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INCREASED WAGES

President Wilson Approves Ma-jority Award of Anthracite Commission

EXPECTS MINERS TO STAND BY RESOLUTION

Executive Replies To Threats of Miners, and States Definitely The Majority Award Will Not Be Set Aside; Increases Granted Aggregate Eighty-five Millions

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30 .- President into effect in good faith."

that they would stop work September not." The governor added that neither that they would stop work September let unless the minority report of the commission, recommending a higher award than provided in the majority, were accepted, the President stated definitely that the majority award would not be set aside.

Amount of Increases.

The majority report of the commission granted wage increases of 20 and 17 per cent above the present wage neale. The 20 per cent wage increases "It is very well understood in this State, in particular," Governor Cox said, "that the wets have not been active in

sion granted wage increases of 20 and 17 per cent above the present wage scale. The 20 per cent wage increase was awarded contract miners, and the advance of 17 per cent was recommendcompany miners, monthly men, laborers and consideration

cent for contract workers.
Attention to Resolution

In refusing the request of the miners for acceptance of the minority report, as made in a telegram sent through their local representatives, the President called attention to a resolution adopted by the miners in convention agreeing

mission as he appointed.
"By all the laws of honor on which civilization rests," the President in his telegram to the miners added, "that pledge should be fulfilled. Any intimation that the authracits mine workers tion that the authrecits mine workers will refuse to work under the award breause it does not grant them all that they expected, is a reflection upon the sincerity of the men who constitute the backbone of the community in which

Will Accept Challenge. The President further told the miners that if their communication was intended as a threat, they could rest assured that the challenge would be accepted,

To Make Award Binding.

Immediately upon announcement from the White House at noon that the President had approved the majority report, Secretary of Labor Wilson, at the direction of the President, issued a call for a meeting Thursday at Scranton of the joint anthracite scale committees of operators and United Mine Workers of America for the purpose of writing the terms of the award into a contract to be effective until March 31, 1922.

The wake increases recommended by the majority will amount to an annual

the majority will amount to an annual increase in back pay, accumulated since last April 1. servative Award

Conservative Award.

Interest of the general public in the award centered largely in the effect of the increase in wages on the price of hard coal. Taking cognizance of this the commission said that while making substantial improvement in the aituation of the miners, it had tried to be conservative and had declined to commit itself to a decision that might justily be considered an encouragement to the so-called "vicious upward spiral" in prices. The result, the commission said, was that the awards, while providing improved conditions for the workers, could offer no justification for any advances in the retail prices of coal.

GRAND JURY TO PROBE OPERATIONS OF PONZI

Beston, Aug. 30.—The operations of Charles Ponzi's Securities Exchange Company and of the Old Colony Forcign Exchange Company will be the subject of investigation by the Shiffolk county grand jury, which has been called into session next Wednesday.

Attorney General Allen, who has before him she claims of some 11,000 persons for more than \$5,000,000 against the Ponzi project, and of several hundred creditors with claims of \$300,000 against the Old Colony company, requested the grand jury be convened.

For the present, action in the state courts against Ponzi will have no effect as he is a federal prisoner on charges of using the mails with fraudulent intent.

LACK OF DEMAND IN

New York, Aug. 30.—Poor demand for refined sugar has led to absence of interest in the New York sugar market.

Guban holders are offering raw sugar at 11 cents a pound, cost and freight, while the best bid in the market is 8

Neither Have Drys Given Anything To Help Democrats, **Nominee Adds**

ANSWERS TESTIMONY OF REPUBLICAN CHAIRMAN

Any Statement That Wets Are Aiding Cox Candidacy "Absurd On Its Face," Declares Governor: Pleased With Reception Accorded Him In The Nation's Metropolis

Columbus, O., Aug. 30 .- Answering Wilson today approved the majority re- testimony of Will H. Hays, chairman of port of the Anthracite Coal Commission the Republican national committee, beawarding anthracite miners wage in fore the Senate sub-committee investicreases aggregating \$85,000,000, and gating campaign expenditures in Chicago notified the miners that he expected today, Governor Cox, the Democratic them "to accept the award and carry it presidential nominee, declared this evening that "the wets have not contributed Replying to threats from the miners a dollar to my campaign and they will

"that the wets have not been active in politics for some time. Official reports to the secretary of state show that in the last year or two, the wets have not apparently been able to make large cam-The minority report recommended a minimum wage of \$6 a day for adult to investigate the official reports in day laborers, and an increase of 31 per Ohio, he will find that the wets have campaigns."

to the effect that the "wets" are con-tributing to his campaign to be "absurd on its face," adding that he only made reply because "silence might be mis-construed."

Construed.

Returns From East.

The governor returned here this afternoon from his eastern tour. He will speak at the Ohio State Fair tomorrow afterneon on agriculture and said he might also discuss the League of Nationa with the farmers. He said this might also discuss the League of Nations with the farmers. He said this evening that he was preparing a statement on "the last plan," meaning the plan for a world court of justice outlined by Senator Harding, his opponent, in a recent speech. The governor said he had been informed on his arrival here by a "close political observer," that the League of Nations has "overrun party lines."

Interest in Politics.

Speaking of his New York visit, Governor Cox said he was surprised to see

and that the people of the country would find some substitute fuel to tide them over "until the real sentiment of them over "until the real sentiment of the anthracite mine workers can find the anthracite mine workers can find expression, and they are ready to abide the custom of New Yorkers to forget politics until after Labor Day." He said he was surprised at the volume."

To Make Award Binding.

Immediately upon announcement from the White House at noon that the White House at noon that the trip to the metropolis.

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Governor Cox said he had no commen labor toward his candidacy as ex-pressed by President Gompers and other officers of the American Federation of

EXCITED PRICE BREAK IN N. Y. COTTON MARKET

Losses Reach Maximum of 200 Points On Several of Trading Months

New York, Aug. 30.— excited and sensational break featured the cotton market's opening here today. Last week's recovery of between 3 and 4 cents a pound from recent low records seemed to have left the market in a week position, and general selling was renewed on reports of better weather conditions in the South, apprehension of coal strikes and reports of continued depression in the cotton goods trade.

October contracts, which sold at 29.85 cents a pound Saturday, broke to 28.10, decline of \$8 a bale from closing quotations last week, and within 40 points of the maximum fluctuations permitted for a day.

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The break assumed even more sensational proportions during the middle of the morning. Sellers were more aggressive and the pressure more general as the absence of support developed, with October selling off to 28.10 and January to 25.80, or 140 to 160 points below Saturday's closing. This carried October contracts off to within 40 points of the minimum price permitted for the day and there were rallies of 15 or 20 points later on covering. Otherwise very little demand was in evidence and there was no change in the general there was no change in the general character of the news.

character of the news.

Break at New Orleans.

New Orleans, Aug. 30.—October cotton contracts fell off the full 200 points, or \$10 a bale, allowed by the rules of the exchange limiting fluctuations in any one session, during the final trading today. Lack of demand was reported in contracts of the interior. markets of the interior.

N. Y. SUGAR MARKET JOINT COMMITTEE TO HANDLE COAL MATTER

refined sugar has led to absence of interest in the New York sugar market.

Cuban holders are offering raw sugar at 11 cents a pound, cost and freight, while the best bid in the market is 8 cents. There was a small sale of Peru sugar at 9.7-8 cents c. i. f. today, which is equivalent of 10.1-8 sents for Cuban.

There was a small export inquiry in the market, but not of sufficient volume to affect prices.

Washington, Aug. 30.—Formation of a joint committee representing the cities of Cleveland and Akron, Ohio, the National Coal Association and the railroads to meet in Cleveland Thursday to work out a plan for obtaining coal for the two cities was agreed upon today at the hearing before the Interestate Commerce Commission on the question of modification of the northwestern amergancy coal order.

SIR THOMAS LIPTON AS NEW JAZZ KING



Photograph shows Sir Thomas Lipton, owner of the Shamrock IV, which lost out in the recent yacht races for the America's Cup with the American defender Resolute, rendering the "Shamrock Blues" on a samphone, which he borrowed from one of the members of the Great Lakes Jazz Band. The musicians were his hosts during his visit to Chicago.

TO LOWER PRICES

Chamber of Commerce Committee Reviews Crop and Business Outlook

Washington, Aug. 30 .- Business and industrial conditions during the remittee which prepared the report added the general financial opinion in the country was that the readjustment would be accomplished without "financial disorder or any sudden economic

Tight money, unrest of labor, the loosened bonds in some phases of social life, the Russian-Poland war, and the

ommittee reported.
"Here and there mills have shut down.

Here and there they are running on reduced time. It is a scattered and local natter rather than a general proposi-

headed toward somewhat lessened out-put. Also the jewelry business in New England is slowing down. Contrariwise, paper mills are busy and full of orders. of troubles strikes and lack of cars being the principal ones.

orn, eight hundred million bushels half million bales. Cotton, however, is the same months last year. Traffic in not a safe reckoning as yet. There will be more outs than last year, and more tobacco, which is everywhere good—produce revenues of only \$2,000,000 and lonacco, which is everywhere good—produce revenues of only \$2,000,000 and more potatoes—more rice; about the \$15,000,000 respectively for July and largest erop on record, more sugar, both cane and beet, and especially a hay \$75,000,000 a month. erop of such proportions as should have a marked effect in reducing the cost of livestock and of dairy and poultry

FAYETTEVILLE NEGRO TO BE TRIED FOR MURDER

Fayetteville, Aug. 30.—The trial of George Hobes, name, charged with the murder of E-puty Sheriff Butler and W. J. Moore, was set for Thursday in Cumberland Superior Court here today and Sheriff McGeachy was instructed by Judge Owen H. Guion to summon a special venire of one hundred men from which a jury will be choses. Hobbs is in the State Prison in Raleigh, where he was spirited after surrendering to Sheriff McGeachy, and would have to be present if a venire were drawn. Butler and Moore were killed during a clash between Hobbs and his family and the white residents of Victory mill village several months of Victory mill village several months

HARRIMAN INTERESTS IN LARGE STEAMSHIP DEAL

New York, Aug. 30.—The Harriman interests, recent purchasers of big steamship enterprises throughout the world, have bought from H. F. Kerr and A. E. Clegg a large part of their investments in the Kerr Navigation mpany for \$5,000,000, and soon will quire additional amounts of stock in the corporation, it was announced here

today.

Funds acquired by Kerr and Clegg from these liquidations are to be invested in United States shipping board vessels or in steamships built in American yards on plans to be approved by Rear Admirel Benson.

MAN WHO RECEIVED MESSAGE OF RICHMOND'S FALL DEAD.

Boston, Aug. 30.—William E. Kettles, who as a boy telegrapher received the message announcing the fall of Bichmond, died yesterday at his home in the Charletown district. He was 72 years of age.

PLACE ROADS BACK

Period of Guaranteed Earnings **Ends Tonight: Government** Losses Shown

Washington, Aug. 30 .- (By the Associated Press.)-Bailroads of the mainder of the calendar year will be country will begin operation on their narked by a "definite trend to a some- own resources temorrow night after what lower level of prices, according to having cost the government approxia semi-annual report upon crops and mately \$100,000,000 monthly for the six business given out today by the United months in which their earnings were State Chamber of Commerce. The com- guaranteed by the Transportation Act. The carriers will be allowed further aid only through loans from the re-

volving fund which the act created. Earnings of the roads will fall about \$600,000,000 below their standard return for the period since March according to estimates today by the Bureau of Railway Economics. Fewer than half a score of lines have pro-duced revenue sufficient to equal actual

life, the Russian-Poland war, and the high cost of necessities are enumerated as disturbing business factors, but in the opinion of the committee there is no need for the country to become panicky over any of these matters.

Tread to Lower Level.

"Amid all the econversents and eddies of the industrial situation, a definite trend seems to be slowly developing toward a gradually increasing gain of supply upon demand and a somewhat lower level of prices," the committee reported.

than half a score of lines have produced revenue sufficient to equal actual operating expenses, which does not include the fixed charges of interest, taxes and dividends.

Some Accept Proposal.

Of the 1.194 lines of consequence in the country, 507 lave accepted the government's proposal for a division of the surplus above the standard return and a guarantee of earnings should the revenues fall short. All of these accepting adjustment of accounts by the treasury the proposal will be entitled to a final adjustment of accounts by the treasury and the payment, where the revenues were low, of the guaranteed amounts.

Among the lines not accepting the guarantee proposal were the Southern and Pere Marquette systems. Notther of these have earned revenues equiva-"The automobile industry seems to be lent to the amount which they would receive under the guarantee, according to Julius H. Parmelee, director of the

Top Expenditures Once. In the first four months of the guar od down, because of high prices and scarcity of both labor and materials."

Anter period, March, April, May and ginia had receded from the 18th scarcity of both labor and materials."

Coal mining. arcity of both labor and materials." expenditures for operation only once. "Coal mining as usual has its flock The March revenues represented a net return of \$13,700,000, while there were deficits of \$29,700,000 in April, \$11,800,-Bumper Crop Promise.

"The promise now, and it is almost fulfilled, is for three billion bushels of by the Interstate Commerce Commission

corn, eight hundred million bushels of for July and August, but Mr. Parmelee wheat, both winter and spring, and for estimated a deficit for both months, baseless a cotton yield of about twelve and a ing his canculations on the results of

estimated the increased rates would yield approximately \$1,000,000,000 annually. But this sum will not be sufficient, it was argued, unless traffic comes in unprecedented volume and there is a ecrease in the costs of operation.

CALL TO BOLSHEVIKI TO REORGANIZE ARMIES

Captured Red Officers Say Poles Will Meet Resistance In Vilna Section

Warsaw, Aug. 30.—Bolshevik officers taken prisoner by Poles say that the Polish army will not meet terious re-sistance until it reaches the line running through the railroad points of Vilna, Lida, Baranovichy and Luninets,

it was learned here today.

Wireless messages have been sent sent broadcast to scattered units of the Bolshevik army remaining in Pollsh EAL Missk, and outlining the work of reorganizing these Soviet troops, see diling to a wireless message to the Boling, to a wireless message to the Boling the Polish general staff. It is urged that this reorganization be pushed at all

possible speed.

This intercepted message also noted the complaint of Bolshevik division commands because they had received un-armed soldiers as reinforcements. The message indicated that the remnants of the Bolshevik troops operating in Poland as well as the recruits, will be divided into two armies. Leon Trotaky the Soviet minister of war, is expected to take personal supreme command of both armies.

Sloux Falls, In., Aug. 30.—Ted Ray and Harry Vardon, English champions won an exhibition match today on the country-club links from R. E. Knepper. Iowa champion, and an amateur and Mike Sherman, Sigux City. Ray sank a 40 foot putt on the fourteenth green for a birdie 2, winning the match.

CAROLINA'S CASE

Raleigh Secretary Confident Interstate Commission Will Refuse Request

GATHERING DATA FOR SHOWING COMMISSIONERS

Col. Albert Cox Joins Tar Heel Vanguard In Washington This Week; Commissioner Shipman To Continue State Employment Service; Judge Clark Congratulates Women

The News and Observer Bureau, 603 District National Bank Bldg. (By Special Leased Wire.)

Washington, Aug. 30.-Mr. M. B. Beaman, of Raleigh, secretary of the North Carolina Traffic Association and secretary of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce, arrived in Washington to organize the fight North Carolina will make in the Viiginia-North Carolina will make in the Viiginia-North Carolina will make before the Interstate Commerce Commission on September 30th. Mr. Beaman has opened his headquarters at the Raleigh Hotel, where he has engaged a staff of research workers and stenographers. He will be guided in his work by Mr. J. W. Fishback, Washington counsel of the North Carolina Traffic Association and expects to he joined by Col. A. L. Cox, local coun-sel of the Traffic Association the latter

part of this week.

Mr. Beaman said that North Carobrief in the case must be filled with the commission not later than September 23. Mr. Fishback already had the case

well in hands and there was nothing to do but give it form for present Mr. Beaman expects the Virginia State Corporation Commission, aided by the Commerce of Richmond Chamber of Commerce of Richmond Norfolk, Lynchburg and Roanoke and backed by the carriers to put up a des-perate fight to have the old discriminatory rates restored but he is absolutely confident the Interstate Com-merce Commission will reaffirm its derendered in May.

levied on her people for a half a century had become the fourth State in the union in agriculture while Viras an agricultural State. North Caro-lina had prospered throughout the State. She possessed more per capita wealth than any other State in the South, while Virginia had prospered only in her cities that had fed and were built up by North Carolina wealth. Richmond has more money than any other city in the South, but it is North arolina money. Both North and South of Richmond to the North Carolina line the State is almost desert so far as egriculture is concerned.

As for the carriers' argument that it is a physical impossibility to remove this unjust discrimination gainst North Carolina in freight rates, it is Mr. Peaman's opinion that the counsel will

not give that a moment's consideration,
Shipman in Washington.
Mr. M. L. Shipman, the Commissioner of Labor for North Carolina, called on Mr. John B. Densmore, the head of the United States employment ser vice, in an offort to keep open the State employment agency at Raleigh. On account of Congress cutting down the appropriation for United States em-ployment service, it was announced that many of the State employment agencies, among them that at Raleigh, have to close doors September 1. After Commissioner Shipman's conference with Mr. Densmore the latter stated that the North Carolina State agency would continue in operation. It will receive some additional aid from the Department of Labor under which the United States employment service is

ac ninistered. Mr. Shipman also went to the census bureau and got permisson to copy for the Department of Labor and Printing of the State of North Carolina the statistics of manufacturing industries of that State gathered by the United States census. This will save the State the cost and labor of maxing a census

Mr. B. C. Beekwiht of Raleigh, ar his daughter, Mrs. W. K. Eldridge and daughter of Pittsburg, Pa., were in Miami, Fla., Aug. 30.—W. V. Zeigler Washington today. Mr. Beckwith says and H. Flynn two aviators who were that North Carolina will give the big-flying from Jacksonville to Havana,

Glark Congratulates Women.

Chief Justice Walter Clark, with ploded from a backfire. prophetic eye, congratulates the mili-tant women in their victory of woman suffrage in the following letter to Miss CHARITY IN WILL OF Alice Paul:

When in the days of your persecution and when you and your followers were under illegal sentence to Occo-quan jail, I wrote an article for the press of this State, stating what you were doing for the cause of humanity and predicted that the day would come when you would stand in monumental

(Continued on Page Two.)

ON COX'S CHARGES **DURING FIRST DAY**

SHANKHILL DISTRICT IN BELFAST BLAZING INFERNO

Belfast, Aug. 30.—(By the Ameciated Press.)—The Shankhill district of Belfast late tenight was a blazing inferne. Nearly a score of tree had started, and virtually all the grocery stores and public houses owned by Catholics in the district were being destroyed.

The police fired on the crowd during the disturbances, inflicting several casualties.

S. MAY LOSE ALL

Carrying Into Effect of Merchant Marine Act Would Have This Result

SECRETARY PAYNE IN **EXPLANATORY LETTER**

Writes Chamber of Commerce of United States of Serious Effect Abrogation of Com-In Other Countries

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30,-(By the sectated Press.)-The United States may find itself without trade rights in other countries if Section 34 of the new Merchant Marine Act is carried out, Secretary Payne, of the Interior Department, warned in a recent letter to the Chamber of Commerce of the United States a copy of which became

waitable here today.

"And of course it may follow," the letter added, "that the business of the country will find itself very greatly ambarrassed.

cision rendered in May.

Courtesy to Commission.

He was asked on what grounds the Interstate Commerce Commission had re-opened the case. He said it was purely out of courtesy to the State of Virginia. The Commission would not tun a deaf car to any State so concerned and making the request. The advancement in freight rates does not affect the case one way or the other, but the carriers are more insistent than ever that commissions rate decision in favor of North Carolina makes their task of hauling freight a physical impossibility.

Mr. Beaman said his confidence in North Carolina claim was based on the

matics. One of these unconquerable 90 days after this act becomes a law mathematical truths was this: That to give notice to the several govern-North Carolina with these unjust rates ments, respectively, parties to such ments, respectively, parties to sucl treaties or conventions that so mucl thereof as impose any such restrictions on the United States will terminate on the expiration of such periods as may be required for the giving of such no-tice by the provisions of such treatles or conventions.

Comercial Treatles Hit. "This part of the bill has not been much discussed. A treaty as you know, is a contract between hations. The treaties here affected are the commercial treaties here affected are the commercial treaties on which our rights to do business with the natons of the world depend. Manifestly we cannot terminate these treaties without the consent of the country affected. Since they are reciprocal, all that we have a right to do is to terminate the treaties according to their terms.

to their terms.
"Some treaties may be terminated on a fixed notice. Others are to run a definite number of years and may then be terminated on a fixed notice. The countries will scarcely consen t modify the treaties giving us a right to discriminate against their commerce and at the same time permit us to ento us. A formal petice will probably result in the entire abrogation of the treaty.

"Passing for the moment any question of international good faith, we may confront the practical difficulty that we have no right to trade with other countries since our rights in this behalf rest on the treaties affected; and of course it may follow that the business of the country will find itself very greatly embarrassed. "While I am not charged with this

that you should be gind to have called to your attention." The ninety day period provided fo in section 34 expires Friday. Government officials have not thus far given any intimation at to what steps were contemplated toward carrying out Sec-

mater, it seems to me it was something

TWO AVIATORS PICKED UP BY SHIPPING BOARD VESSEL

that North Carolina will give the big-gest Democratic majority this year ever recorded in the history of the State. Shipping Board steamer Hulaca, 75 The State too will harvest one of the greatest crops of corn, cotton and to-ing boat in which they were making the trip was destroyed early Saturday

LIBERAL REQUESTS MAD TO

CHARITY IN WILL OF CARY

Richmond, Va., Aug. 30.—Leaving approximately \$340,000 to the Virginia Christian College at Lonchburg, and other church and charitable bequests amounting to approximately \$240,000 and bequeathing \$320,000 to members of a hill regulating primary election expenses in antional, congressional and senatorial campaigns. He also favored having all primary elections for Federal officers held on a langle day in every State.

Archibald Cary, of Richmond was togar probated in the architecture of general county.

Continued to the day Mr. Hays had "hoped that this committee will recommend the passage of a bill regulating primary election expenses in antional, congressional and senatorial campaigns." He also favored having all primary elections for Federal officers held on a langle day in every State.

Representative H. D. Flood, of Vise ginia, estimated \$200,000 would be recommend the passage of a bill regulating primary election expenses in antional, congressional and senatorial campaigns. He also favored having all primary elections for Federal officers held on a language of the congressional and senatorial campaigns. He also favored having all primary election expenses in antional, congressional and senatorial campaigns. He also favored having all primary election expenses in antional, congressional and senatorial campaigns. He also favored having all primary election expenses in antional, congressional and senatorial campaigns.

Floed Gives Estimate.

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Senate Committee Investigating Campaign Expenditures Examines Chairman Hays and Former Chairman Cummings

TESTIMONY OF HAYS SHOWS G. O. P. BUDGET OF 3 MILLION DOLLARS

Republican Chairman Adds That Additional Million For State Committees For Local Campaigns Would Raise Campaign Fund Total To Slightly More Than 4 Million Dollars: Former Democratic Chairman Says 2 Mil-lions Enough With Which To Conduct Decent and Active Campaign, and Declares Republican Total Excessive; Tells of Republican Success In Corrupt Practices

Chicago, Aug. 30 .- An extended ex sination today of Will H. Hays, Bos publican national chairman, and Homos mercial Treaties Under New S. Cummings, former Democratic nas Act Would Have On Trade tional chairman, by the Senate come mittee investigating campaign expenditares failed to throw any light on the \$15,000,000 fund which Governor Com charged the Republican party

charged the Republican party with seeking to raise "in an attempt to converge the American electorate and buy the Presidency."

Outstanding points in the mane of figures through which the committee struggled were:

Quistanding Points.

Testimony by Mr. Hays that the Republican national committee's budget for the presidential campaign called fon expenditure of \$3,079,037.20.

Declaration by Mr. Cummings that, allowing for the increased cost of printing, elevical hire, rents, transportation and all necessities of a national campaign, a national committee should be able to stage "a fair, decent and stiff campaign with Bacounble publicity" for \$3,000,000. With that amount of money, he said, the national chairman need not worry over finances.

Mr. Hays also testified the Republican national committee was seeking to raise approximately \$1,000,000 to be donated to State committees for their local campaigns, making a total of slightly more than \$4,000,000 in the Republican campaign chest for all purposes.

Mr. Cummings declared he believed this amount was excessive and pointed to the 1916 exmpaign, saying he learned

North Carolina claim was based on the fact that the Commission could never shut its eyes to the truth of mathe-

in his home State of Connecticut the Republicans spent \$250,000 in that year. He considered this was too much for a commonwealth of that size.

"If you let the State committees run wild," he said, "you get an accumulated expenditure which in itself is an outstanding evidence of corrupt purposs. I suggest that this is just what is going to happen to the Republicans this year, "Has either party any monopoly in this practice?" asked Senator Edge.

"There is no monopoly fipon the system," rejoined Mr. Cummings, "but there is no doubt about the Republican success in that direction."

Both Mr. Hays and Mr. Cummings refused to discuss details of their com-

mittee financing, asserting that as chairmen they had only a general knowledge of such subjects and that the books and records of the committee treasurers would have to be relied up

in that respect.
\$1,000 Plan At Work.
Neither knew of any large individual contributions and Mr. Hays was rather pesitive that the Republican plan to limit individual's gifts to \$1,000 was being carried out successfully. He knew of thirty-eight exceptions to the rule, the largest being for \$9,000, two for \$5,000 each and the other thirty-five for lesser amounts.

Democratic Poverty.

Mr. Cummings explained that the or-ganization of which he was chairman was poverty-stricken when he assu that office and that he left to his cessor \$650 in cash and a net indebted ness of slightly more than \$100,000.

A charge by Mr. Hays that as early, as July, 1919, the Democratic committee had installed an elaborate fund gathering organisation in the Bond building in Washington was explained by Mr. Cummings as a bureau for both propaganda and finance. He said it "grew from a hope" but was reduced

propaganda and finance. He said its "gryw from a hope" but was reduced in sine when it was found that the averhead charges for maintaining the organization exceeded the receipts by from \$10,000 to \$15,000 a month.

The two chairmen agreed that legislation looking to federal control of presidential campaigns was desirable. Senator Pomerene argued that Congress was powerless at present because the Supreme Court had held that presidential electors were State officials.

Constitutional Change.

A suggestion that a constitutional

A suggestion that a constitution amondment might be necessary to give Congress oversight of presidential cam-paigns brought from Mr. Hays a pro-posal that the parties might unite in an effort to obtain such a change in the