

### REPUBLICANS TO ENTER CONVENTION ON EVEN FOOTING

#### No Candidate Has Enough Votes Pledged To Give Him An Advantage.

Chicago, May 20.—With the republican national convention only eighteen days away and 899 of the 984 delegates already elected, the situation facing the republican candidates is that no candidate will enter the convention with enough votes pledged to him to give him any decided advantage over his opponents.

Forty-seven of the fifty-three states have chosen their delegates and are sending to Chicago 527 uninstructed delegates, 44 more than a majority of all those who will sit in the convention.

Major General Leonard Wood, on the face of returns to date, will show the most strength on the first ballot, for of those delegates who have been instructed or who have expressed a preference, 145 are pledged to him. In addition he carried the preferential primary in Vermont, but that state's eight delegates have not yet been chosen by the state convention.

Hundred Votes for Johnson. Wood's nearest competitor, in the delegations already pledged, is Senator Johnson, of California, who commands an even 100 votes. Governor Frank O. Lowden, of Illinois, with 78 votes pledged to him, is third, while Senator Warren G. Harding, of Ohio, has 89 votes from his home state.

There are, however, contests pending in twelve states and the District of Columbia, involving 104 delegates. Thirty-five of the contests are on Wood delegates, six on Lowden men and sixty-three among uninstructed delegations. The credentials committee will meet here May 31 to thresh out these contests.

Among those candidates who are expected to divide the uninstructed vote on the ballot and who in many cases command all or most of the districts from the several states are: Governor Sprout, Pennsylvania; Governor Coolidge, Massachusetts; Senator Sutherland, Wisconsin; Senator Poindexter, Washington; Senator La Follette, Wisconsin; Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, New York; Herbert Hoover, California; and Judge Jules C. Fritchard, North Carolina.

Senator Poindexter has fourteen instructed votes from Washington; Judge Fritchard seventeen from North Carolina; Governor Coolidge from Massachusetts and the other candidates have or expect to have varying numbers.

What Candidates Expect. Campaign managers here of three candidates who are leading in delegates actually instructed have made definite claims as to the vote they expect to receive in the convention. General Wood's headquarters has issued a statement claiming he will have from 287 to 302 votes on the first ballot; that he will gain from twelve to twenty on the second ballot and that he will be nominated on the third or fourth.

The Johnson managers here say reports from their workers throughout the country show they will have 335 votes on the first ballot and that the senator will be nominated on the third or fourth.

Governor Lowden's managers give no estimate of how many votes they expect to have on the first ballot, but in a published statement have assured the governor he will win the nomination with 522 votes. They predict the break in his favor will come after the third ballot.

INDIAN CHIEFTAIN ORDERED TO CAPTURE GEN. CARRANZA Mexico City, May 19.—Col. Gabriel Barrios, an Indian chieftain, who is in control in the difficult mountain state of Puebla, President Carranza and his companions are reported to be fleeing for refuge, has offered adherence to the revolutionary plan of Agus Prieta, according to information received from an official but reliable source. Barrios, it is said, has been ordered to capture Carranza, but to give him full personal guarantees.

### BANKERS' WAR ON PROFITEERING IS GETTING RESULTS

#### Price Slashing Gaining Ground Among Retailers in New York And Country.

New York, May 20.—The bankers' war on high prices, declared at the behest of the federal reserve board, today brought another wave of liquidation in the securities market. Primarily induced by the country-wide stringent credit conditions, this wave caused many stocks and bonds to fall to still lower quotations for the current movement.

While Wall street was seeking to adjust itself to the new credit conditions the price slashing movement seemed to be gaining ground among New York retailers, who continued to advertise their wares at reductions.

William Fellows Morgan, president of the Merchants' association, in discussing the subject, said: "The reduction of the prices of merchandise which now seems to be prevalent through the country, has been anticipated. It was inevitable as one of the steps of deflation which we must go through in order to regain normal conditions. The necessary preparation for the shrinkage of values, which really means an increase in the value of the dollar, were long ago made by the banks. I do not anticipate that we shall have any trouble as a result of it, although certain lines of industry may be more or less disturbed."

"This readjustment has been retarded by the interruption of the transportation lines, especially in this city. The tendency of this interference with the free movement of merchandise has been to keep prices at high levels and even to increase them by cutting off supplies. The fact that food prices have not declined I believe to be attributable mainly, if not entirely, to this cause. Our progress toward normal conditions will be accelerated and the danger of disaster will be lessened by putting a stop to transportation hold-ups which constitute a menace to the entire country."

NEW WITNESSES APPEAR IN THE COLEMAN CASE Council Will Take Matter Up Again Tonight.

Several new witnesses have been summoned to appear at the councilmanic investigation of the Coleman case which will be taken up for the third time by the city fathers at 8 o'clock.

Originally the investigation was inaugurated to ascertain if there had been negligence on the part of the police in the escape of Edgar Coleman, former policeman, charged with bigamy.

Since the investigation was started an affidavit was sent here by Detective Lord to the effect that Coleman had stated to him that he was aided in his escape by a high city official. A few days ago J. A. McNorton, county prosecuting attorney returned from Philadelphia, where Coleman is held, with an affidavit to the effect that he was aided by no one in his escape.

Following are those summoned for tonight: Robert Ruark, city attorney; Capt. C. W. Woolard, James Revelle, Asa Skipper, Police Chief N. J. Williams, Councilman James M. Hall, Mayor F. Q. Moore, Police Sergeant J. J. Moore, Plainclothesman D. W. Coleman, Sergeant W. B. Ennett, Policeman H. W. Kerman, Sergeant Grimsley, Policemen Hewlett and Carter, Plainclothesman Leon George, J. A. McNorton, county solicitor; Louis Williams, Leonard Murphy, W. H. Gore and Councilman W. D. McCall.

TEXAS LEGISLATURE MEETS Austin, Texas, May 20.—The Texas legislature met in extraordinary session today to enact legislation to combat the spread of the pink boll worm and to consider emergency school legislation and deficiency appropriations.

### SOLDIER RELIEF MEASURE TO REACH VOTE ON SATURDAY

#### Financial Plan Will Include Ten Per Cent Stock Dividend Tax.

Washington, May 20.—The soldier relief bill was reported out today by the house ways and means committee after it had voted to include a 10 per cent stock dividend tax, retroactive to March 15, as part of the plan for financing the legislation. Republican leaders plan to bring the bill before the house Saturday.

The final committee fight centered about the stock tax, ten democrats, reinforced by three republicans, succeeding by a margin of one vote in forcing adoption of the levy. By the same vote the combination blocked elimination of the tax, and, after considerable jockeying, ordered the bill reported by a vote of 15 to 10.

As the measure will come before the house it will provide five new tax levies amounting to more than \$500,000,000 a year for the next three years. Besides the stock tax, the levies include increased taxes on tobacco and incomes, real estate sales and stock and grain exchange transactions in futures. Revenue thus produced would be used for paying a cash bonus to former service men or at their option in aiding them to obtain homes, farm, vocational training or paid-up insurance.

Except for the added stock tax, the bill is substantially as drafted by the republican committeemen, who used the relief plan suggested by the American legion as the frame work. Efforts of democratic committeemen today to include an eighty per cent war profits tax were defeated on a strict party vote.

SO WEAK LIFE A MISERY Florida Lady Would Have Aching Pains In Side, Back and Shoulders—Took Cardui and Soon Noted Great Improvement.

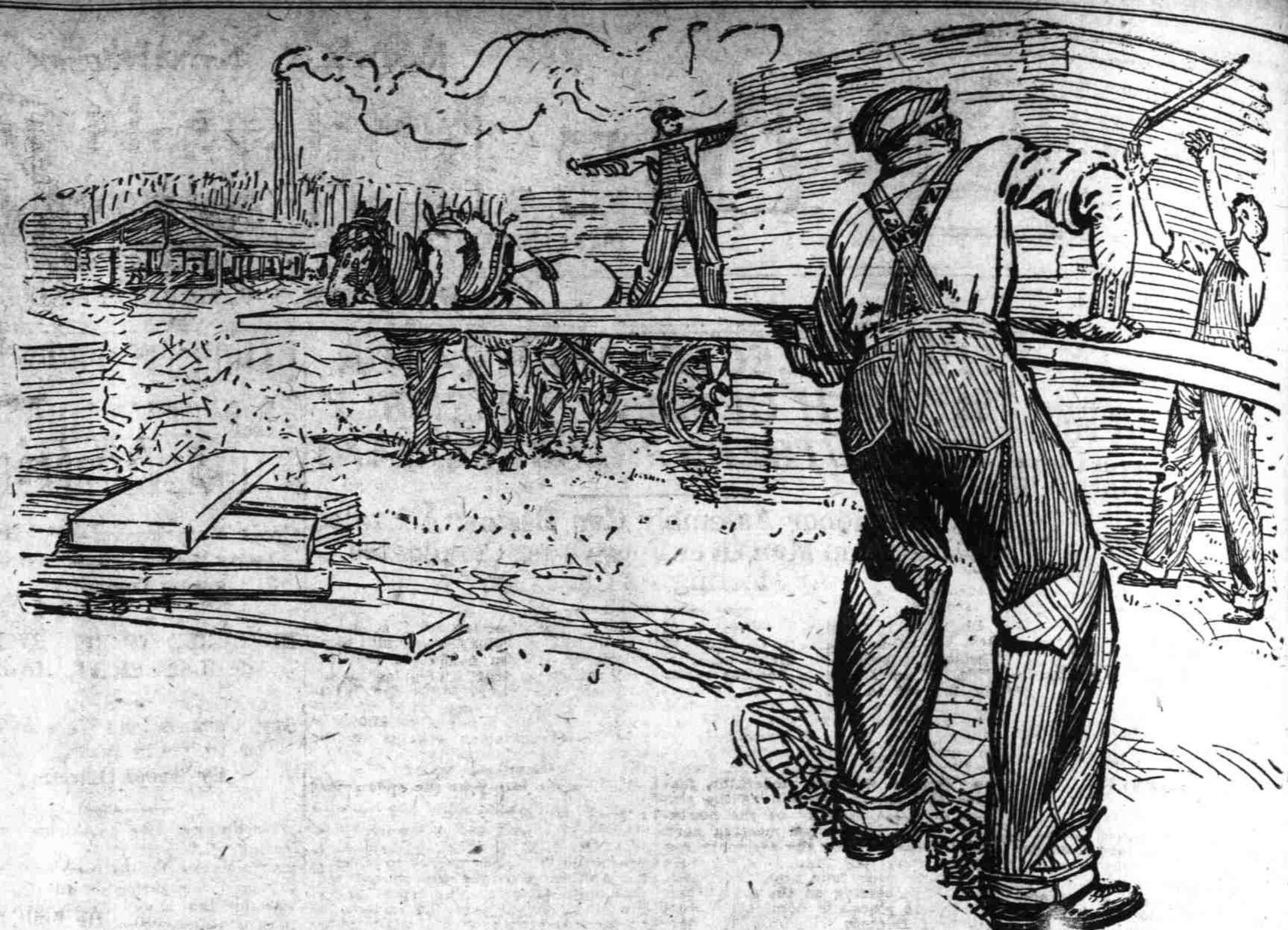
Odesa, Fla.—"About two years ago," writes Mrs. J. D. Powell, of this place, "I took several bottles of Cardui as a tonic, for I was run-down in health. In fact, I could hardly do anything at all; could only drag around and couldn't do my work."

"Life was miserable to me, and I knew I must have some relief, as I was so very weak. I would suffer from aching pains in my right side, back and shoulders. I would have such terrible nervous spells, which would come on me and I would fall down wherever I was standing."

"My friends recommended that I try Cardui. . . . I began using it and soon saw and felt a great improvement. . . . My appetite became good. . . . I could rest well at night, and I got so I could do all my household in a short time. . . . I praise Cardui to all my friends."

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### GROVE INSTITUTE COMMENCEMENT WILL BEGIN SATURDAY NIGHT

Kenansville, May 20.—The 24th annual commencement of Grove institute will begin Saturday night with an entertainment largely by the primary department of the school. On Sunday the commencement sermon will be preached by Rev. W. M. Baker, of Mt. Olive, before a graduating class of sixteen. Monday afternoon, on the campus, will be held the class day exercises, in which a number of the graduates will take part. Miss Ruth Ingram, of Kenansville, is class president, giving the address of welcome. Monday night a three-act play, "A Southern Cinderella," will be given, with other interesting features. Tuesday morning the graduating exercises, proper, will be held.

In place of customary literary address, the three seniors who have been adjudged as having written the three best essays will read their compositions, the one receiving first place being awarded the gold medal.

Hon. J. O. Carr, of Wilmington, who has served on the board of trustees the longest of any, has been asked to deliver the diplomas, in the absence of the acting chairman of the board. The following young ladies are expected to receive diplomas: Misses Ruth Carr, Wallace, Miriam Carter, and Nellie, Chesnut; Magnolia; Beulah Holmes, Council; Eunice Cromartie, Elizabethtown; Ruth Ingram, Kenansville; Martha Johnson, Willard; Vendetta Noble, Deep Kunt; Ruth Meares, Hallsboro; Nora Feasock, Raleigh; Violeta Lidbury, Ashton; Effie Koonce, Comfort; Thelma and Eva Keith, Kelly; Lilly Feeley, Rose Hill; and Johnnie McLeon, Jackson.

This will close the most successful year the institute has ever had. The dormitories, class rooms and dining room, have been fixed to their utmost, all the year and some have been turned away for lack of room. In view of the talk of removing the school to Wilmington, the people of Kenansville

### FRANCISCO VILLA IS DEMANDING GUARANTEES

Is Willing To Retire To Private Life Conditionally.

In Camp With General Villa, Boquillas, Chihuahua, Mex., May 19.—(Via El Paso, Texas, May 20).—Peace and a return of normal conditions in northern Mexico depend on what guarantees leaders of the latest Mexican revolution give Gen. Francisco Villa.

General Villa, at his camp here, told the Associated Press in an exclusive interview, his plans for the future. Villa is visiting here with his personal band of eighty men, awaiting a conference with Gen. P. Elias Calles, minister of war for the revolutionists.

The conference, Villa said, will determine whether the revolutionary and bandit leader will return to private life, or once more take the field in bush-whacking campaigns which have made him notorious.

New Orleans, May 20.—Hope of finding Douglas Manning, the aviator, missing since the night of May 14, when his seaplane fell into Lake Borgne, was given up tonight by his brother, Randolph Manning, who offered a reward of \$100 for the recovery of the body.

UNITED STATES MARINE HOSPITAL Wilmington, N. C. Office of Custodian May 15, 1920. Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 3 p. m., June 1, 1920, and then publicly opened for REPAIRS AND PAINTING at this station in accordance with this specification, copies of which may be obtained from the custodian only. C. W. STILES, Custodian.

### CAROLINA OFFICERS TO STUDY AT CAMP JACKSON

(Special to The Star.) Raleigh, May 20.—Maj. Gordon Smith, assistant to the adjutant general, will leave for Camp Jackson this week, where he will enter the school of instruction with members of the national guard from this state. A number of the companies have already sent their quota of men to Jackson for the four day school of instruction in the latest developments in the art of warfare. Thirty-two enlisted men and ten officers were sent from North Carolina.

### PASTORS WILL MAKE REPORTS TO CHURCH

The Rev. G. W. McClanahan at the morning service in St. Matthew's Evangelical Lutheran church, and G. E. Setler, delegate to the recent meeting of the North Carolina Lutheran synod.

In China Grove, will make their report. Some important business will be taken up at the close of the service, and hope is entertained that every member of the congregation will be present.

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