

Blair Admits G. O. P. Campaign Fund Drives Charged by Gov. Cox

Witness Also Tells Probers National Committee Helped In Fixing Quotas

PLANNED INTENSIVE DRIVES IN 54 CITIES

Admission of Assistant To The Republican National Treasurer Takes In Three More Cities Than Those Mentioned By Cox

Chicago, Sept. 9.—Charges by Governor Cox that the republican fund drives in assessing the city quotas were admitted on the stand before the senate investigating committee today by Harry M. Blair, assistant to Fred W. Upham, republican national treasurer.

Reading from a document prepared by Mr. Blair, which he said was sent out in place of the much discussed "form 101," Senator Blair brought out that the treasurer's office sought to organize intensive drives in 54 cities, three more than the Ohio governor mentioned when he read his list of 51 at Pittsburg.

Mr. Blair explained that "in his mind" it was for the state chairman of the ways and means committee to select local chairman who then would be contacted by Mr. Blair to make it official and that Mr. Upham would appear to the local chairman at a city meeting suggested by the state chairman.

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CLOSE FIGHTS IN GEORGIA PRIMARY

Hardwick And Walker In Neck And Neck Race For Gubernatorial Place

WATSON IS FAR AHEAD

Unofficial Returns Compiled By Atlanta Paper Show That Eight Congressmen Who Had Opposition Have Been Renominated

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 9.—Thomas H. Watson continues to maintain a clear majority of county and votes over the three other candidates for the United States senate on the face of incomplete official returns from 42 of the 146 Georgia counties compiled at noon today by the Atlanta Journal, Senator Hoke Smith, president, was running 60-1.

OWNERSHIP MAIN SOCIALIST ISSUE

Party Campaign Manager Makes Announcement As To Paramount Issues

Chicago, Sept. 9.—The big issue in the socialist campaign this fall is the ownership of the means of production, the socialist party announced today.

FUEL FAMINE HAS SPREAD TO EUROPE

Portugal Hard Hit By Scarcity Which Spreads From U. S. And England

Lisbon, Sept. 9.—A real shortage is being keenly felt in Portugal owing to the prohibition of coal exportation from England and the absence of any coal producing districts in this country.

SOUTHERN STATES TO BUILD HIGHWAY

Lone Star Train To Be Constructed By States of Louisiana and Texas

Winfield, La., Sept. 9.—Organization necessary to assure building of Louisiana's lone star train will be made to have similar action taken by other states through which it is proposed to route the road.

At present many women manage their own farms on Vanhook island.

MAJOR MACSWENEY MUCH WORSE TODAY

Starving Mayor Passed Bad Night And Suffers From Dizziness Today

CONDITION IS GRAVE

Prison Physician Tells Sister Of Prisoner That There Can Be But One End To His Continued Hunger Strike

RAILWAY PROJECT IS BEING PLANNED

South American Nations Plan To Connect Amazon River With Pacific

Santiago, Sept. 9.—Construction of a railway which will connect the Pacific Ocean with the Amazon river, passing through the countries of Ecuador, Colombia and Venezuela on the north and Peru, Bolivia and Brazil on the south, is being planned by the governments of the countries.

JENKINS CASE TO BE GIVEN HEARING

Republican Attack On Absentee Voters' Law Will Be Aired September 16

Baltimore, Sept. 9.—The attack on the constitutionality of the absentee voters law made by the republican party through J. J. Jenkins, of Silver City, will be given further airing on September 16 when a hearing will be held before Judge John Kerr in Wake county superior court in this city.

AMERICAN GOODS SOLD CHEAPLY TO THE FRENCH

Paris, Sept. 9.—American goods are being sold to the French at a price 25 per cent below the market price.

DENOUNCE JAPAN'S KOREAN POLICIES

Korean Provisional President Says Plans Represent Mere Pretense

Honolulu, T. H., Sept. 9.—Dr. Syngman Rhee, president of the provisional government of Korea, who is spending some weeks in Honolulu, denounces Japan's recent announcement of proposed reforms in Korea as a pretense to mislead the western world.

MAIL PLANE WRECKED IN MAKING LANDING TODAY

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 9.—The Chicago-New York United States mail plane, driven by Lieutenant Rollins Barger, was wrecked in landing in a corn field near here this morning.

TRADE BALANCE IS AGAINST THE U. S.

South America Winds Up Year With \$70,000,000 Against This Country

RETURNS INDICATE WATSON'S VICTORY IN GEORGIA RACE

Opponent of Wilson Administration Appears To Have Necessary Majority

HARDWICK LEADS IN GUBERNATORIAL RACE

Incomplete Returns From 117 Out Of 155 Counties In State Give Watson Substantial Lead—Hardwick And Walker Run Close

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 9.—The first returns compiled by the Atlanta Journal from the gubernatorial race in Georgia today indicated that the republican candidate, Thomas H. Watson, was the substantial victor.

QUAKE'S DEATHLIST REACHES NEW MARK WITH LATE REPORTS

Greatest Loss In Life And Property Took Place In Vicinity of Florence

OTHER SHOCKS NOTED THERE THIS MORNING

Today's Disturbances Nothing Like So Violent—Relief Work Is Being Rushed By Governmental And Private Agencies

Rome, Sept. 9.—More than 300 persons perished in the earthquake disaster which shattered cities and villages north of Florence Tuesday morning.

FRENCH BLUEBEARD NOW UNDER TRIAL

Shows No Signs of Weakening After 18 Months Grueling Examination

Paris, Sept. 9.—Henri Landru, whom the police call the Gambler Bluebeard and held responsible for the disappearance of eleven women to whom he had promised marriage, shows no sign of weakening under the continued and gruelling examination which Judge Bonin has conducted.

SUGAR COMPANY DECLARES 100 PER CENT DIVIDENDS

San Juan, P. R., Sept. 9.—Dividends declared for the Santa Isabel Sugar Company and the Fajardo Sugar Company, which it was announced recently in New York, would reach 100 percent, are not the only large sugar dividends that are being declared this year.

ISSUE WEATHER REPORTS TO AID AERIAL TRAVEL

New York, Sept. 9.—To comply with the demands created by increasing air travel, the United States Weather Bureau at New York is now including in its daily report of weather conditions, a statement as to wind direction and force in the upper regions.