

Kellog's Appointment May Start Pretty Party Row

Farmer Labor Element in Minnesota, Which Defeated Kellog for Senate and Elected Both Minnesota Senators May Feel Itself Slighted

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Washington, Nov. 1.—Political warfare between the regular wing of the Republican party and the insurgents in the West and Northwest has been to no small degree intensified by the selection of former United States Senator Frank B. Kellog of Minnesota to be the American ambassador to Great Britain.

The President and Secretary Hughes asked the British government in the customary way whether their selection was "persona grata" but neither Senator Magnus Johnson nor Senator Henrik Shipstead,—both of whom represent the farmer-labor party in Minnesota—have been asked the usual question of courtesy as to the appointment of a man hailing from their state.

This does not mean any fight of consequence against the confirmation of Mr. Kellog, who stands in high esteem in the Senate and who probably will be confirmed quickly when once his nomination is reported to the floor of the Senate.

But it does portend trouble of another character. In other words the insurgents are asking whether the appointment of Mr. Kellog means that the administration intends in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa and other rebellious states, politically speaking, to award its patronage plums to the so-called conservative branch of the party.

About the middle of the Taft administration, the late Charles D. Norton, who was private secretary to Mr. Taft, committed the indiscretion of writing a letter which was published to the effect that unless the insurgents played ball with the administration they could expect no patronage. Nobody has written any such letter today nor has any final word been communicated to the factions in the various states concerned, but it is known that the Kellogg appointment has precipitated a merry little controversy and the parallel with it is another row in Wisconsin which the political mentors of President Coolidge are trying to settle.

Minnesota has in the last two senatorial elections thrown her influence to the Farmer-Labor party. The Republicans have lost many of their regular supporters in the melee. The Democratic party has been almost entirely wiped out. Who then should get recognition? The regular party workers will not be encouraged to keep up the fight if the administration is to bestow its rewards on the insurgent radicals. As for delegates to the nominating convention, the President probably will not get the support of the Farmer-Labor party anyhow and the question of what he gets from Minnesota will depend on what faction of the Republican party possesses the machinery for choosing delegates.

In Wisconsin an interesting situation has developed as a result of the complaint of some of the followers of Senator Lenroot that the administration was "flirting" with the La Follette wing of the Republican party. Here the problem is somewhat different, for in addition to Senator La Follette, who won the regular Republican party nomination and election, there are several members of the House of Representatives who are classed as Republicans. In this group there are two kinds, however, those Congressmen who are friendly to La Follette but are also on good terms with the national administration and those who are out most of the time denouncing the administration with tool-of-Wall Street epithets. There are questions arising all the time with reference to the appointment of postmasters and the Federal officials and the administration will have to choose between the factions.

As for Mr. Kellogg's appointment the friends of the White House are letting it be known that President Coolidge was committed to the appointment of Mr. Kellogg by the promise of the late President Harding. This does not mean that Mr. Coolidge thinks any less of former Senator Kellogg than did Mr. Harding, but that were the political factors to be taken into consideration he might have avoided entering into a controversy with the two Minnesota Senators, one of whom boasts of the fact that he was elected to office by the overwhelming vote of the people against Mr. Kellogg. Outside of the radical wing of the party, the Kellogg appointment is looked upon as bringing to the court of St. James an exceptionally able lawyer, a man of means who will not suffer the financial handicaps of his predecessor and a man who has the confidence of the co-operationist element in the Republican party which believes in a closer understanding with Europe instead of a policy of aloofness and isolation.

Prepares Heavy Debate Schedule

University of Carolina Broadens Its Scope in This Line This Year

Chapel Hill, Nov. 2.—The University of North Carolina, with student body financial support of all inter-collegiate contests guaranteed, is preparing for a heavy fall and winter debating schedule this season, according to an announcement made here tonight.

At a recent meeting of the debate council decided to propose several subjects for debate touching upon fields of interest to a majority of the student body an instead of one or two queries, as in the past, there will be several. The debating team also will be increased in number and instead of the two man team of the past there will be three and an alternate.

Besides entering for the Peace and Southern Oratorical Contests, the University also is planning to send its team against the leading Eastern and Southern colleges.

The first debate of the season will be with the University of South Carolina on December 8. The query South Carolina institution for this occasion is "Resolved, that the Federal constitution should be so amended as to give the Federal government exclusive control over divorce laws." It is believed that this query will prove to be one of great interest as South Carolina bears the reputation of being the only state in the Union not tolerating divorce and it has no law on the subject.

During the winter season the Washington and Lee-John Hopkins place and for the early spring a tri-Carolina triangle debate will take angular debate with Tulane and Sewanee is being formed. The University of West Virginia will return to North Carolina this season for a debate. The debate of the National Literary Society at Washington will be held again this year and Carolina will be represented. This debate was inaugurated last season and a Carolina man, Victor M. Young, was the winner.

The debate council has gotten in touch during the past few days with the University of Florida, the University of Georgia, Emory University of Atlanta, Davidson College, and the University of Pittsburgh. These institutions are seeking to schedule debates during the year and it is probable that the Chapel Hill team will engage in literary battles with some of them.

The freshmen of Carolina also are planning to have a heavy debating schedule. The triangle debate with

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