

Democrats Stand To Lose In Election In Illinois

Republican Party Split on State Ticket but LaFollette No Roosevelt and He Will Hardly Get Enough Votes to Repeat the Result of 1912

Chicago, Sept. 17.—Illinois at the moment is not seriously enough affected by the candidacy of Senator LaFollette to warrant optimism among Democrats that John W. Davis will profit by the split and capture the electoral vote as did Wilson in 1912 when the Republican party was divided.

There is an unquestioned drift or undercurrent or silent vote or indefinable trend toward LaFollette from the ranks of the working men and from farmers who want a government. This vote will be considerable but in a state which Harding carried by a million majority in 1920, Coolidge could afford to lose 300,000 or more votes and not feel it.

In other words, in a strongly Republican state like this only a Roosevelt with a dominating influence among regulars as well as progressives can prevent the electoral vote from being cast for a Republican. And it is admitted on all sides that LaFollette is no Roosevelt.

The number of votes LaFollette may get, of course, an interesting subject for speculation and perhaps will be regarded with gratification by those who hope after election day to lay the foundations for a progressive party, but in the matter of electoral votes a miss of an inch isn't any better than a mile. William Howard Taft seeking re-election in 1912 polled a big popular vote, probably more than LaFollette will get this year, but Mr. Taft received only a handful of electoral votes and that's what counts.

So in Illinois while LaFollette's sentiment is by no means unimportant it will not change the result of the electoral vote which at present writing would appear to be safe for President Coolidge.

There are certain aspects of the campaign which could be disquieting if the Republican managers didn't know their Illinois. For example, Governor Len Small, a Southerner, is a sort of political truce the effect of which will not be lost on the LaFollette type of voter. Indeed, Governor Small will help Senator LaFollette for many who will vote for the former will vote for the Wisconsin leader too.

One hears that LaFollette will draw as many from the Democrats as from the Republicans. This is an assumption that ignores the fact, however, that the Republican party in Illinois especially since the ascendancy of Len Small has developed quite a radical wing, while among the Democrats the radical groups are relatively small. Many laboring men who are Democrats ordinarily will turn to LaFollette but it would appear that even larger crowds will be made into the Republican party. The Democratic organization has a ticket of its own to elect and whatever its feeling may be about Davis it must work tooth and nail for the whole ticket to win for the state ticket. So the energies of the Democratic leaders throughout the state are directed toward holding the line while the Republican management cannot hope for similar support because of the split in the party developed by Governor Small in recent years.

The Democrats have nominated an able man for United States Senator, Colonel Sprague, who is popular with the war veterans but neither he nor former Governor Deneen will attract the LaFollette supporters who are still talking of putting a Senatorial candidate in to the field.

Governor Small ran approximately 350,000 behind Warren Harding in 1920, which gives an idea of his strength as compared with a regular Republican nominee when no progressive is running. He may not run that far behind Coolidge this year for LaFollette will unquestionably cut down the Coolidge totals this year. All of which is relatively unimportant beside the fact that Illinois' electoral votes may be put down for the man now in the White House.

FAT MAN HAS HIS TUMMY REMOVED

Battle Creek, Mich., Sept. 18.—Maurice Goodman was laid upon the operating table for two hours today while a surgeon sliced nine inches off his "bay window."

PRINCE EXPECTS TO VISIT INDUSTRIES

St. James, Sept. 18.—The Prince of Wales is anxious, it was learned today to return to the United States at a later date to visit the great industrial centers and farming communities to be acquainted at first hand with industrial conditions and to meet American working men and women. His contemplated tour of factories and farms would be similar to one he made in industrial cities of Great Britain since the World War when he spent long periods going through them and talking with people employed in them.

EXCHANGE SUSPENDS BROKERAGE FIRM

New York, Sept. 18.—The brokerage firm of Day & Heaton, one of the oldest members of the New York Stock Exchange, was suspended today for failure to meet its obligations. The firm had been a member of the exchange since September 1, 1921.

...toward the ground, burying its seed pods among the roots. As the summer advances these seed capsules grow and when the plant is mature, full grown peanuts are found beneath the ground. Potatoes do this, but potatoes are bulbs. The peanut is one of the few plants that matures fertilized seed pods in the soil.

Modern Parable of Talents

Archdeacon Thompson generally divided his four quart of peanuts with Dr. Charles R. Mills, of the American Presbyterian Mission, who was going to Shantung Peninsula. Dr. Mills gave a quart each to two farmers, exacting the promise that each should gradually increase the peanuts for three years and at that time use them for general distribution. One of the farmers at the end of the first year ate all his crop. The second farmer fulfilled his contract. Shantung Peninsula in one year recently grew 18,000,000 bushels of the large American peanuts.

Civil War Part

"The South discovered the peanut during the Civil War. Cut off by sea from importing supplies, the Confederates not only grew peanuts for food and flour, but the oil was used by mechanics to lubricate their locomotives and other machinery, by cotton and wood spinners on their spindles and by housewives in place of lard. In some places the oil is now employed for lamps and peanut cake, residue from the oil, finds sale as cattle food.

Ambassador Has to Walk

Soviet Russia's new ambassador to China, Lev Mikhailovitch Karakhan, was forced to leave his temporary "embassy" on foot and plod along, dressed in a simple suit, hat and gloves and all, in the dust and dirt on his way to the palace. The street was too narrow to permit his carriage to enter. A Chinese cameraman may be seen trotting along with him.

It Was Harding's Homecoming!



The round-the-world flyers were home when they first touched American soil. But the real homecoming for Leut. Jack Harding didn't come until the planes stopped at McCook Field, Dayton, O., on their way westward on the final leg of their globe-girdling trip. His mother (right) and his sweetheart, Idile Reussenschen, were in the front lines to welcome him back.

PERQUIMANS FARMER HELD FOR FORGERY

Archie Layden, apparently about 40 years old, of Perquimans County was held for Superior Court by Trial Justice Spence Thursday morning on a \$300 bond on a charge of forgery and is still to answer in recorder's court Tuesday in another case on the same charge.

CHEKIANG THIRD ARMY IN REVOLT

Shanghai, Sept. 18.—The Chekiang third army, assigned to guard that province against invasion while the first and second fought off the Kalgusu army attacking Shanghai, has revolted, Chekiang headquarters admitted today.

EXPECT FIREWORKS AT LEGION MEET

St. Paul, Sept. 18.—Committee reports and resolutions today and the election of officers tomorrow will occupy most of the remaining business sessions of the national convention of the American Legion.

DID THEIR DRINKING BEHIND BILL BOARDS

Asheville, Sept. 18.—Answering the charges of the bill posting companies of the city of Asheville, who recently obtained a temporary injunction against the city prohibiting it from collecting a tax of one dollar per legal foot, the city commissioners have asked that the tax be declared void and claiming that the bill boards were used as blinds for persons to drink liquor behind and for the operations of bootleggers. The commissioners contend that the bill board advertising system is a nuisance to Asheville and that it was not a necessary part of commercial advertising of Asheville concerns. The case will be heard before Judge T. B. Finley of the Superior Court late in the week.

Youth Of Nation Prefer Death To Life Sentence

Consensus of Opinion in Flapper, Sheik and Co-ed World Is That Better Endure Hanging Thrice Than to Spend Life in Prison

Chicago, Sept. 18.—The younger generation—that flapper, sheik and co-ed world to which "Dickie" Loeb and "Babe" Leopold belonged until last Wednesday—to-day upset the judgment of mature thinkers and dealt a blow to the opinions expressed by prominent people in Chicago in regard to Judge Caverly's verdict in the Franks murder case.

Battleship Junked Again By Latest Airship Stunt

'Round World Flight Being Pointed to as Proof Fighting Ship Obsolete, but Navy Counters Battle Fleet Can Beat Fliers 'Round Globe

Washington, Sept. 18.—The poor old sea-going line of battleship has been "junked" again. Every time anybody does a stunt in the air these days, the poor old battleship gets it in the neck.

HERRIOT ESCAPES FROM ROWDY MOB

Paris, Sept. 18.—Premier Herriot of France narrowly escaped injury in Marseilles last night when 200 Communists swarming their canes and sticks and shouting "amenity" made a determined effort to surround and mob the Premier, members of Herriot's party disclosed upon arriving here today. Herriot was rescued only after police had dispersed the gathering.

CREECY WILL CASE TRIAL UNDER WAY

An action to upset the will of the late Miss Hennie P. Creecy, daughter of the late Colonel R. B. Creecy and a sister of Professor R. B. Creecy and Mrs. F. F. Cohoon, got under way in Superior Court Thursday morning shortly before noon when the executors, admitting the execution of the instrument assumed the burden of establishing the fact that it should not be permitted to stand, and began to pass upon the jurors. Indications are that this case will take up most of the remainder of the term.

DR. McLAUGHLIN TO BE GUEST KIWANIS CLUB

Elizabeth City Kiwanians are looking forward to a treat Friday night when Dr. D. N. McLaughlin, minister of the Second Presbyterian Church of Norfolk, will be the club's guest of honor. Dr. McLaughlin was a guest of the local Kiwanis Club on its charter night and made a big hit with those who heard him.

ASHEVILLE FIREMEN WANT CHIEF RESIGN

Asheville, Sept. 18.—As the result of the circulation of a petition that was signed by 36 of the 54 members of the Asheville, fire department, asking for the resignation of Chief A. L. Duckett because he failed to return to the city when informed of the death of the assistant chief John Colvin, which occurred during the recently held national convention of fire chiefs, which Mr. Duckett was attending in Buffalo, resignations are taking place daily, others are expected and a general reorganization will take place, it has been announced by the City Commissioners.

CHURCHMAN KILLED BY RUSSIAN SOVIET

Paris, Sept. 18.—The Georgian legation in Paris today announced that the Georgian Metropolitan Nazari had been executed at Kutais by Russian Soviet troops. The churchman, the legation declared, was 68 years of age and ill.

THE WEATHER

Probably showers tonight and Friday, preceded by fair in East portion tonight.

DURHAM RESENTS NAME LEFT OUT

Durham, Sept. 18.—The people of Durham are registering their resentment against the action of the State Highway Department for leaving the name of Durham and the direction to that city off the road signs erected along various highways of the State leading to this city or to roads leading to this city. Many citizens, it was said at the local chamber of commerce, have requested Commissioner John Sprunt Hill to take the matter up with Frank Page, chairman of the Highway Commission of North Carolina. The people of Durham feel that an injustice has been done the city whether it was intentional or not, say officials of the chamber of commerce, and they want the matter corrected. The omission has also been called to the attention of District Engineer F. E. Schnoof.

COTTON MARKET

New York, Sept. 18.—Futures opened this morning at the following levels: October 22.40; December 22.05; January 22.09; March 22.37; May 22.60.

Ever See a White Robin?

White robins are few and far between. Only about one out of every 10,000 robins turns out to be this color, say ornithologists. And here is one. Lillian Jones of Circleville, O., has sent it to the Cincinnati Zoo.

JOHN W. DAVIS MAY COME TO ASHEVILLE

Asheville, Sept. 18.—John W. Davis, Democratic candidate for President, may come to Asheville to speak during his campaign tour of the country, according to Secretary Burgin Pennell of the Buncombe County Democratic Executive Committee, who is now in correspondence with Congressman Zebulon Weaver, who has requested Clem Shaver, National Democratic campaign manager, to put Asheville on the itinerary of Mr. Davis. Mr. Shaver stated that Mr. Davis would likely go to Tennessee and if he does, that he would very likely make Asheville a speaking point also.

ONE IN HOSPITAL ANOTHER IN JAIL

Concord, Sept. 18.—Jess Vandenberg, prominent farmer, was seriously wounded in a hospital and Martin Best, also a farmer, is held in jail today charged with the affair.