

Fair and continued cold Saturday and Sunday. A change of water at Fayetteville yesterday at 8 a. m. 4.6 feet.

THE STAR

OLDEST DAILY IN THE STATE.

SHIPS OFFICERS HAD HAND IN GRAFT, HE TELLS INQUISITORS

Shipping Board Deputy Testifies How U. S. Was Defrauded in Fuel Supplies

REPAIR BILLS LARGER THAN VALUE OF BOATS

McAdoo Declares He Only Appeared Before Board As Counsel for Clients

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—Alleged "political activity," previously referred to in testimony and reports before the shipping committee, now investigating affairs of the United States shipping board, was again touched upon in testimony presented here today.

Congressman Israel M. Foster, questioning John T. Meehan, deputy chief of the board's bureau of investigation, asked if there had been any "political influence" in the testimony given by the witness.

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HARDING TO SPEAK ON SOUTH'S NEEDS

To Discuss at New Orleans Industrial Policy Not Influenced By Sectional Interests

POINT ISABEL, Tex., Nov. 12.—President-elect Harding, whose outing at Point Isabel ends next Wednesday, has agreed to deliver an address in New Orleans on the following day just before he sails for his voyage to Panama.

Harding will speak at a luncheon of the New Orleans Association of Commerce and is expected to discuss in particular the economic possibilities and requirements of the new south and the need for a national industrial policy uninfused by sectional interests.

Senator Harding's decision to accept the New Orleans invitation means that in keeping with his oft-repeated ambition to obtain a section of his first three addresses as president-elect are to be delivered within the territory of the old confederacy and in states that long have been pillars of the Democratic south.

His first address was delivered in Brownsville, Texas, yesterday and the third has been scheduled for December 5, at Bedford, Virginia.

Speeches outside American territory are to be avoided, and Mr. Harding indicated today that he did not expect during his Panama trip to go within the boundaries or waters of any foreign country.

Among other invitations he has received one from Preston McGowin, American minister to Venezuela, asking that he go to Venezuela and Colombia, and during his stay here he has been asked informally several times to pay a visit to northern Mexico.

On Tuesday he is to go into Brownsville to exchange greetings with Governor Hobby, of Texas, and he may spend the night there to catch his train the next morning.

Austria Applies to Join League of Nations

Minister of Foreign Affairs Makes Formal Application

GENEVA, Nov. 12.—Austria's formal application for admission to the League of Nations, signed by Herr Mayrhofer, minister of foreign affairs, was received by the secretary of the league this morning.

Attention is called in the application to the fact that Austria was given a mandate when she signed the treaty of St. Germain that she would be admitted to the league at the proper time and it says the proper time has come.

The secretary has received information that Germany will apply for admission. It appears that neutral countries which announced they would consider the necessity of retiring from the league if Germany was not admitted, might be taking the responsibility of proposing her election in the absence of any steps on the part of Germany.

Some of the delegates who have arrived here for the meeting of the league assembly decline to be put in the position of offering Germany membership, which they believe she might or might not receive.

Numerous revisions of the program of business for the assembly have thrown the question of admission of new members toward the very end, and unless the program is again revised the sessions will not occur before the last few days of the meeting or about three weeks hence.

The countries whose admission will be voted on besides Austria and Bulgaria are Iceland, Estonia, San Marino, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Costa Rica, and the new states of Estonia, Finland, Georgia, Latvia and Ukraine.

GERMAN REPARATION IS DECIDED BY OFFICIALS

Technical Experts to Fix Total Amount Due

PARIS, Nov. 12.—A definite agreement concerning the procedure to be followed with regard to the reparation by Germany was read today, between the French and British governments.

The agreement calls for a meeting at Brussels of allied technical experts with the Germans, and also a meeting of the allied premiers in Geneva in the first half of February to discuss the total amount due, and Germany's capacity for payment.

M. Leygues, the French premier, in a note to the British ambassador the Earl of Derby, notified the ambassador of the agreement between France and Great Britain based on the four points primarily arrived at.

Great Cause or Thanksgiving, President Says In Proclamation

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—President Wilson issued his Thanksgiving proclamation today, saying that in plenty, security and peace, our virtuous and self-reliant people face the future and are setting aside the reason approaches when it behooves us to turn from the distractions and preoccupations of our daily life to the great contemplation of the mercies which have been vouchsafed to us, and render heartfelt and unfeigned thanks unto God for his manifold goodness.

It is an observance of the American people, deeply imbedded in our thought and habit. The burdens and the stresses of life have their own insistence.

"We have abundant cause for thanksgiving. The lessons of the war are rapidly healing. The great array of victory which has returned to the defense of liberty, returning to the grateful embrace of the country as it resumes the useful pursuits of peace, as simply and as promptly as it rushes to arms in response to the country's call. The equal justice of our laws has received steady vindication in the support of a law-abiding people against various and sinister attacks, which have faced the future, its duties, its opportunities. May we have vision to them; the soundness of the heart, to realize that the truest opportunities are those of service.

"In a spirit then, of devotion and stewardship we should give thanks in hearts and dedicate ourselves to the service of God's merciful and loving purposes to his children.

"Wherefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, president of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim Thursday, the twenty-fifth day of November, next, as a day of thanksgiving and prayer, and to urge upon all citizens to cease from their ordinary tasks and avocations upon that day, and to give thanks for the remembrance of God and his blessings, and their dutiful and grateful acknowledgment.

UNION REFUSES TO AID RED CROSS

Ireland Has Been Neglected by Body, Claim

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—The Central Federated union, at its weekly meeting tonight, voted to ignore an appeal for aid from the American Red Cross, after John Sullivan, treasurer of the union, and other speakers had urged the delegates to withhold their support until the organization "does its duty by Ireland."

A letter from Miss Elizabeth A. Cullen, associate director of the Red Cross, describing its membership enrollment campaign and asking the support of the 350,000 men reported by the union, was hissed. Letters received by delegates from friends in Ireland telling of conditions there were read to the delegates, who thereupon voted against extending assistance to the Red Cross.

Ernest Bohm, secretary of the union, expressed the opinion that the movement to withhold support of labor from the American Red Cross would become nationwide, and would continue until the organization sent medical supplies and food to Ireland.

Sullivan stirred the gathering when he said: "I think it is the sentiment of this body as well as the sentiment of the people of this country that we should not aid the Red Cross until that organization does its duty by Ireland. We have read reports of how they have aided the distressed people of Armenia, and the starving inhabitants of Jugoslavina, but we have not read a line about their aiding the wounded and sick in Ireland."

VIRGINIAN SLAYS MAN FOR ATTENTIONS TO WIFE

Clyde James, Petersburg, Is Victim of Tragedy

PETERSBURG, Va., Nov. 12.—A coroner's jury after investigating the fatal shooting early today of Clyde James, a widely-known young man of this city, returned a verdict charging George Lundy with the killing.

Before the jury disclosed that James was shot as he was leaving the apartment of Mrs. Lundy, who is a well-known actress, the coroner, J. B. McGil, who presided, announced an ante mortem statement to the jury admitting intimacy with Mrs. Lundy, and Mrs. Lundy herself were the principal witnesses. The latter testified that her husband shot James while facing him, but Coroner McGil told the jury that in his belief one of the two bullets that took effect entered James' back.

Lundy is being held in jail without bail.

Home Brewed Beer for Own Use Law Violation, Commissioner Holds

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—The internal revenue bureau, in formal statements today, confirmed reports that a crusade against home brewing of alcoholic beverages is planned by the government's prohibition enforcement agencies. The bureau did not reveal, however, the means it proposed to employ in the campaign, nor admit that it had approved preliminary instructions by Prohibition Commissioner Kramer directing that sales of malt and hops be restricted to bakers and confectioners.

"If malt extract, hops, or other materials are sold or advertised for sale in circumstances which show that they are advertised or sold for use in the unlawful manufacture of intoxicating liquor," said a statement issued tonight by Commissioner Williams of the internal revenue bureau, "it is the purpose of the bureau to prosecute persons so offending."

"The so-called home brewed beer manufactured in the home for beverage purposes, even though for the sole use of the family and bona fide, is in violation of the law, and the sale of materials for the purpose of such manufacture is likewise illegal."

Commissioner Kramer was still absent from the city tonight and no authoritative statement of the nature of such instructions as he has already issued in the anti-home brew campaign was obtainable. A statement by the federal prohibition director of Ohio, however, that he had received instructions from Mr. Kramer to prevent sales of malt and hops except to bakers and confectioners has not been denied by

BASEBALL FACTIONS AGREE, TWO MAJOR LEAGUES TO STAND

Each Side Concedes Points in Battle Over Reorganization Proposal

JUDGE LANDIS' POWER SUPREME IN AFFAIRS

Lasker Plan of Civilian Tribunal Rejected—Real Peace Concluded, Owners Believe

CHICAGO, Nov. 12.—The warring baseball factions in the major leagues today made peace, each side conceding certain points to the other in the battle over the reorganization of professional baseball control.

After a three-hour session the representatives of the sixteen clubs voted unanimously to appoint Judge K. M. Landis supreme director of the leagues' destinies, but did away with the civilian tribunal proposed by the Lasker plan, voting instead that Judge Landis should be a committee of one in complete charge of the administration of the league affairs.

Judge Landis immediately accepted the position, but stipulated that he would remain on the federal district bench and hold both positions. Judge Landis, as chairman of the national baseball league will be \$42,500 a year and he also will receive \$7,500 a year as federal judge, giving him an annual stipend of \$50,000.

Originally he was to receive \$45,000 as baseball chairman, but it was reduced by the amount he receives as judge.

The fundamental principles of the Lasker plan of reorganization were agreed to by President Johnson and the Philadelphia, Washington, Detroit, Cleveland and St. Louis American league clubs which sided with President Johnson in opposing the Lasker plan.

"We've made a real peace—one that will last"—was the comment of President Vleck, of the Chicago National league club as the meeting broke up.

Today's meeting was arranged at the minor league convention in Kansas City a few days after the eleven clubs favoring the Lasker plan had formed a new twelve-league club, which now automatically is thrown out of existence.

The new frontiers are Chicago, St. Paul and San Pedro to Italy and runs through Monte Neoso to the Adriatic, which it touches between Volosco and Castua—the latter being given to Flume. The Itrian line of frontier is contiguous with the independent state of Flume. The railway from Flume to San Pietro is assigned to Italy. The country south of Monte Neoso is divided between Jugo-Slavia and Flume on a basis whereby the higher altitudes go to Jugo-Slavia and the lower altitudes to Flume.

The new frontier goes from Trieste to the Adriatic, except Flungetto and the adjacent valley.

"A commercial treaty also is being negotiated at Rappallo."

RAPALLO, ITALY, Nov. 12.—In addition to clauses concerning the Itrian frontier and the independence of the state of Flume with territorial contiguity to Italy, the treaty signed tonight between Italy and Jugo-Slavia shows that Jugo-Slavia consents to Italian sovereignty with a Hinterland covering a radius of more than 30 miles. Italy in exchange gave up her claims to the Adriatic islands, except Cherso, Lushin and Lagosta, which, by the terms of the treaty will be annexed to Italy.

When the Italian and Jugo-Slav delegations appear at the gates of the villa Spino, the president of the meeting, the crowd shouted "Viva Peace."

All the delegates appeared to be satisfied with the work accomplished and answered agreeably to congratulations addressed to them.

Landis' Decision Final

Immediate attempts will be made to bring the minor leagues into the plan. A committee of six, three from the National league and three from the American league will confer with a committee of six from the minor leagues. If the minors come in, they will be given the right to appoint a special panel to appear before Judge Landis when matters involving them are considered.

Judge Landis' term is for seven years, and then an election will be held by all leagues in the plan to determine who shall be commissioner. He will have power to question any player, club owner or league president and to take any action he sees fit in all cases. The leagues agreed to sign a contract to abide by the judge's decisions.

Landis' official acceptance was made in the following statement: "I have accepted the chairmanship of baseball on the invitation of the sixteen major league clubs. At their request, and in accordance with my own earnest wishes I am to remain on the American league bench for a limited term. It is a matter to which I have been devoted for nearly forty years. On the question of policy all I have to say is this: The only thing in anybody's mind now is to make and keep baseball what the millions of fans throughout the United States want it to be."

FORM KIWANIS CLUB (Special to The Star) FAYETTEVILLE, Nov. 12.—Fayetteville now has a Kiwanis club. The local branch of this international boosting organization was formed by a score of young business men with John W. Davis at its head. Present at the organization meeting, which was marked by enthusiasm, was Mr. Sellig, representing the International Kiwanis, who explained in detail the principles of Kiwanis. The board of directors is composed of D. M. Varnedoe, B. R. Huske, Jr., C. E. Taylor, Dr. M. E. Sims, J. E. Schenck, D. W. Currie, W. Davis and C. W. Rankin. Mr. Rankin is the secretary.

DAUGHTERS WILL MEET NEXT YEAR IN ST. LOUIS, MO.

North Carolina Holds Honor For Largest Number Children's Chapters

ASHEVILLE, Nov. 12.—St. Louis won over Birmingham, 1,254 votes to 325 for the 1921 meeting of the United Daughters of the Confederacy Grand division at the afternoon session of the twenty-seventh annual convention here today.

Miss Katherine Van Bibber of Baltimore won the \$100 prize for the best peace essay offered by Mrs. John C. Brown. Several thousands of dollars were raised on the floor of the convention on an appeal from Mrs. Norman Randolph of Virginia, chairman of the Confederate woman's relief. One of the first subscribers was Mrs. Richard Lee, aged 91, of Philadelphia, who claims to be the oldest delegate. Another subscriber was Mrs. John Jones of New York, who says she has attended every annual convention of the U. D. C.

North Carolina won the banner for having the largest number of new members in the water in chapter history, 150 having joined in this state.

Tonight was observed as state president's night with delegates being present from 24 of the 34 chapter states. The convention will adjourn tomorrow night.

BOY SAYS FATHER KILLED HIS STEPMOTHER

Search Failed to Disclose Body Buried in Well

LANGDON, N. H., Nov. 12.—An all day search by Sullivan county authorities failed today to bring to light the body of Mrs. William B. Whitney, which her 15-year-old step son, John Whitney, is alleged to have said he saw his father bury in a well four years ago. The search was conducted in a barnyard, which had filled in, was dug out in the presence of County Sheriff Henry Hurd and Sheriff Albert Barton.

The sheriff said tomorrow he would superintend the search of another abandoned well on the Whitney property, in a meadow a quarter of a mile from the house. Should this reveal nothing, he added, he would proceed to an examination of three other wells in the town on farms formerly in the possession of Whitney.

Mrs. Whitney was last seen on the night of June 30, 1916, when she and her husband attended a lecture in Alstead. A few miles distant, Whitney told his friends that she had gone to visit relatives in Ohio, but the relatives later sent word that she had not returned.

Whitney himself disappeared on October 30, last. Shortly afterward bankruptcy petitions were filed against him, and charges were made that he had abandoned the search for his wife.

The boy's alleged story on his home, that after a quarrel on his return from the lecture at Alstead, his father had killed his step-mother with a hatchet in his barn, and later buried it in a well which he had filled in.

SAYS HE PAID BIG SUMS FOR "STRIKE INSURANCE"

Hylan Trying to Make "Circus" of Hearing Charge

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—After another tumultuous session with Mayor Hylan, the special committee investigating the "building" strike insurance, testimony alleging the payment of \$32,000 by a building contractor to Robert P. Brindell, president of the building trades council for "strike insurance," the testimony by Hugh S. Robertson, of Todd, Irons and Robertson, that he had paid this amount as part payment of an agreement to pay the labor leader \$50,000 for protection against strikes, came as a startling climax to the afternoon session of the committee, which spent the greater part of the day probing into the city's school limestone contracts.

Despite protests by Samuel Untermyer, the committee's counsel, that Mayor Hylan was trying to turn the hearing into a "circus" and "this orderly investigation into a general hearing," the mayor persisted throughout the session to get a letter before the committee exonerating him of any responsibility in having the school building contracts changed from terra cotta to limestone. Failing in this the mayor gave the letter to the newspapers for publication.

The mayor was finally excused as a witness until next Wednesday when the committee resumes its hearing.

CONFEDERATE VETERAN SAYING FAREWELL KISSED THE LADIES

ORLANDO, Fla., Nov. 12.—Upon adjournment of the 30th annual reunion of the Florida division United Confederate Veterans, Major General N. A. Bill of Tallahassee, commander of the division, in saying farewell insisted upon kissing every lady present, which privilege was most charmingly granted.

CHARLIE CHAPLIN'S WIFE GETS DIVORCE, COMEDIAN CHARGED WITH CRUELTY

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 12.—Mildred Harris Chaplin was granted a divorce today in the superior court here late today. Mrs. Chaplin, whom Mrs. Chaplin charged with cruelty, was not in court, but was represented by attorneys.

COX NOT LIKELY TO CONTINUE AS HEAD OF PARTY, HE SAYS

Bryan Not Regarded Serious, But McAdoo Looms Strong, Writer Asserts

CERTAIN FORCES WILL ELIMINATE GOVERNOR

Inside Story of Campaign Fund of Over Million Dollars That Cox Turned Down

By MARK SULLIVAN (Copyright, By The Star)

Editor's Note.—In this article discussing the leadership of the Democratic party the next four years, Mark Sullivan reveals a secret story of the late campaign—how at the moment the Democratic national committee was hustling to collect \$7,500 as an advance payment on Governor Cox's special train, it received an offer of \$1,000,000 from the former Cox should he be elected. For the moment would make a certain speech—which was not made.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12.—Such a multitude of things happened at the recent election, and so many of them were spectacular that it was not surprising if the public and its wondering in a fog composed partly of fact and partly of surmise.

In an effort to get rid of much of the confusion, the writer has endeavored to bring the facts into their true relations, not by pointing more convenient to start from than the present condition and future prospects of the Democratic party. I refer to the Democratic party as a national organization, not as a party to the Democratic senators and representatives who will be in congress after March 4. What these leaders will do about the party, they will have must appear in due course. For the moment let us consider a separate thing, the future of the Democratic party as a national organization whose chief function looks to the selection of a candidate for the presidency every four years.

In this sense the controlling body of the party is the Democratic national committee. Whatever the party is to do about the next four years, it is to be done by this committee. Normally this committee meets more or less to sleep during the four years between elections, but it is understood that some elements in the party are endeavoring to bring about a special meeting in December or January to survey the conditions, take account of assets, and determine what to do about the next four years. At that meeting it will probably appear what element in the party is likely to be dominant, and just what individual is likely to assume leadership.

It is not a good idea to talk about the party's future in such a way as to make the party look like a body that is in a state of confusion. The party's future is much more a matter of fact than of surmise, and goes far afield from the facts. In one quarter it is said that Cox will continue to be the leader; in another that Bryan is going to come to live in Washington and take charge of the Democratic party; in another that the friends of Mr. McAdoo are going to be dominant in the national committee.

To consider these possibilities intelligently, one starting point as good as any other is the hard, definite, and insistent fact that the Democratic organization ended the year with a deficit of \$1,000,000. The deficit is not a small amount—total deficit of nearly \$300,000. That deficit is there. Somebody must pay it. The money must come from the persons who make up a deficit under such circumstances usually have a good deal to say about the future management of things. Money talks. It talks as much when it is in the pocket of a campaign contributor as anywhere else.

This deficit of nearly \$300,000 is the most concrete and urgent fact in the Democratic situation. It is the fact that is not in a good state of mind with other party. But this is a deficit with a failure. There is all the difference in the world between a deficit plus success and a deficit plus failure.

The Democrats ended their campaign four years ago with a deficit of over twice the present sum. But they were successful then. And a successful party need have no trouble about meeting its obligations. That same token the Republicans right now have a deficit over five times the Democrats—a deficit of \$1,600,000. But the Republicans are the successful party. It is the Democrats who should be worried.

McAdoo's Friends Have the Money

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