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REPUBLICAN

Party in Kentucky Suffers Severe Blow in Death of Boss A. T. Hert.

Democratic Committee Can Assure Fall Success by Fair Deal For All.

"Reform" Administration Will Surely Call Times Editor on Broad Charge.

MORROW PARDONS BAD CROOK.

The death of Republican National Committeeman A. T. Hert was the chief topic of political conversation this week and his reign as leader of the Kentucky Republicans was reviewed many times, and also as to what effect his death would have on the Republican party in this State. All agree that Hert was sole and undisputed boss of Kentucky Republicans, but all will not agree with those who claim he displayed marked ability as a political strategist and manager. In political maneuverings it was Hert's wealth that asserted itself, not political ability, and without that wealth and corporation boodle Hert would never have risen from the ranks. By no stretch of the imagination can one compare his political record to that of men like the late Col. John H. Whallen or Gov William Goebel. These men had a loyal personal following that stood by them in political conventions, primaries or elections, regardless of the money involved, while Hert's followers came from that class who follow a campaign barrel just like flies are attracted to a molasses barrel. Hert never obtained political notice or recognition until he had amassed a fortune, while Gov. Gobel and Col. Whalen were recognized political powers from their early youth and when they had no financial backing.

There is no denying that the grief of the local and State Republicans over Hert's death is sincere. Mr. Hert had few sincere friends in the Republican organization, his followers being composed mostly of ex-Democrats holding office under the present administration, the Republicans who wanted a financial angel and then all the little fish Republicans, black and white, who trailed hungrily after the money doled out from the Hert coffers. To this class Hert's death comes as a blow and with the king dead the scramble is on for prestige among some while others are looking for a loophole to sneak into the Democratic party. The latter are considered wise and crafty, as they know that lean and hungry days are coming on the Republican party, that **there is a feeling against the hard times Harding administration, the "Howdy Ed" failure at Frankfort and the near Mayor Smith fiasco in this city.** Some might have stood by the guns while Hert was in back with plenty of funds but now they realize that the **funds collected this year from the police, firemen, city employes and soft (?) drink stands will go to the little bosses left in charge of the organization, and the little bosses can't see themselves spending a whole lot of money in a losing fight.** Watch this tip: Judge Huston Quin, Hert's selection for Mayor, will now look for a soft place to drop out of the hopeless contest.

As indicated above, fortune is smiling on the Democratic party once more, nationally. Statewide and locally. Repnublican candidates all over the country have been decisively beaten lately and the defeat of Mayor Thompson in Chicago this week was the latest. The State is safe this fall and all doubts of success can be removed by the new City and County Democratic Committee. Thus far it is the intention of the party leaders to nominate in a convention and to date it appears that there will be no contests for 95 per cent. of the nominations. There are contests thus far for the nomination for Sheriff, Prosecuting Attorney of the Police Court, Bailiff and possibly Judge of the County Court, although L. D. Greene seems the popular choice. Those few contests must be handled by the Democratic Committee and they must be handled fairly—in a manner that will leave no sore spots afterwards. The Sheriff's race four years ago split the Democratic party asunder simply because some one insisted selfishly on the nomination of a Beckham man for Sheriff against the wishes of the Democratic majority, who in repudiating that choice beat the entire ticket and the defeat of Beckham last year was but an echo of party mismanagement of four years ago.

The Kentucky Irish American bitterly fought that mistaken course then and warns the committee that if the differen contests can not be adjusted amicably **they must not be settled in a convention but left to the vote of Democratic men and women in a fair primary.** It is needless to point out here that a convention can not settle a contest fairly. Delegates to a convention are not popular choices but are the selections of a headquarters secretary who prepares a list for the guidance of those attending a convention and smoothes the way for the district representatives. This is satisfactory to every Democrat where there are no contests, but today we have competition for a few of the nominations **and no stereotyped list of a headquarters secretary must decide those contests.** Chairman John C. Doolan and his associates, Messrs. Knight, Klapheke, Cassell, Curtis, Callahan and Harris, owe a duty to the voters in seeing that every candidate is given a fair and square deal, one that will mean perfect harmony for all concerned. If the few races mentioned can not be adjusted then the committee should **see to it that all are given an equal chance in a hands-off primary.**

The announcement of Mrs. John L. Woodbury for County Tax Commissioner met with popular favor among both men and women Democrats who have grown to know and appreciate her work at campaign times. Mrs. Woodbury is known to many of our readers for her untiring work in behalf of the erection of the tablet to Rev. Father Ryan, the Poet Priest of the South, now located in front of St. Boniface church. Attorney Charles Morris is being requested by many to announce for Police Judge while Judge James P. Gregory would meet with no opposition if he would consent to announce for County Commissioner.

This past week Gov. Morrow shocked the entire community by turning loose from prison John Doe, alias Frank Blair, the man of mystery and of whom there is not the slightest doubt that he is a bad and dangerous crook. Doe or Blair was arrested here three years ago in an attempted burglary and murder case. After a little hocus-pocus in the Police Court Roscoe Searcy advanced **$800 in cash for bond and obtained the mystery man's release.** Of course the crook forfeited the bond and was not heard of until a year later when he was arrested plying his regular trade of robbery and assault. Brought back here he was sentenced ot serve five years in the Frankfort penitentiary, the jury having no difficult time in pronouncing him guilty. This verdict was brought in July 5, 1919, **and last Monday, less than two years later, our "reform" Governor turns this notorious and desperate crook loose to again prey upon and probably murder some innocent citizen or citizens.** Morrow further insults the people and voters of the State by refusing to explain his action and to date we have heard no protests from Lieut. Gov. Ballard, Wm. Heyburn, the Louisville Herald editor or other prominent Republicans in regard to the Doe case. To an outsider **it looks like that it will have to be called the "Dough" case.**

Speaking of "reform," we want to call the attention of Col. Petty, "Governor" Burlingame, near Mayor Smith and others to the charge made by the Louisville Times editor against the "pure" and "spotless" administration and the Keystone police. Speaking of the grand jury charges about gambling the Times said: **"A few days ago the Times obtained a list, much longer than the one published by the grand jury and including some of those names, of places where games of chance flourished openly. If the police do not know about these places the cry of Keystone should not longer offend them. If they do know, the administration should either cease denying that it suffers gambling or it should attempt to suppress professional games."** Possibly Messrs. Petty, Burlingame and our near Mayor didn't see that open insult and challenge, and the Kentucky Irish American, in a spirit of kindness, tips them off that this broad charge by the Times editor may convince some that there is wicked gambling going on in the community. We believe that the administrtaion leaders will immediately demand of the Times the long list of gambling places and immediately squelch them. We also believe that the near Mayor will publish that 1,000 word report that he prepared so assiduously last week in his "defi" to the grand jury.

The two latest murder cases demonstrate the ability of our Keystone police department. A big touring car runs down and kills a young man at Sixth and Zane a little over two weeks ago. A real police department would have blocked all roads leading from the city ten minutes arterwards and at daylight could have had each district examine every large touring car in the city. This was not done and another of the long list of blunders is attributed to the Keystone police. The Stamp case is another. The murderer twenty-four hours afterward walks to his home, sees four Keystoners guarding the house **so he couldn't get in,** goes away and hires a room a block and a half from the City Hall, finally walking through the streets in broad daylight to surrender himself. Stamp is a great big six-footer, easy to pick out in a crowd, yet he spent two days in the heart of the city, eating in a public restaurant, and the Keystoners didn't even have a clue. You've got to hand it to the Keystoners for messing it up.

PRIEST FIFTY YEARS.

Archbishop Sebastian G. Messmer will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood this year with a journey to Rome. Arrangements are being made for his passage to Europe in June, when he will make his ad limina visit to the Vatican, and later to the church in which he said his first mass. The little edifice is located near St. Gall, Switzerland. He expects to return to Milwaukee in the fall.

CATHOLIC MISSIONS.

Some idea of the extent of the Catholic missions throughout the world may be gained from the reports on the number of missionaries who died last year in the various parts of the world in which they have been stationed. During the past year 159 missionaries of the Catholic Church died. The figure covers all parts of the world. Of these six were Bishops and 153 priests.

ACT LIKE RURAL VISITORS.

Grand jury says Keystone police are non-residents and possibly can't find gambling dens.

RETURNS TO IRELAND.

The Washington representative of the Associated Press reported Saturday that Donal O'Callaghan, Lord Mayor of Cork, who came here six months ago as a stowaway to testify before the commission of the Committee of One Hundray investigating the Irish question, is believed by officials of the Department of Labor to have returned to Ireland. The Lord Mayor was given classification in this country as a seaman and allowed until midnight Monday to leave the United States. E. J. Henning. Assistant Secretary of Labor, said that the department had "every reason to believe that before the time limit allowed O'Callaghan to leave he will have shipped aboard another ship. As a matter of fact," said Henning, "we believe that he is already safely back in Ireland, although we have no official information to that effect. His attorneys assured us that he would leave the country according to the ruling of the Secretary. The last that I have heard of him was through newspaper reports that he was in Chicago April 8." Pointing out that friends of the Lord Mayor claimed that there was a probability that British authorities might undertake to arrest him on his return voyage, Henning said it was possible that some officials friendly to O'Callaghan had held up the report of his departure. He explained that this would not be a breach of regulations as there was no requirement that his departure be reported immediately.

Assistant Secretary Henning announced Monday that a statement would be issued Thursday regarding the whereabouts and status of Donal O'Callaghan, Lord Mayor of Cork.

DIPLOMAS FOR STUDENTS.

Thirty-one students will receive diplomas at the commencement exercises of St. Xavier's College at the college auditorium next Friday night. The four student orators will be Eugene J. Steuerle, who as valedictorian will speak on "Cardinal Gibbons—a National Ideal." "Federalization of Schools—a National Menace" will be the subject of the address of Frank H. Breslin; Arthur E. Eyl, salutatorian, will tell of "Americanism—a National Heritage," and "Immigration—a Natoinal Problem" will be explained by James T. Curran. The Right Rev. Denis O'Donaghue, Bishop of Louisville, will preside at the exercises. The Rev. Father Charles R. Ryan, S. J. Professor of political economy, St. Xavier's College, Cincinnati, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon, and John M. Cooney, professor of journalism, Notre Dame University, will deliver the alumni address. This will be one of the most interesting commencements in the history of the college and will reflect the excellent work of Brother Benjamin.

SISTER'S JUBILEE.

Last Sunday the good people and children of St. James' congregation had a happy celebration of the silver jubilee of Sister Ursula, who has given the last fifteen years of her religious life to the work of education as principal in St. James' parochial school. Sunday morning the entire congregation received holy communion in her honor and for her intention, and in the evening a reception was held in the school hall for members of the congregation and friends of Sister Ursula, who is held in admiring and affectionate esteem.

IRELAND

Forty-three Successful Parliamentary Candidates Receive Returns in Jails.

Seven Women Identified With Irish Movement Elected to Dail Eireann.

Some Elected to the Northern Parliament Will Refuse to Attend.

WITHOUT CHARGE OR TRIAL.

Forty-three of the one hundred and forty successful candidates in the recent Parliamentary elections in Ireland received the election returns in the various jails in Ireland and England where they are held prisoners by the British crown forces. All were elected members of Dail Eireann, the Congress of the Irish Republic, regardless of the fact that they are deprived of active participation in the Republican affairs by being kept in jail, and some were also elected to the Northern Parliament, which however, they will not attend.

Included in the successful candidates either held in jails without trial or who are serving penal sentences for their political activities is Arthur Griffith, Vice President of the Irish Republic. He has been held in Mountjoy jail, Dublin, since last November without trial and without having a charge made against him. Sean MacSwiney, brother of the late Lord Mayor Terrence MacSwiney, was elected from Cork county. He recently escaped from Spike Island prison, Cork harbor, where he was serving a fifteen year sentence for being a member of the Irish Republican army. Robert Banton, who was an officer in the English army in the war and who is in an English prison at present, also was elected.

Seven women who have been prominently identified with the Irish Republican movement were elected to Dail Eireann. Among them are Miss Mary MacSwiney, sister of the late Lord Mayor of Cork, and who is at present in America on a speaking tour; Mrs. Katherine O'Callaghan, whose husband, Michael O'Callaghan, ex-Mayor of Limerick, was murdered by Black and Tans in his home in March; Mrs. Pearse, mother of Padraic Pearse, first President of the Irish Republic; Mrs. T. Clarke, whose husband was executed by the English crown forces; Dr. Ada K. English, who is serving nine months for having Sinn Fein literature in her possession; the Countess Markievicz, who is serving two years for organizing the National Boy Scouts, and Miss Bridghid Dooly of Waterford.

Lord Mayor Donal O'Callaghan, of Cork, also was elected to Dail Eireann, which gives the youthful Irish leader the unusual distinction of holding three important executive positions at one time. In addition to being Chief Executive of Cory city he is Chairman of the Cork County Council, and now becomes a member of Dail Eireann. It is said that no other Lord Mayor of Cork has ever held the position of Chairman of the Cork County Council at the same time.

Harry Boland, envoy of the Irish Republic to America, was re-elected unanimously by his constituents in Mayo and Roscommon. Eamon De Valera, President of the Irish Republic; Michael Collins, Minister of Finance; Lawrence Ginnell, Liam Mellowes, James Burke, Dr. P. A. McCartan and other Irish leaders well known in America were elected without opposition.

Erskine Childers, son of the former English Chancellor of the Exchecquer and author of "The Battle of the Sands," and who won distinction for his service for England in the late war, was elected for County Wicklow. Desmond Fitzgerald, in prison for his activities as head of the propaganda department of the Irish Republic, was elected from Dublin.

Count Plunkett, whose son was executed by the British for his participation in the Easter uprising in 1916, was elected from Roscommon, and Prof. Eoin McNeill, although in jail, was elected from two constituencies, National University and for Derry.

ORPHANS' PICNIC.

At Monday evening's meeting of friends of the orphans in preparation for the Fourth of July picnic, few of the parishes were unrepresented. The Button Committee has been energetic and reported donations amounting to $1,344.94. Satisfactory reports were received from the various committees and the following additional appointments were announced:

Candy wheel—Messrs. Louis Vetter, Chairman; Fred A. Bauer, Jr., John Robinson, John R. Baldwin, William Baldwin, Joseph De Voto, Rudolph Volz, Paul Downard, F. H. Leisman, George Logan, Otto Rossfield, Frank Munninghoff, Joseph German, Hardy Sexton, Thomas J. Sullivan.

Confectionery booth—Misses Jean Smith, Marietta De Voto, Philomena De Voto, Evelyn Lege, Mathilda Dietsche, Anna Rauch, Frankie Powell, Elizabeth Grieve, Angela Henken, Marcella Droppelman, Ida De Van, Minnie Vetter.

Ready to Wear Committee—Mesdames Thos. Keenan, J. J. Barrett, M. J. McClusky, X. Kessack, Geo. Fitzpatrick, W. A. Brown, M. J. Bannon, Ida Ackerman, H. Bossmeyer, M. Troy, P. L. Scanlon, M. Duane, Thos. Brocar, M. Stoll, L. A. Blanford, D. F. Murphy, L. Graham, B. J. Campbell, C. Boyle, Misses R. Conroy, M. Flannigan, M. Ward, M. and A Noonan, M. Campbell, M. Wallace, M. Merrimee, K. Coleman, Messrs. Thos. Hannon, X. Kessack, Edw. Pope, Chas. Cooper, Jos. Lanahan, Chas. Siebel.

As the time for the picnic, which is expected to surpass any ever given in Louisville, draws near the interest increases and new faces are seen every Monday night at the meetings at K. of C. Hall, at which everybody is welcome.

MILITARY CAUSE IDLENESS.

The Associated Press correspondent cables from Dublin that a great increase in unemployment in Ireland is shown by official reports. The number of people registered at the labor exchanges, which does not include workers on short time, has risen to 116,285. Belfast is worst off with 28,434 unemployed as against 15,291 in Dublin and 10,022 in Cork. Over 100,000 are drawing unemployment benefit. The hardest hit industry is linen in Belfast. In Dublin the trouble is mostly due to a dispute in the building trades. Thomas Johnston, Secretary of the Irish Labor party, estimates that there are not less than 15,000 agricultural workers and road menders out of work as a result of the military situation.

THE OPEN SHOP.

The hostility of capital to labor and labor toward capital is every day becoming more accentuated. It almost seems impossible to devise any means, practical or otherwise, by which these two essential factors in the industrial life of the country can be brought into amicable and harmonious relationship. The attitude of many employers towards their employes is characterized in the Bulletin of the Bureau of Industrial Research as a "drive to destroy the unions." The so-called "open shop" policy is roundly denounced by many manufacturers as "a deceitful and circuitous method," with which they could have no sympathy. The committee on Industrial Relations of the Merchants' Association of New York, comprising such men as E. K. Hall, Vice President of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company; Walter G. Teagle, President of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, and Gerand M. Dahl, Vice President of the Chase National Bank, recently issued a report which said that the establishment of the "open shop" should not in any way affect the employe's right to join or not to join a labor union.

It must be remembered that it is not so much the right to affiliate with the union that organized labor demands as the right to collective bargaining. This right organized capital will not concede. Yet it is almost impossible for the individual workingman to obtain a just remuneration for labor if he is forced to bargain for wages with a powerful capitalistic combine. It would be preferable that the man doing the work, and the man for whom the work is done, should personally agree upon the conditions under which service is to be rendered and compensated. That is not possible or feasible in the industrial world today. Unfortunately the personal intimacy between employer and employe is a thing of the past. This condition being largely due to men of the McCone stripe, who are liars and enemies of both the workingman and his employer.

As we have often said before the only solution of the difficulties will be found is that offered by the Catholic Church, as so clearly indicated by the great Pope Leo XIII. in his immortal Encyclical on Labor "Rerum Novarum." The humane and just spirit which should dominate the attitude and actions of both capital and labor are clearly set forth in this document which is the expression of the attitude of the Catholic Church on the subject.

SACRED HEART ACADEMY.

Diplomas and honors will be conferred at the graduation exercises of the Sacred Heart Academy at 10 o'clock next Wednesday morning by the Right Rev. Denis O'Donaghue, Bishop of the Diocese of Louisville. Father Fulgence Meyer, O. F. M., will make the principal address. The following is a list of the graduates:

Academic Department — Misses Marian Louise Buchart, Elizabeth Ivy Hudson, Mary Florence MacNamara, Agnes Frances Hannon, Mary Violet Dwyer, Ethel Louise Oeswein, Evelyn Ann Moser, Katherine Agnes Pfeffer and Esther Marie Cahill.

Commercial Department—Misses Fronia Priscilla Viers, Clara Rosene Brown and Carrie Mae O'Daniel.

CRAMP FATAL.

Friends and relatives of Lawrence Lehmann, son of C. Joseph Lehmann, 1938 Deering avenue, were painfully shocked when news reached the city Sunday evening of his death by drowning while bathing near Anchorage. With twenty-three friends Lehmann had gone on an afternoon outing, and it is believed he was seized with a cramp after plunging into the water. A pulmotor was used to resuscitate life but without avail. Besides his parents he is survived by a sister, Miss Mary Rose Lehmann, and two brothers, James E. and C. Joseph Lehmann, Jr. The funeral was held with requiem high mass at St. John's church Wednesday morning, Rev. Father Schuhmann conducting the sad obsequies.

FINE INFIRMARY SITE.

Among the important realty transactions negotiated last week was the purchase by the Order of the Sisters of Nazareth of a tract of land on Eastern Parkway, between the Ashbottom road and Preston street, which ultimately will be used as a site for a new St. Joseph's Infirmary. The purchase was made at this time that there might be a suitable site available for a new hospital when the city's growth necessitates removal of the infirmary from its present location on Fourth street, between Chestnut and Broadway. The purchase, known as the Robinson tract, embraces about eighteen acres of unimproved ground having a frontage of 1,100 feet on Eastern Parkway with a depth of about 800 feet.

CATHOLIC MISSION CRUSADE.

Next Wednesday evening, June 15, at 7:30 o'clock, is the date of the next meeting of the Veteran Unit of the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade. All former students of St. Helena's Commercial College are cordially invited to attend. The social meeting in May was a delightful evening. An interesting programme is announced for June 15, when Rev. Father Philibert, O. F. M., will address the Veterans. All are expected to attend.

SOUND ALARM

Sunday-School Association Urges Forces to Rally to Support of Towner Bill.

And Opposition Announced to Alleged Position of the Catholic Hierarchy.

Friends of Freedom of Education to Safeguard Their Rights as Citizens.

FIGHT SAME AS IN THE PAST.

The belief has obtained in some quarters that the Towner bill for the creation of a Department of Education (formerly known as the Smith-Towner, now as the Towner-Sterling bill) was practically dead, inasmuch as it appeared that the bill for the proposed Department of Public Welfare would attain priority and prominence over the Towner bill, and the new department would absorb the Bureau of Education. A letter sent out containing this information has been misinterpreted to the extent of implying that the Catholic Hierarchy were heartily in favor of the Department of Public Welfare, primarily because its creation would obviate the purposes of the Towner bill. This fact is brought out in a letter issued on June 2 by the Sunday-School Association in a certain State in the Middle West, to the members of its Executive Committtt, which letter also urges a "vigorous Protestant protest" in favor of the Towner bill, for the purpose of informing "the President and Congress" as to "where Protestantism stands." The letter, along with which the members of the Executive Committee named also received a copy of a letter issued in the matter by the National Catholic Welfare Council, and which the General Secretary of the Sunday-School Association terms "a letter from Catholic Hierarchy," reads:

"You are more or less familiar with the Towner-Sterling educational bill (formerly Smith-Towner). I have just had an urgent letter from Dr. Walter S. Athearn, who has been in Washington interviewing the President and Senate and House Committees in behalf of same. He states that the bill providing for a Department of Public Welfare in which the Bureau of Education will be submerged, and which is sponsored by the President and supported chiefly by the Catholic hierarchy, is likely to supersede the Towner-Sterling bill providing for an independent Department of Education with a Secretary of Education in the President's Cabinet. If the substitute measure is passed, it will be a direct blow at public education. As a nation we are already rapidly drifting toward illiteracy. What is needed is a vigorous Protestant protest, so the President and Congress know where Protestantism stands.

"As one measure, Dr. Athearn suggests that telegrams be immediately dispatched to President Harding, and letters to the Senate and House Committees (names enclosed) by a large number, urging that education be removed from the Department of Public Welfare and that the people be given an opportunity to say to Congress whether or not they want an independent department of education. Will you, as an individual citizen, take upon yourself to comply with this request as fully as possible?"

The names of the members of the Senate and House committees with their addresses are appended, as indicated, to the letter in question. Thus one can readily see that the fight for the Towner bill is being waged with the same determination as it was in the past. Additional light on the matter of the Towner bill is shed by an article appearing in The Builder, a Masonic publication, which proves two facts—the present bill is essentially the same as the former bill and is merely dressed in a different garb, and it has the support of Masonry. "The bill," says The Builder, "as reintroduced in the House is changed from the original one, reported out favorably and strongly by the House Committee on Education, in verbiage only." Continuing the same issue of the Masonic organ quotes a resolution adopted by the Masonic Grand Lodge of Mississippi pledging its members as "Endorsing efforts to create a National Department of Education as set forth in the Smith-Towner bill," the lodge "endorses the public school and pledges every influence within its power to maintain and safeguard the same from the assaults of those who would destroy and create in its stead a system of parochial schools, dominated and controlled by and under the absolute influence of an autocratic hierarchy."

The expressions of these two separate agencies, originating at two different places and at different times, are indicative of widespread efforts to secure the passage of the Towner bill. It is necessary that all friends of the freedom of education inform themselves of the continuance of the danger and be prepared to safeguard their rights as citizens.

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PRIESTS' HOMES BURNED.

The residences of several priests and curates were burned when British soldiers raided the Headford district, in County Galway, destroying homes and crops and laying the countryside waste.