidates are filed usually with

NEW HEADQUARTERS OPEN

Three More Republicans Start Campaign From Chicago.

CHICAGO, April 3.—Three more republican candidates for the presidency are planning to open headquarters and join the Wood and Lowden forces on presidential row, in a downtown hotel, it was announced today.

Rooms have been reserved by friends of Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university, Governor Coolidge of Massachusetts, and Senator Miles Poindexter.

The Harding and Hoover forces are expected to open their headquarters here prior to the convention, June 8.

Awarded Contract

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., April 3.—The Missouri Valley Bridge company of Leavenworth, Kan., was awarded the contract here this afternoon to build the superstructure of two bridges which will span the Arkansas river here. The contract price was \$528,335. Contracts for the superstructures will be awarded later. One of the bridges will replace a structure which now spans the river here.

FRUITS LOOK GOOD

Central Part of State Expects Bumper Crop This Year.

HENRYETTA, Okla., April 3.—A trip through the orchards of this section reveals the greatest prospect for fruit the coming season in the history of Henryetta orchards. The peach trees, by far the greater number, have been in full bloom, many of them having dropped their blossoms, while the cherries, which are the second orchard crop, are loaded with bursting buds that will soon burst forth in full blossom and fragrance. Peaches and apples also show indication of heavy crops, and barring a late frost, a bumper crop is sure to be harvested.

Experience has proven that the cherry, plum and peach thrive and fruit exceedingly well in this locality, as do also plums, especially the Hansen and Japanese variety of plums, and because of this and the always ready market at profitable prices,

growers have doubled their cherry and plum acreage, at the same time being new orchards of this fruit have been set since the planting season began last fall.

In small fruits, the strawberry is being extensively planted with the raspberry as a close second. The springlike weather of the past few days having brought out full bloom among the orchards, has induced many of the farmers and the city lot owner to plant fruit trees, and notwithstanding the lateness of the season many orders for trees are being placed at this time for spring setting.

VICTIM IS AN AMERICAN

Nationality of Oil Employee Fatally Stabbed in Mexico Established. WASHINGTON, April 3.—Alexander Oberg, an employee of the International Petroleum company, who was stabbed and probably fatally injured at Amahat, Mex., March 26, at the time J. A. Jaffredon, an American, was killed, is believed to be an American, although the state department has no definite information. There is no record of

played in the Tampico fields and both men were drilled. The department has asked Consul Dawson at Tampico to report on Oberg's nationality and condition.

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