

DEMOCRATIC OPTIMISM IS SOARING

OPTIMIST RUNS HIGH AMONG THE DEMOCRATS

LEADERS ARE JUBILANT OVER STATEMENTS GIVEN OUT BY RAILROAD MAGNATES.

OTHERS ARE EXPECTED

Announced Today That Similar Statements will be Issued by Some of the Other Leading Railroad Men of the Country Before Long.

(By United Press)

Long Branch, Oct. 16.—The statements of F. D. Underwood, president of the Erie Railroad, and Judge Lovett, chairman of the board of the Union Pacific, endorsing President Wilson and disputing the claims that the President acted with "political expediency" when he forced the passage of the Adamson eight-hour law, was the best news that has hit Shadow Lawn in some days.

The President's political henchmen declared today that they anticipate similar action from the other railroad magnates. Shadow Lawn is very optimistic these days and the spirits of the big Democratic leaders are soaring high.

GERMANS ARE NOW INVADING RUMANIA

(By United Press)

London, Oct. 16.—The Teutons have broken through Gyimes Pass and have invaded northwestern Rumania according to Berlin dispatches. Severe fighting is taking place on Rumanian soil near the town of Palanek. The Germans are attempting to drive south along the Tergu-Coan railway to cut the main railway supplying the northern Rumanian armies. The Rumanians are vigorously counter-attacking along the whole southern Transylvania frontier, southeast of Kronstadt. The Rumanians have wrested the initiative from the Germans, attempting the invasion and fighting in the region of Yuleas Pass is becoming more violent. The battle around the bend of the Cerna river in Macedonia, between the Bulgarians and Serbs is still in doubt.

MARK LATHAM ARRESTED ON A SERIOUS CHARGE

Washington, Oct. 14.—For the first time in many years Uncle Sam's big money vaults in the United States Treasury here have been robbed and a clerk in the Treasury Department is under arrest charged with the offense.

Mark Latham, a native of North Carolina, a clerk in the office of the Auditor of the Postoffice Department, but detailed in the work in the vaults of the Treasury, who resides with his family at 161 U street, Northwest, is charged with the offense. He is held in the United States jail in default of \$10,000 bond for his appearance at a hearing Tuesday morning before United States Commissioner Hitt.

Ten bank notes, in sheets, all of which were unsigned, were stolen from the vaults. They were valued at \$500. The robbery was not discovered, it was stated, until about a week ago, when several of the notes bearing forged signatures turned up at the Treasury Department for redemption.

As soon as the notes were received at the Department and the forgery discovered an investigation was made which led to the discovery of the robbery. United States Secret Service agents from New York and Philadelphia were brought here and put on the case. Detectives Helam and Pratt, of the local department, worked in conjunction with the government officers. Late this afternoon a warrant was issued charging Latham with the offense and he was taken into custody by the two detectives. Later he was taken before the United States Commissioner, who continued the hearing in order to give Latham an opportunity to secure an attorney.

Following the arrest of the clerk, who has been employed in the Treasury Department for twelve years, a search was made of his home. There, it was stated by Assistant United States Attorney Arth, two unsigned notes of the \$10 denomination, were found on top of the furnace.

Latham has a wife and child. He declined to make a statement. He would not give his home address in North Carolina.—News and Observer.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA PROTEST OVER U.S. CAPITAL IN CHINA

(By United Press)

Washington, Oct. 16.—The Chinese embassy today officially confirmed reports of Japanese protests against the railway and canal concessions made by the Chinese governments to American corporations. It is believed that the matter will be laid before the State Department.

A large United States firm recently secured concessions for building a large mileage of canals and railroads in China. The exact location of the routes has not yet been decided upon. It is believed that Russia and Japan are opposed to American capital being brought into China as they desire to derive the profits themselves.

VENIZELOS GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZED

(By United Press)

London, Oct. 16.—A new nationalist government has been established on the island of Crete by ex-Premier Venizelos and has been recognized by the French consul, according to an Athens dispatch.

A "Venizelos party" favoring intervention in the war, was organized and planned last night by Greek leaders, following a giant demonstration. It is planned to enlist 300,000 Greeks and to join the allied forces at an early date.

20,000 MEN TO MAKE ARMS FOR GERMANS

(By United Press)

Essen, Germany, Oct. 16.—Twenty thousand new workers this week will join the seventy thousand that are already employed in the great Krupp gun works in the gigantic task of supplying shells and guns to the German armies. This is one step in Germany's renewed efforts to win the war. Under the direction of Von Hindenburg, many skilled workmen have been recalled from the front to assist in the production of war supplies. The Krupp plants have been greatly increased and more room is being made for them.

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Italy Is Also Firm On Peace Question

(By United Press)

ROME, Oct. 16.—Austria must be destroyed as a state; Germany must be deprived of every and all thought of dominion of the world before the war can end, today declared Signor Bissolati, socialist leader, soldier and one of the most powerful men in the Italian cabinet.

"To consent to peace now," stated the Signor, "would be an act of treason on the part of any of the allies. I am convinced that George's statement to the United Press and that Premier express the firm resolve of all the allies. Peace is the only way out of the deadly germ of the war must be destroyed."

HERALD POLL SHOWS THAT HUGHES IS IN THE LEAD

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New York, Oct. 16.—The New York Herald's great political poll published yesterday says:

Charles E. Hughes maintains a slender lead in the race for the presidency. President Wilson has made slight gains. The margin of safety for the Republican ticket has narrowed considerably since the Herald's canvass started by the indications as shown by the 197,403 straw votes

that if an election were held today the normal Republican strongholds would roll up pluralities just large enough to give Mr. Hughes a majority in the electoral college.

The changes during the last week were less marked than during the previous week. From all that can be gleaned at this time the Republicans are at a standstill and President Wilson is going ahead slowly. The race is a close one. Nowhere is there a suggestion of landslide or anything approaching it.

Conditions are such that it would be hazardous now, with the straw vote campaign incomplete, to make a definite prediction. There are many indications that the mountainous Republican pluralities of the McKinley, Roosevelt and Taft years are dangerously threatened. On the other hand, the President is holding

his own with ease in the strictly Democratic territory, and is apparently certain to get such states as Tennessee, Kentucky, Missouri and Oklahoma, in each of which the Republicans believed a short time ago they had a fighting chance or considerably better.

The states of New York, Illinois, Ohio and Indiana will beyond all question decide the election. Any one of them may.

The straw votes and the inquiries made by correspondents for the Herald indicate at this writing that Mr. Hughes has the better of the situation in New York, Illinois and Indiana and it is a "toss up" in Ohio. All the states mentioned are in doubt. Illinois, which was presumed by the Republicans to be overwhelmingly Republican and conceded by the Democrats to be very likely to go strongly for Hughes and Fairbanks, has begun to waver.

The women, so far as the straw vote discloses, favor the President because of his peace program. The male element of the electorate is in a large majority for the Republican ticket, but the attitude of the women voters, of whom there are a half million, inject a distinct note of uncertainty in the situation there.

PREDICTS GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP OF ROADS IN LESS THAN 10 YRS.

(By United Press)

Washington, Oct. 16.—Uncle Sam is going into the railroad business within the next decade, according to Benjamin C. Marsh, New York, executive secretary of the real preparedness committee of the Intercollegiate Socialist Society, an organization backed morally and financially by Amos Pinchoff.

"Every railroad in the United States—252,000 miles of them," said Marsh today, "will pass from private ownership within ten years to be operated in the interest of the public instead of the interstate of privilege. The railroad capitalists, being human, wish to get wine prices for rain water. It is our mission to squeeze all the water out of the roads before the Government takes them over."

Declaring ultimate Government operation of all roads, inevitable, Marsh said "the real problem is to see that the properties are not unloaded on the public at more than their actual value."

"Secret of the Submarine" and Comedy at New Theatre

The sixth episode of "The Secret of the Submarine" will be on the screen at the New Theatre tonight. This serial is proving to be better than the best. In addition, there is a Triangle Keystone comedy entitled "The Village Blacksmith." Keystone comedies are always pleasing and laughable and this one is simply immense. Show starts at 7:45 p. m.

America's foremost aerial acts, will be offered for free attractions and will entertain with a series of daring feats on the high flying trapeze.

BIG GAINS ARE MADE BY FRENCH IN WEST

ALLIES ARE NOW HOLDING HOUSES ON EDGE OF THE BAUPAUME-PERONNE ROAD.

TEUTONS ARE REPULSED

Germans Are Countering Violently and Battle Still Continues. On the Eastern Frontier Germans Have Also Been Driven Back.

(By United Press)

Paris, Oct. 16.—The French have penetrated the German defenses at Sallies and Sallies, northwest of Combes and are now occupying houses on the edge of the Baupaume-Peronne road, according to an official statement. The Germans are countering violently and the battle still continues.

Germans Are Repulsed.

London, Oct. 16.—Aided by liquid fire and heavy cannonading, the Germans last night launched an unusually heavy attack against the Schwabach redoubt north of Combes. They were repulsed with heavy losses. South of Ancre the Germans shelled the British positions heavily through out the night. North of Courette bomb attacks were repulsed.

Launch Counter Attacks.

Petrograd, Oct. 16.—The Teutons have launched repeated counter attacks in the great battle that is raging north of Korytnica but have been repulsed with heavy losses. Heavy fighting continues along a wide portion of both the Vothyan and Gallian fronts. Obstinate fighting also continues north of Seborwa and north of Stanislaw.

CHARGE FATHER WITH MURDER OF DAUGHTER

(By United Press)

Pensacola, Fla., Oct. 16.—E. J. Fudge, a prominent citizen of Pensacola, is under indictment charged with the murder of his two daughters, Tennie and Ethel, last September. The girls were shot to death and Fudge stated that one had killed the other and then shot herself. The State Attorney believes that circumstantial evidence of a double murder is very strong.

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TODAYS PROGRAM

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ENGINE IS DERAILED Wreck Occurred on the Coast Line at the Western End of Town Saturday Evening. The engine of the Atlantic Coast Line freight train, No. 309, was derailed opposite the Washington Bugby Company plant Saturday evening at 6:45 o'clock. The cause of the accident is not known. No one was injured. The evening passenger train was forced to discharge its passengers on the other side of the wreck. The wrecker arrived here shortly after midnight and put the engine back on the track again.

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SHELBURNE WRITES My sale of tobacco today of 19,476 pounds made an average of \$20.01, including all damaged and funky tobacco, of which we had a good deal. These prices are higher—higher on most grades than prices have been this year; therefore, I advise people to sell what they have ready. There can be no danger of a glut, and prices will continue good, and on every load brought to me I get the top prices and leading as I do in the highest averages I can promise you a satisfactory sale. Below I give some sales made today, and these sales had no wrappers in them, just plain medium good bright tobacco: Jno. R. Jones, 24, 27, 28, 30, 32, 33, 38. Ave. for 586 lbs. \$21.10. Cutler & Harvey, 19 1/2, 21 1/2, 24 1/2, 27, 29, 30. Ave. for 534 lbs. \$28.09. Jno. Mayo, 26, 22 1/2, 23, 27, 31, 3. Ave. \$29.70. J. K. Woolard, 23 1/2, 28, 28, 28. Ave. for 526 lbs. \$26.10. Tobe Williams, 21 1/2, 22 1/2, 25, 35, 39. Ave. for 518 lbs. \$25.76. H. T. Beacham, 18, 20, 21, 21, 24, 30. Ave. for 1162 lbs. \$23.67. H. R. Cutler, 15, 27, 36. Ave. \$23.10. Frank O'Merry, 18 1/2, 19, 19 1/2, 22 1/2, 26, 27, 27, 28. Ave. for 628 lbs. \$22.55. Below I give the run of our sales for this week, and next. You can be sure when you come to see me that I work as hard for the small man as the big man, and that means that I get the top prices for every man's tobacco. Wednesday, 18th—3rd sale. Thursday, 19th—2nd sale. Friday, 20th—1st sale. Monday, 23rd—3rd sale. Tuesday, 24th—2nd sale. Wednesday, 25th—1st sale. Thursday, 26th—3rd sale. Friday, 27th—2nd sale. Yours truly, V. B. SHELBURNE. 10-16-16-fp.

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